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# Cambridgeshire Schools Newsletter

## World Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness (WAAW) Week letter to headteachers

Please find an NHS letter below, signed by the Director of Public Health, about <u>World AMR Awareness Week 2025</u>: 18 to 24 November 2025. The letter includes links to useful lesson plans and the `e-Bug', which is a UK Health Security Agency health programme which aims to promote positive behaviour change amongst children and young people around prevention and control and Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR).

Letter to headteachers: <u>Preventing infectious diseases in schools: World Antimicrobial Awareness (WAAW) week</u>

### **Individual School Pupil Forecasts 2025**

Here is a link to the individual school pupil forecasts:

Cambridgeshire Pupil Forecasts - Learn Together (cambslearntogether.co.uk)

Please download the forecasts and click 'Enable Editing' to allow the drop-down options to work. Your forecast is viewed by selecting your school's name from the drop-down list and clicking 'Enter'. The forecast sheet explains how to interpret these forecasts but if you have any questions, please email <a href="mailto:PlacePlanningReferrals0-19@cambridgeshire.gov.uk">PlacePlanningReferrals0-19@cambridgeshire.gov.uk</a>.

### Addressing the rise of parent complaints

A recent TES report reveals 90% of school leaders believe complaints-handling is severely impacting staff wellbeing. This concern is echoed across our schools. In response, leaders are urged to act: promote prevention, audit current practices, and invest in staff training and development. Schools who attend this course will also receive a comprehensive toolkit of resources, including template letters and scripted responses. To build confidence and resilience, sign up for the **Dealing with Challenging Parents course** (under the Developing Leadership Courses tab), delivered virtually on 7 November (9.30-11.00am) by the Leadership Advisers. Let's equip our teams to manage difficult conversations with professionalism and care.

## Learn-2-Live Well `Reflection and Learning'

#### online event



A Living Sport Online Learning Event will take place on:

Wednesday 12 November, 11am to 12.30pm

Opening remarks will be from Val Thomas, Deputy Director of Public Health and Sam Hyde, Living Sport CEO. Share the learning, successes and legacy of the Learn-2-Live Well grant. Spotlight schools with examples of impact.

Click the link to attend the meeting:

#### **School Obesity Project Evaluation Event**

Meeting ID: 3449030458090 Passcode: aK92BL7b

## FREE Carbon Monoxide educational visits for schools



Cadent Gas offers free assemblies and sessions in schools to teach children about the dangers and signs of carbon monoxide, using <u>Safety Seymour</u> for years 3 and 4, and <u>The CO Crew</u> for years 5 and 6.

## Letters of assurance and guidance on professional visitors to schools

Please find at this link a **generic letter of assurance** which covers all CCC Education staff who may visit your school or setting in the course of their professional duties. We do not provide individually named letters of assurance for such staff. However, this letter confirms that any such member of staff visiting your school in a professional capacity will have undergone all the appropriate pre-employment and vetting checks which are required for the role.

Please see this link to a generic <u>letter of assurance which covers CCC Children's</u> <u>Social Care and Targeted Support staff</u> who may visit your school in the course of their professional duties. Not all education staff who may visit your school work in regulated activity. Therefore, any Education staff who may be required to work in regulated activity will provide you with an individual letter of assurance to confirm the appropriate level of DBS has been undertaken to enable them to work unsupervised if required.

You can find our guidance on professional visitors to schools here: <u>CCC Guidance on</u> <u>Professional Visitors to Schools (Sept 2025)</u>

If you have any queries about these letters or guidance, please contact <u>Phil Nash</u> or <u>Sara Rogers</u>.

### Take part in Road Safety Week 2025



Brake, the road safety charity, is announcing its biggest annual road safety campaign, which will take place from 16 to 22 November 2025: **Road Safety Week 2025** 

Every year, thousands of schools, organisations and communities get involved to share important road safety messages and join the call for safe roads for everyone. To sign up to take part in Road Safety Week 2025, please use the link below:

sign up here

## FREE Pet Education Partnership fireworks assembly with TV star Rory the vet



Join the Pet Education Partnership on the 4 or 5 November for 'Fireworks, Animals and Me' – a live assembly featuring TV Star and RSPCA Ambassador Rory the vet. The assembly for 5-11 year olds explores why firework safety matters not only for people, but also for pets and wildlife too. Get your free Zoom link by registering for your class or school to attend:

Fireworks, Animals and Me live event

## Schools invited to join Addenbrooke's Hospital's Festive Sock Day 2025



#### Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust Festive Sock Day 2025 - Thursday 4 December 2025

Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust invites your school community to join hospital staff in wearing Christmas socks to help to make a real difference. Sign up at the link below and spread the word:

Festive Sock Day 2025 form

## **Training and events**

Training provider: CCC

#### SIS - Teaching writing in KS2 (English tab)

For English subject leaders and KS2 teachers - Tuesday 4 November 2025, 1.30 to 4.30pm, Over Community Centre. £85 per person for LA maintained school and £95 per person for Cambridgeshire academies or out of county schools or independent schools.

#### SIS - Progression in phonics and spelling in KS2 (English tab)

For English subject leaders and KS2 teachers - Wednesday 5 November 2025, 1.30 to 4.30pm - Hunts FA. £85 per person for LA maintained schools and £95 per person for Cambridgeshire academies or out of county schools or independent schools.

<u>SIS - New to English and maths subject leadership</u> (Developing leadership tab)
For new English and maths subject leaders - session 1 of 5, Tuesday 11 November 2025,
1.30 to 4pm, Sunley House, Papworth. £75 per person, per session for Cambridgeshire LA

maintained schools and £85 per person per session for out of county, Cambridgeshire academy and independent schools.

#### **Dealing with challenging parents**

(book under Developing Leadership Courses tab)

Audience: Headteachers, Senior Leaders requiring strategies and practical resources. Friday 7 November 9.30 to 11am. Virtual course. £55

<u>Safeguarding your support staff</u> (book under Developing Leadership Courses tab) Audience: Headteachers, Senior Leaders, DSLs, Governors. Thursday 13 November 1.30 to 2.30pm. Virtual course, £35

Single Central Record training (book under Developing Leadership Courses tab) Audience: Headteachers, Senior Leaders, Administrative staff and governors who are required to update, review or audit the SCR. Friday 16 January 11am to 12pm. Virtual course, £35.

**Early Years Briefings for Schools**. For Early Years teachers, leaders and senior leaders. Wednesday 12th or Thursday 13th November 2025, 15.30 – 17.15. Online. Members £12.60 or Non-members £21.

**Early Years Foundation Stage Leadership**. For Early Years leaders in schools. Wednesday 26th November 2025. 15.30 – 17.00. Online. Members £10.80 or Nonmembers £18.

**Early Years and Year One mixed aged teaching**. For teachers who have a mixed-age Reception and Year One class. Tuesday 2nd December 2025. 13.15 – 16.15. Sunley House, Papworth Everard. £32.40 and Non-members £54.

#### New to leading PSHE in primary and special schools

17 June 2026, 1.30 - 3.30pm. Online. £40 for licence holders of the Primary Personal Development Programme, £55 for non-licence holders. Audience: new/existing PSHE leads

#### **Body image in primary schools**

5 November 2025, 9.30 to 1.30am or 14 April 2026, 1.30 to 3.30pm. Online £40 for subscribing schools, £55 for non-subscribing schools. Audience: PSHE leaders and KS2 teachers.

#### Anti-bullying briefing: Banter or bullying in secondary/special schools

5 November 2025, 3.45 to 4.45pm. Online. Cambridgeshire schools (LA maintained and academy) can attend for free. Schools from Peterborough and other counties may also attend. Cost: £40 for licence holders of the Primary Personal Development Programme, £55 for non-licence holders. Audience: special and secondary leaders, PSHE leaders, classroom teachers, support staff and governors.

#### What Ofsted expects of PE. What PE can expect of Ofsted.

6 November, 1.30 to 4.30pm, Sunley House, Papworth Everard. Cambridgeshire LA maintained schools £93. All academy schools and non-Cambridgeshire schools £111. Audience: PE teachers, subject leaders, SLT for all schools and settings.

#### Supporting the reluctant dancer

10 November 2025, 1.30 to 3.30pm. Papworth Village Hall, Papworth Everard. £49 for Cambridgeshire LA maintained schools, £54 for Cambridgeshire academy schools and all non-Cambridgeshire schools. Audience: any teacher, coach or assistant in the primary phase.

#### Training for new or inexperienced PE subject leaders in primary schools

11 November 2025 and/or 24 February 2026, 1.30 to 3.30pm. Online. £49 for

Cambridgeshire LA maintained schools, £54 for Cambridgeshire academy schools and all non-Cambridgeshire schools. Audience: teachers and coaches who have been given responsibility for the leadership of PE in primary schools and settings. It is recommended but not essential that you attend both dates as topics will be different.

#### **New to leading Religious Education**

6 November 2025, via Teams. 3.30 to 5pm. Cost £29 for LA maintained schools, £39 for academy schools. this course is targeted at both new and current RE coordinators who need support and advice on how to lead RE.

#### What should an RE curriculum look like?

19 November 2025, via Teams. 3.30 to 5pm. Cost £29 for LA maintained schools, £39 for academy schools. This course will look at what should be in a good RE curriculum for primary schools.

#### **Training provider: Cambridgeshire Music**

#### **Primary Network Meetings**

For all staff involved in music delivery. Monday 10 November, 4pm to 5pm. via Teams. Free when survey completed.

#### Getting the most out of your instrument trolley webinar

For all staff delivering music and using instruments. Wednesday 19 November, 4pm to 5pm, £40 (or £20 when survey completed).

#### **SEND** and music course

Three-part course for all staff to engage SEND pupils through music. Thursday 27 November, 4pm to 5pm. £130 (or £65 when survey completed).

#### **Training provider: Science Learning East**

#### **Engaging Science in year 1/2**

For Primary Teachers. Wednesday 12th November, 15.30 – 17.00. Online webinar. £25

#### KS3 Chemistry - Acids, Alkalis and Bases

For Secondary teachers. Wednesday 12th November, 16.00 - 17.30. Online webinar. £25

#### Climate change in primary science

For Primary Teachers. Wednesday 19th November, 13.00 – 16.00. Venue: Histon & Impington Brook Primary School. £75

#### Training provider: The ICT Service

#### **Handling data: Subject Access Requests and consent**

Tuesday 20 January 2026, 10.30 to 11.00am

#### Data breaches: mistakes and how to avoid them

Wednesday 25 February 2026, 4 to 4.30pm

## Record management and data retention: Good housekeeping strategies to minimise risk

Wednesday 14 January 2026, 10.30 to 11am

#### Training provider: Diamond Education and Professional Learning

#### **Maths Subject Lead Day**

Primary Maths Subject Leads, 5th November 2025, 9:30 – 15:00

Face to Face Winhills Primary, St Neots - £95

**Preparing for Year 2 Teacher Assessment** 

Primary Y2 Leads, 15th January 2026, 14:00 - 16:30

Face to Face Winhills Primary, St Neots - £60

**English Subject Lead Days** 

Primary English Subject Leads, 28th January 2026, 9:30 – 15:00

Face to Face Winhills Primary, St Neots - £95

### **Quick links**

**SEND Information Hub (Local Offer)** 

**SEND OAP toolkits - Learn Together** 

Cambridgeshire Learn Together

**Cambridgeshire County Council** 

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Teaching School Hub

Early Years, Childcare, and School Readiness Service

**Knowledge Hub** 

<u>Cambridgeshire Schools Newsletter – Learn Together</u>

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