



# The Cambridge Primary School

## Newsletter – Summer 2

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### *A message from Mrs Kennedy*

What a busy half-term! We've had a fantastic (and full!) half-term so far at The Cambridge Primary School, and we still have so much to come! Despite the heatwave, our children have shown remarkable resilience and enthusiasm through a packed calendar of events – from transition days, school trips, and of course, sports days! Not to mention tomorrow's Friends of The Cambridge Summer Festival! We hope to see you all there!

A huge thank you to all parents and carers who have supported your children through transition days. Whether you have had positive conversations at home, reached out to school with questions or simply encouraged your child to embrace change, your involvement makes a real difference. We know every child responds differently to transition, especially when moving to a new teacher or class. While change is part of growing up and builds resilience, we are here to support every child however we can.

Sports Day was a huge success! What a brilliant (hot) day we had at our first full school Sports Day at the military stadium! Thank you to Mr Payne, whose military-style planning made sure the event was safe, positive, and fun for everyone. A big shout out to all parents, staff, volunteers, and children for making this event such a success. We reflect on changes we can make for next year to make it bigger and better!

#### **Farewell to Year 6**

This is our last full newsletter before the summer – and before we say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 pupils. We are incredibly proud of who you have become. Although it's sad to see you leave after your journey with us at The Cambridge, we know you are ready to flourish at secondary school.

On behalf of all the children and staff: goodbye, Year 6 – and all the best for your future! Make yourselves proud and “be kinder than you need to be.”

We wish all our families a restful and happy summer break, when it arrives!



### Dates



**Hawk Conservancy Trip (Holly Class) – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July**

**Cambridge Transition Day – 2<sup>nd</sup> July** (Please note secondary school transition dates may vary)

**Year 2 Hook Day – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** (Inspirational People)

**Hawk Conservancy Trip (Birch Class) – Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

**Sports day (Military Stadium) – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

**Friends of Cambridge Summer Festival – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

**Year 5 visit Ash Manor School – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

**Bocketts Trip (Willow Class) – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

**Bocketts Trip (Oak Class) Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

**Year 6 Run to Wicked – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

**Wicked Trip (year 6) – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July**

**Year R Stay and Play – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July 14:30 -15:00**

**Year 5 Big Sleep – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

**Reports sent home – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July**

**Last week of clubs – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July**

**Year 5 Hook Day - Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July (Texas day)**

**Teddy Bears Picnic (New Reception children Only) –**

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 15:30-16:30**

**Rock Steady Concert – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July (Starting at 9am)**

**Year R Hook (At the Farm) – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

**Year 6 WW2 Village Fete/Victory fair – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

**Year 6 Party – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July**

**Year 6 Leavers Assembly – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July (Y6**

Parents invited – more information to come)

**Last day of term – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

**Inset days Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

**First day back (Y1-Y6) – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

### Vacancies

We have the following vacancies, click on the school name for more information!

[Stanhope Primary School – Lunchtime Supervisor \(10 hours a week\)](#) – will be advertised week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> July



### Sports Update

From Mr Payne



The last half term is traditionally one of the busiest for PE, and this year is no exception! The children have been practising hard for Sports Day and have enjoyed using the newly painted running track! We have had some very hot weather to contend with too but the children have coped really well, displaying great teamwork and showing pride and commitment to their house teams! Year 1 have started their tennis lessons with one of the coaches from Aldershot tennis Centre which now means every year group has benefited from these sessions funded by the Tim Henman Foundation. Other year groups have been playing dodgeball and rounders and some have been working on their fitness!

The whole school recently enjoyed taking part in a Tough Runner event which was a great opportunity for children and staff to have a go at overcoming their fears and getting very wet and muddy in the process! Some of the teachers had a bit too much fun spraying their classes with the hosepipe and even Mr Harris (CEO of the Academy Trust) and Mrs Kennedy had a go at the course! These events raise the profile of physical activity across the school but also bring everyone together with a shared aim and a feeling of accomplishment! Year 6 recently visited the Army School of Physical Training for another pass out parade rehearsal and some of the Year 5&6 boys took part in a football fixture against Alderwood. Finally, a big well done to Isla and Jenson who both won medals at a recent Taekwondo event (gold for Jenson, silver and bronze for Isla).



### 🎵 Music Update 🎵

From Mrs Critchley

We're thrilled to share that a brand-new delivery of musical instruments has arrived ready for September! Students will have the opportunity to explore and play a wider variety of instruments including ukuleles, recorders and keyboards. There will be something for everyone to try, and we hope to begin some lunchtime music clubs from September. The new Music Classroom is also beginning to take shape including a new percussion trolley. It will be a wonderful space for singing, playing and creating music together.

Children continue to impress me in their music lessons with their confidence to sing and perform. Children are often keen to sing as a soloist in front of their peers showing great bravery and resilience.

Keep singing over the holidays and I look forward to sharing more music updates in September!



### ☁ Pupil Update ☁

In Year 6, pupils took part in a dynamic boxing workshop led by the brilliant team from Albert Street Boxing Club. The session focused on discipline, coordination and self-confidence – and the children absolutely loved learning new skills. One Year 6 pupil said, *“It wasn't just about boxing – it was about resilience and keeping focused. I felt really proud of myself afterwards.”*

Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed their visit to the Hawk Conservancy Trust – a highlight of the term. They were captivated by the birds of prey and especially impressed by the awe-inspiring flying displays. One pupil shared, *“My favourite was the owl – it flew right over our heads and didn't make a sound!”* The trip supported their science learning and helped them connect what they've been doing in class to the world around them.

This term, our School Council has taken a leading role in trying to reduce lost property across the school. Councillors have been meeting regularly to explore practical solutions – including clearer labelling, dedicated return stations, and raising awareness in assemblies. One pupil explained, *“It's really frustrating when things go missing. We want everyone to feel responsible for their own belongings – and we're working on ideas that will help everyone keep track of their things better.”*

It's inspiring to see how pupils are taking ownership of their school experience – whether through leadership, learning or community action. We look forward to seeing how these ideas develop over the coming weeks.



### Governor Update



As the summer term draws to a close, we would like to take a moment to celebrate a very special group of pupils – our Year 6s (Arnhem and Montgomery Class). This is a landmark moment, as they are the first ever year group to reach the end of their primary journey at The Cambridge!

Throughout this term, they have truly embodied the spirit and values of the school. From completing their KS2 SATs with determination, to embracing the challenges of Sports Week and the famously muddy Tough Runner, they’ve shown resilience, enthusiasm, and teamwork in abundance.

Their recent PGL residential was a fantastic opportunity to build confidence and independence, and we know they will carry these experiences with them into senior school. Ahead lies even more excitement, with Sports Day on the horizon and the unforgettable chance to watch *Wicked* in the West End – a fitting finale for a remarkable year group.

As governors, we’ve been proud to watch this cohort grow, learn and lead by example. Their journey marks a milestone in the school’s history, and they leave behind a legacy of energy, ambition and community spirit.

We wish each and every one of them the very best as they move on to their next chapter. Thank you to the staff, families, and friends who have supported them along the way.

Have a restful and happy summer!

Roger Harnden  
Trust Governor.



### School Update



For those who didn’t catch it, next year’s teaching teams and classes are as follows:

<b>Year R</b>	<b>Oak Class</b> Mrs Neumann	<b>Willow Class</b> Miss Boyer
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Birch Class</b> (Previously Oak) Miss Davis	<b>Holly Class</b> (Previously Willow) Miss Rees
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Chestnut Class</b> (Previously Holly) Mrs Hislop	<b>Beech Class</b> (Previously Birch) Miss Begum
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Turner Class</b> (Previously Beech) Miss Goodchild	<b>McCarthy Class</b> (Previously Chestnut) Mr Barrios
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Scarlett Class</b> (Previously Turner) Mrs Tack	<b>Hope Grant Class</b> (Previously McCarthy) Miss Hayer
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Alexander Class</b> (Previously Hope Grant) Mrs Beeson (W,Th,F) and Mrs Douglas (M&T)	<b>Peirce Class</b> (Previously Scarlett) Mr McCormack
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Arnhem Class</b> (Previously Peirce) Mrs Soane	<b>Montgomery Class</b> (Previously Alexander) Mr Irvine

### the nest Update

With the lovely summer weather, the children at the Nest have enjoyed snacks outside on the grass along with playing on the space hoppers, giant balance spinning tops that they can sit in and of course footballs.

Creativity and craft are favourites in the Nest. The children made Father's Day cards and fish tanks from cereal boxes. Junk modelling and artistic freedom at the craft table always brings out great creations.

Another favourite of the children is dancing together, following instructions. The adults at the Nest love to see the children in their Hook Day outfits.

