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Cambridgeshire Schools Newsletter

Welcome to the first Cambridgeshire Schools Newsletter of the new academic year. We hope that you have had a restful and enjoyable summer.

We would also like to join you in welcoming Sarah Callaghan, our new Service Director for Education, who joined Cambridgeshire County Council in August.

With best wishes

[Cambridgeshire Schools Newsletter Team](#)

Free online training from the Family Hubs Team - 'Arguing Better'

A course to help parents. The Family Hubs Team will be delivering Arguing Better via Teams for parents who would like to improve the relationship with their partner. Online via Teams, Friday 4 October, 12-1pm & Friday 11 October 12-1pm. Free.

[Parents Booking Form](#).

Physically Active Learning workshop - numeracy and literacy through physical activity

Save the Date – Monday 14 October 2024 - Papworth

Building on the success of the recent PE Conference, and due to popular demand, we have invited our Keynote speaker, Bryn Llewellyn to lead a training event sharing unique and innovative ways to combine English, Mathematics and other subjects with Physical Activity. This course will help teachers to unlock the potential of the classroom, PE hall and outdoor environment for learning different subjects, while also engaging some hard to reach children.

[Further information available here](#)

Please contact [Ian Roberts](#) for further information

PE Advisory Service Course Brochure 2024-2025

Cambridgeshire's Physical Education Advisory Service is pleased to announce that the course brochure for 2024-2025 is now available to download from our [Cambridgeshire PE Courses and Workshops page](#) on the Learn Together website.

If you would prefer to receive a hard copy of the course brochure, or have any further questions regarding courses or in-school training, please email pe.adviser@cambridgeshire.gov.uk and they will arrange this for you.

Resources to download throughout September to help 'healthy smiles'



Following the success of the Awesome Smiles September Stations last year, this programme is being funded again by Cambridgeshire County Council to offer a whole school approach to Oral Health promotion. All primary schools throughout Cambridgeshire are encouraged to download the resources throughout September and then set a date to have fun with a circuit of activity stations to encourage all pupils from Reception to Upper KS2 to get excited about caring for their smiles. All resources and instructions for the activities are provided by Awesome Oral Health. Accredited by the British Society of Dental Hygiene and Therapy (BSDHT) and approved locally by the Cambridgeshire PSHE Service, the digital downloadable resources (including mini videos) are now available and can be accessed for free: [Awesome Smiles lesson plans login](#).

PSHE Service Course Brochure 2024-2025



Cambridgeshire's PSHE Service is pleased to announce that the course brochure for 2024-2025 is now available to download from our [Cambridgeshire PSHE - Our courses and conferences](#) page on the Learn Together website.

If you would prefer to receive a hard copy of the course brochure or have any further questions regarding courses or in-school training, please email pshe@cambridgeshire.gov.uk and they will arrange this for you.

PSHE Service Conference - PSHE for the world we live in

We, at the PSHE Service, are very pleased to announce further details of our 'Conference – PSHE For The World We Live In'. We have created a programme designed to support and inspire school and PSHE leaders from Primary, Secondary and Special Schools. We are excited to welcome a range of national and local speakers, including Jonathan Baggaley CEO of the PSHE Association. Participants will be able to choose from a range of tailored workshops as well as listening to engaging keynote speakers.

Date: Wednesday 9 October 2024

Venue: Delta Marriot Huntingdon

Cost: £175 (for PSHE Service subscribers) £195 (standard price). We are pleased to confirm that if a school sends two members of staff, each staff member will be charged the reduced price of £150.

To book your place please [book here](#)

Free online live World Animal Day event featuring a JLS singer!



Join in with World Animal Day this October through a fun and informative live event, featuring celebrity JB Gill from JLS and CBeebies. Discover this year's theme, 'Animals – it's their home too' and explore how to make pet homes exciting through planet friendly enrichment activities. Hosted by the Pet Education Partnership – a collaboration of eight of the leading UK animal charities including Woodgreen, RSPCA, Dogs Trust and Cats Protection.

Thursday 3 October and repeated Friday 4 October, 1-1.45 pm. Online webinar. Free.

#AskAboutAsthma 2024 campaign



The [#AskAboutAsthma campaign](#), running from September 9-15, 2024, is focused on supporting children and young people in managing their asthma effectively. This year's theme is "Helping children and young people with asthma to live their best lives," with an emphasis on four key actions.

One of these actions is to "Consider air quality and its impact on lung health." As part of this, we encourage schools to share with parents the benefits of parking a little further from the school and walking, which can help improve air quality and support children's physical activity.

The #AskAboutAsthma campaign encourages children and young people (CYP), their families, and those involved in their care, to ensure four simple and effective measures to help them control their asthma:

1. Get an [asthma action plan](#) in place
2. Understand how to use [inhalers](#) correctly
3. Schedule an [asthma review](#) – every year and after every attack
4. Consider [air pollution](#) and its impact on lung health

We also encourage schools to refer to [#AskAboutAsthma 2024 Schools Fact Sheet](#) for additional information and guidance on how they can support this initiative. In particular the [LearnLive broadcast](#) for schools on Friday 13 September at 10am.

This campaign runs at this time of year to raise awareness of the significant spike in asthma admissions in week 38. Hospitals often see a surge in asthma related emergency admissions during this time, making it a critical time for healthcare providers. We would advise maintaining regular asthma routines and being vigilant with preventer medications to reduce the risk of attacks during this time.

The CYP Community Asthma Team can be contacted on ccs.cypasthma@nhs.net

Invitation to join the ARU Initial Teacher Training Partnership

Anglia Ruskin University is excited to launch a brand new [BEd \(hons\) Primary Education with QTS](#) in September 2024, and we are looking for primary schools to join our Partnership and help develop ambitious future teachers for the region. This is a unique opportunity to work with a university ranked seventh for Education in the Guardian League Table and recently named [University of the Year 2023](#).

There are a number of ways in which schools and individuals can engage with us, including hosting a trainee on placement, guest lecturing and contributing to the student interview process. Please visit our partnership webpage for further information and to express your interest.

If you have any further questions, please get in touch via [train to teach @ ARU](#).

Children Previously in Care Pupil Premium Plus (PP+)

Are you aware that you can claim pupil premium plus for children previously in care? This includes children who have been in care in England and Wales and then adopted, under a special guardianship order or a child arrangement order, or children who have been adopted from care from outside of England or Wales. To claim the funding you need to see evidence of previously in care status and record this on the October Census. Best practice is to send a letter to all families. An exemplar letter is available on this [Cambridgeshire Virtual School page of the Learn Together website](#).

For further advice please contact virtualschool@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Grafham Water Centre

Summer is almost coming to a close and the Autumnal weather is on its way. Fear not, it's not time to start with those winter blues just yet – there's still time to enjoy the benefits of getting outside. Grafham Water Centre is offering various ways for you and your family to get outdoors this Autumn with a range of outdoor activity pursuits to suit all ages and abilities. It is a proven fact that getting outdoors during the long dark winter months can improve our mental wellbeing as well as huge health benefits with vitamin D from the sunny days, and also fresh air rather than stuffy air! For children especially to pull them away from their screens during these colder months is always a benefit!

The centre are also offering a new opportunity to stay overnight during the Halloween season with a themed residential for the family, enjoying some home cooked food onsite and ghastly night walks!

For more details go to our website: [Grafham Water Centre](#)

Your call to action: Mental Health and Suicide training/awareness

September 10 2024 was World Suicide Prevention Day and with the triennial theme being: "Changing the Narrative on Suicide" there is the call to action of "Start the Conversation". The call to action encourages everyone to start the conversation on suicide and suicide prevention. Every conversation, no matter how small, contributes to a supportive and understanding society.

[World Suicide Prevention Day 2024 \(who.int\)](https://www.who.int/campaigns/world-suicide-prevention-day-2024)

World Mental Health Day is happening on October 10th 2024. The official theme has been chosen as: "It is time to prioritise mental health in the workplace". Your call to action is to be proactive in knowing how/when to support others, and yourself, from a position of information, empathy and confidence.

[World Mental Health Day 2024 - Mental Health UK \(mentalhealth-uk.org\)](https://www.mentalhealth-uk.org/world-mental-health-day-2024)

You can attend Mental Health and Suicide First Aid/ Awareness training throughout the term, booking via [School Improvement Service online calendar \(bookingbug.com\)](https://www.bookingbug.com) [Adult Mental Health Tab]

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Bridge the Gap Charity Walk for Arthur Rank Hospice Charity



The Bridge of Sighs and Darwin Garden are just a couple of sights to be seen on this year's Bridge the Gap Charity Walk, raising funds for people supported by Arthur Rank Hospice Charity and Romsey Mill. Taking place on Sunday 15 September this family friendly walk takes in six of Cambridge's Colleges.

Sign up by visiting arhc.org.uk/btg or by telephoning 01223 675888

Evidence Bites #6 - What every teacher needs to know about reading

'What every teacher needs to know about reading' with Christopher Such, experienced teacher, school leader, educational author and expert in reading.

[Thursday 10 October 2024, 5-7pm](#)

Target Audience: All primary and secondary teachers, HoDs, SLT, middle & subject leaders - particularly those with a focus on English & Reading, School Governors

Venue: Thomas Clarkson Academy, Wisbech, PE13 2SE

The East Cambs & Fenland Evidence Network for schools invite you to join us for Evidence Bites #6 - an informal, professionally energising CPD event. Meet local colleagues, enjoy a bite to eat and hear from an inspiring speaker.

£16 a ticket or use the code MULTI for discount on extra tickets.

For more information, please contact: [Becky Layfield](#)

Training and Events

[SIS - 1stClass@Number 1](#)

For teachers and teaching assistants working with Year 2 pupils. Session 1 of 5. Monday 23 September 2024, 9.15am–3.30pm. Stanton House. £775 for Cambs LA schools and £850 for academies and out of county schools.

SIS – Success@Arithmetic Calculation – Maths Intervention Tab

For Teachers and Teaching Assistants working with pupils in Year 5 to Year 8. Session 1 of 3. Thursday 26 September 2024, 1.30-4pm. Stanton House. £775 for Cambs LA schools and £850 for academies and out of county schools.

SIS – Teaching writing in KS2: principles, provision and practice – English Tab.

For English Subject Leaders and KS2 teachers. Session 1 of 2. Tuesday 1 October 2024, 1.30-4.30pm. Over Community Centre. £75 per session for Cambs LA schools and £85 per session for Cambs Academies and out of county schools.

Delivering Statutory Safeguarding Requirements in the PSHE Curriculum (Primary & Special Schools)

2 October 2024 and 21 May 2025 – 1.30-3pm, Online. £40 subscribing schools, £50 for non-subscribing schools

Audience: PSHE leads and Designated Safeguarding Leads in primary and special schools.

PSHE Conference 2024

9 October 2024 – 9.30am-4pm. Marriott Hotel, Huntingdon. £175 for subscribing Schools, £195 for non-subscribing schools. We are pleased to confirm that if a school sends two members of staff, each staff member will be charged the reduced price of £150. This adjustment will be made at the point of invoicing.

Audience: All Staff

PSHE and Personal Development: Preparing for Ofsted

24 October 2024 – 1.30-3.30pm. Online. £40 subscribing schools, £50 for non-subscribing schools

Audience: PSHE Subject Leaders and/or senior leaders at primary, secondary and special schools

Level 5 Certificate in Primary School PE Specialism/Level 6 Award in Primary School PE Subject Leadership

6/8 dates starting 4 March 2025 – 9.30am-4.30pm. Sunley House, Papworth Everard. £1125/£1400

Audience: PE Leads and all teachers in primary school PE. It is also ideal for HLTAs, Tas and sports coaches employed in schools.

Physically Active Learning in Mathematics & English

14 October 2024, 9.30am-4.30pm. Papworth Village Hall, Papworth Everard. £145 each (£99 additional teachers from the same school)

Audience: teachers in primary schools seeking innovative approaches to finding learning beyond the classroom walls.

Developing an Inspirational PE Curriculum for the 21st Century

22 October 2024, 1.30-3.30pm. Online. £49 for Cambs maintained schools, £54 for Cambs Academies and all non-Cambs schools

An Introduction to Forest Schools

Aimed at educators working with children aged 0-11, this includes early years, childminders, teaching assistants, teachers and home educators. Monday 30 September 2024, 9.30am-4pm. Hinchingsbrooke Country Park, Huntingdon. £58.50 for members of the EY, Childcare and School Readiness Service. There is also funding available to cover the cost of this training.

Forest School Development Day

This is for trained Level 3 and Level 2 Forest School educators, this also includes anyone

who is currently undergoing their accredited training. Monday 14 October 2024, 9.30am-4pm. Hinchbrook Country Park, Huntingdon. £58.50 for members of the EY, Childcare and School Readiness Service. There is funding available to cover the cost of this training.

Forest School Autumn Network

All educators are able to attend. Tuesday 23 October, 3.30-5pm. Middlefield Primary School, St Neots. £15 per individual.

An Introduction to the Role of the Primary Science Subject Leader

For Primary Science Leads. Tuesday 1 October, 9am–3pm. Venue: Trumpington Meadows Primary School. £150

Engaging Science in Year 5

For Primary Teachers. Thursday 3 October, 3.30-5.30pm. Remote. £40

Modelling Chemical Change (Part of KS3 Chemistry Subject Knowledge Enhancement series)

For Secondary Teachers. Thursday 24 October, 3.30-4.30pm £20

Leading Singing with Children Part 1

Continuing Professional Development / Cambridgeshire Music

For all teachers and staff working with young singers. Thursday 17 September, 4-5.30pm, Cambridgeshire Music Histon -Free

Leading Singing with Children Part 1

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For all teachers and staff working with young singers. Thursday 8 October, 4-5.30pm, The Nene Infant and Nursery School Wisbech -Free

Primary and Secondary Music Network Meeting

Continuing Professional Development / Cambridgeshire Music

For all staff leading music in school. Monday 14 October, 4-5pm. Online £75 for a yearly access or FREE for schools that have completed our 'School Assessment Survey'

New Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education

For all schools, Thursday 19 September 24, via Teams, 3.30 – 5pm, £29 for LA schools and £39 for academies.

What should an RE curriculum look like?

For Primary Schools, Tuesday 15 October 24, via teams, 3.30 – 5pm, £29 for LA schools and £39 for academies.

RE and Ofsted

For primary schools. Wednesday 13 November 24, 3.30 – 5pm, £29 for LA schools and £39 for academies.

Managing allegations and low-level concerns (Book under Leadership and Management of Safeguarding Tab)

Audience: Headteachers, Senior Leaders, Designated Safeguarding Leads across all phases who may be required to respond to allegations about staff.

Monday 30 September 11am-12pm, Virtual course, £35.

Safeguarding for support staff (Book under Leadership and Management of Safeguarding Tab)

Audience: Headteachers, Senior Leaders, Designated Safeguarding Leads across all phases who wish to access resources for training support staff in the culture of safeguarding and the implications of the code of conduct.

Friday 11 October 9.30-10.30am, Virtual course, £35.

Single Central Record Training (Book under Leadership and Management of Safeguarding Tab)

Audience: Headteachers, Senior Leaders, Administrative staff and Governors who are required to update, review or audit the SCR.

Tuesday 15 October 1.30-2.30pm, Virtual course, £35.

Quick links

- [SEND Information Hub \(Local Offer\)](#)
- [SEND OAP toolkits - Learn Together](#)
- [Cambridgeshire Learn Together](#)
- [Cambridgeshire County Council](#)
- [Local Authority and Teaching School CPD offer](#)
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