



CAMBRIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL – ISSUE 6 : 1 JUNE 2017

What's Happening

5 June

Queen's Birthday—School Closed

6 June

Y7 Boostrix Vaccination Catch-up

PTA Meeting 7.30pm

7 June

Makuhari meeting-6pm CMS

9 June

PTA School Disco 7-9pm

12 May

PTA Sausage Sizzle

12 June

Careers Expo

13 June

WIMS Hockey

16 June

Teacher Only Day-School Closed

19 June

BOT Meeting 6pm

21 June

Wig Wednesday

22 June

Newsletter

27 June

WIMS Basketball

30 June

WIMS Dance

7 July

Last Day Term 2

24 July

First Day Term 3



Dear Parents/ Caregivers Kia Ora

It's official- winter has arrived. For those of you who are involved in sports, you will be well into transporting children to their weekend winter sporting venues. The change in season has also brought with it a number of sick children and teachers. A reminder please, that if your son/daughter is unwell that you keep them home, away from school as bugs can spread rapidly. There have been some days this term when school resembles A & E.

Building update : I don't wish to bang on about it, but we are still four classrooms short and it appears now that the Ministry are trying to shift the goal posts on our fire replacement rebuild. After agreeing on a price, they are now hesitating on confirming this. The building company has been selected and ready to start. Our timeline said occupation by Term 4. We now have to wait and see if this becomes a reality or not.

Along with our two under-entitlement classrooms, we continue to be stretched to breaking point. It's embarrassing having to run some of our groups out of spaces such as the drums in the hall foyer. Your children deserve better and I'll continue to make waves so that the ministry realise that we are not simply going to accept these conditions.

PB4L : As part of our PB4L we will be getting some awesome signage put up around school. These are simple yet effective reminders of our commitment to PRiDE and what it means to us all as a family and also as an individual within the CMS family. With the school repaint nearing completion and our signage going up, we will look very smart.

Facebook : We continue to post on our school Facebook page and it's

The Principal's Pen

obvious that it is reaching many of you. Our website re-design is rapidly nearing completion and we are a little bit excited about it. We are also looking at our own school app.

With National Fieldays approaching it is timely to remind you that school is closed on 16 June for our Teacher Only Day.

Please find below a joint statement put out by both the CMS BOT and the CHS BOT:

The combined boards of Cambridge Middle School and Cambridge High School met with the Ministry of Education (MOE) earlier in the year, to discuss the school roll growth challenges that both schools are facing. At that meeting, both boards agreed to form a sub-committee that included both Principals, Board Chairs and one other representative from each Board.

The sub-committee met with Alison Harold from the MOE on 15th May 2017. The purpose of this meeting was to formulate a plan to gather research and information from professional educational consultants so that future discussions in regards to roll growth, can focus solely on the best educational outcomes for all students. Both boards are excited to be working together and are focused on coming to a decision that will best serve our community.

There may have been a misconception within the community around plans to build another High School in Cambridge. The MOE confirmed at the meeting that this is not the case and their focus is on catering for roll growth within the existing school infrastructure. We will continue to keep the community updated. This is an exciting time for the Cambridge community and our opportunity to create something special for all students.

Ross Tyson
Principal





Year 7A netball team had a very successful weekend! They won their game on Saturday against Maeroa 7A 31-3 and then competed in a tournament on Sunday and were the Year 7 winners! Congratulations girls!

Waikato Schools Duathlon

A big congratulations to all the teams that took part. We are super proud of everybody and our four medals! An extra congratulations to Jaxson Russell and Liam Davis - 1st Year 8 Boys! Mathew Peacock and Cole Anderson—2nd Year 7 Boys. Kendyl Cowley and Leila Walker - 2nd Year 8 Girls, Taya Hart and Savanna Bourke - 2nd Year 7 Girls, Phoebe Hunter and Molly Hayes - 3rd Year 7 Girls. Well done everyone!



Last Friday we raised over \$500 for Anti-Bullying with our Pink Shirt mufti day!



Lit Quiz

We are very proud of our Lit Quiz students who placed in the regional competition. They headed off to Wellington to compete in the National Competition where they did our school proud! Congratulations to Noa Rachmani, Aviv Rachmani, Rubie Tocker and Sophia Goodrich. Thanks to Miss Honey for all her hard work with this group.

Waikato Schools Football

Our boys and girls teams competed in the Waikato Football tournament on 23 May. The boys won three and lost two and were unlucky to not get into the semi-finals as they only missed out by 1 point.

The girls won two and drew one in their group. They beat Peachgrove in the semi-finals and narrowly lost the final 1-0 to Berkley. Well done to all the players.

