

## 'BRITISH POMPEII' FOUND IN CAMBRIDGESHIRE

The Must farm archology site, which is about 2 miles away from our school, has recently been hitting the national headlines. This is because there have been some archaeological discoveries, dating back as far as the Bronze Age, according to researchers from Cambridge University's Archaeology Unit.

Researchers have found what they believe to be the bones of a horse and a wheel, which leads researchers to believe that as far back as the Bronze Age our ancestors were using early versions of the horse drawn cart. It is also believed that they have found as many as 5 Bronze Age houses that were built on stilts, as 3000 years ago Whittlesey was wetland and so all the houses were built on stilts. It



is believed that a lot of the houses were destroyed in a fire, and people left the area in a rush. As the main building material back then was wood, the stilts started to collapse, which meant all the buildings fell into the water. However there is a lot of clay in the Whittlesey area, which perfectly preserved the collapsed structures. In the rush of the fire people left their personal possessions in the area. In 1969 a mid to late Bronze Age dagger was found. A bowl of some kind of food was also found, almost perfectly preserved. Incredibly, about 2 metres below the



surface of the quarry, there are found to be some footprints left in the clay, which are believed to have been left by our Bronze Age ancestors.