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Dear Reader

Ofsted launch The Big Listen

Ofsted have launched The Big Listen. This is being carried out independently and we encourage all stakeholders to contribute to this consultation which runs to the 31st May 2024. This is a wide-ranging exercise and Ofsted are very keen to hear the views of all stakeholders in this process. Please do share this with staff, governors and parents and encourage them to contribute to the consultation.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/ofsted-big->

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The spring term comes to an end on 28th March and we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in schools for their hard work over the course of this term. Their dedication and commitment is hugely appreciated. We hope that everyone has a good break during the Easter Holidays.

[Nick Beech](#), Head of School Improvement

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A Fully Funded Primary County Lines Themed Package is coming soon

A Fully Funded Primary County Lines Themed Package Is Coming Soon from Cambridge City Council and Cambridgeshire PSHE Service

In response to enquires and feedback from many schools, a resource package to support primary teachers to address the risk of County Lines in an age-appropriate way has been commissioned by Cambridge City Council on behalf of the Community Safety Partnership and the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner.

The package – called Healthy Belongings – is being developed in collaboration with the Cambridgeshire PSHE Service, The Safeguarding Board and Rewise Learning and is due for completion by the end of March 2024. It will comprise of 3 lesson plans to support the PSHE curriculum in Y6 and will focus on the following: valuing and identifying characteristics of healthy friendships, identifying coercive behaviours often linked to county lines and identifying behaviours and resisting pressure to carry a knife.

All the lessons and supporting resources adhere to good practice PSHE principles – exploring characters and themes through discussion and animation.

The aim is for the Healthy Belongings package to be delivered during the Summer Term '24, following a series of staff briefings, the details of which will soon be released.

In the meantime, to register an interest or to ask any questions, please email: community.safety@cambridge.gov.uk

Advice from the CYP Community Asthma Team for keeping well over the Easter holidays. Please disseminate this to parents

asthma tips



Prepare for pollen season – know your pollen triggers

Pollen season will soon be upon us and being prepared during hay fever season can help reduce your child's risk of an asthma attacks.

Different trees and plants release pollen at different times, but changeable weather in the UK makes it hard to predict exactly when this will happen. If your child gets hay fever symptoms all year round, you could have non-allergic rhinitis or an allergy to something else.

If your child gets hay fever and takes antihistamines, start giving them two to four weeks before the symptoms normally start. Taking them early means that when pollen starts being released, the medication has already built up in your child's bloodstream, so they may be less likely to react.

If they use a steroid nasal spray, it can take up to two weeks to start working, so start using it before your child's symptoms usually begin.

Asthma & Lung UK have a pollen calendar to help you track and spot your child's symptoms. You can check it out here. <https://www.asthmaandlung.org.uk/pollen-calendar>

How to reduce your risk of hay fever symptoms

These steps will reduce your risk of your child's symptoms getting worse, or an asthma attack as a result of hay fever.

1. **Take any preventer or maintenance treatment every day, as prescribed.** This will help reduce the risk of their lungs reacting to pollen. When you have asthma, this is especially

important, as the asthma preventer inhalers contain a low dose of steroid, which reduces inflammation that can be triggered by pollen.

2. **Always carry a reliever inhaler, (usually blue) with you.** You might also call this a rescue inhaler. These inhalers quickly relax the muscles in your airways and ease your asthma symptoms on the spot.
3. **Try to stay away from their triggers, if possible.** Take extra care if you're out and about when it's warm, humid and windy, or if the pollen count or the level of pollution is high. Check the weather on your TV or online or use a weather app on your phone to get weather and pollen alerts.
4. **Take hay fever medicines.** They help reduce the allergic reaction that could be making your symptoms worse.
5. **Call your GP surgery or 111.** They can help if your asthma symptoms get worse.

For more information on Allergies please click the link in the following document:

[Allergic Rhinitis and Hay Fever Allergy Advice.docx](#)

Happy holidays from the CYP Community Asthma Team!

Secondary Health Related Behaviour Survey Summer 2024

We are very pleased to invite all secondary schools in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough to take part in the Health-Related Behaviour Survey in June/July 2024. This survey is funded by Public Health. Schools may use their students' views to inform developments in PSHE, pastoral provision and effectiveness of safeguarding measures.

The survey is carried out online with Y8/Y10 pupils. It covers a range of health-related topics, including mental, physical and sexual health. The benefits for your school include a personalised report. The report is especially useful for senior leaders and governors.

Please [complete the form here to indicate your requirements and readiness](#).

For more information contact pshe@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Ramadan

The month of Ramadan began around the 10th March 24. Please use the link to access information and advice on Ramadan for all schools.

[Religious Education - Learn Together \(camblearntogether.co.uk\)](http://camblearntogether.co.uk)

Project 21

young people waving



Project 21 is a charity which runs innovative activities, clubs and events for people with Down's Syndrome in Cambridgeshire, Essex and Suffolk. Find out more here: [Project 21](#).

NSPCC Kids Safety Net Online Workshops for Parents and Carers

This is just to make all schools aware that due to over subscription of the last two parent/carer online safety workshops delivered by the NSPCC an extra workshop has been scheduled. This is taking place on Monday 15th April at 6pm.

This 45 minute workshop is FREE and can be accessed by Zoom and is designed to help parents/carers to:

- understand how children and young people access the online world
- explore a range of resources and tools that can be used to help keep children and young people safe online
- have informed, constructive and positive conversations about online safety

If there are any opportunities to promote this workshop or to share the details via the School's Parent Hub or social media, this would be most appreciated.

Monday 15th April 2024 – 6pm-7pm

[Kids Safety Net Workshop Tickets, Mon, Apr 15, 2024 at 6:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)

Further details about the Kids Safety Net Campaign across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough can be found here: [NSPCC Kids Safety Net Campaign 2024 - Healthy Schools \(healthyschoolscp.org.uk\)](#)

Bite Back in Schools

Bite Back in Schools (BBiS) is open to secondary schools across England and is designed for KS3 students to develop their skills as social activists by challenging a food system that is rigged against them. Running from September 2024 - June 2025, it features a powerful assembly from one of the young activists, whole year group sessions and the ever popular School Food Champions club, where students plan and deliver a social action project to make a difference to their school food. BBiS also helps students develop a range of skills from teamwork and leadership, project and time management, to budgeting and problem solving. The wonderful news is that BBiS is fully funded and fully resourced, with 80 places available for the September 2024 intake. Successful applicants will be provided with a specialised digital platform, funding and resources worth £1400; plus exclusive merch and sessions from the youth ambassadors. They also provide training and support

across the year and ensure schools feel empowered to deliver - we are with them every step of the way!

The other great news is that schools can also count their participation in BiteBack as part of their local Healthy Schools Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Award - [Home - Healthy Schools \(healthyschoolscp.org.uk\)](https://healthyschoolscp.org.uk). Be part of the change in making healthier futures for our young people.

To find out more, check out the website - [How Your School Can Bite Back - Bite Back \(biteback2030.com\)](https://biteback2030.com) or watch Jacob explain in this [great video](#)

Free Artscaping Network and Sharing Event - 30th April 2024

Cambridge Curiosity and Imagination (CCI) will lead a networking event with an immersive introduction to Artscaping and share learning and best practice from their long-term arts in nature pastoral work delivered in partnership with Cambridge Acorn Project and Thongsley Fields Primary School. Everyone who attends the event, which is funded by the Public Health Directorate, will be provided with art materials, a CCI training resource pack as well as refreshments and cake. Opportunities will be provided to:

- consider the impact creativity and nature connectedness can play in supporting good mental health for children and young people
- develop confidence in delivering art in nature activities in pastoral and SEND settings
- connect with and learn from colleagues working in education.

The event will be taking place between 4 pm and 6 pm at Thongsley Fields Primary School, Huntingdon, PE29 1NX.

Please contact Ruth Sapsed to book – with the subject line: Artscaper Networking Event 30 April – ruth@cambridgecandi.org.uk

New curriculum linked class workshops from Woodgreen

Woodgreen staff member with dogs



Woodgreen have just launched two BRAND NEW FREE class workshops.

A reception class '**People who help us**' workshop, explores the job roles of a vet, vet nurse and animal carer. A fast paced Y5 workshop, '**Pets in need**', explores the key features of persuasive writing through Woodgreen appeal materials, and challenges children to write their own appeal for

Tinkerbell the dog.

Limited availability, so book early. Email community@woodgreen.org.uk to find out more, or visit [Woodgreen teacher resources](#) to view the full range of FREE class workshops available to every year group from reception through to Y6.

NSPCC Kids Safety Net Campaign - "Respect and Consideration" Project Competition

Following the success of the 2023 "Speak Up" poster competition for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough schools, a new challenge has been set for 2024 in the form of the "Respect and Consideration" project. This is open to all schools for pupils in Years 5 to 8 and is intended to be a whole class competition to support e-safety and PSHE teaching and learning.

The task this year is to produce a purposeful presentation to support the development of respectful online behaviours, recognising the difference between healthy friendships and unhealthy friendships and to know who to go to for support if something does not feel right. The presentation can take the form of a short play, a display for a presentation board within the school or as a toolkit that can be shared with others.

The closing date for entries is Friday 21st June 2024 at 4 pm.

See the brief for further details: [Kids-Safety-Net-Competition-Brief-2024.docx \(live.com\)](#) or visit the dedicated campaign page: [NSPCC Kids Safety Net Campaign 2024 - Healthy Schools \(healthyschoolscp.org.uk\)](#)

Training / Events

[Year 2 Assessment/Moderation Workshop: Maths](#)

For all Year 2 Teachers who are new to Y2, ECTs, Subject Leaders and Key Stage / Phase Leaders – Thursday 25th April 2024 - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 13:15 - 16:00 - £79 per person - LA maintained schools / £89 per person – academies.

[Providing an effective Early Years curriculum](#)

For all Class teachers in Early Years, HLTAs / TAs in Early Years, Head teachers – Thursday 25th April 2024 - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 15:00 – 17:00 - £15 for one delegate or two or more delegates from the same school = £10 per delegate - LA maintained schools / £20 for one delegate or two or more delegates from the same school = £15 per delegate – academies

[Year 1 & Year 2 Phonics Screening Workshop](#)

For all Year 1 and Year 2 Teachers and Literacy Subject Leaders – Wednesday 1st May 2024 - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 15:45 – 17:30 - £55 per person - LA maintained schools / £65 per person – academies

[Maths Subject Leader Meeting - Summer Term](#)

For all Maths Subject Leaders and/or Senior Leaders – Monday 20th May 2024 - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 13:30 – 16:30 - £79 per person - LA maintained schools / £89 per person – academies

[KS2 Assessment of Writing - Cross School Cluster](#)

For non-moderated schools only. For all Year 6 Teachers, ECTs, KS2 Leaders and Senior Leaders – Option 1 Thursday 23rd May 2024 - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 09:15 – 12:15 - £25 per person - LA maintained schools / £30 per person – academies.

[Making Effective Use of Pupil Premium with Marc Rowland \(Cross Phase\)](#)

For all Headteachers, Deputy Headteachers, Pupil Premium Leaders, Link Governors for the Pupil Premium and any other person interested in improving educational outcomes for the disadvantaged. The session is relevant to Nursery, Primary and Special Schools – **New date Tuesday 11th June 2024** - Weston Homes Stadium (PUFC) - 16:00 - 17:45 - £20 for one delegate and £15 for each additional delegate from the same school - LA maintained schools. £25 for one delegate and £20 for each additional delegate from the same school – academies.

[Teaching RSE in Primary & Special Schools](#)

29th April 2024, 3.30pm-5.30pm. Online. £40 subscribing schools, £50 for non-subscribing schools. Audience: PSHE Leads and teachers in primary and special schools.

[British Gymnastics Intermediate Teachers Award \(Secondary\)](#)

30th April 2024 and 1st May 2024, 9.15am-4.15pm. Linton Village College. £189 Audience: KS3/4 secondary PE staff, trainee PE teachers

[FREE Secondary Science TeachMeet](#)

For secondary teachers. 22 Apr 2024, 15.30 – 16.30, remote delivered

[Linking your STEM Curriculum to Careers](#)

For secondary teachers. 23 Apr 2024, 15.30 – 17.30, Thomas Deacon Academy, from £50 with £35 subsidy available

[Leading Secondary Science Conference](#)

For secondary teachers. 01 Jul 2024, 09.00 – 16.30, AstraZeneca, CB2 0AA, from £120 with £84 subsidy available

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