



WEEKLY BULLETIN | Friday 19th May

The Week Ahead

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Key Dates

Wednesday 24th May	Year 10 Politics Club Speech Evening (4pm start, 3:30pm for refreshments)
Monday 29th June - Friday 2nd June	HALF TERM
Monday 5th June	GCSE Exams continue
Tuesday 6th June	Year 10 History Walking Tour (PM)
Thursday 8th June	Year 10 Trust Sixth Forms Taster Event at Comberton 6th Form (PM only)
Friday 9th June	Years 7 & 8 Outreach Session at Peterhouse College, Cambridge
Thursday 15th June	Sports Awards Evening (Open 6pm for a 6:30pm start)

Dear Parents and Carers

Review of Branded School Uniform

In the summer term last year I wrote to ask your views on removing the requirement for pupils to wear branded trousers and skirts as part of their uniform, provided that appropriate non-branded items were worn in their place. Parents were in favour of this and it was agreed that we would run a pilot scheme for one year to assess the impact on pupil appearance.

Within this pilot, parents were asked to buy non-branded items that would resemble the branded uniform very closely. The following were among items stated as definitely unacceptable:

- *Leggings*
- *Jeans*
- *Jogging bottoms*
- *Any sports-wear and stretch, skin-tight items.*
- *Stretch 'tube' skirts*
- *Skirts with a hem more than 2 fingers' width above the knee at the start of the school year*

Unfortunately, as the year has progressed, we have seen a distinct deterioration in standards of uniform. Numbers of girls are wearing leggings; many have very short skirts of thin stretchy material and numbers of boys are in jogging bottoms instead of trousers. Addressing these issues in school is taking far too much staff time and the appearance of some pupils on journeys to and from school is undermining our reputation in the community.

As such, with approval from our Governors, the school will be reinstating the requirement for pupils to wear branded trousers and skirts from September 2023; the revised uniform policy is at the end of this letter and on [this link](#). Please note also the requirement for pupils to wear flat-soled shoes that can be polished.

One of our suppliers, Essential SchoolWear, ceased trading last year so while a second supplier is sought (the tendering process is overseen by the Cam Academy Trust) our sole supplier will be [Total Clothing](#). If you would like your child to try on skirts and trousers to determine the right size before you buy, please contact [Mrs Collins](#).

We will try to lessen the impact of the increased cost to families as much as we can. Our pre-worn uniform shop is available online all year round, and as always, parents are invited to send their requests via this [FORM](#) to arrange purchase of items if available. Donations of uniform in good condition to the shop are always very much appreciated.

We will support families who will find it hard to purchase the fully branded uniform. Families receiving free school meals and the Pupil Premium will be contacted separately with offers of support, and any family that has difficulty in providing full uniform for September is invited to contact their year team in confidence to agree a way forward.

I hope that we can rely on your support with this measure; we are determined to maintain the highest expectations of our pupils and addressing slipping standards of uniform is very important to this.

Yours sincerely

Claire Coates

Principal

CAMBOURNE VILLAGE COLLEGE SCHOOL UNIFORM 2023-24

We believe that wearing uniform helps to create a sense of identity and community in school. Our uniform is smart, practical and comfortable and we expect pupils to wear it with pride when at school, on journeys between home and school, and especially when representing the school on visits and fixtures. Pupils who do not meet our expectations about uniform will be asked to change and non-compliance will usually be sanctioned.

Shirts:	Branded College blue polo shirt (grey for Prefects). Any garment worn under the polo shirt must not be visible whether the shirt is worn buttoned or unbuttoned.
Sweatshirts:	Branded grey College sweatshirt (Black for Year 11). The College sweatshirt must always be worn as the next layer over the polo shirt, when another layer is required.
Trousers:	Branded College trousers – should finish below the ankle. They must be worn with plain socks which can be either grey, black or white.
Skirts:	Branded skirt – should finish at the knee. Skirts are worn with un-patterned black or neutral tights, or with socks in either grey, black or white.
Shorts	Branded shorts may be worn. They must be worn with plain socks in either grey, black or white.
Shoes:	Plain black leather or leather-style shoes that can be polished, with a flat sole. No sandals, branding, canvas/fabric style shoes, boots, trainers, or trainer-style shoes, are allowed.
Jewellery:	The only jewellery permitted is one small, plain stud in each pierced ear. Nose studs and other facial piercings (including temporary blank/neutral retainers) are not acceptable. All jewellery and piercings must be completely removed for PE. Earrings cannot be taped or covered at any time within the school. Please ensure that new piercing is only done at the beginning of the summer holiday and not done within the academic year.
Hairstyles:	Extreme haircuts and colours as judged by the College are not allowed.
Make Up	Natural-looking make-up may be worn. Long fingernails are not acceptable for safety reasons. Fingernails should not be visible above the fingers when the hand is viewed from the palm.
Outside wear	When travelling to and from school and when outside the school building, pupils are allowed to wear all items of outdoor clothing, including coats, jackets, hoodies, scarves, gloves and hats. None of these should have inappropriate slogans or logos. These should be removed before entering the building.

Lunch debt reminders.

Please could all parents be mindful of the amount of money on your child's parent pay account. This is especially relevant to our **YEAR 11 PARENTS** who will need to top up accounts if your child is in debt. **Accounts in debt need to be cleared before half term.** We will never let your child go hungry at lunch, and if you need any help with adding money or if you are struggling, please contact your child's year team in confidence.



Year 10 Politics Club Speeches



Year 10 students at Cambourne Village College are taking part in a weekly politics club throughout April and May. The aim of the club is to learn more about politics and to end with a speech evening in which students write a short speech about an area of politics that interests them.

The speech evening will take place in the school library on Wednesday 24th May from 4-5.30pm. There will be refreshments available from 3.30pm. Please do come along if you can and hear from our wonderful students!

Cambourne Village College Chess Club!

Chess is becoming popular once again with young people and we are keen to encourage this at Cambourne Village College.

To this end we are looking to set up a chess club at school.

We are asking for donations of chess sets you may have but don't use, even ones missing a piece or two.

If you have these and are happy to donate please can they be taken to the school Library or to Mrs Gale's office downstairs in the Green wing. New chess sets are also very gratefully received along with any books on chess or chess clocks. Thank you.



LOCKERS: Please remember that you are able to pay your non refundable deposit for your child's locker via ParentPay.

If you have any problems doing this please email your child's year team.

The Anna Freud centre for children and families has launched a new online support project for everyone to access in order to gain trusted and up to date information on **youth mental health and wellbeing**. *On My Mind* is designed as a "one stop shop" for students, covering a comprehensive list of topics. Parents and carers, and teachers will also find the website useful, as there is a section specifically aimed at supporting them too.

The *On My Mind* link for young people can be found here [On My Mind - Anna Freud Centre](#). It is also on the school website, alongside other support websites, under the mental health and wellbeing tab: [Well-Being - Cambourne Village College \(cambournevc.org\)](#)



Mental Health Awareness Week 2023

This year the theme is **anxiety**. In polling carried out by the Mental Health Foundation, [anxiety](#) was the number one mental health issue people told them they wanted to focus on. Anxiety is very common, and we want to use the week to explore people's experiences, increase understanding of the root causes and share some of the things that can help to reduce anxiety's toll on our lives.

Because we use the vocabulary of anxiety/anxious in many conversations there can be confusion about the difference between feeling anxious and a diagnosis of anxiety. Explained simply, everyone experiences feelings of anxiety at some time – for example: before starting a new job, when IT fails during a presentation or when there's a change in living arrangements - but it is when signs and symptoms last longer, are more severe and interfere with everyday life/work or relationships that a professional may diagnose an anxiety disorder.

What you know and understand about anxiety will help you and can also support you to help others.

Do you know which signs to look out for? Would you know how to support or signpost someone?

What can you do next?

= Take a moment for yourself or with others at work to look at the information about anxiety at mentalhealth.org.uk

= Use the Take Ten Together Toolkit at mhfaengland.org to open conversations with others.

= Help other people feel less alone by sharing your personal experiences of anxiety. Share your story on social media with the hashtags #ToHelpMyAnxiety and #MentalHealthAwarenessWeek.

= Use our [social media guide](#) with suggested posts and graphics to spread the word about the week.

Check out [our tips on ways to manage anxiety](#). These evidence-based recommendations are things we can all do to help cope with feelings of anxiety.

Library Wellbeing Resources

It is now possible to access our wellbeing resources that are available in the library and on ClickView.

We have a large collection of fiction and non-fiction, as well as films and documentaries which can support with mental health and wellbeing.

A link to the resources is available on the CATalogue [here](#).

Thank you to everyone who supported our fundraising by buying raffle tickets for our Grand Raffle through the months of February and March this year.

The raffle was part of a bigger fundraising initiative that currently being undertaken by the Charitable Trust where we are seeking to raise a final £30,000 to:

- 1. Build a storage shed to house school equipment while the theatre is in use - £10,000**
- 2. Install a cinema projector in the new Sixth Form Centre Lecture Hall to provide a Community Cinema for Cambourne (Completion 2024) - £20,000**

The Grand Raffle started the fundraising really well, raising a total of **£2648.03**, which is a fantastic start! We do still however need more donations to reach the £30,000 mark, so please think about donating if you can, via our People's Fundraising page: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/wall/cambourne-village-college-charitable-trust>

Grand Raffle Winners

The three **winning tutor groups** that sold the most tickets were:

- 1st place: 7A** (who won a Domino's pizza lunch at the end of term for the whole form)
2nd place: 7V (who won a large tub of Haribo)
3rd place: 7R (who won a large tub of biscuits)

The **top 10 students** who sold the most tickets each won a two week '**First in Food Queue pass**' for the winner and a friend, valid for both break and lunches:

- 1/ Mia (7A)
- 2/ Harvey (7V)
- 3/ Ashvika (10O)
- 4/ Lucas (7V)
- 5/ Ellia (7U)
- 6/ Adam (7O), Harriet (8M), Harry (7O), Kayden (7O), Mia (7O), Afonso (7O), Joey (7V), Sophie (8O), Ben (8V)

Charitable Trust Grand Raffle Winners:

Weekend Car Hire from Barons BMW	Nigel
Afternoon Tea for 2 at the Cambridge Belfry Hotel	Matt
4 Family Portrait vouchers	Catherine Arlene Alan Laura
Morrisons Food Hamper	Claire
Dome Dining at the Willow Tree in Bourn	Gloria
Meal for two at the Shilpa Indian Restaurant, Papworth	Harvey
Sunday Roast for 2 at the Duncombe Arms, Waresley	Alex
The Signature Cabinet from Hotel Chocolat	Joseph
£20 Cineworld Voucher	Yuresh
£25 M&S Voucher	Stephen
£25 John Lewis Voucher	Deb
£20 Beauty Cabin Voucher	Gianni
Norwich City Home Game tickets	Tom
Cambridge United Home Game tickets	Tina
Admission for 2 to Shepreth Wildlife Park	V.S
The Velvetiser Hot Chocolate Machine from Hotel Chocolat	Lisa
£25 towards beauty treatments at Anna PMU Clinic	Victoria

How you can still help:

A fully equipped Arts Centre and Cinema for Cambourne can be a reality, but we need your help.

If you can and would like to donate, please either use the QR code below or donate via our People's Fundraising Page on the link:

<https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/wall/cambourne-village-college-charitable-trust>

If you have any fundraising ideas as well please also contact thecollege@cambournevc.org





POST 16 OPEN EVENTS

Attendance at most of the events below is to be self-organised by parents/pupils. We will share all information received on these events, but it is pupils'/ parents' responsibility to register attendance with the individual sixth form/college and organise travel accordingly.

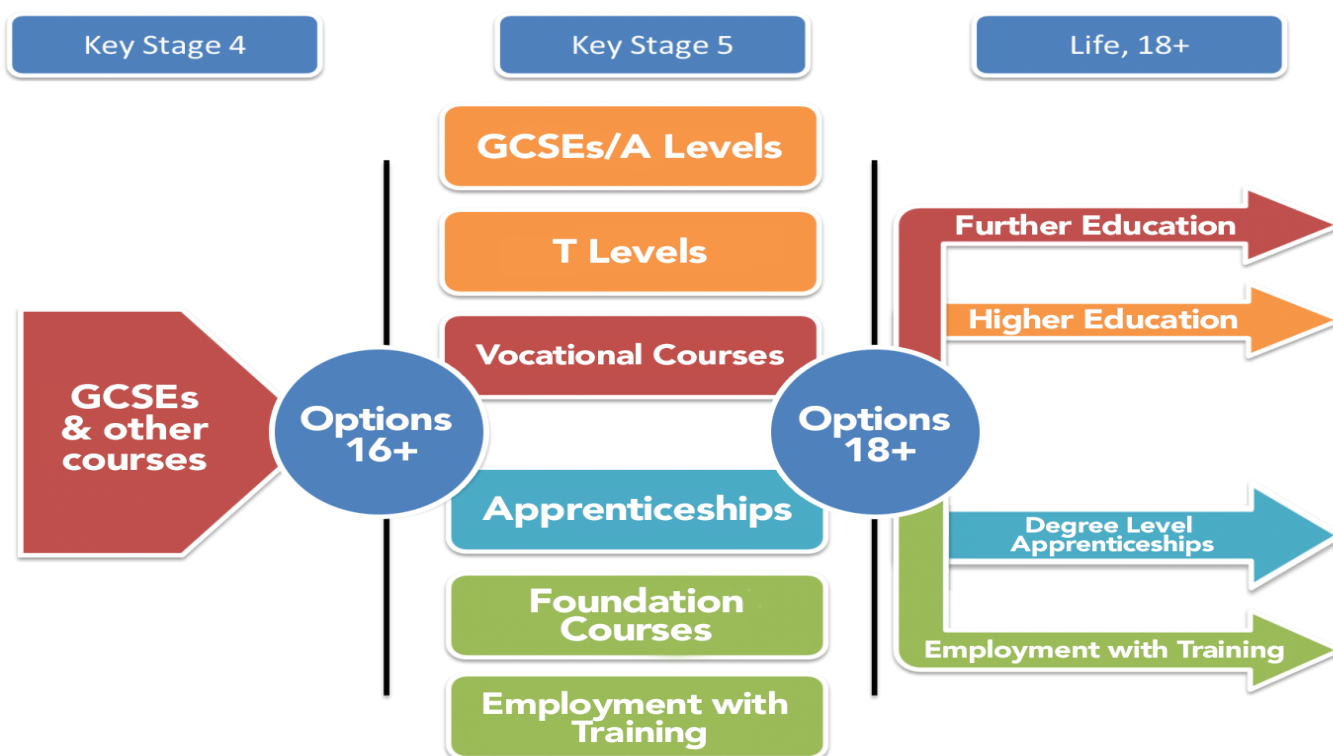
If attending an open event that falls during school hours, a planned absence form will need to be completed, so that student absence can be authorised. Completed forms should be returned to the attendance officer at thecollege@cambournevc.org or handed into Reception. Planned absence forms can be found at: <https://www.cambournevc.org/parent-carer-and-student-information/absence.php>.

Pupils are normally limited to attendance at a maximum of two college open day/ taster day events during school time.

Summer Term 2023

Institution	Details
Bishop Laney, Ely	Taster Day, 11th July, all day https://www.elycollege.com/page/?title=Sixth+Form&pid=10
Cambridge Maths School	22nd June - Year 10 Eureka Day of enrichment and challenges for Year 10 students, intended to inspire young people to study maths, further maths and science A-Levels. https://cms.tela.org.uk/
CAST	Open Evening: 5th July, 5-8pm https://cast.education/
Cambridge Regional College	Open evening(s): Cambridge campus: 4th July, 4.30-7.30 pm Open event: 21st June (cf. above); 7th July Huntingdon campus: 23rd May – insight mornings Year 10 Taster Day: Wednesday 21st June at Cambridge Campus - Attendance via Cambourne Village College School trip – please see above for more information Details of all events can be found on the college website: https://www.camre.ac.uk/events/
Chesterton Sixth Form	Open Day: 7th July, 9am-3pm https://csf.tela.org.uk/

Institution	Details
Hills Road Sixth Form	Open Day(s) Saturday 8th July, 10-4pm Monday 10th July, 5-8pm https://www.hillsroad.ac.uk/
Impington International College	Open Day: 10th July https://www.impingtoninternational.org.uk/
Long Road Sixth Form College	Open Evening: 4th and 5th July, 5-9pm Booking required via the link on their website .
College of West Anglia (Milton)	Open Day 19th June 10am-2pm – register online . https://cwa.ac.uk/about/open-days
The Oakes Sixth Form College	Open Evening: 28th June, 6-8pm Taster Days: 9.45am-2pm, 4th and 5th July. Interested students should only attend one of those two days. https://oakescc.org/
Comberton Sixth Form	Open Evening: 21st June, 6-8.30pm provisionally – times TBC https://www.combertonsixthform.org/
Parkside Sixth	Taster Day w/c 3rd July https://parksidesixth.education/events/





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Impington International College Year 10 Taster Day 2023



A message from Impington International College:

Impington International College are hosting their year 10 Taster Day on 10th July 2023. You can register for tickets now.

On the day you will get the opportunity to hear an introduction to our internationally recognised programmes, tour the college, and try out some of the many subjects we offer.

Here at Impington, we understand that your choices in sixth form depend very much on your future plans. In order to create your bespoke programme, please choose which 4 subjects you are interested in by filling in this form . You will be sent confirmation of your choices in due course.

Impington International College is also praised for its top-class football, rugby and netball scholarship programmes and its hugely successful performance school. If you have this sort of specialist interest, there will be sessions on the day to inspire you!

Please note that this event is for students only.

Our Open Evening is on the 18th October 2023 and we are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers to this.

If you have any questions about the day, and need to contact us, please do on international@ivc.tmet.org.uk.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Link to book:

To apply to Impington International College Yr 10 Taster Day 10th July please click here:

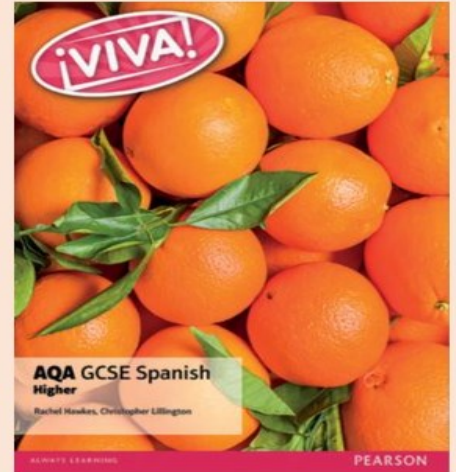
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/625206368077>



Time to give back!



Please return all course & library books
These are issued to you through the library and MUST be returned before you leave school!



If you need to check what you have on loan, please ask in the library

Valid from Monday 24th April 2023



WEST CAMBOURNE SHUTTLE BUS

For our families living in **West Cambourne** - please note that there is now a shuttle bus to connect the new development with the rest of the town, including a stop at Cambourne VC. Please see the timetable below. This is also published on the Cambourne Town Council Website here: [West Cambourne Shuttle Bus - Cambourne Town Council](#)

MONDAY TO FRIDAY / Including Bank Holiday Mondays

Cambourne West > Woodfield Lane > Monkfield Park Primary School > De La Warr Way > Cambourne Village College

	WEST CAMBOURNE SHUTTLE BUS																				
Cambourne West (Cavell Avenue / Dobbins Avenue)	8:00	8:15	8:30	8:45	9:15	9:45	10:15	10:45	11:15	11:45	12:15	12:45	13:15	13:45	14:15	14:45	15:15	15:30	15:45	16:00	16:15
Woodfield Lane bus stop (CoOp)	8:05	8:20	8:35	8:50	9:20	9:50	10:20	10:50	11:20	11:50	12:20	12:50	13:20	13:50	14:20	14:50	15:20	15:35	15:50	16:05	16:20
Monkfield Park Primary School bus stop	8:07	8:22	8:37	8:52	9:22	9:52	10:22	10:52	11:22	11:52	12:22	12:52	13:22	13:52	14:22	14:52	15:22	15:37	15:52	16:07	16:22
De La Warr Way bus stop (Morrison's)	8:09	8:24	8:39	8:54	9:24	9:54	10:24	10:54	11:24	11:54	12:24	12:54	13:24	13:54	14:24	14:54	15:24	15:39	15:54	16:09	16:24
Cambourne Village College	8:15	8:30	8:45	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	13:00	13:30	14:00	14:30	15:00	15:30	15:45	16:00	16:15	16:30
De La Warr Way bus stop (Morrison's)	8:20	8:35	8:50	9:05	9:35	10:05	10:35	11:05	11:35	12:05	12:35	13:05	13:35	14:05	14:35	15:05	15:35	15:50	16:05	16:20	16:35
Monkfield Park Primary School bus stop	8:21	8:36	8:51	9:06	9:36	10:06	10:36	11:06	11:36	12:06	12:36	13:06	13:36	14:06	14:36	15:06	15:36	15:51	16:06	16:21	16:36
Woodfield Lane bus stop (CoOp)	8:23	8:38	8:53	9:08	9:38	10:08	10:38	11:08	11:38	12:08	12:38	13:08	13:38	14:08	14:38	15:08	15:38	15:53	16:08	16:23	16:38
Cambourne West (Cavell Avenue / Dobbins Avenue)	8:28	8:43	8:58	9:13	9:43	10:13	10:43	11:13	11:43	12:13	12:43	13:13	13:43	14:13	14:43	15:13	15:43	15:58	16:13	16:28	16:43



SPORTS ACTIVATORS 23-24



Sports Activators

We are now accepting applications from **Year 7s and 8s** who would like to **apply to become a Sports Activator**.

This role is aimed at Year 7s and 8s who love their PE and school sport and want to get involved more. Being a sports activator means pupils can help out at Open Evening, the Year 6 sports festival as well as other sports festivals and visits. It is a great opportunity for anyone who love PE and might want to become a sports leader in the future.

To apply, pupils need to collect an application form from outside the PE office, complete it and return it alongside a homemade poster of their sporting role model. The deadline is Thursday 25th May.

For further information [click here](#) to watch a short loom video on it.



Sports Activator If your child is interested

STEP 1

- Make sure they are attending PE clubs
- Demonstrate the right attitude in all things PE and Sport
- Create an informative poster on their role model in Sport.

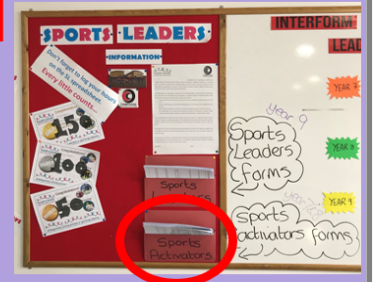
STEP 2

- Collect a letter from the Sports Leaders Board outside the PE office.
- Fill it in with plenty of detail. The more the better!
- Hand it back to Miss Curtis completed, by **Thursday 25th May 3pm**

STEP 3

(if selected)

- Pay for the T-shirt on ParentPay
- Get involved in as much as possible, be a role model





FREE FOOTBALL SESSIONS

For Girls aged 11-14



A fun opportunity to play
football locally!

Squad Girls Football caters for
all, whether completely
new or experienced!

Available to ALL girls: ages U12-U14 (Years 7-9 inclusive) and any external girls still aged 14 in Year 10.

Cost: For Cambourne Town FC club members, it will be FREE forever. For non-club members, it will be free for the rest of this season (2022/23 season).

To Register: Email: girlssec@cambournetownfc.org.uk

Sundays 10-11am
3G Pitches Everyone Active,
Cambourne



@cambournetownfc



ENGLAND
FOOTBALL

www.cambournetownfc.org.uk

P.E. Clubs

PE Department Extra-curricular Clubs – April 2023

MONDAY 3-4pm

Rounders – Hard courts

KS3 football – Astro

KS4 football – Astro

Table tennis – Dining hall

Athletics – Field

Rugby – Field

TUESDAY 3-4pm

Dance – Drama studio

Golf coaching – Sign up on ParentPay – CCC

Girls Football – Astro

KS4 table tennis – Dining hall

Cricket – Sports hall/Field/Astro

Rowing / Fitness – Performance Hall

WEDNESDAY 3-4pm

FIXTURES

THURSDAY 3-4pm

Sports Leaders Opportunities – Check the Sports Leaders Board

Girls active – Sports Hall (Sports Leaders)

FRIDAY 3-4pm

BTEC Catch up – IT04

GCSE Catch up – O11

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Boys – meet at the back doors to the **orange** changing rooms

Girls – meet at the back doors to the **green** changing rooms

Barons' Sporting Bursary

The Barons' Sporting Bursary is awarded to any CamVC student who would like to join a community sports club or to participate in a sporting festival or event but cannot afford the membership or associated costs.

Its aim is to ensure that every student at CamVC can participate in sport, dance and physical activity regardless of costs. Some examples of how the bursary can be used are:

- Paying for a year's membership to a Sports Club, e.g. Cambourne Netball Club
- Paying for transport costs for you to get into Cambridge to participate in a club
- Paying for additional equipment that you require for your sport, eg a new hockey stick
- Paying for the entry costs of an event like the Cambridge Schools Cross Country
- Paying to attend a sports coaching or refereeing course such as a FA young officials course

If your child would like to apply for the bursary then please ask them to fill out the form [here](#) with as much information as possible about themselves and the sporting opportunity.

Barons' Sporting Bursary

The Barons' Sporting Bursary is awarded to any student who would like to play more sport but cannot afford the membership or associated costs.

Bursaries can be awarded from
£20-£200



Is there a new sports club you would like to join?

Do you need to pay expensive transport costs to get to a club or event?

Is there a coaching or referees course you would like to go on?

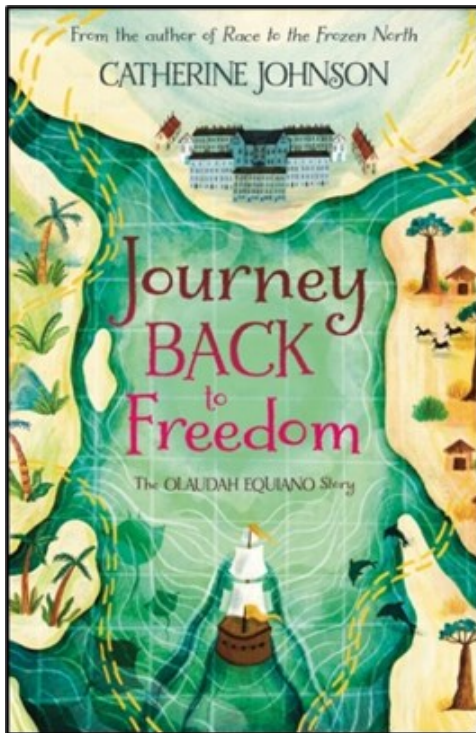


If the answer is YES to any of the above questions, then please complete the online application form.

Scan the QR code above



BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



Journey back to freedom: The Olaudah Equiano story by Catherine Johnson

Recounts the true story of Olaudah Equiano's life from being kidnapped from his village in Africa as a child and sold into slavery to earning his freedom and settling in London. From the horrors of the slave trade to a book that changed the world, Catherine Johnson celebrates the incredible life of Olaudah Equiano in this gripping true story. Born in what is now Nigeria in 1745, Olaudah Equiano's peaceful childhood was brought to an abrupt end when he was captured and enslaved aged 11. He spent much of the next eight years of his life at sea, seeing action in the Seven Years' War. When he was finally able to buy his freedom, he went on to become a prominent member of the abolition movement and in 1789 published one of the first books by a Black African writer. *(Available from the School Library)*



13 Art Techniques children should know by Angela Wenzel

Looks at 13 important art techniques and how they have been used. How is a fresco made? What did Stone Age people draw with? What is the difference between an etching and a woodcut? This book introduces children to thirteen important art techniques, demonstrated by important works. From oil painting to collage to installations, young readers will learn about the techniques and materials artists use to make their art. *(Available from the School Library)*

ARTICLES

Students have access to a Teams channel of articles that school staff have chosen as being particularly interesting.

If your child is looking for something to read, there is a continually-updated selection – they'll fit nicely into the reading time each day, and offer something current to learn more about.

Find it here: [Recommended Articles](#)



Instrumental & Singing Lessons

In Cambourne we have nearly 200 pupils regularly doing Instrumental & Singing lessons in school!

If your child would like to learn a musical instrument, or get singing lessons – then it isn't too late to sign them up – and for most instruments they would be able to start almost straight away.

We currently offer instrumental lessons for:

- Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Violin, Trumpet, Trombone
- Piano, Keyboard
- Drums
- Acoustic Guitar, Electric Guitar, Bass Guitar

And singing lessons for all varieties of singer – including pop / classical / musical theatre!

If you would like to find out more about how instrumental & singing lessons work, then visit the school website for more details:

[Instrument lessons - Cambourne Village College \(cambournevc.org\)](http://cambournevc.org)

And then fill in the online form here:

[Application form for instrument and singing lessons at Cambourne Village College \(office.com\)](http://office.com)

If you have any questions about instrumental & singing lessons, please contact Geoff Page (Head of Music – gpage@cambournevc.org)

Music Clubs

There are lots of different clubs that your child can come attend if they want to develop their musical skills and get to know other musicians in the school!

Clubs are free to attend, and the different groups often get opportunities to perform in school concerts, as well as opportunities outside of school.

The following clubs are starting next week (in the Music Block):

Band (Monday 3-4pm), all instrumentalists, all years

Junior Singer (Tuesday lunchtime), years 7 & 8

Jazz Band (Tuesday 3-4pm), years 9-11

Ukulele Club (Wednesday lunchtime), years 7 – 9

Friday Choir (Friday 3-4pm), years 9-11

If your child is interested in joining a musical club, they are welcome to attend (whatever their ability) and see how they get on!

Job Advert:



Hardwick and Cambourne Community Primary School Vacancy for a Full Time Pre-School Manager

Required from September 2023

Closing date: 6th June 2023 @10am

Shortlisting: 8th June 2023

Interview: By Invitation – 15th June 2023

Pay Scale: S01 (point 23) 37.5 hours per week term-time only (FTE £30,151)

Are you looking for a new challenge? Are the Early years your passion? HCCPS are on an exciting journey with our well established and popular nursery becoming a pre-school in September. As such we are seeking to employ an aspirational and knowledgeable pre-school manager to join our school family and lead a dedicated and hard working team.

Our pre-school provides education for children aged 3 and 4 and plays a pivotal role in their early development - helping them to transition into the reception year. The early years provision at HCCPS encourages each child to be a confident and curious learner and our children will never fail to make you smile each and every day!

With the pre-school being part of the school, it enables the children to not only have access to our school resources, such as the hall, library, wildlife area (to name but a few), but also allows them join in with whole school events eg. harvest festivals, traditional tales week and the school productions. This collaboration leads to a good transition into reception and school life.

We are seeking to employ a manager who is highly motivated, enthusiastic and who has a passion for child development.

We are looking for someone who:

- Has experience of leading and managing a successful early year's team
- Is passionate about child development and who has a strong vision for engaging staff and parents to secure a successful future for the pre-school
- Demonstrates innovative practice, leadership and management skills
- Is self-motivated and enthusiastic with good interpersonal skills
- Has a detailed knowledge of all current legislation relevant to the early years setting
- Can demonstrate an excellent working knowledge of the revised EYFS framework
- Demonstrates excellent planning, leadership and management skills
- Support the school's ethos and values
- Will liaise with parents and carers, informing them of their child's progress and development

In return, we can offer:

- The support of our experienced EYFS leader
- A friendly and supportive staff team and wider school community
- A stimulating, challenging play-based curriculum, built around the interests of the children
- Engaged and curious children
- A large dedicated pre-school environment with great outdoor space

Visits to our school are strongly advised so prospective candidates can have a full understanding of our unique school.

We would welcome applications from experienced pre-school/ nursery managers or deputies. If you would like to discuss this opportunity further or to arrange a visit, please contact the school office on 01954210070 or email our School Business Manager, Catherine Mitchell – sbm@hardwick.cambs.sch.uk

The full application pack can be accessed and downloaded from our school website www.hardwickandcambourneprimary.co.uk

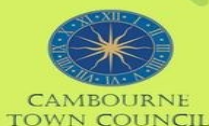
Hardwick and Cambourne Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting welfare of children in our care. All staff and volunteers are expected to share this commitment. In our school we create a culture of safeguarding vigilance which is the responsibility of all staff.

When applying for a post at Hardwick and Cambourne Primary school, you will be subject to a safer recruitment process as follows:

- If you are shortlisted, you will be required to complete a self-disclosure, which you will need to bring with you in an envelope marked confidential
- All shortlisted candidates will be subject to an online search
- During the interview process, the interview panel will explore your skills, experience and attitudes and the questions asked will include questions about safeguarding children
- All successful candidates will be subject to an enhanced DBS check with barred list

CAMBOURNE COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

RECYCLE
WOOD,
ELECTRICAL &
METAL ITEMS



TERRA
CYCLE

CLOTHES
SWAP

'TAKE IT
OR LEAVE
IT' STALL

COMMUNITY
LITTER PICK



SATURDAY 10TH JUNE

The Cambourne Community Clean-Up can get you cleaned up for summer!

Do you have a broken bed frame? Old hair dryer? Rusty bike?

Cambourne Town Council are working with Greater Cambridge Shared Waste Service again who will be providing the skips for the Cambourne Community Clean-Up.

You can bring down your broken or unwanted items to be recycled: wood, metal or electronic items. Anything deemed in good or working condition may be put on the 'Take it or Leave it' stall for someone else to take away and repurpose. This could be furniture, bikes, toys or books!

They will also be hosting a clothes swap and a community litter pick at the same time.

Date: Saturday 10th June

Time: 9am - 1pm

Location: Hub Community Centre car park

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

6 days or less
absence per year

97% or above

**VERY GOOD
THIS IS YOUR
TARGET**

Between
7 and 19 days
absence per year

90% - 96%

**BELOW
EXPECTATIONS**

More
than 19 days
absence per year

Under 90%

**POOR
ATTENDANCE**

Reporting your Child's Absence from School:

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school you have a legal requirement to inform the school **on each day of absence**. Please email (thecollege@cambournevc.org) or call the school on 01954 284000 **by 9am every day of the absence** and leave a message clearly stating the reason for absence and the child's full name and tutor group. If you fail to inform the school, we are legally required to make contact with you, to ensure the child's safety. Even if they have been absent on the previous day we cannot assume they are still at home poorly.

Appointments:

If your child misses registration for a medical or dental appointment, this is counted as an authorised absence. Please give advance notice, ideally 2 school days, by emailing thecollege@cambournevc.org with the dates and times the pupil is expected to be out of school and preferably with a copy of the appointment card/notification so that the absence can be authorised. As much as possible, pupils should be in school prior to/ after the appointment and out of school for as little time as possible.

Prior notification ensures the Year team and Reception staff are aware of your child arriving late / leaving early and the necessary arrangements can be put in place. If your child needs to leave early for an appointment, they should inform their teacher that they need to be excused early and make their own way down to Reception. The Reception staff will try to help locate children for appointments, but we do not always have someone available to do a collection from lessons.

Planned Absence Request:

For any planned absence which is not a medical appointment, please complete a [planned absence request form](#). If possible, please submit this form two weeks before the absence. This will enable us to give you a response before the absence is taken. If a request for planned absence is not made, it is likely to be recorded as Unauthorised on your child's attendance record.

All pupils leaving early for appointments need to be collected by a parent to sign them out through our main Reception.

If your child has **lost an item of uniform**, please ask them to check with their **Year team office** in the first instance, or please **email thecollege@cambournevc.org** so that we can arrange for your child to check our unnamed items.

If your child needs a coat/jacket and would like to look through our unnamed items to find something suitable for them, please ask them to go to their Year team office or email the College.

LOST
PROPERTY

SecondHandUniform

We currently have a large number of good quality second hand uniforms available for purchase at a discounted rate. Please complete the form: [Second-Hand Uniform Request](#) and enter what uniform needs your child has.

With evening reception hours (6pm to 9pm) each weeknight (during term time) there is an opportunity to organise a Covid safely-distanced visit to the school to 'see before you buy' at hours to suit you.

Please email our evening receptionist **Liz Staines** to organise a time slot: El-Staines@cambournevc.org



Thank you for your continued support with your children's return to school by sending them back in such smart uniform.

Families who find it difficult to afford school uniform at any time should contact their Year team admin (details below), in complete confidence, so that a way forward can be found.

Year 7 - Sam Tomlinson cam-year7@cambournevc.org

Year 8 - Lorraine Lye cam-year8@cambournevc.org

Year 9 - Louise Boyd cam-year9@cambournevc.org

Year 10 - Mel Stanford cam-year10@cambournevc.org

Year 11 - Kaleigh Blane cam-year11@cambournevc.org

Our up-to-date uniform policy and suppliers can be found on the [school website](#).

Safeguarding

At Cambourne Village College we work hard to make sure that we build up positive relationships with the pupils in our care and we hope that we can support families in safeguarding your children.

**Safeguarding is
Everyone's
Responsibility**

What is safeguarding?

- Protecting children
- Preventing harm to a child

This includes a variety of different aspects. We are here to help your child make good choices but also support them if they make a mistake.

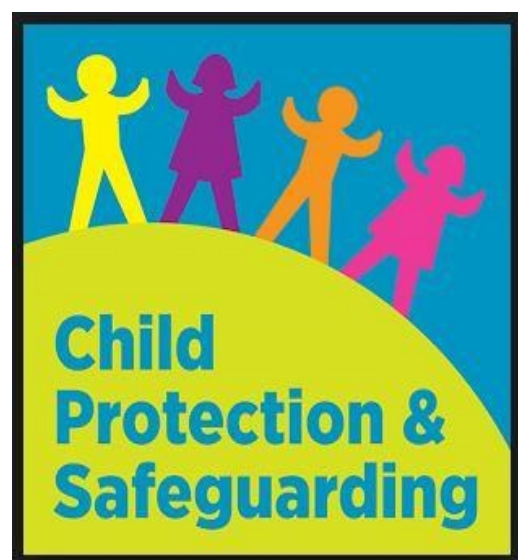
We work with individual students, their families and external agencies.

What do we do at CamVC to safeguard your child?

- **Staff are vigilant** – staff are very good at noticing small changes and listening to the concerns of those in our care. Tutors are well placed in this process, however all staff play an active role in this.
- **Designated Team** – we have a specific team of people working each day to address concerns raised by staff, pupils, parents and external agencies. This team works to make sure concerns are addressed and the appropriate support is advised
- **Pupil Voice** - we encourage pupils to speak to us or raise their concerns via the 'Report a Concern' button on their iPad

How can we help you?

If you have any concerns about your child or you would like any support, please contact us via cam-safeguarding@cambournevc.org



Online Safety Tips

KEEPING YOUR CHILD SAFE ONLINE

Please see below some links to helpful ideas and materials around keeping children safe online:

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://oursaferschools.co.uk/home-learning-hub/>



COMBINED MINDS APP

Combined Minds is an app for parents and carers developed for teenage mental health charity Stem4 by Clinical Psychologists. The app aims to help families and friends support young people with their mental health.

Combined Minds use a 'strength based approach' which focuses on the positive attributes of the person and builds on resourcefulness and resilience. The app helps families to find ways to provide the right environment to help individuals they support affect their own change.

The app includes providing further information on certain needs such as anxiety and digital addiction as well as offering ways of accessing further help and useful suggestions of 'things you can do in the moment' to help support the young person.

More information can be found through the Combined Minds website at <https://combinedminds.co.uk/>

TEAMS | ONENOTE

Microsoft Teams, Teams assignments, and OneNote are becoming increasingly more central to the way we are providing and receiving work. Below are some resources to help you support your children with these services.

Click here for a guide to handing in Teams Assignments:

https://catrustorg.sharepoint.com/:b:/s/CambourneVCPublic/Eckeb-WkJX1NoaAciPBjAScBG_cU4zuSmd0A0WEUDyO-Fw?e=OgjANx

[Click here](#) for a YouTube playlist with short tutorial videos (if you prefer, your child can access the same videos through their school account [here](#))





Students IT Support

If your child needs a password reset, for example to their email, Show My Homework or any of the platforms we use at the College, or if they have any issues with their iPads, please email cam-support@cambournevc.org.

We will aim to respond to any enquiry within 48 hours.

Communication with the School

How can I contact my child's Year Team?



Please email cam-year7@cambournevc.org | PSA Sam Tomlinson

Please email cam-year8@cambournevc.org | PSA Lorraine Lye

Please email cam-year9@cambournevc.org | PSA Louise Boyd

Please email cam-year10@cambournevc.org | PSA Mel Stanford

Please email cam-year11@cambournevc.org |



We will aim to respond to any enquiry within 48 hours.

There are a variety of ways in which we will contact you, including by telephone, by letter, by email, in our newsletters and via our website. There are several ways in which you can contact us, and these include:



By email to thecollege@cambournevc.org



By calling Reception for all general enquiries on 01954 284 000



By writing to Cambourne Village College, Sheepfold Lane, Cambourne CB23 6FR



Via the 'contact us' page of our school website www.cambournevc.org

We aim to respond to any enquiry within 48 hours.