

WEEKLY BULLETIN | Friday 11 June 2021

The Week Ahead

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Extra-Curricular Clubs Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to see our current programme

Sports Clubs and Fixtures Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to see our current programme

Vacancies Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to see a list of our current Vacancies

Key Dates

Thursday 24 June Year 10 GCSE Drama trip to the Theatre (13.30-17.15)





Dear Parents and Carers

Year 7 Parents Consultation

Thank you to everyone who attended the Year 7 Parent Consultation yesterday. Whilst it's a shame not to have met you all in person, we've received many positive comments on how easy and accessible the on-line arrangements were. We'll be reviewing how we hold these events going forward, and will ask for your views in due course.

End of Year Reports

A full academic progress report will be provided for students in all year groups at the end of term.

Hot weather warning

Our school nurse, Mrs Barker, has reported numbers of pupils reporting to her with bad hay fever this week. Please ensure that your child has been medicated before coming to school, and brings medication with them if necessary to keep them comfortable for the next weeks which are forecast to be very warm and with a high pollen count. Please would all parent ensure that their children have water bottles to help keep them hydrated as the temperatures rise.

Covid Testing

The Local Authority has informed us that cases of coronavirus are on the rise in schools in the area. Please continue to test your child(ren) every Wednesday and Sunday, and to record the results. We have only had a 58% return for pupil testing this week, which is a distinct drop from the pre-holiday levels. Please be vigilant for any symptoms of the disease, which may include headache and sore throat, and test if anyone in your household has symptoms.

Holiday Activity and Food Programme Reminder

Children who receive a benefits-related free school meal are eligible for up to 64 hours of funded holiday club provision over the summer holidays. Details are in this letter from the Local Authority. Should you have any questions, please contact the programme team using HAF@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Vacancies

We are fully staffed with teachers for next term, but have a number of support staff vacancies, including a number of Teaching Assistant and administrative roles. Please see our website for details: <u>Vacancies - Cambourne Village College (cambournevc.org)</u> and circulate to anyone who might be interested.

School Expansion

Plans for school expansion are progressing well. If you have not yet looked at the plans or the consultation document, please see our website for information: Public Consultation May 2021 - Cambourne Village College (cambournevc.org)

National Schools Healthy Eating Week

Please see the attached letter from Mrs Taylor giving information about this initiative.

Wishing you a very pleasant, sunny weekend!

Yours sincerely Claire Coates

Cam VC PE Department

Extra-curricular Clubs

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Football Astro	0.000	Basketball Sports hall		Team Games Hard courts	
	Tuesday			Tuesday	
	Year 8			Year 10	
Football Astro	Dance Gym	Team Games Hard Courts		Basketball Sports Hall	
		nesday ar 7			
Football Astro	Dance Gym	Team Games Sports Hall		Badmintor Sports Hall	
	Thu	rsday			
	Sports	Leaders			
C	Sports Lead	ers Works	hop		
	Fri	iday			
	Yea	ar 10			
Badminton Sports Hall		GCSE Netball Hard courts			

POST 16: NEXT STEPS

YEAR 10 POST 16 TRANSITION Open events at local colleges and sixth forms

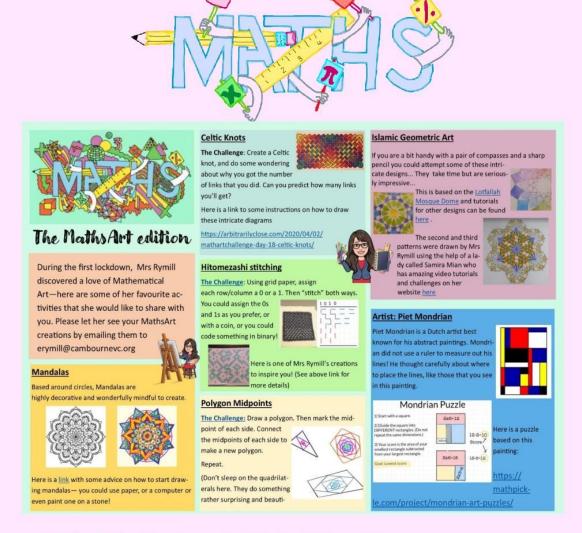
Attendance at most of the events below are to be self-organised by parents/pupils.

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 a face-to-face open/taster day that falls on a school day, 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 thecol-geo@cambournevc.org or handed into reception. Planned absence forms can be found at: https://www.cambournevc.org/parent-carer-and-student-information/absence.php

Summer Term 2021				
Institution	Details			
CAST	TBC – Please check the college website ((https://cast.education/) for information about year 10 taster and open events.			
Cambridge Regional	Open Day:			
College	24 June, 16:30 - 19:00			
	Year 10 Taster Day:			
	Wednesday 23 June at Cambridge Campus - Attendance via Cambourne Village College School trip – please see above for more information – SPACES AVAILABLE			
	Details of all events can be found on the college website (https://www.camre.ac.uk/events/)			
Hill Road Sixth Form	Year 10 Open Day			
	Saturday 10 July, 10am – 4pm and Monday 12 July, 5pm-8pm			
	These events will be ticketed. Register your interest at: https://s22.formsite.com/HillsRoadSixthForm/zzfqp7ghoo/index.html or see the Hills Road website for more information (https://www.hillsroad.ac.uk/)			
Long Road Sixth Form College	Open Evening:			
	Tuesday 22 and Wednesday 23 June 17:00pm – 21:00pm			
	Details can be found at: (<u>www.longroad.ac.uk</u>)			

College of West Anglia	TBC—Please check the college website – (https://cwa.ac.uk/about/open-days) for information about year 10 taster and open events.		
The Oakes Sixth Form	Open Day:		
College	Wednesday 30 June - Time TBC - Please see The Oakes website (https://oakescc.org/) for more information.		
	Year 10 Taster Day:-		
	Week beginning 5 July -Specific Dates and Times TBC - Please see The Oakes website (https://oakescc.org/) for more information.		
Comberton Sixth Form	Year 10 Taster Day:		
	11 th June – Attendance via Cambourne Village school trip – please see above for more information – FULLY BOOKED		
Bishop Laney Sixth Form	TBC – Please see The Bishop Laney website for more information about year 10 taster and open events(https://www.elycollege.com/page/?title=Sixth+Form&pid=10)		
Impington International College	TBC – please see the college website for more information about year 10 taster and open events(https://www.impingtoninternational.org.uk/about-us/)		
Parkside Sixth Form	TBC – please see the college website for more information about year 10 taster and open events (https://parksidesixth.education/events/)		
Shuttleworth College	Virtual Open Day: Thursday 10 June, 5.00pm - 8.00pm Please see the Shuttleworth College website for more information on how to register: (https://www.shuttleworth.ac.uk/events/2021/june/shuttlewortlege-virtual-open-day-thursday-10-june-2021)		
Autumn Term 2021			
Institution	Details		
Comberton Sixth	Open Evening:		
Form	Wednesday 3 November; times to be confirmed. Please see the Comberton Sixth Form website for more information (https://www.combertonsixthform.org/)		
Cambridge Regional	Open Evenings:		
College	Tuesday 14th September 2021, 4.30-7.00pm		
	Tuesday 5th October 2021, 5:00-7:30pm		
	Thursday 25 th November, Apprenticeship Information Evening		
	Details of all events can be found on the college website https://www.camre.ac.uk/events/ .		



Find the links on your year groups team page!

Useful websites for additional guidance

Key Stage 3 and 4

Timestable Rockstar - https://ttrockstars.com/

If you are unsure about log in detail, please email apickett@cambournevc.org

Corbett Maths - https://corbettmaths.com/contents/

Hegarty Maths - https://hegartymaths.com/

Key Stage 4

Mathsbot - https://mathsbot.com/gcseMenu

Mathsbot is great for generating GCSE practice papers or GCSE questions on specific topics.

Khan Academy - https://www.khanacademy.org/math

Really useful videos to help with different topics (is also useful if you are considering continuing maths into A Levels)

Key Stage 4 Option Choices

If you have a child in **year 9**, you (and your child) should have received a message from School-Post before half term, **confirming the options** allocated to your child.

Should you have any queries or concerns about this, or have not received a message, please get in touch with us on:

thecollege@cambournevc.org.



After school access to the school Library for pupils in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10.

The school Library is open after school **from 3pm until 4pm** for pupils in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 on the following days:

Monday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 8	Year 9	Year 7	Year 10

They are welcome to do homework, use a computer for research, look for books or to come just for some quiet reading. Depending on the number of pupils accessing it, we could limit the time they can spend inside.





Year 10 After School Revision Sessions

Starting on 8th June, the School Library will be available to Year 10 for revision sessions every Tuesday after school from 3pm to 4:30pm.

They are welcome to do revision or homework, use a computer for research or to come just for some quiet reading. Please note that they will be expected to work independently.





Adult Education are looking for tutors for their evening classes and day schools for the 2021/22 programme.

We are looking for any subject to enhance our current programme but would specifically like to hear from anybody who can offer cookery courses, Spanish language at intermediate level, IT and book-keeping. Our classes take place at Cambourne, Comberton and Melbourn Village Colleges.

Please contact Mandy Draper by email on commed@catrust.co.uk with details of the skill(s) you are able to offer.

Free Public Lectures continuing this half term

There is **no need to register** for any of these events, just click on the Microsoft Teams link to join. This is a great opportunity to hear from a variety of experts in different subject – come along! Remember we can only see/hear the speaker, do you don't need your cameras on. You can ask questions via the chat box. If you have any questions, ask Miss Angell.

You can access all the recording from previous lectures here:: https://www.cambournevc.org/news-and-events/education-all.php

This week we have a lecture that is perfect for anyone interested in Science of Child Development!

Wednesday 16th June 4pm-5pm: Tim Fulton, Department of Genetics, University of Cambridge Where do we come from? An exploration of the embryo.

Where we come from is a question which has puzzled humanity for centuries./ How do we apparently come from nothing and grow into a full sized human, which is then able to recreate more humans. During this lecture, we will travel through the history of embryology and developmental biology to look at the ideas of how we are formed. Starting with the wild ideas of the Ancient Greeks through to the most recent developments in stem cell research, we will investigate the process which created us all.

Join via Microsoft Teams: https://bit.ly/3xWjtac

Follow us on Twitter @Education__All for updates.

For more information contact: jangell@cambournevc.org & lgassner@cambournevc.org





Join us for a series of free public lectures.

The lectures are **open to all** and will be hosted via
Microsoft Teams.



FREE LECTURE PROGRAMME

June.

Tuesday 8th June, 4-5pm: Alexandra Morris PhD Student in History, Teesside University

Wednesday 9th June, 4-5pm: **Dr Tim Summers** Lecturer in Music. Royal Holloway, University of London

Wednesday 16th June, 4-5pm: **Tim Fulton**Department of Genetics University of Cambridge

Tuesday 22nd June, 4-5pm: **Sharon Connolly**Medieval Historian and author.

Monday 28th June, 4-5pm: **Professor Sir Harry Bhadeshia**Tata Steel Professor of Metallurgy. University of Cambridge

July:

Monday 5th July, 4-5pm: **Sarah Barron**BSc, MSc, MRes Neuroscience & Sensor Technologies – PhD Student in Bioengineering and Bioelectronics. University of Cambridge

Wednesday 14th July 4-5pm: **Dr Amy Lilwall** Senior Lecturer in Creative Writing. University of Lincoln

Wednesday 21st July 4-5pm: **Dr Mark Dallas**Associate Professor in Cellular Neuroscience. University of Reading

EVERY FIVE MINUTES IN THE UK SOMEONE IS RAPED.



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SEXUAL ASSAULT
SURVIVORS

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THE SURVIVORS TRUST
ARE A CHARITY THAT
SUPPORT AND EMPOWER
SURVIVORS OF RAPE,
SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND
CHILDHOOD SEXUAL
ABUSE, INCLUDING
WOMEN, MEN AND NON-BINARY PEOPLE.

HELP US TO RAISE MONEY FOR THEM SO THEY CAN CONTINUE TO SUPPORT VICTIMS AND EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT SEXUAL ABUSE!

ONTHE 16TH OF JUNE, WE ARE DOING A SPONSORED MARATHON WALK TORAISE MONEY FOR THE SURVIVORS TRUST AND YOU CAN HELP: CLICK THE LINK AND ONATE, EVEN £1 WILL BE

YOUR VOICE HAS POWER.

BELIEVE SURVIVORS. END VICTIM BLAMING. ASK FOR CONSENT. RESPECT BOUNDARIES.

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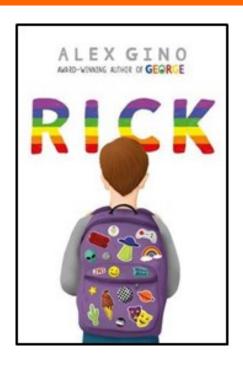
Our names are Sophie, Stephanie and Vidisha and we are 3 students in Year 11.We are doing a marathon walk on the 16th June for the Survivors Trust - they are a charity that support victims of sexual assault and empower survivors of rape.

We want to support them by doing a sponsored marathon walk so they can continue to help victims of sexual abuse and educate people like all of us and you can help!

Any donations made are very much appreciated. Please click the ParentPay link above.

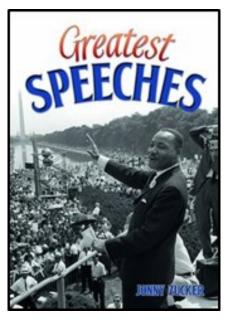
Many Thanks! Sophie, Stephanie and Vidisha

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



Rick by Alex Gino

Rick's never questioned much. He's tagged along with his best friend Jeff, even when Jeff's acted like a bully. He's let his Dad joke with him about girls, even though it makes him feel uncomfortable. Everyone around him seems to think that they've figured him out. But the truth is, Rick hasn't given his own identity much thought. Now Rick's in middle school, and it's a place of new possibilities. With the help of his new friends that he meets at the Rainbow Spectrum club, Rick embarks on a journey to find out who he truly is. An inspiring story about finding your place in the world. (Available from the School Library)



Greatest Speeches by Jonny Zucker

This volume looks at some of the most famous speeches made throughout history, and the people who made them.

Words can be incredibly powerful. Speeches by Nelson Mandela, Malala Yousafzai and President John F. Kennedy, among others, made lasting impressions on people. They helped to change the world.

(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





The PE dept are desperately seeking old PE kit, astros and trainers that the Year 11s (or any other student) does no longer require/use, and would be very grateful for your donations.

Also, if you have any CamVC PE kit you would be happy to donate please send it into school marked for the PE department so that we can full wash it and then share this with students who require it. Thank you!



We are now running two Year 7 Music Clubs:

Wednesday 3 – 4pm (Music Block): **Year 7 Band / Orchestra** – for ALL instrumentalists! Whatever you instrument you play, you'd be welcome to come along, and join this band, and play with other Year 7 musicians.

Thursday 3 – 4pm (Main Hall): Music Theatre

We're going to be doing a mini-musical version of "Joseph and His Techni-coloured Dreamcoat"). We'll learn the songs first, and then as social distancing eases, we'll aim to put together a 15-20 minute version of this classic Andrew Lloyd-Webber show!

And two Year 8 Music Clubs:

Thursday 3 – 4pm (Music Block): **Year 8 Band / Orchestra** – for ALL instrumentalists! Whatever you instrument you play, you'd be welcome to come along, and join this band, and play with other Year 8 musicians.

Wednesday 3 – 4pm (Main Hall): Music Theatre

We're going to be doing a mini-musical version of "Beauty and the Beast"). We'll learn the songs first, and then as social distancing eases, we'll aim to put together a 15-20 minute version of this classic Disney show!

And one Year 9 Music club:

Friday 3 – 4pm (Music Block): Music Theatre

We're going to be doing a mini-musical version of "Into the Woods"). We'll learn the songs first, and then as social distancing eases, we'll aim to put together a 15-20 minute version of this classic Stephen Sondheim show!

Email me for more information (gpage@cambournevc.org) or encourage children in Years 7 – 9 to turn up at the rehearsal ready to play and sing!

Geoff Page (Head of Music)



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 – Louise Boyd cam-year7@cambournevc.org

Year 8 – Melanie Stanford cam-

year8@cambournevc.org

Year 9 – Sam Tomlinson cam-year9@cambournevc.org

Year 10 – Julia Hewitson cam-

year10@cambournevc.org

Year 11 – Louise Ramsay cam-

year11@cambournevc.org

Our up-to-date uniform policy and suppliers can be found on the <u>school website</u>.

Thank you.

SecondHandUniform

If you would like to check our second-hand uniform availability, please complete the form below to submit your enquiry.

Second-Hand Uniform Request

Please allow 48 hours for a response.



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.

Online Safety Tips

KEEPING YOUR CHILD SAFE ONLINE

Your child/children may be online more than usual at the moment. 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

<u>Click here</u> for a YouTube playlist with short tutorial videos (if you prefer, your child can access the same videos through their school account here)





USEFUL LINKS



Click on the link below to find out more about our **Extended Learning Opportunities**:

Extended Learning Opportunities



Click on the link below to access our **PE** related information:

Parent Bulletin Links - PE



Click on the link below to view our latest **PSHE** information:

Parent Bulletin Links - PSHE



Click on the link below to access **Covid-19** related information:

Parent Bulletin Links - COVID-19



Click on the ink below to view our latest **DofE** updates:

Parent Bulletin Links - DofE



Click on the link below to find information about our **Music Clubs**:

Parent Bulletin Links - Music Clubs



Professional arts events and Community Cinema

Evenings, weekends and school holidays

For all of Cambourne and the surrounding area





How can you help?

Scan the QR code or visit: https://www.cambournevc.org/aboutus/charitable-trust/



We need more funds!

To get to where we are today has cost £145,000 so far!

To be able to bring a CINEMA to Cambourne, we need YOUR support to raise the final £100,000, by December 2021, for:

- Professional quality cinema screen and projector
- Surround-sound speakers

Cambourne Village College has built a <u>new</u> <u>performance hall</u>, with the help of our Town and County Councils!

Funding from Cam Academy Trust and the College, and fundraising by CamVC's Charitable Trust, means that hopefully by September 2021, we will be delivering:

- Musical and theatre performances for audiences of up to 350
- A full stage, lighting and top-quality tiered seating experience

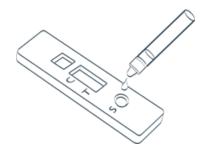
In addition, we now have the ambition to:

- Show box-office films just weeks after national release
- Stream live broadcasts of west-end theatre, ballet and opera
- Employ a Community Arts Officer to grow the Arts offering for local people
- Attract professional touring theatre and dance companies

LFD Screening

What is LFD

- Lateral Flow Device
- These are used for screening purposes only and should <u>not</u> be used if someone is symptomatic
- These tests are quick and easy to use at home and help to identify those who may have Covid-19 but aren't symptomatic



Why should my child take part in weekly screening?

- One third of infected individuals have no symptoms and unknowingly spread coronavirus infection. Community LFD testing is one method to help identify and then isolate those infected. This helps reduce the risk for others in the wider community who are more at risk of infection such as the elderly and those who have underlying health conditions, contacts that students and students families have outside of school.
- The government guidance for schools should you wish to read is https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-full-opening-special-schools-and-other-specialist-settings/rapid-asymptomatic-testing-in-specialist-settings
- LFD testing is voluntary, and we respect any decision surrounding this however we would like to encourage this as much as possible

The weekly process

- Pupils should test on a WEDNESDAY and SUNDAY each week
- Results should be entered into TestRegister at <u>TestRegister.co.uk</u>

If you do not want to use this app please continue to use the <u>Covid 19 Information</u> Form to log your results if Positive.

If your LFD test result is **positive** please isolate as a household and book a <u>PCR test</u> immediately. We will be notified that the LFD test results is positive (if using TestRegister). Please notify us of the PCR result via <u>Covid 19 Information</u>

Covid-19 symptoms

 If you or anyone in your household has: a continuous cough, loss of taste/smell or high temperature, isolate as a household and book a PCR test ASAP. You should NOT use a LFD test at this point.

Please let us know the details of this by completing this form: Covid 19 Information



Attendance

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

ABSENCE REQUEST

To notify us of any planned absences, please visit the <u>Absences</u> page on our website and submit an Absence Request Form, with 2 school days' prior notice for this to be reviewed for authorisation.

APPOINTMENTS

We strongly encourage parents to make medical and dental appointments out of school hours where possible. Where this is not possible, pupils should be in school prior to/after the appointment and out of school for as little time as possible.

Missing registration AM or PM for a medical or dental appointment is counted as an authorised absence and advance notice is required for authorising these absences.

Please notify Reception of when an appointment is and the timings that the pupil will not be in school by emailing thecollege@cambournevc.org.

If we do not receive prior notification to a morning absence, we will contact home and the absence will only be authorised on proof of the medical appointment upon the pupil's return.

When leaving for an appointment, the pupil must sign out at Reception and be collected by their parent or carer, and they must sign back in when they return.



Please remember that it is the parents/carers' responsibility to make sure that all emergency medication for your child is in school and in date.



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 24 hours.

Communication with the School

How can I contact my child's Year Team?



Please email cam-year7@cambournevc.org | PSA Louise Boyd



Please email cam-year8@cambournevc.org | PSA Mel Stanford

Please email cam-year9@cambournevc.org | PSA Kayleigh Blane

Please email cam-year10@cambournevc.org | PSA Sam Tomlinson

Please email cam-year11@cambournevc.org | PSA Louise Ramsay

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.