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# Cambridgeshire Schools Newsletter

## SEND Support Provision - Data submission to DfE

The Place Planning team sent an email to schools on 30 April requesting information about the SEND support available in mainstream settings for children and young people who do not have an EHCP. This covers any inclusion or support bases for example, The Nest or The Hub.

This information is part of a local authority data submission to the DfE and is essential to informing national SEND reforms and local planning. We would be grateful if schools could ensure a response has been submitted to [PlacePlanningReferrals0-19@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:PlacePlanningReferrals0-19@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) by **Friday 15 May 2026**.

Thank you for your continued support.

## Your Voice Matters: Help shape support for families through the Crisis and Resilience Fund

The Crisis and Resilience Fund (CRF) has been designed to support low-income households facing financial shocks and to strengthen long-term individual and community financial resilience. The current funding period runs from **1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029** — and now is a key moment to influence how it's delivered locally.

The Council is inviting **schools and education partners** to share their experiences, ideas, and insights on how this fund can be administered in the most effective and impactful way. Your frontline knowledge can help ensure the CRF truly reaches families who need it most.

If you work in a school, **your voice matters**. There's still time to contribute and completing this short form is a real opportunity to shape decisions, improve outcomes for pupils and families, and strengthen support across our communities.

Deadline for the form is **20 May 2026** and can be found here: [Feedback from schools: Shaping the Crisis and Resilience Fund – Fill out form](#)

## Schools' Sustainability Showcase - PECT



[Free Schools Sustainability Showcase - PECT](#) - 22 May 2026 at ARU Peterborough  
9am–3pm

Does your school want to showcase their sustainability projects?  
Would your students like to get hands on with Climate Action?  
If the answer is yes, then the free schools showcase could be for you.

The Schools Sustainability Showcase will kick off with a morning of hands-on workshops, run by PECT partners and other like-minded organisations. Then, after lunch, it is time for the eco experts - aka the students - to take centre stage and show off their sustainability projects to the VIP guests. They will have a chance to win awards too - including the converted Eco-Factor! Schools can also nominate students for our Eco Ambassador of the Year Award, recognising individuals who have gone the extra mile in bringing about sustainable change.

Book your place here: [Schools Sustainability Showcase - PECT](#)

## The Fiver Challenge: Free, curriculum-aligned enterprise programme for primary schools

**Young Enterprise**, a UK education charity, is running The Fiver Challenge; a free enterprise programme for primary schools. Running from **1–26 June, The Fiver Challenge**, supported by HSBC UK, is a free, national enterprise programme that teachers can run with pupils aged 5–11 to build confidence, creativity and essential life skills.

Pupils receive £5 to create and run their own microbusiness, gaining hands-on experience in planning, budgeting, marketing and selling. Schools can win up to £1,000 through competitions running across the four weeks.

Teachers are supported with flexible and free, ready-to-use downloadable resources that link across the curriculum. The challenge is Skills Builder Level 3 accredited. Register at [www.fiverchallenge.org.uk](http://www.fiverchallenge.org.uk) to get started.

Young Enterprise offers a range of other programmes, including CPD for teachers.

## LIVE friendship event for primary schools, by Pet Education Partnership



[Friendship event for primary schools](#)

**Wednesday 13 May, 1.30 – 2.30pm** and repeated on **Friday 15 May, 1.30 – 2.30pm**.  
FREE event hosted on Zoom.

Looking to teach children to be kind, respectful and understanding, not just with people but with animals too? This free event exploring friendship is packed full of interactive activities – perfect for whole class viewing and assemblies, supporting PSHE, Science and

Relationships Education.

Hosted by the Pet Education Partnership, a collaboration between the UK's leading animal welfare charities including Dogs Trust, RSPCA, Blue Cross and Woodgreen.

Register for your free Zoom link here: [Free event registration](#)

## Music Live, summer 2026, for Fenland and Huntingdonshire Schools



There are just a few spaces left for Music Live performances this summer - don't miss the chance to inspire your pupils with unforgettable, high-quality live music!

From **15th June - 10th July**, **Cambridgeshire Music** will be touring **Fenland and Huntingdonshire**, delivering engaging performances that bring the curriculum to life and spark creativity across your school.

What's on offer :

In-school concert – £150

Optional workshop from £40

Please note: workshops are only available when booking a live in-school performance.

For more details, please visit [cambridgeshiremusic.org.uk/musiclive2026](http://cambridgeshiremusic.org.uk/musiclive2026) or email [cm@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:cm@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

## Pinpoint - Cambridgeshire's parent carers forum



Pinpoint is the local Parent Carer Forum and hub for information, signposting and events for all things SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities). Navigating the landscape of SEND can be daunting for parents and carers - which is why making sure they have the right support is key to helping their child or young person thrive.

Pinpoint is passionate about making sure parents feel informed, supported, and connected.

The Pinpoint Tii Hubs offer monthly, online peer support - a space to meet other parents who truly understand the journey. Weekly, in-person Parent Connect sessions are also run across Cambridgeshire, giving families a warm welcome, a cuppa, and a chance to chat.

And when it comes to expert knowledge, Pinpoint's information sessions offer trusted guidance from professionals who know what matters most. Together, it all adds up to support that's consistent, compassionate, and completely free.

For more information and how to book: [Pinpoint Events](#)

## Training and events

**Training provider: Cambridgeshire Music**

### [Creative Music Scheme Training](#)

For all staff delivering music who want to know more about Charanga's new SoW. Tuesday 9th June 16:00-17:30 at Cambridgeshire Music, New School Road, Histon, CB24 9LL.

FREE

### [Primary Music Network meeting](#)

Join us for a discussion on assessment and music technology in the primary classroom. Monday 22nd June. 16:00-17:00 on Microsoft Teams. For your FREE place please contact [simonl.randall@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:simonl.randall@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) to sign up.

**Training provider: The ICT Service**

**[Record Management and Data Retention: Good housekeeping strategies to minimise risk](#)**

Wednesday 1 July, 4pm–4.30pm  
Thursday 2 July, 4pm–4.30pm

**Training provider: Science Learning East**

**[Science Technician Conference](#)**

For Secondary science technicians. Thursday 21st May, 09.30 – 14.30. Venue: Sawtry Village Academy. £10

**[Preparing for KS3 science – Transition from year 6](#)**

For Primary teachers. Wednesday 20th May, 13.00 – 16.00. Venue: West Town Primary Academy. £75

**[Science Teacher Conference – Narrowing the Attainment Gap](#)**

For Primary and Secondary teachers. Monday 06th July, 09.00 – 16.00. Venue: Astra Zeneca Discovery Centre, Cambridge. £50

## 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](#)**

**[Cambridgeshire Schools Newsletter – Learn Together](#)**

**[Grafham Water Centre](#)**

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