

ACADEMY TRUST						
Course Title	Woodwork mixed ability					
Course Description	The aim of the course will be to give students an opportunity to gain an understanding of woodwork techniques and experience new processes. The course will allow students to understand the theory behind the subject as well as design and build individual projects. Ideally, learners will have had some previous experience in woodwork or have attended a similar Woodwork for Beginners course.					
Start Date	30 th Sep 2025 13 th Jan 2026 21st April 2026	Day & Time	Tuesday 18:00-20:00	Venue	Cambourne Village College	
Tutor Details	Mark Bennett: I have been a Design and Technology teacher for 26 years and for the last 17 years a Head of Department. I have taught both GCSE and A level which has included Product Design, Engineering and Graphics. I have also taught in adult education for 6 years.					
No. of wks	8	Terms	1			
Fee	£158	Concessionary Fee	£119			
Course Level:	Mixed ability			x		
	Level 1, Level 2 (equiv. to GCSE / NVQ2)					
	Level 3 Equivalent GCE A Level					
Skills or qualifications needed for entry into the class			An interest in woodwork.			
Course aims & objectives						
This course will enable students to gain an understanding of woodwork techniques and processes. An opportunity to learn new skills and to use a range of hand and electrical tools. Students will construct a range of small projects to practice new skills, techniques and processes. A final project will then be manufactured towards the end of the course. Students will be given set briefs for the smaller skills-based projects but will be given an opportunity to design and plan their final project.						

Opportunities to gain basic DIY skills could be an option if students wanted to go down this route for one or two lessons. The course is very fluid and flexible and can be designed in part around the individual student's prior experience.	
Progression – after this course what might you do next?	
This class is mixed ability and ideally suited for beginners. The course runs for 8 weeks and students wanting to continue the next term would be given more advanced and challenging projects to design and manufacture.	
How progress & success will be recorded	
Practical examples and demonstrations will be given. Supervised practical work will take place in class. Each student will be given full notes to support the work in class.	
Additional course costs (e.g. visits, materials, books, equipment)	
Materials are included in the fee for the basics of the course, however, once you progress to an individual project you will be required to purchase the materials you require for this.	
Materials/equipment required for first class	You may wish to bring an apron.
Contact for further information	Adult Education: 01223 264721 commed@combertonvc.org

Enrolment and payment

Enrolments in person, for all our courses, can take place from our office based at Comberton Village College. Please note, the quickest way to enrol onto a class will be to visit our website and follow the online booking links from there. Enquiries can also be made by emailing commed@combertonvc.org or calling our office on 01223 264721.

We are a cashless school. We accept card and cheque payments (made payable to The Cam Academy Trust), from our office based in Comberton Village College.

Online enrolments can be paid directly in GBP (Sterling) via a secure server over the internet by debit or credit card. Online enrolment will ask for additional information that will enable us to register you, on your chosen course and allocate your payment accordingly.

Your debit/card details will be encrypted via a payment processing company Stripe, payment information is not held on college servers. If you are paying online for a course, you will also be asked for contact information to be provided. This information will be held by the college, so we are able to contact you if required.

For further information on Stripe and its privacy policy
<https://stripe.com/gb/privacy>

For further information on how we use your data
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/privacy-information-key-stage-4-and-5-and-adult-education>

Secure payment links for courses, can also be sent out via emails or text messages. This process would involve you being notified in advance, of a secure link due to be sent shortly afterwards. If required card payments, in person, can also be taken at the beginning of each term, via a portable payment system.

Refunds

If you choose to withdraw your booking, at least 2 weeks before the start date of a course, a refund will be given, minus a £5 administrative charge. Refunds are only available in the event of course cancellation or early closure from the college.

Classes cancelled by the college due to unforeseen circumstances, will be replaced with an extra class at the end of the course, whenever possible. For comprehensive details, please refer to our fees and refund policy which can be found on our website.

Concessionary Fees

A 25% discount is available for those in receipt of JSA/ESA, Universal Credit, Carers Allowance or a social care assessment (EHCP/PIP), evidence must be provided on enrolment. Most of our courses display two fees, the concessionary fee is the lower amount advertised. It is also possible to pay the fees for a course by instalments, please contact us directly for details.

Equalities statement

We are fully committed to equality of opportunity and welcome enrolments from all adults aged 19+ (on 31 August 2025). We positively encourage all learners with any concerns about specific needs which might affect their learning to discuss their requirements with us in confidence. We believe that everyone is entitled to learn in an environment that is free from discriminatory behaviour so that we build a community based on mutual trust and respect. We will do our best to ensure that resources and equipment are accessible to all and make reasonable adjustments to ensure that all learners can access activities.

Cambridgeshire County Council, Adult Learning and Skills service supports a wide range of other adult learning opportunities across Cambridgeshire to support adults with the lowest level of qualifications or no qualification at all, and so typically find themselves in lower paid, less secure jobs or unemployed. Search their website www.cambsals.co.uk for details of all their funded courses.

Safeguarding Statement

Arrangements have been made to make sure that you are safe at our Centres. If you feel you are not safe for any reason, for example through verbal or physical abuse or you have been discriminated against, please tell your tutor or the Centre Manager, who will investigate to ensure your safety.

Calendar (Please check start date of specific courses)

Autumn Term Half term 27th Oct – 31st Oct 2025

Spring Term Half term 16th Feb – 20th Feb 2026

Summer Term Half term 25th May – 29th May 2026