



# Principal's Newsletter

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## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have really enjoyed seeing so many of our students engaging with Sports—be it travelling to London to watch England play at Wembley; as Sports Leaders for our inter-school or primary football events; or as participants in our football competitions after school.

Thank you to all the families who attended our Town Hall event this week where we looked back at our successes this term; looked at all we have to look forward to next term; and introduced Mr Shaw, the Interim Principal from after Easter. You can always catch up on this meeting here: [Coleridge Community College > TOWNHALL \(coleridgecc.org.uk\)](https://www.coleridgecc.org.uk/TOWNHALL)

Today is my last day before beginning my maternity leave. Thank you so much for all of the kind messages and well wishes that I've received from families and from our students; I shall be sure to keep in touch and I really appreciated hearing from you. Over the last half term I have worked very closely with Mr Di Salvo and Mr Shaw to ensure a smooth transition and I know that they will be able to continue to progress the exciting teaching and learning and Education with Character developments within the school, as well as with the improvement of our site and facilities.

I look forward to working with you on my return.

With best wishes,  
Mrs Stoneham



## Upcoming Events

- 4th April - 18th April schools closed - Easter Holidays
- 17th May - Year 8 Careers Event
- 19th April - Summer term begins. Welcome back!
- 24th May—Year 10 Mock Interviews
- 10th May—Year 10 Parent's Evening
- 7th June—Year 8 Parents' Evening
- 11th May—Year 7 Careers Event

## Key Messages

### The Brilliant Club

Year 9 have started their course on bioacoustics and conservation. Year 10 have started their project on researching wellbeing in education. Both courses are being led by academics from Cambridge University and Anglia Ruskin University. The programme includes 5 tutorials which take place during school time and one project of approximately 1500 words. We have **two late-starter spaces** available: one for year 9 and one for year 10. If your child would like to take part and feels that they can commit to an extra hour (maximum) of homework per week and the written project, please email Ms Biamonti to express your interest:

[bryony.biamonti@coleridgecc.org.uk](mailto:bryony.biamonti@coleridgecc.org.uk)

<https://thebrilliantclub.org/the-scholars-programme/for-schools/the-programme/>

### MFL GCSEs

The Modern Foreign Language Department is currently supporting students in achieving a GCSE in their home languages. The Speaking Exams will start the week commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> May. We are currently seeking one German and one Turkish Speaker to support with conducting the home language exams. Please could you get in touch with me if you would be able to assist us with home language exams. It would be a valuable resource to build up contacts for next year, so we can support the current and future cohorts in taking their home languages.

Mrs Daniella De Simone (Head of MFL )

[daniella.desimone@coleridgecc.org.uk](mailto:daniella.desimone@coleridgecc.org.uk)

### Ramadan

As we look towards the calendar for after Easter, we would like to ask families who observe Ramadan to complete this very short survey just to help us support students appropriately in school. Please complete by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April, including any specific questions or concerns within the form. <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=OjY35I1uCE-7qWwzDXODVzMQ0oq2ExNBiTy-Yj7IaUVURFU0Tlc2QIJFM05YUUc0TzdXVjRCWVVZWS4u>

### Staffing

Due to a successful internal promotion, we are pleased to be able to recruit into our Front Office team. We will shortly be advertising for a Front Office and Reception Supervisor and an Administration Assistant. If you, or anyone you know, would be interested in these roles, please do look out for the advert on our social media pages and our website.

# Key Messages

**Congratulations** to these talented Year 9 artists entering the 2022 Art Bytes. We are so proud to have several Year 9 artists showcasing their artwork on the Art Bytes website. <https://artbytes.co.uk/schools/coleridge-community-college> 73 Votes go live online on the website in April to select one of our students' pieces to be exhibit in the end of year Exhibition at the prestigious Wysing Arts Centre. Details to follow shortly.



All Coleridge Community College artwork presented on the Art Bytes website shall be exhibiting at the Histon and Impington Centre this Saturday. Please drop in and look at their exceptional achievements.

**Saturday 2 April.**

Histon & Impington Centre.

New School Road

Histon

Cambridge

CB24 9LL



**Please click this link to vote now!**

[Coleridge Community College | Schools | Art Bytes](https://artbytes.co.uk/schools/coleridge-community-college)



# Key Messages

## Year 11 Easter School

Students have received letters and information about Easter school. We look forward to welcoming students in over the break to attend these sessions to support them in their preparation for the summer exams. We would also like to thank all of the staff who have offered up their time over the Easter period to be able to deliver these sessions. These will be a very good opportunity for our students to benefit from focussed revision classes. Further updates on additional opportunities for revision and support in the run up to the exams will come out after the holidays.

Date	10.00 – 2.00	10.00 – 2.00	10.00 – 2.00
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> April		Psychology	Art
		G Cianciola	D Brandrith
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> April	BTEC Sport	Health & Social	Art
	Mr Dixon	S Bright	D Brandrith
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> April		Science	Geography - Physical
		Mr Szreter	Mr Pearce
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> April	GCSE PE	Psychology	Geography - Human
	Miss Lally	G Cianciola	Mrs Amner
Date	9 - 3	10.00 – 2.00	10.00 – 2.00
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> April	Maths	Psychology	
	Pet-XI	G Cianciola	
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> April	Maths	History	Science
	Pet-XI	Ms Biamonti	Mr Szreter
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Maths	English Literature	
	Pet-XI	S Jones	
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> April		English Language	History
		S Jones/G Varney	Ms Biamonti

Conor McBrien	9CD	All
Thomas Biggs	8CD	Care
Lorenzo Annoni	8CC	Care
Jenna McGerty	7CA	All
Mariam Mohammed	10CD	All
Tanya Haque	11CD	All
Shanjida Ahktar	9CT	Care
Lewis Pearson	7CT	Ambition & Care
Alfie Beck	10CT	All
Alfie Ripley	9CA	Integrity
Maya Alsmadi	8CA	Care
Maya Sukkasem	10CC	All
Dori Beck	7CC	All
Adam Khater	7CD	All
Yousef Aslam	11CT	Ambition
Eva Carolan	11CA	All
Sadie Cowan	11CC	All
Jasmine Smith	9CC	All
Ramiz El Nahas	8CT	All
Zaara Begum	10CA	Care

## Always Club

Each half term we celebrate a group of students who are nominated by their tutor for **always** representing the school well and demonstrating the school values. They are treated to a celebratory lunch and looked after



# Key Messages

## Join the My School Fund initiative to help boost our budget

We're pleased to announce that Coleridge is part the My School Fund initiative. This innovative scheme allows us to boost our school's budget with your help.



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### How does it work?

Parents, guardians and carers can sign up to the scheme for free and start earning cashback on the things they buy in participating retail stores, including Sainsbury's and Argos. As you spend you'll receive 2% cashback in the form of eGift vouchers that can be redeemed in participating stores. By adding a credit/debit card and linking your spend to our school on the My School Fund website we'll also earn 1% cashback on your spend.

### How to get involved:

Visit [myschoolfund.org](https://myschoolfund.org) to register for free, link to Coleridge and add your credit/debit card. From there, everything you spend in participating stores will go towards helping boost our budget, plus your own! Sign up today at [myschoolfund.org](https://myschoolfund.org)

### Adding a credit/debit card

Once you have registered you will be asked to link a card to your My School Fund account. This information is protected using bank level encryption. The site does not ask you to provide any card information that will allow anyone to make a payment on your card - i.e. it does not ask for the card security code (CVC or CVV). More information about data protection and security is available in the FAQs section of the My School Fund website when you are logged in to your account.



Welcome to April's newsletter. We hope you all have a very happy and safe Easter break. As usual this newsletter has been designed to support and advise Parents and Carers of both Primary and Secondary school children, and therefore trust your personal judgement to share what you feel will be relevant information with your child's.

## Safeguarding

Please see a very helpful newsletter from Cambridgeshire Police which goes through some really helpful information and advice about:

Change in law for motorists and mobile phones

Cycle theft protection

Cycle Safety

Tackling Child Sexual Exploitation

Hacking it legal!

Parents drug awareness information

### Change in law: Motorists and mobile phones

We would like to make you aware of a recent change in legislation which has strengthened the law with regards to the 'use' of a hand-held mobile telephone whilst driving a motor vehicle.

As of 25<sup>th</sup> March 2022, it is now an offence for a motorist to have 'any' interaction with a mobile phone and this includes illuminating the screen or unlocking the device. The law also applies if you are stationary at traffic lights or queuing in traffic. Any driver caught interacting with their hand-held device could face a **£200 fixed penalty fine and 6 points on their licence.**

The following shows some of the offences listed within the new law with regards to using a mobile phone whilst driving:

- Checking the time or notifications
- Scrolling through playlists or messages
- Making, receiving or rejecting calls
- Drafting, sending, receiving or uploading oral or written content
- Accessing an application or the Internet
- Using the phone to take a photograph



The above list is not exhaustive. Click on this link for more details [transport/driving-and-mobile-phones](https://www.gov.uk/transport/driving-and-mobile-phones).

The law does recognise some exceptions such as the need to call 999 in an emergency and where it is unsafe or impractical to stop, or if you are making a contactless payment in a vehicle that is stationary. Further explanation of this can be found [www.gov.uk/using-mobile-phones-when-driving-the-law](https://www.gov.uk/using-mobile-phones-when-driving-the-law)

### Cycle theft protection

More than 500,000 bikes are stolen in the UK each year, don't let yours be one of them.

Please click on the following link for top tips to secure your bike:

[www.sustrans.org.uk/our-blog/get-active/2019/everyday-walking-and-cycling/bike-security-advice/](https://www.sustrans.org.uk/our-blog/get-active/2019/everyday-walking-and-cycling/bike-security-advice/)

Did you know that you can register your cycle with [www.bikerregister.com](https://www.bikerregister.com) which is a free service used by the Police to match found cycles with their rightful owners. To register, you will need to find your frame number, which is usually located near the handlebars, below the seat post, by the pedals or towards the back wheel. In addition to registering cycles, you can also take extra precautions on other items of property or personal belongings by logging into [www.immobilise.com](https://www.immobilise.com)

By using this free of charge service you can record crucial details of numerous items ranging from small pieces of jewellery to large TVs – basically anything portable, valuable or just something you wouldn't want to lose!



Call: 101  
Telephone: 18001 101  
Visit: [cambs.police.uk](https://cambs.police.uk)  
Follow: CambsCops  
Subscribe: [eCops.org.uk](https://eCops.org.uk)

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Cambridgeshire

# Key Messages

## Community Opportunities:

- Cherry Hinton North Development**

Dear Parent or Carer,

On behalf of Bellway Latimer Cherry Hinton LLP, we are writing to you regarding the Cherry Hinton North development and our current phase of community consultation. You can find out more about this development on our website <https://cherryhintonnorth.co.uk/> and also sign up to our mailing list. We invite you to share your views now by completing our short survey which can be accessed via this link [tinyurl.com/CherryHintonSurvey](https://tinyurl.com/CherryHintonSurvey).

You may like to take part in an online workshop about public space and public art elements of the proposals. We will be asking attendees about the types of public art they would like to see provided on the site alongside the design and usage of the neighbourhood squares and new community centre. The virtual workshop to discuss the open space and public art elements of the proposals will be held on **Thursday 7 April at 5pm**. You can join this event via the project website or by using the link [tinyurl.com/CherryHintonWorkshop2](https://tinyurl.com/CherryHintonWorkshop2) on Thursday 7 April at 5pm.

Please do not hesitate to contact the team on [CherryHinton@connectpa.co.uk](mailto:CherryHinton@connectpa.co.uk) or on 0800 029 7171.

Kind regards,

Land North Cherry Hinton Project Team

- Easter Holiday Events**

Please see information about these free Easter holiday events run by the Kite Trust.

**EASTER HOLIDAYS  
FREE EVENTS\***

\*For 8-16s who receive free school lunches and have a HAF voucher

- Riverwalk Fun**  
+ HANDMADE SANDWICHES
- Gardening Day**  
+ HOMEGROWN FOOD
- Arts & Crafts**  
+ HOMEMADE PIZZAS
- Outdoor Games**  
+ SCRUMMY BBQ

**HOLIDAY** ACTIVITY & FOOD PROGRAMME

click on each name to find out more!

**The Kite Trust**  
FOR MORE INFORMATION  
Email: [youthwork@thekitetrust.org.uk](mailto:youthwork@thekitetrust.org.uk)  
Visit: [www.thekitetrust.org.uk](http://www.thekitetrust.org.uk)  
Call: 01223 369508

# Curriculum Spotlight

## Curriculum

This half term Year 7 have been studying Algebra topics, such as substitution, expanding and factorising. Next half term we will be moving onto Geometry topics, starting with Angles.

Year 8 have been studying Number topics, with a lot of work on Percentages and Ratio this half term. Next half term we will be moving onto Geometry and Statistics topics, starting with Area.

Year 9 have been deepening their understanding on Algebra topics, so building on their knowledge from year 7. We have looked at expanding and factorising double brackets and how this relates to other topics in the curriculum, such as Area. We are now moving onto Pythagoras and some great problem-solving questions.

Year 10 have been working on Number topics, such as Compound Interest and Depreciation. Next half term we will be moving onto Statistics topics, such as averages, scatter graphs and frequency polygons.

Well done to Year 11 for completing their second mock exams. They have all finished the scheme of work, meaning each class can now focus on revision. Please see Show My Homework for a list of the advanced information for each exam. I will also be posting some practice papers with the answers to aid student revision during the Easter holidays.

## Staffing

We have been very lucky this half term to have Mr Vardey join the maths department and we will also be welcoming Mr Sayce after the Easter holidays. In September, Miss Ellis joins as our Second in Department.

## Sparx

Our Key Stage 3 students are continuing to make good progress on Sparx and last week we were very happy as 9MA1 achieved a 100% completion rate – congratulations! Excitingly, we have also had our delivery of our gold star badges, so our Sparx Superstars can wear them with pride.

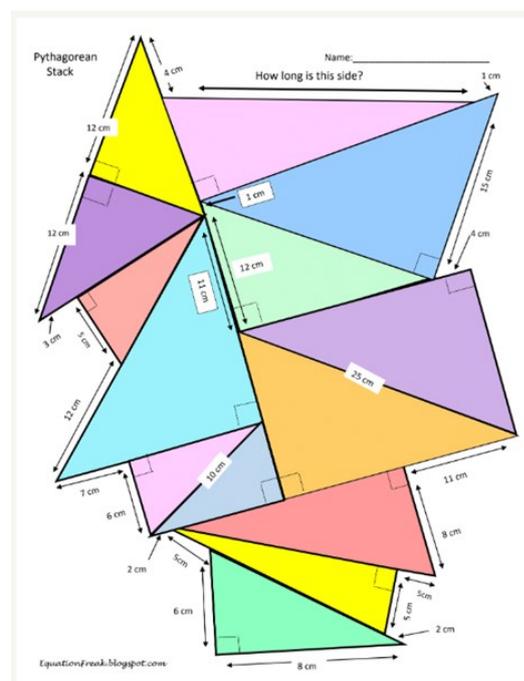
## Hegarty

Our Key Stage 4 students are working well on Hegarty. Year 11 have been set the challenge to complete at least 1 MemRi task per week, with many getting signatures on their prom passports for achieving this.

## Maths challenges

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 25 Students from years 9, 10 and 11 participated in the Intermediate Maths Challenge. Conor McBrien, Flora Mitchell, Alice McGerty, Izzy Kent Taylor, Lilly Kent Taylor and Alice McNaughton Scally qualified for the follow-on Kangaroo rounds, and achieved certificates. This week Lilly Kent Taylor has been invited to the UKMT summer school because of her fantastic achievement on the IMC.

Years 7 and 8 are invited to participate in the Junior Maths Challenge which will take place on the 28<sup>th</sup> April. Please contact Miss Barry if your child is interested in participating.



## House Points (Term to Date)



8734



9305



8804



8999

## Recognitions

### Top House Points of the Week:

Year 7: Georgie Well 22 Points

Year 8: Indi Carroll 19 Points

Year 9: Noah Shah 13 Points

Year 10: Fatima Ortega 16 Points

Year 11: Kayla Payne 10 Points

Congratulations to **Davies House** who have won the House Cup for this term. The House Cup is a combination of House Points, Competitions and Recycling.



## House Competition



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## Spring has Sprung Photo Competition

### Spring has Sprung!!

Spring brings us beautiful sunshine (most of the time), blossom and regrowth of trees. Get your camera out and take an eye capturing photo to earn house points.

#### HOW TO ENTER:

**WHEN:** Between Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April get snapping and send your photos to [siobhan.bright@coleridgecc.org.uk](mailto:siobhan.bright@coleridgecc.org.uk) (you can also show Mrs Bright if you're not sure how to share)

**WHERE:** OUTDOORS

**Winners announced on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April!**



#### Prizes and Rewards:

5 points per entry (one entry per student).

1<sup>st</sup> = 25 points  
2<sup>nd</sup> = 20 points  
3<sup>rd</sup> = 15 points  
4<sup>th</sup> = 10 points