



Parent newsletter - Friday 27th March 2026

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Headteacher's Welcome

What a wonderful week we've had at Caldecote Primary!

Our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils treated us to a sharing assembly, showcasing their lovely singing voices and the exciting learning happening across the curriculum. It was a real pleasure to see them shine.

This week has also been filled with environmental awareness. Our Waste Free lunch and Water Bottle Challenge have encouraged our pupils to think about sustainability in practical, meaningful ways.

Children have also enjoyed an Easter Hunt. Thank you to our PTA for their generosity in providing the eggs – it was a highlight for many of our pupils.

As we look ahead to the Easter break, I'd like to extend a warm welcome to Mrs McMahon and Mrs Duffy, who are joining our teaching team in Orange and Yellow classes respectively. We've also had a special assembly to say thank you and goodbye to Mrs Hall and Mrs Smart, and we wish them all the very best for the future.

I hope our children have a restful Easter break with their families and enjoy some well-deserved chocolate!

Mrs Strange

Headteacher



Values Winners

YR- Eli

Y1- Erica

Y2- Melissandre

Y3- Klara

Y4- Mariia

Y5- Unashe

Respect.
Responsibility.
Resilience.

Personal Achievements

- Roseanne & Charlene both completed "the tree top adventure" at Go Ape.
- Marileni, Sarah & Chloe all took part in a Gymnastics competition and received a medal.
- Danae received a certificate for amazing work in her dance class.
- Akira accomplished her white 1 Ninja mission.
- Hector accomplished his white 2 Ninja mission.
- Nate accomplished his yellow 3 Ninja mission.
- Delsa completed her 20 meters rainbows distance award.
- Ava received her Duckling 4 swim award.



Golden Table Winners

- *Freddie Y2*
 - *Sylvie-Mae Y6*
 - *Radu Y4*
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Class catch ups- Yellow class

Yellow Class have really enjoyed their 'Gardener's World' topic this half term. We have dissected seeds, planted and grown seeds and drawn plants and flowers. We had a lovely day at the Botanic Gardens in Cambridge looking at the different types of plants found in different environments. We found out that the largest seed in the world is the coco de mer which can be up to 50cms long. We all planted a bean seed to take home.

In school, we have been reading and writing calligram poems about plants and acrostic poems about minibeasts. We have enjoyed learning some poems by heart and performing them to the class. In geography, we have been looking at maps and learning about the 4 countries that make up the U.K.

In maths, we have been learning about multiplication and division and will be using this knowledge when we move onto fractions next term. We are sad to say goodbye to Miss Turner (for now) and to Mrs Smart but are looking forward to working with our new teacher.

Thank you Mrs Hall and Mrs Smart

Wishing you lots of luck in your next adventure!



A message from Mrs Hall:

Dear Orange Class parents,

Thank you so much for your kindness and generous gifts. I have loved teaching the children and have built such strong relationships with them. I will miss them dearly. I have promised to visit and I will stick to my word.

Mrs Hall

Eco Councillors

Wow, what a busy term it has been on the Eco front. This term we have;

- Ate all of the broccoli and carrots offering for 2 days out of 5 days during the eat them to defeat them campaign. All other vegetables were eaten with high percentage scores during this week.
- We have drunk 87 full bottles of water as a school during world water day.
- We have walked and wheeled as frequently as possible.
- We all participated in waste free lunch, which concluded that Orange class had the least food waste this term. Well done!
- We have planted trees around the school.
- We have continued to monitor the school everyday during lunchtimes ensuring lights are switched off and electronics are on standby and that the correct recycling bins have been used. We have concluded from this that the classes in each key stage that have been the most eco -friendly are Red and Orange. Well done!
- We also had the pleasure of sharing our great work so far to our local councillor, Tumi Hawkins.

We are 91 percent through our green flag application, we have a few more initiatives planned for next term then we will submit by the end of June and wait....so watch this space!

Thank you all for your continued support.

Mrs Gibbs and the Eco Councillors

Post Card Competition



What would the world be without books?

The Cambourne Village College Library writing competition 2026 is for all school-age children and young adults (KS1-KS5)

Imagine a world without books and tell us about it using no more than the space on a postcard (or an A6 piece of paper)
You can draw us a picture or take a photo for the other side too if you like!

Closing date: Friday 22 May 2026, 4:00 PM

Scanned postcard entries:
cam-librarian@cambournevc.org
or deliver in person



Competition T&Cs



1. Eligibility

The competition is open to all children and young people in Years 1-13 (KS1-KS5).
Entrants must be currently enrolled in a school or home-education programme within these year groups.

2. Entry Requirements

Entries must respond to the prompt: "Imagine a world without books"
Submissions must fit within the space of a postcard or A6 piece of paper.
Written entries may include drawing or a photograph on the reverse side (optional).
Each entry must include the following details: Name, Age, School, and Email (as shown on the entry template).

3. How to Enter

Entries may be:
Scanned and emailed to: cam-librarian@cambournevc.org, or
Delivered in person to Cambourne Village College Library.
The closing date is Friday 22 May 2026 at 4:00 PM.
Late entries cannot be accepted.

4. Categories & Prizes

Prizes will be awarded across school stages:
KS1, KS2, KS3, KS4, and KS5.
Judges will look for creativity, clarity, originality, and engagement with the theme.

5. Judging

Entries will be judged by a panel from Cambourne Village College Library.
The judges' decisions are final and no correspondence regarding results will be entered into.

6. Originality

Entries must be the original work of the participant.
Plagiarism or AI-generated text/artwork is not permitted and will result in disqualification.

7. Consent & Use of Entries

By entering, participants (and parents/carers for those under 13) give permission for Cambourne Village College Library to:
Display entries within school,
Share winning entries on school-approved platforms (website, newsletters, social media),
Use first name, age/year group, and school when announcing winners.
Full contact details will not be shared publicly.

8. Returning Entries

Physical entries may not be returned, so entrants should keep a copy if desired.

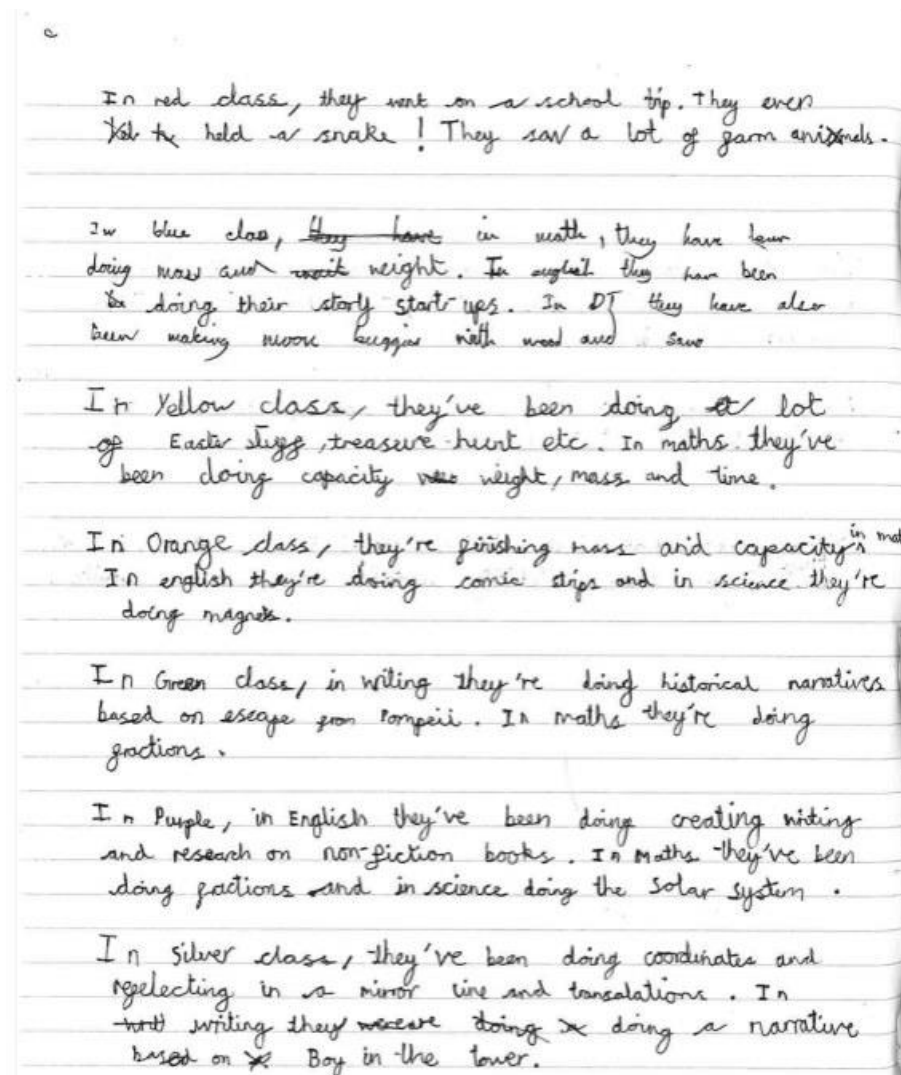
9. Data Protection

Personal data will be used solely for administering this competition and contacting winners.
All data will be handled in accordance with school data-protection policies and UK GDPR.

10. Acceptance of Terms

By submitting an entry, participants agree to these Terms and Conditions.

Silver class: Class newsletter



Easter eggs

Thank you to the PTA for all of the classes easter eggs - Here's a picture of Silver class enjoying their last egg hunt outside in the sun.



This morning we received a surprise visitor at school, Mr Highland from the Highland Group. He arrived with a donation of a Cadbury's cream eggs for everyone at school. There were enough eggs for us give one to each child but as this was an unexpected donation we hadn't the opportunity to cater for those pupils who have food allergies and intolerances. This meant that everyone was given an egg to take home at the end of the day, so they could check with the parents if they were able to eat it. We hope everyone enjoys this 'uneggspected' Easter treat and thank you Mr Highland!



Diary Dates

Diary Dates—Spring Term 2026		
Monday 30th March-Friday 10th April	Easter Holidays	All Day
Thursday 16th April	Y1 Trip to Johnsons farm	All day
Friday 17th April	Blue class celebration assembly	2.45pm
Thursday 23rd April	PTA meeting	8.00pm
Friday 24th April	Yellow class celebration assembly	2.45pm
Tuesday 28th April	Y5 Trip to the institute of Astronomy	All Day
Friday 1st May	Orange class celebration assembly	2.45pm
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday school closed	All day
Tuesday 5th May	Y4 Burwell House overnight stay	All day
Friday 8th May	Parents working group	8.50am -10.00am
Friday 8th May	Green class celebration assembly	2.45pm
Friday 15th May	Purple class celebration assembly	2.45pm
Friday 22nd May	Training day-no children in school	All day
Monday 25th-Friday 29th May	Half term	All week
Friday 5th June	Silver class celebration assembly	2.45pm
Monday 8th-Wednesday 10th June	Y6 Frontier Centre residential	All day
Friday 12th June	Red class celebration assembly	2.45pm
Friday 19th June	Blue class celebration assembly	2.45pm
Tuesday 23rd June	JTA Event: Cottenham	All day
Monday 22nd- Friday 26th June	Sports week	All day
Friday 26th June	Sports day	9.00am
Thursday 2nd July	Y6 CVC Transition day	All day
Friday 3rd July	Y6 CVC Transition day	All day
Friday 3rd July	Yellow class celebration assembly	2.45pm
Friday 10th July	Reports going out	All day
Friday 10th July	Orange class celebration assembly	
Friday 17th July	Summer term ends	3.20pm
Tuesday 1st September	Training day	All day
Wednesday 2nd September	Training day	All day
Thursday 3rd September	Autumn term begins	8.40am
Monday 2nd November	Y3 Bikeability	All day
Monday 16th-Thursday 19th November	Y5 Bikeability	All day