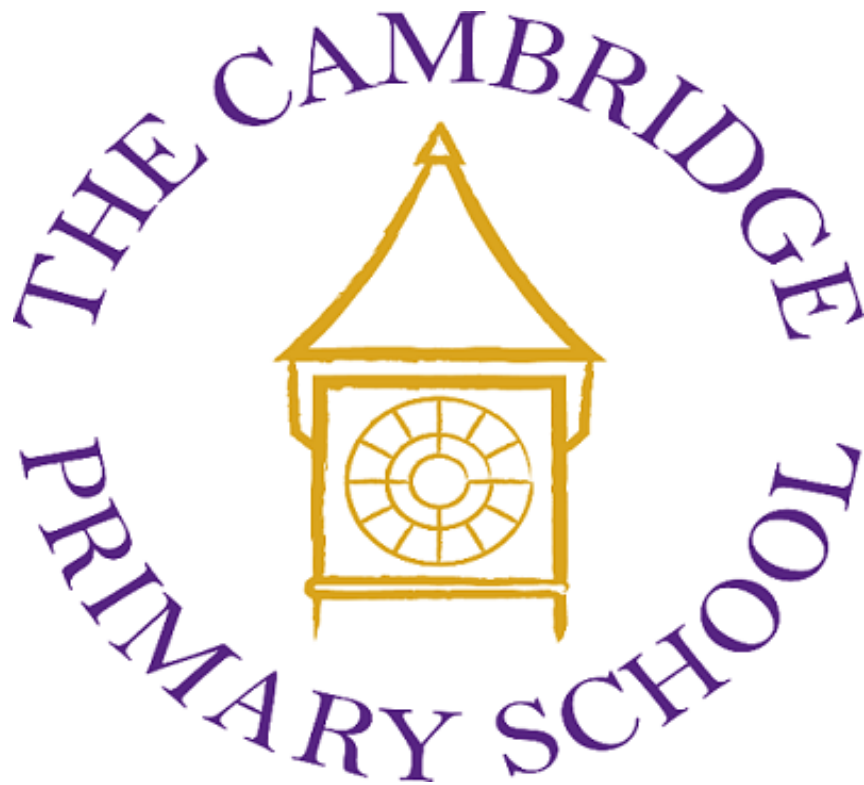


# Newsletter

## Autumn 2

2025



# A message from Mrs Kennedy, Headteacher

Fireworks Extravaganza. Thank you to everyone who attended our community fireworks event. It was wonderful to see so many families enjoying the evening together. The event wouldn't have been possible without:

- Friends of The Cambridge for organising and coordinating the event
- Staff, friends and family who volunteered their time
- Our community for your fantastic support

The evening was a brilliant reflection of how our amazing community pulls together. Friends of The Cambridge continue to work hard creating events that everyone can enjoy whilst raising vital funds for our school – including tonight's wreath-making workshop!

If you're interested in supporting the PTA, please email [friendsofthecambridge@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofthecambridge@gmail.com)

Staffing Announcements. We're delighted to welcome Mr Jones, who joined us this term as an ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant). He has already connected with many children across the school, providing valuable support in a variety of ways.

Mrs Beeson will be leaving us at Christmas after being part of The Cambridge family since the school opened in September 2018 – as a parent, governor, LSA and teacher. We'd like to thank Mrs Beeson for everything she has brought to our school, particularly her competitive spirit on sports day! We wish her all the best in her next adventure. Mr Ross will be leading Alexander Class through the rest of the year and has already started building relationships with the children to ensure a smooth transition.

Mrs Douglas went on maternity leave at half-term, and we're delighted to share the safe arrival of a beautiful baby girl. Mrs Douglas and baby are both doing well, and we look forward to her visiting soon.

Mrs May also welcomed another little boy, just before October half-term, both Mrs May and baby are doing well and we are looking forward to meeting him.

Parking Reminder. Parking continues to be a regular topic in our school communications. We appreciate that school drop-off and pick-up can be challenging due to work, family or personal commitments – we all have them. We urge you to park safely and sensibly. If there isn't a safe space to park, please do not put your needs above the safety of others.

Please remember:

- The bus stop is for buses – please do not drop off or pick up from there
- Alternative parking is available at the church and Fox Lines car park just beyond

Where possible, please use these alternatives if you need to travel by car. Everyone needs to play their part in making our community a safe place.

End of Day Collection – New Safety Measures. Please be considerate of children and staff at the end of the day. We appreciate this is one of the few opportunities for face-to-face conversations, but with one class teacher dismissing 30 children, we need your support to keep everyone safe.

To improve safety at the end of the day, particularly in lower school, we will be:

- Closing the door between dismissing each child to ensure children don't leave unsupervised
- Asking parents to keep a good distance (3 metres) from the classroom door to reduce crowding so children can see their parent clearly
- Keeping blinds down at the end of the day so children remain focused on the teacher's instructions
- Asking parents to wait until all children have been dismissed if they need to chat with the teacher

If you need to speak to a teacher and can't wait at the door, please email to request a meeting or call:

Upper School: [upperschool@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk](mailto:upperschool@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk)

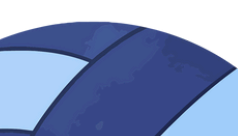




Lower School: [lowerschool@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk](mailto:lowerschool@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk)

Thank you for your help in creating a safer end-of-day routine for everyone.



# Sports Update




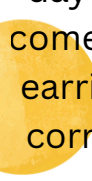
## Mr. Payne, P.E Specialist



Since the last newsletter, there has been lots of exciting things happening in PE at The Cambridge! We have had our first two cross country races for Years 5/6 at Calthorpe Park and Cove School, with some brilliant performances from the children! Our new Year 6 sports leaders took part in training to enable them to run activities at lunch times, we have had our first football and netball fixtures against Alderwood and St. Joseph's and Years 5 and 6 took part in some PE lessons at the grand openings of our two new trust schools - Hounsome Fields and Stanhope.

In PE lessons, Key Stage 1 have been taking part in gymnastics and yoga and Key Stage 2 have been out in the wintry conditions playing tag rugby, hockey and football! Years 3 & 4 have also been taking part in dance lessons. I have been hugely impressed by the resilience of the children in their PE lessons, taking part with such enthusiasm, sometimes in cold, wet and windy weather!

### PE Uniform Reminders



There are still a large number of children coming to school on their PE days wearing jewellery/earrings. A reminder that all jewellery should be left at home on your child's PE day and earrings MUST be taped at home before children come to school if they are unable to be removed. Only stud earrings are permitted. Long hair must also be tied up and correct PE uniform should be worn. Many thanks for your cooperation.





# MUSIC UPDATE

from Mrs Critchley

There are lots of Christmas songs being sung in the music lessons now in preparation for the Christmas shows in a few weeks! As well as singing in our music lessons our Choirs have been performing over the last few weeks in and out of school. Our Year 6 Choir performed at Hounsome Fields Primary School and our Year 5 Choir performed at Stanhope Primary School to celebrate their official openings. We now have rehearsals ongoing for our new Christmas Choir, and they are due to perform at the Garrison Church of All Saints Church on 4th December. Thank you to all the children who have given up lunchtimes to rehearse – the children have shown great commitment.

We also have exciting plans to begin flute and clarinet lessons from January. We have been fortunate to have secured some funding from a charity Music for All and have received money to purchase flutes and clarinets which the school plans to lend to children who sign up for lessons. More details to follow in January!





## AN UPDATE FROM MRS ALDRIDGE

The children have had a busy time at The Nest, with many craft activities (autumn leaves, fireworks, Remembrance Day and snowmen).



Breakfast and after school meals and snacks are always a hit, where the children serve their own breakfast and butter their own toast, which helps them develop their independence.



Football remains a favourite at the back of the hall, with the children organising their teams and games.



Many Hook Days have been celebrated and it is lovely to see the children arrive at The Nest in their Hook Day outfits.

## Mrs Aldridge and The Nest Team



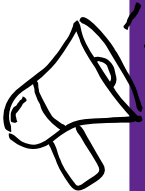
## COMMUNITY

The Cambridge community Christmas larder is now open and accepting donations, thank you to everyone who has donated so far.

Well done everyone, you raised over £160 to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Are you having a pre Christmas clear out? Do you have any of the following for our early years provisions?

- Dressing up
- Dolls house accessories
- building blocks
- vehicles
- role play items
- animals
- no soft toys please



We are running very low on spare changes of clothing. Do you have any good condition school uniform, socks and pants that no longer fit your children that you could donate to our school?

We are looking for a quote for a 25-metre small picket fence for our reception area just to go straight across to separate the garden area.

If you can help please email [Info@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk](mailto:Info@cambridgeschool.hants.sch.uk)

We have lots of Coats and Jumpers hanging on our rail on the entrance to the school office. Please take the time to have a look through and take your things home before Christmas as anything without a name will be donated or discarded.

## COMMUNICATIONS

We are looking forward to our Whole school panto trip this December, Don't forget to book your ticket on Arbor!

You can find all events, Christmas performances and activities on the lead up to Christmas on the class news page on our school website

## CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES



Reception: Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December 09:30am  
Year 1: Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 09:15am  
Year 2: Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 10:30am  
Year 3: Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 09:15am  
Year 4: Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 10:30am  
Year 5: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December 09:15am  
Year 6: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December 10:30am



## EVENTS

### 10<sup>th</sup> Dec

Christmas Post Boxes open for cards

### 12<sup>th</sup> Dec

Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day

### 17<sup>th</sup> Dec

Christmas Post Boxes Closes

### 18<sup>th</sup> Dec

Whole School Christmas Panto trip



# Christmas Lunch

## MAINS

Roast Turkey or Roasted  
Vegetable and Cranberry  
Slice (V)

## SIDES

Roast Potatoes, Stuffing,  
Carrots, Peas and Gravy

## DESSERTS

Vanilla Christmas  
Shortbread

\*Menus may be subject to change



# Christmas Jumper Day



12th  
December

Come to school wearing your Christmas jumpers  
over your uniform

Donate a bottle for our Tombola



Do you have any preloved Christmas jumpers that you could donate? We would love to accept them here at The Cambridge Primary and share them this festive season. please donate any unwanted Christmas jumpers or uniform to the office by Monday 24th November.

