

CAMBOURNE CRIER

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CVC urgently seeks funding for new Cambourne performance venue

As part of the planned expansion of Cambourne Village College to provide more pupil places, the staff have been working with the Design team to investigate the possibility of including a community performance facility into the development.

"We've been able to include an additional hall to give us more meeting, dining and examination space in the current plans," explained Claire Coates, Principal, "but the education budget of the County Council can't stretch to building us a professional-quality performance venue. So we're designing the new hall, at the far end of the College and adjacent to the new Music suite, with the capacity to be extended at some point to become a full-size performance venue, with tiered seating for an audience of 500. There is ample parking already provided in the plans. This would fulfil our ambition of providing the best possible Performing Arts facilities for our students, but also provide an ideal venue for Community cinema, large conferences, and community and professional Arts and theatre events.

"Of course, it would be ideal to build this facility within the next phase of planned building works for the College, to minimise planning and building costs. At this point, to build the shell of such a hall, with necessary services, would cost something like an extra £550 000. To fit it out to professional theatre standards would cost at least the same sum again, but we could look to grants and further funding opportunities for the fit-out."

The College Principal and the Cambourne Arts Development



Manager, Richard Brown, presented the proposal for a Community Performance Hall on the College site to the Parish Council in November, with the request that funding from the Community Infrastructure Levy from the Cambourne

West Development might fund the first phase of building.

"I understand that the Parish Council are willing to consider funding the initial building costs," said Richard Brown, "but there will be many demands on that funding – not least the provision of two new primary and one secondary schools..."

For the development to go ahead this summer, the College needs to commit £550,000 to the development, by March.

"Sadly this cannot be found within the College budget," the Principal said.

"We are wondering if anyone in Cambourne has any contacts, if there are any local businesses, or if there are any generous and philanthropic individuals, who might like to support our fundraising? If so, we would love to hear from them!"

The current plans can be viewed on the College website: cambournecvc.org. Claire Coates can be contacted on ccoates@cambournecvc.org



Claire Coates, Principal of Cambourne Village College

CAMBOURNE CRIER

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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?
Or are you thinking of setting up a new group and need some funding to get going?**

Contact pam.hume@ntlworld.com or download the application form at www.cambournecrier.org

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 cambournecarscheme@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.

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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/

Police Contact Point

The Police Contact Point will be operating at Morrisons supermarket from 10am - midday on:

Thursday 21 January 2016, Saturday 6 February 2016,
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Events in the library in January:

ENGAGE - VICTORIAN GLASS by Dr Colin Lattimore
Wednesday 6 January, 2 - 3.30pm.

No booking required just pop down to the library.



Thursday 7 January – OPEN UNIVERSITY Information desk
– Cambourne library 9.30 – 5.00.

Thursday 7 January - Circle Support drop in Surgery
– free advice.

Rhyme Time and Story Time will re-start on Friday 9 January.
– See library for details.

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PARTY INVITE: To celebrate, we're holding an open day in the afternoon of Friday 22nd January. Please come along and join in our celebrations. You can have a look behind the scenes, enjoy a cupcake, chat to our staff and learn more about your local Vets.
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Open Day

Friday 22nd Jan

Afternoon

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for updates



Cambourne Parish Council District of South Cambridgeshire



Cambourne Parish Council would like to wish the residents of Cambourne a happy and prosperous 2016.

The New Year is a good time to reflect on the work of the Parish Council during 2015. Some of the work includes:

Public open spaces and play areas

2015 saw the opening of the popular sand and water park and zip wire at the Upper Cambourne Play Area. The addition of a new dimension of play has proved very popular. The water to the area is switched off over the winter and will remain so until any danger of frost has passed. In March we were able to celebrate the opening of the extension to the Skatepark. The project was instigated and led by a group of young skateboarders who sourced the equipment and produced evidence to support an application for a grant.

The Grounds Team carry out regular inspections on the play areas to ensure that they are safe to use and they have continued to keep Cambourne's open spaces maintained to a high standard.

Sports

The sports facilities in Cambourne have also all been maintained to a high standard by our dedicated Grounds Team. The Parish Council continues to work closely with the Sports Centre and the sports clubs to ensure that the needs of the community are being met. In 2016 we can look forward to the arrival of a full size 3G pitch which will greatly enhance the existing facilities.

Traffic matters

Consultation was carried out this year on extending the areas of yellow lines and the work to implement these is ongoing. Consultation was also carried out on the



The skatepark extension was opened by Andrew Lansley MP and skateboarder Ben Keppie, who was instrumental in getting funding for the project

implementation of a blanket 20mph speed limit for Cambourne. After analysing the results it was decided not to proceed at present and to have further consultation at a later stage.

Events

2015 saw the first Community Fete organised by the Parish Council. The event in September was a huge success and it is anticipated that this will become an annual fixture on the calendar. The Parish Council once again organised successful visits from both the Fun Fair and the Circus and has supported both the Fireworks and Light Up Cambourne Committees to provide firework and Christmas lights displays for all to enjoy and provided support to the 10K Run.

Staff

This year we have said goodbye to some staff and welcomed new ones. All the Parish Council staff have undertaken a

variety of training courses during 2015 to enhance their skills and maintain their Continuing Professional Development.

This is just a small sample of the work undertaken by Cambourne Parish Council during 2015 and we look forward to rising to the challenges that 2016 will bring.

Calendar of Meetings Jan/Feb 2016

12 January, 7.30pm, Planning Committee, Council
2 February, 7.30pm, Planning, 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

For all other enquiries please email: bookings@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk

PARISH PLAN



Are you ready to commit to improve the community you live in?

One New Year's Resolution you can't afford to break
At this time of year we often make promises to ourselves to eat more healthily, exercise more, stop smoking, drink less as a way to improve ourselves ... how many of these have you broken already?

Well, how about this year you make a resolution to complete your Cambourne Parish Plan Community-wide survey when it drops through your letter box in spring 2016, and make a commitment to improve the community in which you live and help shape it's future development.

The survey which is being championed by our Parish Councillors will ask questions about all aspects of village life so expect it to be a substantial document but stick with it and the answers you give to the questions posed will help to shape Cambourne's development over the next 10 years and pin point the actions that are needed to move the community's vision forward.

The steering committee are currently running a pilot survey before the parish wide survey goes live later in the spring. In the meantime we are setting up a website which will contain more information about the Cambourne Parish Plan project, how to get involved and most importantly an online version of the survey will be available for completion. So if you stick to just one resolution this year, fill in the Parish Wide survey. Cambourne's future depends on you!

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 Cambourne Parish Plan before our website goes live? Email info.parishplan@cambourneparishcouncil.gov.uk.

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HEALTH NEWS



Alcohol awareness & dry January

Drinking too much alcohol can cause damage to the liver and is also linked to cancers, accidents, obesity and mental health problems. Guidelines recommend that everyone should have at least 2 alcohol-free days a week; women should drink no more than 2-3 units per day (14 units a week maximum) and men no more than 3-4 units per day (21 units a week maximum). But what is a unit? On a bottle '% abv' or '% vol' stands for the 'percentage of alcohol by volume' which is the amount of alcohol it contains. Beer containing 4% abv has 4 units in one litre (therefore 2 units in 500ml - just under a pint). Wine containing 12% abv has 12 units in one litre, so a large glass (250ml) contains 3 units. A standard 750ml bottle of this wine would be 9 units.

Alcohol also contains a surprising number of calories. The average pint of beer contains around 200 calories, and a bottle of wine around 600 calories. Alcoholic drinks are empty calories which means they have very little nutritional benefit but still cause weight gain. 'Drinkaware' have a good App if you want help identifying the number of units or calories you are consuming (www.drinkaware.co.uk).

Last year over 2 million people took on the challenge of 'Dry January' when giving up alcohol for the month. Some people find abstaining from alcohol can improve their sleep, general energy levels and finances (www.dryjanuary.org.uk).

Catherine Price RN, Cambourne Parish Nursing Service
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HEIDI ALLEN MP



Sweet triumphs in the budget

On 25th November, the Chancellor unveiled his Autumn statement and there were two especially sweet triumphs. Firstly, the decision to scrap the planned changes to tax credits. I dedicated my maiden speech to this issue so I was delighted to hear the Chancellor's acknowledgement that this was the right thing to do.

There was also the commitment to deliver a fairer funding formula for our schools by 2017. For years, Cambridgeshire has been one of the very lowest funded authorities in the country – for some time, we were right at the bottom.

In early December, I also spoke in the Commons on the subject of mental health. In my first few months as an MP I received a letter from a constituent from Meldreth, Steve Mallen, about the tragic suicide of his son Edward. Following the death of his gifted and wonderful son, Steve set up the MindEd Trust, and with the support of schools, charities and world leading academics, Steve's ambition is to roll out a wellbeing programme in schools to help with young people's mental health. Steve and I have met with Government ministers to enlist their help and the Rt Hon Alistair Burt, the Minister for Care and Support has agreed to attend the launch conference in Cambridge on 18 March 2016. If you would like to learn more or be involved, please do get in touch. You can contact me at: 01954 212707 @heidiallen75 heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk Next surgery dates are: 8 January Hardwick, 5 February Sawston, 11 March Melbourn

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ADVICE

Situational Awareness

BY DONAVAN BANGS

"Let's be careful out there," was a repeating line from an old show called Hill Street Blues. It stayed with me and was resonated one day in a briefing. It was at an operational security briefing at my induction to the 1st special operations group. The crux of the briefing concerned situational awareness and some of the ideas might help even in times of crisis such as crime, accidents or disasters.

At these times people have a tendency to panic. However, panic does not help but what does, is planning. What do I mean by that? It is the marriage between situational awareness and planning that will enable you to continue to function despite emotional stresses. Simply being aware of your surroundings is key.

When you enter into a building you take note of where the exits are and any potential hindrances as well as alternate paths to them. You learn to spot emergency items like fire extinguishers or first aid kits almost subconsciously. In that you also soon learn to see potential hazards. So within three or four seconds in a new building you already have planned how to get out or help with firefighting or first aid. So if a threat arises be it human or natural you would be able to follow your plan instead of panic and confusion.

The same is true in your home. You should have more than one exit plan. This includes if you are upstairs and cannot get down the stairs. Plan a way out, escape ladder or a knotted strap. Bed sheets may work ok in the movies but do you actually know how to tie the knots that will hold? Have a fire extinguisher and battery powered torches.

What about walking around? Still be aware. Remember criminals, like scavengers, will look for the easier targets. The young, the old or the distracted. Walk with purpose, know where you are going before leaving the house. Be alert, know who is around you, and with a quick confident glance they will know you see them. In the same way that you look for cars crossing the street as potential hazards, notice other things. People, animals or even weak trees in the wind are all worth a glance to see if there is a possible problem. This is not a glance of fear, but classification. This also enables you to see to be able to help others - many is the child I have stopped running into the road simply by being aware.

Remember this is our community and we look out for one another. If you see something, say something, even indirectly to the relevant authorities. Because living in a constant daydream is not a good option. So let's be careful out there Cambourne.



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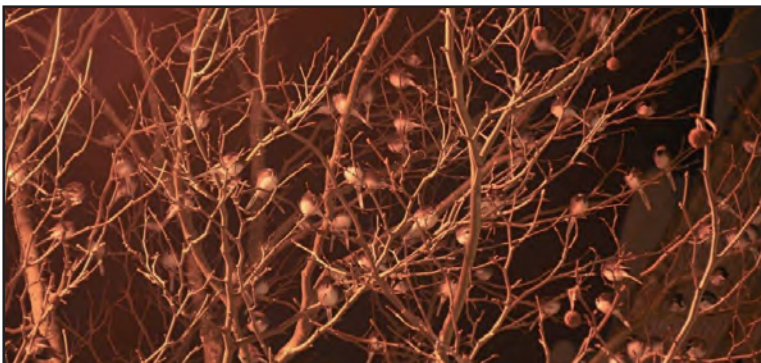
According to the British Trust for Ornithology (BTO) "natural roost sites are generally in reed beds, where the water below the reeds helps to keep the birds warm and also means that ground predators are kept away." So why would they be using trees on a busy street? Well for much the same reasons. The temperature will be slightly higher next to a large building and tarmac road and the street lights will put off most

predators from coming close. The BTO also says roosting together can lead to information exchange between the birds: "Birds which are having difficulty in finding food simply follow the birds that are in better condition in the morning."

If you spotted any interesting wildlife around Cambourne over Christmas do let me know, especially if you have a photo. You can send it to me by email, or post to our Facebook or Twitter, search for wildlifebcn.

Cambourne 10k

Teams of 4 people are invited to run in our 10k Business Challenge and raise funds for the Wildlife Trust. To be in with a chance of winning the trophy, get together your team of four runners and email helen.daniel@wildlifebcn.org (or call 01954 713560) as soon as possible, because places for the race go very quickly.



GET IN TOUCH

If you have any comments, questions or suggestions about the green spaces in Cambourne please get in touch. Email: jenny.mackay@wildlifebcn.org Call: 01954 713516 or 713500. Find us on www.facebook.com/wildlifebcn and Twitter @wildlifebcn. Visit www.wildlifebcn.org

TEEN ADVICE

Seven tips for interviewing well

Everyone will have an interview at some point in their life, be it for a new job, university or any other position which is competitive.

As terrifying as they can be, there are definitely some things you can do to try to make sure they are as successful as possible, and here they are:

1. Smile! No one wants to accept a grumpy looking person who doesn't look warm and friendly - would you want to hire someone who looked like they were never going to be cheerful?
2. Eye contact is a must, yes it can be tricky sometimes and especially if you're a naturally awkward person; but it makes such a difference if you're having a conversation with someone and you look them in the eye. If you struggle with eye contact, try looking at the bridge of your interviewer's nose so that it seems as if you're looking straight at them.
3. Do your research. This is especially important if you're applying to a company with a specific motto or function as they may ask you questions that are reliant upon you knowing what the company is. Also with university interviews it's vital that you read up on your chosen subject so that you can take your reasoning further in a discussion.
4. If you're asked a challenging question, don't reject it straight away. Think out loud and work through it - your interviewer may be trying to push you and see how you deal with a difficult question.
5. Don't fidget too much, you'll look distracted. Also, no one likes a fidgeter in the workplace.
6. Dress appropriately - ask your interviewer beforehand if there is any specific dress code. If they tell you to wear whatever you feel comfortable in, do so, as long as it is appropriate. Be prepared to dress smartly if required.
7. Think carefully about what you say before you say it, don't simply blurt out the first thought that comes to mind. If you need time to think, try using time fillers such as taking a sip of water, taking a deep breath, or saying something like "OK, let me just think about this for a second".

Hopefully these 7 tips will have you raking in the acceptance phone calls!

POLICE

Police visit homes at risk

Police are visiting homes at risk of being burgled as part of a crime crackdown in the county.

Officers are seeking properties left unsecured or otherwise vulnerable to burglary as part of Operation Hunter. The operation has been launched to reduce the number of burglaries in Cambridgeshire, which last year rose during November, December and January.

Burglary prevention activity is taking place across the county with officers patrolling hot spot areas and visiting residents to offer home security surveys.

Residents whose homes are at risk, for example due to open windows or being obviously unoccupied, will be given advice and crime prevention material.

Crime safety officer Carol Aston said: "Detectives are working hard to identify burglars and bring them to justice but the other main strand of our work is around prevention. Our main aim is to raise awareness of what can be done to make your home uninviting to burglars."

Burglary is a top priority for the force because it leaves victims and whole communities feeling vulnerable and can have a massive impact on their lives.

Anyone with information should contact police on 101 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111 or online at www.crimestoppers-uk.org. For more information on burglary prevention visit <http://www.cambs-police.co.uk/GetCloser/Burglary.asp>

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Pastoral Thoughts

Dear Friends,

We have another year to do things and a year past to recall. What have we done and what will we do?

We will here at Peacehaven continue to preach and teach the Bible. It is not some watered down politically correct sanitised fluff that makes you feel good about yourself. For until a problem is identified it cannot be corrected.

Our mid week services are for prayers and study. We are currently in Genesis with Jacob and his problems. Family issues and division in all its gory details

laid out for us to see that even the patriarchs had problems.

Call for directions if you want to pop along for the study, or if you simply have a prayer request even if you are not part of our church or even any church we can still pray for you.

You do not need to walk through this life or it's many problems alone. After all there is nothing new under the sun so whatever problem you face you are probably not the first nor will you be the last so we can pull together and maybe help each other out.

Sundays have serious study and preaching on a variety of subjects.

Mainly traditional hymns and style of worship with the occasional modern chorus thrown in.

Refreshments served between Sunday School and morning worship services.

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Pastor Donavan Bangs

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Children at Cambourne Church

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Voyagers for those in Years 5 and 6

In all our discipleship work with children we aim to equip children to live a Christian life through a living relationship with God. We want not only God Smart children, who know lots about God, but God Connected children who know and love God for themselves.

Gazebo After School Club

A Christian club run by Cambourne Church for children in years 3, 4 and 5, that includes games, craft, Bible stories and Prayer times. Wednesdays during term time 3.15 - 5pm. £1.50 per child per week including refreshments.

3.15-4pm Family time: Parents, carers and siblings are welcome whenever you can get there after school pick up, refreshments and a range of activities are available

4-5pm Main session: An activity circus, including a Bible story, reflective (prayer) activity, construction, challenge and quiz. Children are able to choose the activities they do. This is followed by a group game and the Gazebo prayer time.

Jane Brooks is the Children's and Family Champion at Cambourne Church - if you would like any more information about the activities for children please contact her jane.brooks@cambournechurch.org.uk

Fathers' and Children's Breakfast

8.30 -10.30am at 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

Next Meetings - 6th February and 5th March
(no meeting in January)

Sunday Morning Services

Sunday 3rd January 10am

Sunday 10th January 9.30am and 11am

Communion at both services

Sunday 17th January 9.30am and 11am

Sunday 24th January 9.30am and 11am

Education Sunday

Sunday 31st January 9.30am and 11am

Sunday 7th February 10am

Other Services and Events

Sunday 3rd January 7.30pm Praise and Worship

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

The coffee house will reopen Monday 4th January 2016

Open 10am-2.00pm on Saturday 16th January.

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

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LOCAL GROUPS

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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, we will be offering talks on Spirituality, demonstrating helpful techniques and providing introductions to different complementary health practices. Regular guest speakers. £10 to cover costs. *Details: 247openminds@gmail.com*

CAMBOURNE VOLUNTEERS R US

Bi-monthly Saturday morning meetings (10am-11am, The Hub) organised by volunteers who care about the Cambourne Community. Guest speakers. ALL welcome. Dates for 2016 diary 27 February, 23 April, 25 June, 24 September, 26 November. *Details: Facebook 'Cambourne Information Sessions', @Cambourneinfosession CambourneVolunteersRUs@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*

WORDS FOR PLEASURE

Writers' group which meets on the first Thursday of the month in Cambourne Library at 1.30pm. *Details: Pat Callaghan 01954 718836, ask at the library or just turn up.*

PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP

From beginner to advanced, new members welcome. *Details: flickr.com/groups/cambournephotographygroup*

LIFE DRAWING

There will be a temporary life drawing group in the new year. Contact 01954710858 for details.

SUNDAY WALKS

Next walk 31 January. Meet at the car park on School Lane at 10am. *Details: david.ellis910@ntlworld.com*

FRIDAY WALKS

Meet at Greens at 12.30pm on 8 January for lunch to plan the year's walks. Walk around the lakes afterwards. *Details: Pam.hume@ntlworld.com or Penny on 01954 200126*

Papworth Astronomy Club

Next meeting: 6 January. Dr Keith Tritton will give a talk about "The La Palma Site Testers". Vinter Room in Papworth, at 7:30pm. *Details: Peter Sandford 01480 830729,*

CAMBOURNE WI

No meeting in January as it is our annual meal. Coffee morning in Greens on 29 January at 10.30am. *Details: Pam Hume (01954 201808). Book group: Fran Panrucker (01954 710858). Darts group, Joan Roe (01954 200908).*

BABY AND 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. We are meeting every Friday morning from Friday 8 January 2016. We desperately need more help setting up and running the group. Please get in touch if you would like to help. *Details: babyandme.org.uk or Cambourne.BabyandMe@gmail.com.*

CARERS AND 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 preschool children (0-5 years old). We are meeting every Thursday morning from Thursday 7 January 2016.

CAMBOURNE TOY LIBRARY

Cambourne Toy Library runs a play session every Thursday from 1-2.30pm in the hall of the Blue Space. It is aimed at children 0-5 years old and costs 50p. We meet weekly from Thursday 7 January 2016. www.cambournetoylibrary.org.

WHAT'S ON

COMBERTON ARTS EVENTS:

Friday 8 January 2016

Custard Comedy

Rob Deering, Kate Smurthwaite, Bobby Murdock. MC Craig Murray www.custardcomedy.co.uk/comberton.html

Thursday 14 to Saturday 16 January 2016

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www.festivalplayers.org
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Wednesday 27 to Saturday 30 January 2016

CVC School Production - **Metamorphosis**

A play by Steven Berkoff from a short story by Franz Kafka
www.wegottickets.com/event/341213

Saturday 6 & Sunday 7 February 2016

Eden Dance presents: **Aladdin 2:30m – Alice 5:30opm**

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Friday 12 February 2016

Custard Comedy – **Headliner – Noel James**

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SCHOOLS

Y4 gymnastics at The Vine

BY MRS KENNY

This half term in PE we have been learning about Balancing in Gymnastics. We have thought about the 3 principles of balance and how to make balances easier through lowering the centre of gravity, covering a larger surface area and increasing the number of contact points.

We are learning to perform a conditioning phrase which includes many balances. These include a foot stand, a side knee balance, a front support, an arch, a straddle and pike as well as a V-sit and linking these balances together. We must perform each balance with straight arms and legs and hold for at least 3 seconds.



We are beginning to think about how we can perform our balances on apparatus with a partner or small group as well as change our levels within our performances. We also need our transitions to be smooth where we link one balance to another.

We have been recording ourselves on ipads and then watching it back so it is clear how we can improve our balances and positioning.

If you want to know how to perform each of the balances accurately, have a look at the photos which have been included.



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SCHOOLS

A stupendous end of 2015 for Cambourne Village College

BY CLAIRE COATES
PRINCIPAL, CVC

Our highest priority last term, as ever, was that the students worked hard and continued to make excellent progress. Our academic focus, as our eldest students in Year 9 approach their GCSE studies, has been on planning the Key Stage 4 Curriculum to ensure that all students follow a challenging and enjoyable set of subjects for the all-important Years 10 and 11.

This term, a series of Careers events, guidance interviews and an Options Evening will be offered, to assist the students in making the choices that will open the right career pathways for them.

This has been against a backdrop of planning for the expansion of the College. With higher numbers of students than predicted coming up from our four catchment primary schools, we've been working closely with the design team to ensure that our facilities keep pace with our ambitions for the pupils. This means the addition of further Science labs and Design Technology workshops, further classrooms, more IT facilities, a larger library, and a purpose built - detached! – Music suite. A larger kitchen and extra dining space are included in the plans. We would dearly love also to build an all-weather sports pitch and an enlarged Performance Hall, and are exploring all options to see how these facilities, also of great value to the community, might be afforded, since they cannot be



Proud new recruits to the Year 7 Hockey (below) and Rugby (above) teams

funded within Local Authority provision. Plans for the proposed development can be viewed on the College website: www.cambournevc.org.

Very many extra-curricular activities took place before Christmas. Year 9 students went to Germany in the first leg of our German Exchange; all students enjoyed a visit from author Sarah Mussi; Years 7 & 8 challenged their mathematical skills in an origami workshop; the sports teams played a number of fixtures and went to watch the Varsity match at Twickenham.

The Christmas Concert was perhaps the highlight of the term, with many

students performing dance, drama and instrumental routines. Our new grand piano, bought with a generous donation from Cambourne Crier, was given its first public performance prior to a special celebration event in January, and very many parents commented on the wonderful progress made by the performers since their first Christmas concert, two years ago. The concert was a performance of 'The Sleeping Beauty', performed on the last day of term by the staff for the pupils. It was a lovely performance.

2016 will be an exciting New Year for the College.





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SCHOOLS

Hardwick and Cambourne Primary School

At the time of writing, the Reception children have just finished their Christmas productions of 'It's a Baby!' and the Year 1 and Year 2 children have performed their "Story of Glory". Both were fantastic. The children worked incredibly hard to learn their lines, dances and songs, and when the productions have been performed, they have truly blown the audience away. By the time you read this the performances may well be

a few weeks old, but we're sure to anyone who saw them, the memories will last for much longer.

We also need to thank the school PTA, staff and all the children and families who attended our first 'Crafty Christmas' in the new Cambourne Campus. It was a wonderful afternoon, with many comments complimenting the festive and warm atmosphere that surrounded everyone. Father Christmas didn't want to go home! A lot of hard work goes into running these events and it was worth while! Not only were we able to raise money but it was a pleasant feeling to see everyone enjoy themselves.

The Year 3 and Year 4 children on both sites have ended the school term with an exciting Egyptian Day, and the Year 5 and Year 6 children have enjoyed an Indian arts week, creating beautiful batiks, cooking curry, enjoying a tea tasting experience and many other creative activities.

Recycling fun at Jeavons Wood School

The pupils at Jeavons Wood recently welcomed a special visitor into school. Bill the Bin Man came to talk to the children about the need to recycle their household waste. In an engaging assembly Bill, who is on a mission to reduce the amount of unnecessary waste, explained that 5000 tonnes of household waste is collected each year from the local area. Almost all of this household waste can be recycled through the green, blue and compost bins we have in our homes.

After the assembly, Squirrels Class took part in a further workshop. The children learnt how to recycle materials properly in the different bins and enjoyed taking part in a recycling relay in which they put their new-found knowledge to the test. Placing items in the correct bin, proved to be harder than it looked and created lots of discussion among the children. Squirrels class left with a keen attitude towards sharing their learning with other pupils. Bill was present at the end of the school day to talk to parents and spread the word among the wider school community.

The children have shown themselves to be true eco-warriors. The school has just purchased a new set of recycling



bins designed by the pupils themselves and the newly-founded Eco-club has been hard at work raising awareness about the need to reduce, reuse and recycle.

We hope Bill will be impressed with our recycling efforts on his next visit to Jeavons Wood.



SCHOOLS

Autumn term at Monkfield Park Primary School

Year 4 have been enjoying an action packed and exciting start to the Autumn Term. Since returning to school after a long and sunny summer, we have been busy filling our time with work on The Romans and learning about volcanoes. We even made our own volcanoes.

Friday 4th December marked our 'Bobble Hat Day' in aid of our charity for this year, the NSPCC. In return for wearing a bobble hat on the day, we asked families to donate £1 to support this worthwhile charity.

We are happy to report that we

collected almost £200.

This year the Year 1 children performed 'Wriggly Nativity' as their Christmas performance. The performance was a huge success and revealed the talent that we have at Monkfield Park!

It certainly made the audience wriggle in excitement!

The adults of these talented children should be very proud.

The sound of music continued to be heard across the school as Years 3 and 4 performed their Christmas Carol concert. As well as whole year singing, there were solo performances as well as musical showcasing.

Christmas parties around the school were a great success this year! The children around Monkfield Park have been enjoying singing Christmas songs and playing party games!

The children agreed that the best part though is when each year group join together and watch a movie of their choice.



If you are a parent interested in a place for your child and would like to find out more about Monkfield Park Primary School and the exciting learning that goes on every day then Sarah Jarman, the Headteacher, would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact her via the school office on 01954 273377 or by e-mail: office@monkfieldpark.cambs.sch.uk

Monkfield Park Care & Learning Centre

The countdown to Christmas in the Care and Learning Centre began on 1st December.

The children helped put up the decorations in the rooms and practised the songs for our Christmas Celebrations and Activity Days, which took place during the week of 7th December. Parents and Carers were invited to the Activity days where they joined their children to complete different Christmas activities.

The session was ended by the parents and children singing a lovely Christmas song together.

On Friday 4th December the children took part in the NSPCC's 'Bobble Hat' day along with Monkfield Park Primary School. This was a simple but fun way to raise money for the NSPCC.

Children came to pre-school wearing their best bobble hats or a Christmas hat, and gave a donation to the charity.

Monkfield Park Primary School and the Care and Learning Centre raised £450.00 for the Children in Need appeal.

During the last week of term we were fortunate to meet Santa who was able to find time in his busy schedule to visit us.

and he gave all the children a present.

The Care and Learning Centre will be closed for all sessions on Monday 4th January 2016 in line with Monkfield Park Primary School for a training day.

We re-open on Tuesday 5th January 2016 for the Spring Term, which runs until Thursday 24th March 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

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For more information please contact Jackson Nazombe, Youth Development Worker, (07786 125271). Jonathan Buwert, Youth Worker, (07503 171869). Jane Brooks, Children's Champion, (07850 961000)

* Both clubs on Wednesday, All Stars and Crazy crew are at the 'Soul Building', next to the Sports Centre. Boxing is at the Hardwick boxing club above the Pet Shop. Chillax is held at Cambourne Church. All Stars has lots of places available, Crazy Crew has a few places available. Contact Jane for details.

Could you give a few hours of your time each week to help us staff these clubs? We particularly need a couple more volunteers to support the Juniors Club on Wednesday afternoon and the children's clubs – All Stars and Crazy Crew, on a Thursday afternoon.

CAMBOURNE TENNIS CLUB

cambournetennis.clubbuzz.co.uk

Congratulation to Team GB on being the Davis Cup World Champions - what an achievement!

If your new year's resolutions include trying tennis this year, or returning to it after an extended break, then please do get in contact. It is a sport for all ages. We have adult coaching starting from beginner's level and open club sessions twice a week where anyone can come along. Vets matches for over-45's start up in January.

Coaching

New coaching sessions will start in January. Book online through overandin.com. Alternatively contact coaching@overandin.com or 0844 776 1763.

Social Tennis

Club Sessions run twice a week, Wednesdays from 19:00 and Sundays from 14:00. ALL WELCOME

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 or look online <http://cambournetennis.clubbuzz.co.uk/membership>.



Cambourne FC

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Soccer school -

We are still continuing to welcome new players to Soccer School. We meet every Saturday 9am-10am at the Muga, this is a great way for young players to get a first taste of football within a club environment. Only £2 per session, pay and play - just bring shin pads, water and loads of enthusiasm. Open to all reception and year 1 children.

U7's -

The team are really embracing the season, working together as a team and proving great skills and a great attitude on and off the pitch. We would like to thank Cromwell Veterinary Group for their sponsorship and support.

U10's -

As the season progresses the U10's continue to play some excellent football. Undefeated in the league, and



progressing steadily in the cup, it's fantastic to witness the boys' commitment and dedication, unbeaten within any competitive game in 2015. We are still looking for a dedicated-keeper to complete the picture, so budding Joe Hart's-get in touch!

U13's -

The U13 are on a winning streak after beating Girton Colts 7-0 at home in the Cup followed by a 1-7 win away to St Neots Town Youth Sky. Their latest win, 6-0 at home against Haverhill Rovers Youth Blue has put the boys top of the league. In addition Oliver Barton has become top scorer of the league with 22 goals from 12 appearances. The first match of 2016 will be a Cup match against league leaders Shelford & Stapleford Strikers White, currently second in their league.

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*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



Chicks Wot Run....



Cambourne Exiles RFC

Wisbech Wildcats 17 Cambourne Exiles 29

Cambourne made the long journey to Wisbech for a league fixture with a confident side after knocking St Ives 2s out of the County Cup the previous week.

The Exiles started the first half playing into a strong wind and after only 3 minutes Steve Lord ran through a hole in the Wisbech defence to open the account for the visitors. The lead was to be short lived however, as a good response from the home side saw them draw level after 7 minutes. Sustained pressure on the Wildcats defence resulted in a penalty to Cambourne from which Chris Wallis swung a long pass to Chris Harlow who put the Exiles back into the lead, before another Cambourne try saw them extend their lead to 5-15. Wisbech kept in touch with a try of their own just before the break to make the score 10-15.

With the wind at their backs in the second half Cambourne looked to extend their lead, but this wasn't to be as the home side came out of the blocks faster to score a good converted try to take the lead 17-15. The game continued at a pace with



no further scores for 20 minutes despite good rugby being played by both sides. The Exiles sealed the result in the last quarter of the game, a score in the corner by Edd Davidson Smith, given as a penalty try and another good run by Ryan Cox for in the last try of the game. Harry Mills converted both giving the Exiles a valuable 17-29 win against good opposition. * Exiles are always looking for players, whether you have played Rugby Union before or not. Training is on a Thursday evening at 7:00 behind the tennis courts matches are generally played Saturday Afternoon.

CAMBOURNE FISHING CLUB

www.cambournefishingclub.com
cambourne_fishingclub@yahoo.co.uk



Lake Ewart in Cambourne, Cambridge became club water in 2010. Stocked with Carp into the double figures plus perch, rudd, bream, crucians, roach, chub, barbel.

Children under the age of 13 can fish for free and must be supervised by an adult (member or valid day ticket holder).

Tickets can be purchased from:
 Oose Valley Specialist Angling, Huntingdon Street,
 St Neots, PE19 3JL
 Or via PayPal: see www.cambournefishingclub.com

Car Park available (near Lake entrance)
 If you have a group that would like coaching sessions
 Like to win a trophy? Please check out our website for details.

MEMBERSHIP PRICES 2016
 Adult £22.50 (inc fish care spray)
 Junior £10.00 (13 – 16 year olds)



Cambourne Netball Club

At the end of the first half of the Winter League Cambourne Netball Club's four teams have put in some impressive performances.

C1 have fought hard in the County Premier League this season and are currently just below mid table. C2 and C3 are top of Divisions 3 and 4 respectively after an amazing run of wins and C4 continue to show improvement in Division 5.

The junior section of the Club caters for a range of age groups and welcomes new girls to its Thursday training sessions from 5.30 to 7 pm indoors at Cambourne Village College.

Calling all Prem or Regional level netball ladies - We need you! Cambourne 1 is looking to strengthen its team in 2016 and is looking for some new players.

If you've played at County or Regional level and want to join a great netball club please get in touch. cambournenetball@googlemail.com.

COMMUNITY

Fundraising tribute to Roger Hume

BY PAM HUME

You may have noticed a new bench in Roger's memory near the lake.

I would like to thank the Parish Council for organising this tribute to him.

As many of you know he did a huge amount for Cambourne. But the bench is not the only tribute.

My son, Neil, is ecstatic at gaining a place in the 2016 London Marathon and his aim is to raise £3,000 for Myeloma UK in memory of his father.

PLEASE help Neil reach his target. Simply go to www.virginmoneygiving.com/NHume to make a donation.

Neil says: "It's hard to believe it's been almost a year without dad, and

by the time the marathon comes around, it will be more than a year.

"As he lived with Myeloma for almost five years, I wanted to raise money for the only UK charity dealing specifically with this disease, Myeloma UK. I was lucky enough to be chosen to run the London Marathon for them.

"Please give whatever you can, no amount is too small. I have set myself a high target, but given all the people who knew and respected him, I'm sure we can reach that. I hope I can do dad proud!

"Although I run a lot, I'm not particularly keen on marathons - I will be thinking of dad with every step I take. It's going to be the most emotional run I have ever done."



CAMBOURNE LIT UP FOR CHRISTMAS

Despite the rather wet and windy weather the community of Cambourne turned out to witness the turning on of the Christmas lights. The Market Square played host to the sound of Eversden Brass Band and community carol singing. There was mulled wine and mince pies supplied by Elms BMW and Morrisons and the Light Up Cambourne team provided a BBQ. All 36 trees on Broad Street and at the junction with High Street all lit up on cue to a cheer from the crowd.

The Light Up Cambourne Committee would like to thank everyone that gave up their time to help out on the night, to S E Hase Transport for the loan of the



lorry, and Cambourne Parish Council without whose ongoing support and commitment to the Christmas lights none of it would be possible. Funds this year have been raised through fundraising events including the Cambourne Community Fete, donations from residents and sponsorship; generous donations have been received from AJ & R Scambler & Sons, Anglian Water,

Bovis Homes, Cambourne Building Society, Cromwell Vets and Taylor Wimpey.

The Light Up Cambourne Committee are looking to recruit so more members so if you would like to find out more about getting involved please contact them at lightupcambourne@hotmail.com or via www.facebook.com/lightupcambourne