

## Wishing all our readers a very merry Christmas and a happy new year

The Cambourne Crier is delighted to present the winners in our Children's Christmas Card Competition. Congratulations to Keshav Jeurkar, Robert Craig, Rory Walshe, Jimena Berrio and Grace Halls, whose winning designs are shown below. You will soon be receiving a pack of cards with your design on it to send to family and friends this Christmas!

If you're looking for something to do this Christmas, check out our 'What's on' page, for details of Christmas parties and events - and if you overindulge on the 25th, don't miss the Meet the Neighbours Boxing Day Walk!



Keshav  
Jeurkar



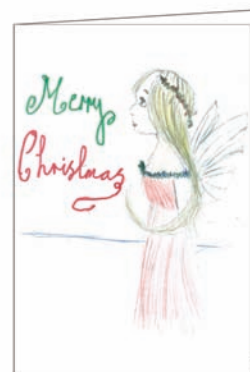
Robert  
Craig



Rory  
Walshe



Jimena  
Berrio



Grace  
Halls



The Cambourne Regus Team would like to say a huge thank you everyone in the community that took part in the shoe box appeal for 2015. Regus were one of the UK's proud drop off points for the shoe box appeal charity and collected over 150 boxes. A small shoebox can have a big impact. What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out of it is eternal. We were all part of changing children's lives all over the world through the power of a simple gift with Operation Christmas Child.

## CAMBOURNE CRIER

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Submissions for the January edition must be received by 9pm on **12th December 2015**.

Please email articles and photographs to [editorial@camournecrier.org](mailto:editorial@camournecrier.org)

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### GET INVOLVED!

If you can spare a few hours each month, have access to a PC and the internet and would like to join the editorial team, please get in touch.

### CRIER COMMUNITY FUND

The Cambourne Crier operates a community fund which enables us to make grants and donations to local clubs, societies or causes. Grants are normally given towards items for use throughout the year.

### Do you need new equipment for your group?

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## Cambourne Community Car Scheme

The Community Car Scheme provides door to door transport for residents of Cambourne, Caxton and Papworth who are unable to use public transport. The service is provided seven days a week by local volunteers in their own cars who have undergone police checks and carry identity badges. Preference is given for appointments at doctors, hospitals, dentists and opticians but we welcome requests for visits to social clubs and outings. To request transport please either email [camournecarscheme@gmail.com](mailto:camournecarscheme@gmail.com) or call (07858) 933230. Typical costs for single or return journeys from Cambourne are: Addenbrookes £9 and Cambridge / St Neots around £7. Local journeys within Cambourne are £2.50 and for those unable to walk we are happy to provide transport to the medical practice and dentist.

## Taxi card scheme

If you have difficulty getting around, are unable to take a bus and have no access to a car, the developer-funded Taxi Card scheme is a little used benefit to Cambourne residents. It gives access to a taxi at 30 per cent of the normal fare. Buying vouchers in advance, they are used in the same way as cash. For a list of participating taxi companies call 0345 045 1151 or email: [community.transport@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:community.transport@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

## St Neots bus service

The Whippet bus now runs Mondays to Fridays, leaving at 9.55am (from outside Morrisons) and returning at 1.20pm. (It is the No. 6).

The journey is direct, travelling along the A428 and takes 30 minutes, leaving a good length of time in St Neots. There is also a service to St Ives, and to Huntingdon. More information can be obtained from [www.go-whippet.co.uk/routes-timetables/local-routes/](http://www.go-whippet.co.uk/routes-timetables/local-routes/)

## Police Contact Point

The Police Contact Point will be operating at Morrisons supermarket on:  
Thursday 10 December – 4pm to 6pm  
Monday 21 December – 10am to Midday

If you would like an officer to contact you, please leave your name and details on the cards provided and put them into the police letter box.

## Waste and recycling collections

### Black bin:

Thursday 17 December and Saturday 2 January 2016,  
Thursday 14 January 2016

### Blue bin, paper caddy:

Thursdays 10 and 24 December 2015, Friday 8 January 2016

### Green bin:

Thursday 10 December 2015, Friday 8 January and Thursday 21 January 2016

- Bulky household items by arrangement.

- There is a charge of £30 for the first three items and £5 per extra item.



## CAMBOURNE LIBRARY

The Cambourne library staff would like to thank all our customers and friends for their support throughout the year and wish everyone a very happy and peaceful Christmas. We hope to see you all in the New Year.

**The library and reception function will close at 1.00pm on Thursday 24th December and will not open again until Sat. 2nd January 2016.**

Don't forget that we have lots of lovely Xmas cards, stamps and books for sale.

ENGAGE – TALKS in the library:

*Wednesday 2 December*

ESCAPE FROM BOTANY BAY – OR NOT!

By Ann James. Free event 2.00 – 3.30pm

*Wednesday 6 January*

SEE LIBRARY FOR DETAILS. 2.00 – 3.30pm.

XMAS RHYME AND STORY TIME SPECIAL

Free event at the library. Stories, rhymes and crafts on 18th December from 9.30 – 10.30am. Everyone welcome.

JOB CENTRE PLUS – Wednesday 16 Dec, 1.30 – 3.30pm

Drop in for help with cvs, applying for jobs and job information. Pop into library if you wish to book an appointment.



FAMILY HISTORY DROP IN – Monday 21 December.

1.30 – 4.30pm in the library. Drop in or pop into the library in advance if you would like to make an appointment.

If you haven't joined the library yet why not make this your New Year resolution. As well as books, DVDs, Magazines and books on CD to borrow, we also offer an e-book service. As a library user you can download free magazines and newspapers. There is also Wi Fi at the library as well as free internet access. For a welcoming atmosphere and a friendly smile, visit the library:)

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**Cambourne Parish Council**  
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## New Councillors

At the Council meeting on 3 November 2015 two new Councillors were co-opted to Cambourne Parish Council. We look forward to working with both of them:

### Jeni Sawford:

"I have lived in Cambourne for nearly 3 years. I work as an TA and MDS at Monkfield Primary School and my children attend Jeavons Wood. When I ran as a candidate for the recent District Council by-election I gained a good understanding of the feelings of the residents - both online and on the doorstep. I worked for the University of Cambridge for nearly 20 years in various posts and this gave me a good knowledge of the committee process, and an understanding of how decisions are made. We love living in Cambourne and I know the residents are proud of our village. I will work hard to ensure Cambourne is the best place to live."

### Greg Thompson:

"I have lived in Cambourne for seven years and have children at Jeavons Wood Primary School. I have 18 years of experience working within a large organisation, focusing on IT Service Management projects. I enjoy living in Cambourne, use the Sports Centre regularly and am a member of the local Cambourne Runners group. For the past eighteen months I have volunteered as a litter picker. Volunteering has been a positive experience for me and I believe that it is through this experience that I now feel engaged with the concept of doing something constructive within the local community. To this end, serving on the parish council will provide an opportunity to contribute further to the community in a practical, rational and responsible manner. I hope that my experiences in the local community, in



**Vandalism:** *There has been an unfortunate spate of mindless vandalism in Cambourne not least involving the new cricket pavilion which is under construction. Having travelled safely all the way from Estonia the glass panels that will form the front of the pavilion were smashed overnight after only one day in Cambourne. This kind of destructive act causes costly delays and disruption and frustration for all concerned. There has also been damage to bollards and the phone box on Great Cambourne Green. If you witness any damage please report it to the police on 101 and also contact the Parish Office.*

tandem with work experience, will provide me with the context and skills to help move the community forward."

## Christmas Closing and Christmas Tree Recycling

The Hub and the Parish Office will be closed for the Christmas holidays from Wednesday 23rd of December 2015 and will re-open on Monday 4th January 2016. There will only be limited opening on Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd December 2015.

A Christmas Tree Recycling point will be set up on the ground adjacent to The Hub Car Park. Christmas trees may be left here in the new year up until Sunday 17th January 2016 after which they will be shredded and used as mulch around Cambourne.

The Parish Council would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## Calendar of Meetings

1 December 2015, 7.00pm:  
Planning and Council

15 December 2015, 7.00pm:

Planning, Finance & Policy

21 January 2016, 7.00pm:

Planning and Council

- Residents are welcome to address the meeting before it formally starts on any matter that is on the agenda. If you have something else you would like to raise, please contact the Parish Clerk at least 10 days beforehand so that the item can be added if necessary.

The Parish Office: The Hub, High Street, Cambourne, Cambridge CB23 6GW.

Open 9am to 5pm Monday to Thursday and 9am to 4pm on Fridays.

Telephone 01954 714403. John Vickery, the Parish Clerk can be contacted on: [clerk@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk)

For all other enquiries please email: [bookings@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:bookings@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk)



## PARISH PLAN



## Planning for the future

The Camboorne Parish Plan Steering Committee were out and about again at "The Big Draw" event on Saturday 24 October. With this year's theme being "Every drawing tells a story" the Committee asked those who attended to draw what they liked about Camboorne now and what they would like to see in a Camboorne of the future.

There was some wonderfully creative talent on display from the younger members of the community and we saw ideas for a future Camboorne which included a fairground, fashion studio, cinema, theatre, zoo, swimming pool, beach and a slide that would take you all around Camboorne!

So how will the Camboorne Parish Plan be getting the younger people of Camboorne involved and making sure their voices are heard as part of the overall project?

Members of the Committee will be attending an assembly at Camboorne Village College soon to explain what the Parish Plan is, and to introduce the Young People's Questionnaire, which was put together by two Comberton students from Camboorne who spent their work experience at South Cambs District Council earlier this year.

In the New Year, representatives will also visit the local primary schools to encourage the children to think about what they like in Camboorne and what isn't here that they would like to see in the next few years.

Does this community-led project sound like something you would like to get involved with? Did you just want to find out more about the Camboorne Parish Plan?

Email: [info.parishplan@camboorneparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:info.parishplan@camboorneparishcouncil.gov.uk)

These suggestions from the Big Draw event are being used to help compile the parish wide survey launching in spring 2016 which all residents, young and old will be invited and encouraged to participate, so you can have your say in the future of Camboorne.



A cinema was one of the suggestions from the Big Draw



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## HEALTH NEWS



## Decembeard - Bowel Cancer Awareness

Following on from 'Movember' is 'Decembeard' - a campaign to raise awareness of bowel cancer. Sometimes called colon or rectal cancer, it is one of the most common types of cancer in the UK affecting about 1 in 20 people. The main symptoms are blood in poo, a change in your normal bowel movements lasting for several weeks (such as looser poo and needing to poo more often) and abdominal (tummy) pain. However, these symptoms are very common and there are many other causes. The risks of bowel cancer are increased if you have a close relative with the condition and are linked to high levels of alcohol, red / processed meat, smoking and obesity. Usually bowel cancer affects those over 60 but it can affect younger people, so anyone should report the symptoms above. All healthcare professionals are used to dealing with bowel problems and you should never be embarrassed about talking to them.

Bowel cancer can be detected early making it much more likely to be curable. Everyone aged 60-74 is invited to do a FOB (faecal occult blood) test at home every two years. Bowel scope screening is being rolled out nationally, offering a bowel camera test at the age of 55, to identify cancerous changes before symptoms develop. Taking up offers of bowel cancer screening has an enormous impact on reducing the risk of developing or dying from bowel cancer. Further information: [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk) or [beatingbowelcancer.org](http://beatingbowelcancer.org)  
*Catherine Price RN, Cambourne Parish Nursing Service*  
[nurse@cambournechurch.org.uk](mailto:nurse@cambournechurch.org.uk)

## HEIDI ALLEN MP



## Thank you for your support!

I made my official maiden speech in Parliament on 20 October and challenged the Government's approach to tax credit reform, requesting that the pace be slowed down and the impact reconsidered. I would like to say thank you for the overwhelming support I received from South Cambridgeshire constituents. I was literally inundated with emails, letters, tweets and phone calls. It was a challenging time for me with my party, so I am so grateful for your backing. The most pleasing result is that the Chancellor agreed to look at mitigating the effects of the reforms and we will hear his plans in the Autumn statement.

Also in October I was delighted to help open Cottenham's new £640,000 sports pavilion, alongside three-time Paralympic medallist Dan West and later in the month, I met with representatives of the student bodies of Homerton and Girton colleges. Students were concerned about the thought of having more debt as maintenance grants are changed to loans, despite the fact that they would be unlikely to have to pay it back. On the same day I met with a group of Junior Doctors from Addenbrooke's hospital in light of the proposed changes to contracts. It is vital any new contract is fit for purpose so I will continue working with them to ensure their voices are heard.

You can contact me on 01954 212707, @HeidiAllen75 or [Heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:Heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk). My next surgery is 11 December - please contact my office for an appointment.

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## NHS

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Each visit to A&E costs the local NHS £87, even before any treatment is given. This costs the local NHS over £4m a year. This is the equivalent cost of 677 hip replacements, or 287 liver transplants or 115 more dementia nurses.

Busy A&E departments resulted in 500 cancelled operations / procedures and longer waiting and referral times. But you can help:

- Stay healthy – get a flu vaccination if you are eligible
- Look after others – check on elderly friends, relatives and neighbours especially in spells of cold weather, help them to keep warm and have the medication they might need
- Be prepared – get your prescriptions in early before the holidays and see your pharmacist or GP for any issues you might be putting off
- Choose the right service – your local pharmacy can provide confidential, expert advice and treatment for a range of common complaints.

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## WILDLIFE TRUST



## Bedfordshire Cambridgeshire Northamptonshire

This year we opened out our wildlife poetry competition to entries from all three counties that we cover. Here are the winners in the over 18s and under 12s categories. Unfortunately we did not receive any entries in the teenagers category! Why not have a go for next year?

### **The poet turns me into a Flower**

*Singular  
Blooming  
Beautiful  
Look closer  
I am infested -  
'Fear not!'  
He writes  
And a glossy faun  
Snaps my stem  
Grinds my white petals  
In his white teeth--  
And I can't help the fear.  
The faun, picking worms from  
his mouth,  
Is dissatisfied  
And I am left as a root  
Tangled with the tendrils of too  
many others  
'It's an honour'  
Writes the poet.  
I say  
I am plucked, ground, acidic  
pulp  
In the guts of a goat  
The poet erases a single line  
But he has released his words  
Like a sack-full of ladybirds  
Each landing on an ear of corn  
They belong to the field now  
to the flowers  
to the many entwined roots  
The faun lies dead in the woods  
White, scented foam  
Filling his mouth  
And the poet can only whisper  
Words, pens are too light,  
Take a chisel to write.*

**Winner, Over 18s**  
**Danielle White, Cambridge**

### **A forest in the east of summer**

If you go in a forest  
in the east of summer,  
you might hear noises  
bluebird calls,  
scuttling squirrels  
the sound of the scampering  
stag  
woodland trees  
fresh air  
that feeling of magic every-  
where  
if you go in a forest  
in the east of autumn,  
you might hear noises

**Winner, Under 11s**  
**Jennifer Currie, 9 years old**  
**Bedfordshire**

Don't forget we have a range of Christmas cards and gifts available to buy at the Manor House and all profits will go to helping local wildlife. You can also buy on our website

If you have any comments, questions or suggestions about the green spaces in Cambourne please get in touch. Email: [jenny.mackay@wildlifebcn.org](mailto:jenny.mackay@wildlifebcn.org) Call: 01954 713516 or call the main office number 713500 if urgent. Find us on [www.facebook.com/wildlifebcn](https://www.facebook.com/wildlifebcn) and Twitter [@wildlifebcn](https://twitter.com/wildlifebcn).

## POLICE

## Operation Hunter tackles burglary

Residents are being urged to check their home security to help prevent a rise in burglaries over the winter months. Dwindling hours of daylight and the Christmas period often combine to result in more break-ins at homes in the county.

The force is prioritising burglary as part of a new campaign called Operation Hunter and is using all tactics available to reduce the number of crimes through prevention work and catching and putting offenders before the courts.

However, as part of the operation, detectives are also urging members of the public to do their bit by taking precautions and making their homes unattractive to burglars.

Residents are urged to:

- \*Always keep doors and windows closed and locked or in a ventilated but locked position, even when they are inside the house. Always check and lock doors with a key - never assume that just pushing up an internal handle will lock the door.
  - \*Remove keys from window and door locks, but keep them in a familiar and safe place where all members of the family know where to find them in the event of an emergency.
  - \*Never leave items such as keys, bags, presents and money on show through a window.
  - \*Consider the position of key racks or shelves next to a door and ensure that they cannot be reached through the letter box.
  - \*Use timer switches to turn on lights and radios when you are going to be away from your house at dusk.
  - \*Consider the use of lights at the front and rear of your property that are activated when someone approaches.
  - \*Consider the use of bolts and padlocks on side gates. Place the bolts at the top, middle and bottom of the gate, as just a top bolt might be easy to reach and open.
  - \*A visible intruder alarm box can prove to be one of the biggest deterrents to an opportunist burglar, so consider installing a DIY or supplier installed system.
- Anyone with information should contact police on 101 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111 or online at [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org).



Just moved in? Or lived here for years? Working locally?  
Retired? Young family? Whoever you are...

# Come and meet the neighbours



## FOR A BOXING DAY WALK

AROUND CAMBOURNE'S NATURE RESERVES

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## Pastoral Thoughts

Dear Friends,

There will be no service on 27 December nor on 3 January due to the Hub being closed over the holidays. Instead for those days we will be meeting over at New Testament Baptist in Kenny Hill, Suffolk. If you need a ride or directions please let me know. The rest of the services will be as normal with slots open for prayer and counseling during the week. We will be having our get together on 20 December with a snack or two.

Of course it is the Christmas holidays where we celebrate the birth of Christ.

Foretold from the beginning and confirmed by the prophets and come in the flesh in Bethlehem. The message of peace on earth and goodwill toward men has rung out through the ages and has been a hallmark of hope.

Such wonderful music filled with a positive message. Joy to the world. When the carols and hymns are played I would challenge you listen to the words. Many of them contain great Biblical teachings and messages of hope.

Our services will be reflecting different aspects of Christmas during December. So if you would like to find out more about why the birth of a single child

defines this month for a vast population of people and has done for a great while stop by and see.

I'm sure there may even be a mince pie or two (or similar) available for you whilst we chat.

**Pastor Donavan Bangs**

*Luke 2:10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.*

*11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.*

*Christmas is coming...*

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1st Sunday in month: 10.00am Service and 7.30pm Praise and Worship Service

2nd Sunday in month: Holy Communion at 9.30 and 11am services

3rd Sunday in month: Christ in Quiet service at 7.45pm [www.cambournechurch.org.uk](http://www.cambournechurch.org.uk)



Pope Francis wrote:

"God never gives someone a gift they are not capable of receiving. If he gives us the gift of Christmas, it is because we all have the ability to understand and receive it."

What could be the gift that God has for you and are you ready to receive it? The prophet Isaiah, long before Jesus was born, proclaimed that Jesus would come and that power and authority would be his. And with all that power and authority, Jesus would bring peace and justice. You could well be forgiven for thinking that after attacks in Paris, Beirut, Baghdad and other nations around that world, that Isaiah had got it wrong. However, history also tells us of peace treaties marking the end of conflict and helping establish lasting peace. As the world identifies new organisations intent of violence let us pray that Christ's peace may continue to be established.

*Matthew Trick*

*Minister of Cambourne Church*

### Date for your diary

The next Grow - a forum to explore aspects of raising children as disciples of Christ - will be held on Friday 5th February 10.00am-12.00pm in the Ark. and will be repeated on Saturday 6th February 10.00am-12.00pm in the Ark. The theme for this session will be Children and Communion. Toys for under 5s available.



### Fathers' and Children's Breakfast

8.30 -10.30am at 19 the coffee house, Cambourne Church First Saturday of every month. It would be great to see any dads with their kids for a bacon roll, toast or just a coffee. Breakfast is free although donations are welcome. Contact Gerald: 07902 225678 [Gdc.draughting@btconnect.com](mailto:Gdc.draughting@btconnect.com) Next meetings - 5th December and 6th February (no meeting in January)

### Special Services in December

**Sun 13th** Dec 4.00pm Family Christingle Service

**Mon 14th** Dec 7.30pm Carols in Upper Cambourne

**Wed 16th** Dec 8.30pm Beer and Carols in the Monkfield Arms

**Fri 18th** Dec 6.30pm Carols on the Green in Lower Cambourne

**Sunday 20th** December 10.00am Special Christmas All Age Service with Nativity

**Thurs 24th** Dec - Christmas Eve  
4.00pm Catholic Christmas Mass  
6.30pm All Age Christmas Eve Service  
11.30pm Watchnight Service with Holy Communion

**Fri 25th** Dec 10.30am All Age Christmas Day Celebration

**Sat 26th** Dec 10.30am Meet the Neighbours' Boxing Day Walk

**Sun 27th** Dec 10.00am All Age service

**Sun 3rd** Jan 2016 10.00am Service

For more details please see the Cambourne Church Christmas card which has been delivered with this issue of the Cambourne Crier.

### THE CHURCH OFFICE HAS MOVED!

The church office has now moved from the Ark into the Blue Space (formerly the Blue School). All of the contact details remain the same.

## 19 The coffee house

Open Weekdays:

8.45am-2.00pm Monday - Thursday

8.45am-12.00pm Friday

Christmas - Normal opening hours up to and including

Friday 18th December.

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Then closed over the Christmas holidays and will reopen with normal hours on Monday 4th January 2016



## LOCAL GROUPS

### CAMBOURNE TIMEBANK

Local scheme to exchange time and skills for free. Meets every Wednesday 10am in café 19. *Details: Laura Papanikolaou, lpap@chsgroup.org.uk, 07540 122624*

### OPEN MINDS

Meeting on the first Tuesday of each month, 7pm-9pm. £10 to cover costs. Open evening in December. *Details: 247openminds@gmail.com*

### CYC ALL STARS

Cambourne Youth Partnership @ Soul, Back Lane, runs a club for Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 children on Thursdays 3:45 – 4:45pm during Term Time. £1 per child, Games and refreshments, Craft activities and tuck shop, toys and stories. *Details: Jane Brooks 07850 961000*

### CAMBOURNE WI

Christmas social, 10 December, 7.30pm, the Hub, with members bringing a small plate of nibbles. (Drinks provided by the committee). Our next coffee morning will be in January, but there will be no meeting in January as it is our annual meal. *Details: Pam Hume (pam.hume@ntlworld.com / 01954 201808), for the book group, Fran Panrucker (01954 710858), and the darts group, Joan Roe (01954 200908).*

### SUNDAY WALKS

No walk this month. However, you are welcome to join the Meet the Neighbours walk (see advert on p9).

### FRIDAY WALKS

Our next walk will be on 11 December, when we expect to walk to Bourn. We meet in the rear of the library at 10.15am. *Details: pam.hume@ntlworld.com or Penny Flannagan (01954 200126).* In January we will meet to decide where we would like to walk in 2016.

### BABY & ME

Every Friday from 10-11.30am in the Hub. £1.50 per family including refreshments. Suitable for 0-2 years although older siblings are very welcome. Friday 18 December will be our Christmas party. We will be meeting again weekly from Friday 8 January 2016. *Details: www.babyandme.org.uk or Cambourne.BabyandMe@gmail.com*

### CARERS & TOTS

Every Thursday from 9.30-11.00am in the Hub. £1.50 for carers and 1 child with 50p for each additional child. Suitable for all pre-school children (0-5 years old). Christmas Party on Thursday 17 December. We are back, meeting weekly, from Thursday 7 January 2016.

### TOY LIBRARY

Cambourne Toy Library runs a play session every Thursday from 1-2.30pm in the hall of the Blue Space. Aimed at children aged 0-5 years and costs 50p. Meeting up to Thursday 17 December and starting again on Thursday 7th January 2016. *Details: www.cambournetoylibrary.org*

## WHAT'S ON

### CAMBOURNE NETWORK MEETING

Wednesday 8 December, Marketing Suite on Cambourne Business Park, 8.30-10am  
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### CAMBOURNE BUSINESS PARK CHRISTMAS MARKET

Thursday 10 December 2015, 12-2pm, Marketing Office  
Free mulled wine, seasonal music from the Salvation Army band. Stalls include cards, jewellery, cosmetics, children's books and toys, fresh produce, Christmas Wreaths and plants and many more gift ideas. All Welcome.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY

Monday 14 December 2015, 1.30-3pm, Blue Space  
Christmas crafts, bouncy castle and a very special guest!  
£2 per family. Tickets available from Cambourne Children's Centre. *Details: 01954 284672*

### 70s AND 80s PARTY NIGHT

Saturday 19 December 2015, 8-11pm, The Hub  
£5 by advance ticket only. Licensed bar and snacks. 70s fancy dress optional - prize for the best!  
In aid of VSO projects for Nigerian children.  
*Details: veena710@aol.com*

### MEET THE NEIGHBOURS BOXING DAY WALK

Saturday 26 December 2015, leaving at 10.30am  
Walk around Cambourne's nature reserves. Meet at the sculpture outside Morrisons.

### COMBERTON ARTS EVENTS:

Tuesday 8th December 2015  
Christmas Music Concert – a mix of Christmas music and readings to get you in the Yuletide spirit. Everyone welcome. Tickets available on the door.

Friday 11th December 2015  
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Tuesday 15th December 2015  
Winter Dance Showcase – an evening of dance performed by CVC students for their families and friends.  
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8th January 2016  
Custard Comedy – Line up TBC  
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Thursday 14th to Saturday 16th January  
Festival Players present Return to the Forbidden Planet  
*http://www.festivalplayers.org/ts/757338350980701/*



## SCOUTING



## 1ST CAMBOURNE

It has been a great Autumn for 1st Cambourne Scout Group; with the group being involved in a number of activities. We were especially proud to be represented, alongside many other youth groups, at this year's Remembrance parade. We are delighted to welcome Philip, Paul and Liz in the last few weeks; adding to the volunteers who make the group's activities possible.

1st Cambourne Beavers joined over 300 other Beavers from all over Cambridgeshire for a fun day at Duxford Imperial War Museum. During the day, the boys had the opportunity to look at lots of aeroplanes and were lucky enough to see a Spitfire flying. They also learned about land warfare and the Battle of Britain. Whilst looking around the museum the Beavers filled out a work booklet and on completion were awarded with their Stage 1 and 2 Air Activities Badges.

On Saturday 14 November the Cubs and Scouts from 1st Cambourne had an adventurous day out at XC Hemel Hempstead and took part in High Ropes and Caving. They all had a great time hanging 14 metres in the air on the high ropes course and crawling through the maze of tunnels.



For more information on 1st Cambourne Scout Group, please visit the website [www.cambournescoutgroup.org.uk](http://www.cambournescoutgroup.org.uk) or e-mail via the 'contact' tab on the same website.

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## SCHOOLS

## Great times at Monkfield Park

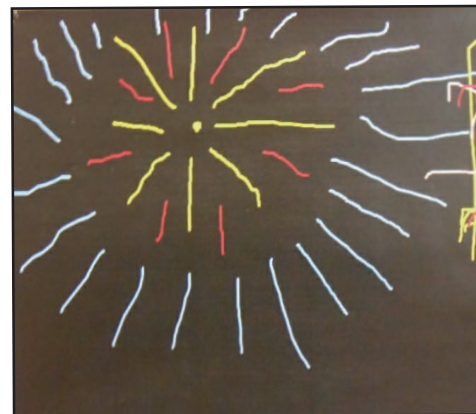
There is never a dull moment at Monkfield Park. The children have been working hard in preparation for the Spelling Bees. There was a real buzz of excitement as children had to solve anagrams, complete spelling tests and learn tricky words.

The whole school looked wonderful as children dressed as their 'hero' as part of the Children in Need fundraising. Families were also generous in donating their copper coins to see which class could create the longest line of coins (known as a 'copper trail') and these were added to the funds that we were able to donate.

This year the children are performing 'Wiggly Nativity' as our Christmas performance and are already proving to be very talented.

We have used Anti Bullying Week, known as 'Helping Hands Week', to revisit how to be a good friend, what forms bullying might take, how to deal with incidents, and also how to maintain good relationships with each other. The children have each designed pictures and slogans for our two new 'buddy benches' which will be arriving in our school playgrounds very soon.

In Year 1 the children learnt about Guy Fawkes and wrote descriptions of the fireworks they saw, and throughout the school beautiful pictures have been made depicting the displays. Reception children celebrated the festival of Diwali by taking part in a special Diwali dance, making clay divas and discussing the traditional activities that take place during this special festival.



## 'All About Me' week at Jeavons Wood

Wow! What a very busy first half term we have had back at Jeavons Wood. Year 2 have been busy with our All About Me topic, and we were all very excited to share our 'special something' with each other.

In Maths we have been discussing what we already know about numbers, addition and subtraction, including solving lots of tricky word problems. Then we spent one week learning about shapes. The children were able to identify and describe lots of 2D and 3D shapes from memory. Our next task was to find out lots about measuring, which involved length, weight and capacity.

In English we have been busy talking about The Ugly Duckling. We talked about the moral of the story and discussed why people called him 'ugly'. This helped us to understand what we needed to include in our own traditional stories.

In Science this half term children have been finding out about animals. We started by looking at the characteristics of living things and using these to decide their existence. Next we talked about offspring, researching which animals have different babies, for examples kittens, foals and chicks. We decided it is important for us to find out how to care for animals, as our Year 2 hamster Herbie needs looking after.

As part of our topic, we have been learning about our local area and we went for a walk around Cambourne to find out more about the features we have in our own environment. We have also learnt a lot about mapping, and have created maps of our walk to school, imaginary worlds and treasure maps, ensuring we included a key.







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## SCHOOLS

## Monkfield Park Care & Learning Centre

The children who attended the Holiday Club during October half term had a busy and fun time.

They started the week on Monday with a 'Fairy Tale & Superhero' day where they made and decorated fairy cakes, made superhero masks and princess wands. On Tuesday it was 'Wizard School', where they made magicians' hats, lotions & potions and origami frogs. Wednesday was 'Magic and Mystery' day, which included magic tricks, magic paintings and optical illusions. The week ended with two days of Halloween activities, which included carving pumpkins, making pumpkin pie, spooky iced biscuits, lanterns and 'Slime' messy play.

Back in the pre-school, the children have been very busy

learning about Diwali through stories. They've also dedicated time to prepare traditional meals.

The older pre-school children watched video clips about Diwali and went out into the garden to make their own Rangoli patterns on the ground using chalk.

On Friday 13th November, some of the pre-school children came dressed as Superheros to support this year's Children in Need appeal. For one day only, the pre-school was visited by several guests such as the Ninja Turtles, Catwoman, Spiderman, Pudsey Bear and Mickey Mouse. Thank you to everyone who took part and donated to the appeal.

*The pre-school closes for the Christmas Holiday on Friday 18th December and our Holiday Club will run from 8.00 am until 6.00 pm on 21st, 22nd and 23rd December. The spring term starts on Tuesday 5th January 2016. If you would like any further information about any of the sessions available at the Care and Learning Centre, please ask at the office or email us using [clcoffice@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:clcoffice@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk)*



## Hardwick and Cambourne Community Primary School

With the autumn term flying along, we are all enjoying our current topics. Year 1 and 2 are really enjoying learning about the Great Fire of London in their topic of Fire.

The home learning that has come in has also been amazing, it's always wonderful to see the children so engaged in their school work.

Year 3 and 4 are engrossed in the Ancient Egyptians, and thrilling teachers with their gruesome facts about mummification. They are looking forward to a 'History off the Page' day, which will give them a taste of how everything they had learned relates to everyday situations.

Year 5 and 6 had an inspiring trip to a Hindu Temple in Watford that gave them an opportunity to reflect on what they have learned so far within their studies about India.

Reception has been busy zooming off into Space! It's a great topic, full of imaginative role play aided by the incredible Space Station that has been built in the classrooms. The children have rocketed into outer space and been on space missions to fix broken parts of the space ship!

Nursery has been learning some Traditional Tales. They have been getting into role (often as the Big Bad Wolf!) and re-enacting the stories which has really helped them to learn the language of storytelling as well as having good fun.

For all parents with children looking to start school next September, we realise that decision time is fast approaching. If you haven't visited our school and would like to, please don't hesitate to ring the school office to arrange an appointment.


Hardwick and Cambourne Community Primary School PTA

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## SCHOOLS

## Delicious cooking at the Vine school

It's been an action-packed autumn term in Year 6. In Science we learned about Light, how it travels and had lots of fun applying our learning playing 'Light Snooker'.

Our history learning has focused on the human impact of WWI and we have studied a range of photographs, letters and songs. We worked in groups to research heroes from WWI.

Inspired by the poppy installation at The Tower of London, we made ceramic poppies again this year. The poppies were planted in a special remembrance service that we wrote and led with Year 2.

As a result of our WWI learning, we discovered that people migrate for many different reasons, so we decided to learn more about migration. We've interviewed people who have migrated for many different reasons and are now learning about the Windrush Generation.

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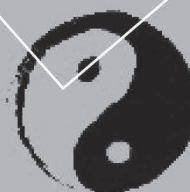
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## Return to Running – Join Cambourne Women's Running Club!

*Want to run the Cambourne 10k?  
Train with like minded people? Make new friends?*

Why not take part in our *NEW* programme  
to train for the Cambourne 10k  
starting on 19 January 2016?

We are a friendly, sociable club  
and welcome all female runners.

Runs take place every Tuesday,

7.30pm at the ARK and on

Sunday mornings at 9am outside Greens

To register your interest or to find out more:

[information.cwr@gmail.com](mailto:information.cwr@gmail.com)



Chicks Wot Run....

## Community Right to Bid



### Community project to:

- Map local assets
- Nominate these assets for inclusion on a register
- If an asset comes up for sale, community organisations have up to six months in which to raise capital and bid to buy the asset
- Examples of eligible assets include local shops, pubs, community centres, libraries, playgrounds and markets

**Come to a free information session to find out more.  
Saturday 12 December, 11.30am, The Hub meeting room.**

You can just turn up on the day but if you would like more information, please contact Laura Papanikolaou: [lpap@chsgroup.org.uk](mailto:lpap@chsgroup.org.uk), 07540 122624



## Want To Play Netball?

**Cambourne netball club are looking to  
recruit new players in school years 7-11**

**Years 7-11 – Thursday 5.30-7.00pm  
at CambourneVC.**

We offer indoor training throughout the year to our junior age groups and all ages play competitive netball in the CDNL junior winter and summer league.

All sessions are coached by a Level 2, DBS checked coach. All new players are offered two free taster sessions.



For more information contact us at -  
[cambournejuniornetball@outlook.com](mailto:cambournejuniornetball@outlook.com)

Or have a look at our website -

[www.pitchero.com/clubs/cambournenetballclub](http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/cambournenetballclub)

### **NOTICE: ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

To be held at **Cambourne Sports & Social Club**  
on **Tuesday, 19th January at 8 pm**

## SECRETARY WANTED

If you have about an hour a week to spare, just to check in with the Committee to see if there is any advertising or newsletters required. Take minutes at our meetings (around 4 a year).

This is a voluntary position.

If interested please contact us via email at:  
[cambourne\\_fishingclub@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:cambourne_fishingclub@yahoo.co.uk)



## MEMBERS

We will be raising the adult membership to £22.50 for 2016. The extra £2.50 is to part cover the cost of a bottle of fish care. 2016 tickets will be on sale from 1 December 2015. Ideal Christmas presents.

## 2015 TROPHY WINNERS

Junior Winner: Josh Munns

Adult Winner: Alan Gentle

Pictures to follow on our website  
[www.cambournefishingclub.com](http://www.cambournefishingclub.com)

Please keep sending your entries in.

Any entries as from now will go for the 2016 Trophies.

## SPORT

## Cambourne Exiles RFC

### Shelford IV 27 Cambourne Exiles 15

Exiles turned up with a bare 15 on this blowy Autumnal day and as they strolled down to the pitch realise it was going to be a tough day at the office because there seemed to be half the Shelford club warming up (25 to be exact).

Exiles played the first half uphill with the sun on their backs and the wind in their favour but kicking was not an option as the ball went beyond the dead ball line on the couple of occasions the ball was put to boot. Exiles played some good rugby with excellent defensive tackling and dominance in the scrum making sure they kept in touch with Shelford a low scoring first half meant Exiles were level at 5-5 at the break. The highlight of the first half was Harry Mills encouraging the Shelford centre to hit him in the back of the head resulting in a red card for the Shelford player.

Exiles came out for the second half like a team possessed and spent a lot of the time camped in the Shelford IV but the inability to convert pressure into points allowed Shelford to break from defence and score on a couple of occasions.

Constant pressure from Exiles led to success in scoring a couple of tries and they continued to dominate the scrum with



Shelford struggling to win their own put in, but as Shelford rolled out the rest of their subs and even with playing against 14 men the heavy ground and no subs the tired legs began to show. Exiles had given all they had in this game will everybody giving 100%. Harry Mills received MoM for excellent attacking and defensive work in the centre (normally a flanker) and it would seem that Exiles have successfully converted another player to a new position which is not their normal one.

Exiles train on a Thursday Evening at 7pm behind the tennis courts. All are welcome from experienced players to those new to the game. Training is free, with match fees of £10 per game played.

## Osteopathy...

more than just backs

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within Monkfield Medical Practice  
[www.cambourneosteopaths.co.uk](http://www.cambourneosteopaths.co.uk)

## CAMBOURNE TENNIS CLUB

[cambournetennis.clubbuzz.co.uk](http://cambournetennis.clubbuzz.co.uk)

There is less tennis played this time of year, but it doesn't stop completely. The courts have just been cleaned to make them safer to play on (thank you Parish Council). We are still playing the Winter Cambridgeshire club league matches, even adding an extra Ladies team. Vets matches for over-45's will start up in January.

**Events:** We are having our Club Christmas Party on 4th December this year. Don't forget to contact Lisa if you would like to join: [lisa\\_m\\_ellis@me.com](mailto:lisa_m_ellis@me.com)

**Coaching:** New coaching sessions will start in January. Book online through [overandin.com](http://overandin.com). Alternatively contact [coaching@overandin.com](mailto:coaching@overandin.com) or 0844 776 1763.

**Social Tennis:** Club Sessions run twice a week, Wednesdays from 19:00 and Sundays from 14:00.

**Membership:** Membership gives access to the MUGA floodlit courts and the chance to book them online. All court fees are included in membership so it is incredible value. There are 8 different membership options which work out at monthly charges of £2 for juniors, £4.50 for adults, £6.50 for families. For further details contact [annaspringham@btinternet.com](mailto:annaspringham@btinternet.com) or look online <http://cambournetennis.clubbuzz.co.uk/membership>.



## SPORT

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**Cambourne Eagles**  
Football Club

We are well into the season now and all teams are playing some great football with some good results.

**U7's Blue** - After a tough start to the season, with some tough opposition, the boys are really starting to play as a team and are enjoying themselves more and more with every game.

The boys are working hard during training with a massive improvement being seen in all players. The coaches would like to wish a happy Christmas to Henley, Ted, Jack, Matthew, Mayank, Ethan, Leuan, Adam and Isaac, well done for this year and good luck for next year!!

**U10's** - The boys are working hard to transfer the excellent performances they put in at training on to the pitch on Saturdays. They have had some tough games of late with a mix of results and some really strong individual performances, particularly from Stanley and Jack.

**U13's** - Since last month the U13's have been involved in some thrilling games. Showing great spirit to mount a remarkable comeback from 4-0 down to earn a very creditable draw. Also a 3-2 win from 2-0 down. It makes you wonder how good we could be if started fast!

**U14's** - Eagles U14's are still battling for their first B league win after being promoted. Some great football has been played, with the scores not reflecting the standard of football on the pitch. Despite this, the boys are working together & showing great team spirit. Keep going boys, that win will come! Many thanks to Diana for keeping the boys fitness levels up with running club. Eagles U14 train on a Saturday morning 10am-11am on the Muga.

For more information please visit [cambourne eaglesfc.co.uk](http://cambourne eaglesfc.co.uk) or email [info@cambourne eaglesfc.co.uk](mailto:info@cambourne eaglesfc.co.uk)



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**Girls U13's** - The team played out an excellent 5-5 draw in its very first match against an experienced Royston Town team. Well done girls, a great start! We are keen to welcome more players to our team, please get in touch!

**U7's** - The boys really enjoy playing as a team, and while the league has brought out their competitive spirit games are always played with a smile. We are learning fast and confidence grows with every match. With one more league game before Christmas we are looking forward to some friendlies against our friends at Cambourne Eagles!

**U11 Whites** - We 've settled into the season well, with lots of challenges against very good teams, this has helped forge a great team spirit. The reward has been excellent results and most importantly brilliant football. Well done to all the players on their hard work, we look forward to our remaining fixtures from now until Christmas.

**U12's** - We're having a great season so far, maintaining top spot in the league, with a game in hand. Good team



**Cambourne FC and AMS are working together to promote girls football in Cambourne - get in touch for more info**

performances with excellent work rate is proving to be a success with outstanding performances from all the players. Morale is high and we hope to progress in the final stages of the knockout cup over the coming weeks.

**U13s** - Currently second after a first clean sheet with a 0-1 away win against

Littleport Rangers in PST 13 United 9v9 . This is a bit flattering as the boys have played the most matches in their league including three matches against the bottom two teams and have yet to play the top team as well as the one unbeaten team, but there is still everything to play for!



## CAMBOURNE PEOPLE



Friends of Cambourne Village College would like to thank all who took part in our 3rd Annual Quiz Night on 6 November. Over 50 quizzers had a great time with the 'Quizzzy Rascals' team winning the prize hamper.

The fun night out raised over £500 for Cambourne Village College.



**Children celebrating at the medal ceremony for the Summer Reading Challenge, which took place at Cambourne Library.**

## Fireworks night goes with a bang

The Fireworks Committee would like to thank our volunteers, the army cadets, air cadets for all their help, and the community for their generous donations towards next year's display. Thanks also to the parish council for their assistance.

The committee couldn't put the event on without you, and we look forward to seeing you next year.



Please check Cambourne Fireworks Facebook page to view the amazing drone footage by Jack Greenough and

incredible photos by Pete Laborne. We'll be busy planning for next year, hopefully making it bigger and better.

## SHINING A LIGHT ON DIWALI

Timebank members and friends celebrated Diwali, the festival of light, on Saturday 14 November. Shrobona Bhattacharya and her family organised the event to share knowledge about this Indian cultural event with local people.

We were introduced to the meaning of the festival as a triumph of good over evil, light over darkness. Then we were treated to some traditional songs, prayers and dances. The women got a chance to try on saris and finally we all shared a meal of lentil dal and rice, followed by ice-cream.



Clare said: "The children were really taken by the dancing and they also liked the dal. Shrobona is going to arrange a cooking class so that I can learn the recipe." Darcy added: "We really enjoyed

the opportunity to learn about the celebration, wear saris, eat delicious food, socialise and be entertained. It was a privilege for Poppy and Flo to participate by performing the dance."