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# Principal's Newsletter

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## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today, at 1pm, students and staff came together to recognise and celebrate the huge success, hard work, energy and determination of all students and staff involved in the 24 Hour Musicathon as it came to a rousing conclusion with a performance of 'Don't stop me now'. It has been an incredible challenge and we have such huge admiration for, and give thanks to, all the staff who were involved in so many different ways, and to all the young people (and families) who participated! I hope that many of you follow the Create team on Twitter: [CambsCreate \(@CambsCreate\) / Twitter](#) They have been providing a fantastic written and visual commentary of the 24 hours so do take a look (if you haven't already!) and you'll see why we had so many happy, but tired faces, heading home today!

Next week is the final week of term and there is much for us to enjoy. I am looking forward to supporting the launch of our next cohort of students participating in 'The Brilliant Club' (details here: [The Brilliant Club](#)); hearing the feedback and contributions from our Student Council meeting on Tuesday; seeing students participate in football matches and watch football with our Wembley trip; speak with parents at our Virtual Town Hall meeting on Wednesday (where we will introduce Mr Shaw, Interim Principal, as I start my maternity leave after Easter); celebrate students' achievements through our Always Club on Thursday and whole school Celebration Assembly on Friday.

Let's hope this beautiful weather continues - do enjoy your weekend!

Best wishes,

Mrs Stoneham



We are ambitious

We are caring

We have integrity

We contribute

We are CCC, where values matter

## Upcoming Events

- 29th March—Wembley Trip
- 30th March—Parents' Town Hall Meeting
- 4th April - 18th April—School closed (Easter Holiday)
- 19th April - Summer Term begins. Welcome back!

## Key Messages

### Student Wembley Trip - Tuesday 29 March

40 students will be attending the Wembley trip: England v Ivory Coast on Tuesday 29 March.

### Inter Campus Football

Over the next three weeks the football season reaches its climax with every year group playing fixtures against Parkside, Trumpington and NCA. Two of the events will be hosted at Coleridge. In this period, over 110 Coleridge students will be representing their school.

### Basketball Trials

Find details on the poster to the right about County Basketball Trials which your child may be interested in attending.

### Year 11 Prom

Having reviewed student responses to the Prom survey, the year 11 prom will now take place in the Radegund on 8<sup>th</sup> July. The Prom Committee are working to finalise the booking and the details of the prom, but are hoping to include: a DJ, photo booth, welcome drinks and finger food. Miss Terrey will write to the year group very soon with further details and confirmation of ticket price - we hope that this will be between £10 and £15.

### 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-Yj7laUVURFU0Tlc2QlJFM05YUUC0TzdXVjRCWVVZWS4u>

### Attendance

Attendance this half term is really positive - well done and thank you to all families for trying to continue with good attendance. We understand that although guidelines have changed, COVID still continues to impact attendance. We ask families to continue to work with us to report a child's absence before 8.30 by either leaving an answerphone message or emailing through to the [attendance@colerdigecc.org.uk](mailto:attendance@colerdigecc.org.uk).

Students who have achieved 100% for the whole of the Spring term (January - March) will receive an Easter Egg on the last day of the term to congratulate them on their commitment to attending school - so please keep up the good work to ensure that they receive this next week!

**SATURDAY 23 APRIL 2022 & SUNDAY 24 APRIL 2022**  
**CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY**  
**BASKETBALL TRIALS**  
**FOR BOYS AND GIRLS**

U11S (YRS 5/6 GIRLS) (ST. BEDES INTER-SCHOOL - 0900 TO 1030)  
U11S (YRS 5/6 BOYS) (ST. BEDES INTER-SCHOOL - 1100 TO 1230)

U13S (YRS 7/8 GIRLS) (ST. BEDES INTER-SCHOOL - 1300 TO 1500)  
U13S (YRS 7/8 BOYS) (ST. BEDES INTER-SCHOOL - 1500 TO 1700)

U15S (YRS 9/10 GIRLS) (LONG ROAD SIXTH FORM COLLEGE - 0900 TO 1100)  
U15S (YRS 9/10 BOYS) (LONG ROAD SIXTH FORM COLLEGE - 1100 TO 1300)

U17S (YRS 11/12 GIRLS) (LONG ROAD SIXTH FORM COLLEGE - 1300 TO 1500)  
U17S (YRS 11/12 BOYS) (LONG ROAD SIXTH FORM COLLEGE - 1500 TO 1700)

**ST. BEDES INTER-SCHOOL, BIRDWOOD RD, CAMBRIDGE CB1 3TD**  
**LONG ROAD SIXTH FORM COLLEGE, LONG ROAD CAMBRIDGE, CB2 8PX**

For details & how to register, call or email:  
**Terry Reaves at**  
**osanterrey@hotmail.com or**  
**07738279845**

**NOTE: THERE WILL BE A 5 POUND ADMINISTRATIVE FEE FOR EACH PLAYER ATTENDING THE TRIALS, TO BE PAID ON THE DAY.**

**PLEASE REGISTER BY WEDNESDAY, 20 APRIL 2022**

# Key Messages

## Year 9 Options:

Thank you for families supporting their children in completing their options forms - we have now received these for all Year 9 students. Tutors and the SLT team are now beginning the QA process for this so that we can confirm final options for students as soon as possible.

## Immunisation and Vaccines Survey

The Cambs Youth Panel and we are working with Cambridge City Council to help them understand what young people think and feel about vaccines as a response to the Covid-19 pandemic. Please encourage your child to complete this survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WPPRF7J>

By taking part they are helping the city to improve the way that it addresses the welfare and needs of children and young people.

## Triple P Parenting Programme

Please see details here of a 6 week, free positive parenting programme for parents and carers of teenagers which you may be interested in.

**Cambridgeshire Child and Family Centres**

A course that will help you to find new ways to manage and improve expectations, behaviour and relationships with your teenager

**Triple P Teens Parenting Programme**

A 6 week, free positive parenting programme For parents/carers of teenagers

Tuesdays 9.30am – 11.30am  
Commencing 29 March  
Easter Break and return  
19 April – 17 May 2022

**The Fields Child and Family Centre**

For more information and to book your place email [districtearlyhelp@cambridgecitycambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:districtearlyhelp@cambridgecitycambridgeshire.gov.uk)

**What Parents & Carers Need to Know about PHONE SCAMS**

In a three-month period during 2021, no fewer than 46 million people in the UK experienced a suspicious attempt at being contacted via their mobile. Phone scams are a common form of cyber-attack where fraudsters engage directly with their intended victim through their smartphone, as our phones carry so many sensitive (and therefore potentially valuable) details about us, it's vital that trusted adults are alert to the tactics that scammers use to get access to user accounts, personal data and private information for financial gain.

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

**SMISHING**  
SMS phishing, or 'smishing' is one of the most common forms of mobile-based cyber-attacks. Smishing is when a scammer texts their target, pretending to be a reputable person or organisation. They aim to trick the victim into providing sensitive data such as bank details and personal information, so that they can then access and empty the bank accounts and remove money.

**IMPERSONATION**  
Fraudsters often impersonate someone else to trick the victim into actually transferring money to what is their mobile. For example, they might call, for example, a friend or relative using a different number, who urgently needs funds. Other common lures include sending false texts informing the target that they have a package which requires a fee to be delivered, or that they have an unpaid bill to settle.

**NUMBER SPOOFING**  
Here, the scammer takes impersonation one step further by cloning the phone number of a genuine company. So when the target receives a call or text, their phone recognises the sender's number as being the one they know (e.g. Amazon, BBC), the likelihood of them giving out their details is much more inclined to comply.

**FAKE TECH SUPPORT**  
Attackers contact a target, impersonating their employer's IT support team. They then use their access to download some software to fix a technical issue with their device. In reality, however, the software grants the scammers access to the victim's private data and sensitive information. This can be more common on mobile and landline devices, but it's still possible to accomplish on mobile.

**SIM HIJACKING**  
SIM hijacking switches control of a phone account from the victim's SIM card to one in the scammer's possession. Criminals use personal details placed together from social media (e.g. photos, videos), get a friend or family member to transfer their number to their SIM, giving them access to all calls and texts meant for you, including one-time login passwords.

**Advice for Parents & Carers**

**DO SOME DIGGING**  
If you've received a call or text asking for money, insurance, or other sensitive information, there are a few things you can do to help you to enter a phone number and will then display any relevant information about it - this usually includes feedback and comments from other people, so you can easily see if that particular number has been implicated in potential scams.

**TRY A CALL BLOCKER**  
If a suspicious call comes through on your phone, you can manually block the number. You can also use a call blocker or a nuisance caller. Alternatively, you could consider installing a call blocker app on your phone. They automatically stop calls getting through from numbers which have reported as suspicious, halting potential scammers in their tracks before they can reach you.

**VERIFY THE SOURCE**  
Never give out confidential details to an unknown caller or contact you to click on a link. If you've been contacted by a company you trust but it's still asking for personal details, check the company's website, find the company's genuine number on a bill or on their website and call them directly to confirm if there really is an issue you need to address.

**BREAK OUT THE TECH**  
Lots of anti-virus software now also protects mobiles. Some anti-virus apps can detect phishing links in text messages and alert you to the risk, which you can then avoid. You can also use a mobile security app - these transactions. It's far less secure than your home Wi-Fi network. However, you should consider installing a VPN (Virtual Private Network), which encrypts all data travelling to and from your phone.

**REPORT INCIDENTS**  
If you or a family member does give out confidential information to a caller you aren't sure about, contact the action company mentioned to check if the call was genuine. If you confirm that the call was made by your organisation, you should report it to a potential scammer via the Action Fraud website and (depending on exactly what information was divulged) consider involving the police.

**BE WARY OF LINKS**  
If you get a message from an unknown number asking you to click on a link, report it as spam and do not open the link. One recent example 'wanted' victims they'd been alerted to the Central Police and needed to click a link to buy a special test - only to find they had paid their money to scammers. Links can also install malware onto your phone or allow them to access your location.

**Meet Our Expert**  
Formerly 2021, NIOS has been replaced by Cyber Security and Incident Response Unit, with offices in the UK, the unit offers investigation services, specialist packages include cyber security monitoring and testing, risk audit, event response and incident response.

**National Online Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday

[www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) @nationalonlinesafety /NationalOnlineSafety @nationalonlinesafety

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## Top Tips for supporting positive mental health with your child

We know at times it can be really challenging to understand and support positive mental health with children. This useful link has some handy top tips which we hope will help parents. <https://ssscpd.co.uk/education/parentsandguardians/child-mental-health-10-tips-for-parents>

## Understanding Phone Scams

Cyber attacks, in the form of phone scammers, are on the rise across the world. This helpful guide gives you tips to avoid these incidents.

## Curriculum Spotlight

This term **Year 7** have been exploring Pantomime (Oh no, they haven't! Oh yes, they have!) and creating a devised piece of Drama from a narrative. Just before Christmas the entire year group were able to go and see NIE Theatre companies amazing Christmas show 'The Snow Queen' at The Junction.



**Year 8** have been learning about the origins of Greek Theatre, the role of the messenger and choral speaking. They have also been preparing their Shakespearian monologues and duologues as part of competing in the English Speaking Union Performing Shakespeare competition.

**Year 9** have been creating their own pieces of devised theatre in which they explored the question 'What does it feel like to grow up?'. They are now exploring verbatim theatre which is a genre of theatre that only uses really people's words to tell their stories.

**Year 10** have just had a fantastic devising workshop delivered by Louis and Beth, two exciting theatre makers from Hills Road performing Arts Department. During the two-hour workshop students learnt to use props in unconventional ways to create their own version of traditional fairy tales.

**Year 11** have completed their final devised performances and sat their mock exams. They are now working on their scripted performances. Performing monologues and duologues by John Godber.

### Key Stage 3 Drama Club

Key Stage 3 Drama club (years 7-9) is on every Wednesday 3:20 – 4:20pm in the Drama Studio. Students have brilliant fun creating improvisations and developing their skills and love of Drama.

### Shakespeare Speaking Union – Performing Shakespeare

The whole of Year 8 performed monologues and duologues in lessons from three Shakespeare plays A Midsummer's Night's Dream, Macbeth and Romeo and Juliet. Ten students were then selected to go through to the school round where they performed in front of our esteemed judging panel of Mrs Stoneham and Mrs Cozens. Congratulations to Raff Torres Lyons who won with a mesmerising performance of Romeo's death scene. He will now represent Cole-ridge at the regional round competing against other schools for a place in the national final to be held at Stratford-upon-Avon.

### Coming soon...

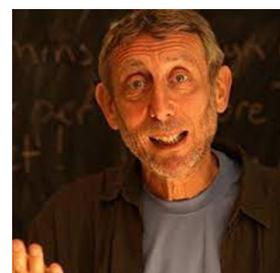
### Frantic Assembly

We are really excited to have been one of only 14 academies across United Learning to be selected to work with the UK's premier physical theatre company Frantic Assembly. Twenty-five Year 9 students will take part in two workshops where they will develop their own piece of physical theatre, refine their work, and learn more about the method of Frantic Assembly. They will then perform their piece of drama at a showcase in London in July.



### Michael Rosen and Historyworks

We are delighted to be once again working with former Children's Poet Laureate Michael Rosen and local charity Historyworks for Refugee Week. Through the project students will write their own poetry and create music, drama and dance performances all to be performed at a service at the Corn Exchange in June.



## House Points Update



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## Recognitions

### Top House Points of the Week:

Year 7: Danny Clemence 33 points

Year 8: Adam Wallman 13 points

Year 9: Ashwini Al-Haque 15 points

Year 10: Mason Carter 20 Points

Year 11: Emily Best 12 Points

## House Competition



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## HOUSE CHALLENGE 28<sup>th</sup> March 2022

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5	6	7	8
			

Name the pokemon. Enter [here](#)