

21st June 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

*June, lovely June, thy beautifies the ground
The sound of the cuckoo in the green wood resounds*

On Monday we will be celebrating the festival of St John's/Midsummer – all families are warmly invited to join the Lower School celebrations, which will take place in the afternoon from 1-3pm (details below).

Best wishes

Sarah Fox

On behalf of the School Coordination Team

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Whole School Messages/Community Updates

Resources Administrator

We are pleased to announce that Smadar Avidor has been seconded to the Resource Administrator role; she is currently focusing on finance. Queries about fees and additional expenses should now be directed to her. Smadar is also continuing her work on the school website. smadar@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk

Recruitment

As mentioned at School Development Evening, the school is currently recruiting for a School Business Manager (to replace the Resources Coordinator role) and also a Headteacher. If you know anyone who might be interested in either of these positions, then please do spread the word. More information about the positions can be found on the school website: <http://cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk/wp1/join-our-team/>

Help keep the school bus running

With many pupils leaving after the end of the summer term, we really need more people using the school bus in order to keep it running and help those families who cannot do drop-offs/pick-ups (it is also a good way to attract new pupils!) Please, do consider this option for your child/ren if you can. One journey per week, or every day; every journey will help. **Route** to school is: St. Pauls Road, Hills Road, Cherry Hinton Road, Coleridge Road, Mill Road, Brooks Road, Coldhams Lane, Cherry Hinton High Street, Gazelle Way, Fulbourn Road. Cost is **£4.25** per journey. Please note the bus runs in the mornings from Mondays to Fridays and in the afternoons (3pm) from Mondays to Thursdays. This bus service is a parent initiative to promote greener travel and to help working parents. People sign up for a full term in advance and payment is in arrears. Contact: clara.panozzo@gmail.com (mum to Emilio in Class 1 and Manuel in Rosebud)

Looking Back

School Development Evening

Thanks to everyone who attended the School Development Evening on Tuesday. It was great to hear your feedback and share ideas about the future of the school. More information about mandate groups will follow next week. If you haven't seen a copy of the draft school improvement plan, then hard copies are available at reception. Any further feedback or questions can be sent to trustees@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk or sarah.fox@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk

Coming up

St John's/Midsummer Celebrations – 24th June 1-3pm

Midsummer entices us to dream with its long warm sunny days, blossoms and sweet scents. But there is always the danger of getting lost in this - as you will see in Class 7/8's production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. It delightfully illustrates how Fairyland makes mockery of us humans when we lose ourselves in the joys of summer. The celebration of St John's (24th June), a few days after the Summer Solstice, calls us back from dreaminess to address what is important – both in ourselves and in the world around us. Part of this celebration involves the purifying, transformative power of fire. Fire rituals have been associated with Midsummer since ancient times: fires were jumped and cattle driven through the dying embers.

The Lower School invites all families to join us in this festival of song, food and jumping the embers of the fire. Monday 24th June 1-3pm School Courtyard and then in the Playground

Note for Lower School parents:

On Monday 24th June could your child/ren please bring in:

- Flowers
- Summer fruits to share in the salad that we will prepare for all the school, kindergarten children and lower school parents.
- **Please note: to jump the fire safely children – and adults too - must be wearing proper shoes that will support their feet during the jump (no crocs, flipflops, loose sandals). In the past adults have jumped barefooted but from now on everyone needs to be properly shod.**

If you have any questions please do speak to your class teacher or to me.

Ute, on behalf of the Lower School

Class Parent Evening reminders

Future Class 1 – Thursday 27th June 7:30pm

Rosebud Kindergarten – Tuesday 2nd July 7:30pm

Other reminders/dates (more info to follow in next week's newsletter):

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Messages from the Community

Co-Housing Project

We are a group of families seeking to set up a small co-housing community within quick and easy access to Cambridge city centre.

Our plan is to build a long-term community where we can live co-operatively, in an environmentally friendly way and where we can raise our children in a relaxed and supportive context. The idea is to find a land where to build new eco-friendly houses and/or renovate/extend existing properties for the community members which will share green open spaces, fruit and vegetables plots, helping each other and sharing resources. If you're interested and want to know more, please get in touch with: Federico Flego & Clara Panozzo (icocla08@gmail.com)

Cello Lessons, Suzuki School

If anyone is interested taking up (or continuing) cello in the Suzuki method, there is a cello teacher from Norwich who teaches both as a mainstream and Suzuki teacher, who is willing to come to Cambridge once a week from September. There would need to be enough families interested in order to make it work. Venue to be determined.

If you are not familiar with the Suzuki method, you may want to read through *Nurtured by Love: The Classic Approach to Talent Education* by Shinici Suzuki (available at the library), as the method requires a parent's involvement more so than conventional lessons.

Please get in touch with Diana (Leah of class 1, and Adam's mother) at: dianacstewart@gmail.com or on 07545 283247 if this is something you would be interested in, or if you have any questions.

Fulbourn Feast 2019 (see poster attached)

Local event to be held at Fulbourn Recreation Ground, Home End on Sunday 30th June 12 noon to 5.00 p.m.

Fun, games and entertainment for everyone!

Family in Barcelona - Seeking an Au Pair in July

Dear All,

We are a family with two children, Amèlia (8) and Ferriol (5), living in a village near Barcelona and we seek an au-pair from early to end of July. In 2016-17 we lived in Cambridge and Amèlia and Ferriol went to Steiner School. We have lovely and very intense memories of our time at Steiner and this is why we decided to write this note.

We live in a beautiful house, originally from the XVIIIth century, in the small village of Taradell. This is in the Montseny Natural Park, a mountainous massif with beautiful landscapes. Our house garden merges with the surrounding mountains and we even have a tree house that Ferriol and Amèlia love to play in.

If you know anyone that might be interested to join us this July please write us at davidambblas@gmail.com and we will be happy to write you more details about the offer.

With best wishes,

Ferriol, Amèlia, Dolça and David



3 Bedroom Bungalow for rent in Fulbourn

We have a large 3 bed bungalow with garden, near to the recreation ground for rent in Fulbourn.

If you are interested please contact me, Joanna Redstone (mother to Theo in class 6): 07472 274467.

Violin for sale

Dear Steiner School,

I wonder if you could let parents of your younger children know that we have a 1/4 size violin for sale. The reason is that it has been in Steiner school families for a long time and it would be nice if that could continue! Details and photo below...

Overall length - 18.5 inches

Body only - 11 inches

Bow - 21.5 inches



Price is £100. The D string currently missing - we can either replace or discount :)

Let me know if you are interested on east.helen@gmail.com or 07510704700.

Best wishes,
Helen East

Sourdough Bread – for sale on Tuesdays (see attachment)

For sale Tuesdays after school in reception area/the parent and child room. Rye/wheat bread: pure rye, white bread, seed or fruit bread and more available by order.

Email: david.vanmarle@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk

Bushcraft and woodcraft activities: Summer Holiday Clubs

This summer we will be running a summer holiday club over two weeks. The holiday club will be run from Monday 15th to Friday 19th July at the Cambridge Steiner School in Fulbourn and from Monday 22nd to Friday 26th July 2019 at Abington Woods, Little Abington village. The children will engage in bushcraft and woodcraft activities such as fire lighting, outdoor cooking, tracking, foraging, green woodworking and learning survival skills. The children will listen to stories and play outdoor games.

The holiday club is suitable for children from age 7 to 12.

The club starts at 8.30am and finishes at 3pm. The cost of the club is £35 per child per day with subsequent siblings £25 per day.

Spaces are limited. If you would like more information or you would like to enroll your child on the holiday club, please e-mail Andor Vince at vinceandor@outlook.com or call 079 52635317.

Two Rooms To rent in Fulbourn From July 20th

(Mr) David is looking for 2 housemates to join him. The house is a Victorian end of terrace house with a nice garden on Impetts Lane just opposite the Green and a 2-minute walk from the woods. It is a 20 minute walk from school and a short bike ride.

Rooms from £400-500. Please spread the word!!

If you are interested and would like to come and have a look at the rooms you can call David on: 07873352769.