

TEAM TALK | 18.01.2023

Dear Families,

Happy New Year! And a huge welcome to our new families that have chosen to join Team Cambrai. It has been lovely seeing some new (and some returning!) faces settling into their classes. I hope you've all had a restful Christmas break with your families and friends. We've had a really positive start to 2023 here at Cambrai, the children (and staff!) continue to work incredibly hard. You should now have received the Spring Term 'Diary Dates' that showcase some of the exciting things we have planned for the Term ahead. Spring is such a lovely time of year, personally I'm looking forward to lighter nights, lighter mornings and hopefully a bit more sunshine!

Staffing Update



Some of you may have seen on Facebook that Miss Cornwell will be leaving us at February Half Term, she is moving back 'home' to be closer to her family. We know how much our families will miss her, we are currently in the process of recruiting a new member of staff to run The Nest and look forward to introducing you to whoever this may be!

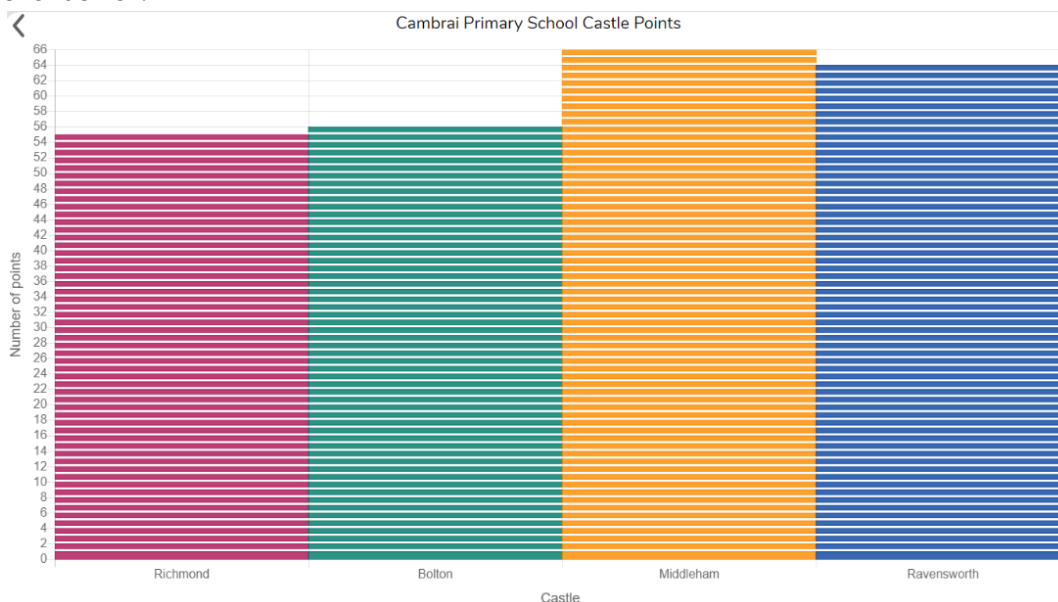
The Cambrai Way

In September children were introduced to the 'Cambrai Way', you will find that the children are now confident in articulating the Cambrai Way and why it is so important that they demonstrate each of the qualities. The Cambrai Way underpins everything that we do.

We also introduced Castle Points in September, each child is allocated a Castle from the day that they arrive at Cambrai. These 'castles' are linked to family groupings. Children work towards achieving Castle Points for themselves, and their 'Castle family'. Castle Points can be awarded for:

- Doing the right thing
- Brilliant work or effort

Children are awarded certificates for 25, 50, 75 and 100 Castle Points. Each week, the Castle Points are totalled and calculated in assembly using Purple Mash. Here are the Spring Term Castle Points total so far!



NSPCC Number Day – Friday 3rd February

You will have seen on our Term Dates that we would like to invite parents/carers into school to on the morning of Friday 3rd February for NSPCC Number Day. We look forward to celebrating our Maths curriculum with you through games and activities. The session will end at 9:45.

Children are welcome to come to school this day 'dressed as a digit' or wearing patterns or shapes.



Children's Mental Health Week

Monday 6th February sees the start of Children's Mental Health Week in schools across the country. Mrs Cannings is carefully planning an assembly to share with all children and also a range of activities around the importance of mental health and wellbeing. The theme for this year's Children's Mental Health week is 'let's connect. All of the learning will be completely age appropriate but we feel it is important to share the messages around looking after each other's mental health from a young age.

Miss Robinson is currently completing a year-long training course to become a 'Senior Mental Health Lead' so that she can further support children, and families at times of need.



Attendance and Punctuality

I'd like to thank you for your continued effort in ensuring your children attend school on time, every day. Our school's attendance has improved over the last fortnight which is fantastic news. I have now started speaking regularly with families where attendance is a concern, this is a supportive measure to see if we can offer any help or solutions around school attendance. I very much operate an open door policy – if you want to speak about anything pop in!

SEN Support

For children who receive SEN Support in school, their support plans are due to be reviewed. Please expect a telephone call or quick meeting with your child's class teacher at some point during the week commencing 6th February. If there is a time that suits you best then please let the class teachers know.

A quick reminder that our school SENCo Mrs Cannings will always offer her time to meet with parents whose children are not on the SEN Register but may have concerns around their individual needs or progress in school.

Nuts

Please do not bring nuts of any kinds into school, this is to keep children who have allergies safe.



Haircuts

Please remember we expect all children to have smart haircuts, and strongly discourage radical designs, such as tramlines, patterns, coloured dyes or 'rats tails'. Please also avoid using 'hair chalk'. We ask this for a number of reasons but mostly so your children are prepared for life beyond Cambrai at Secondary School and the world of work. Also just to remind parents that nail polish should not be worn.

Yours sincerely

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