



## CAMBRIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL – ISSUE 7 10 AUGUST 2017

### What's Happening

#### 15 August

WIMSS Cross Country

#### 16 August

Marcelle Bernard School Performance

#### 17 August

Band and Orchestra Festival

#### 18 August

Fun Run Fundraiser  
Waikato Science Fair  
Band Quest

#### 21 August

Totara Springs Week

#### 22 August

Waikato Science Fair  
Prizegiving

#### 29 August

WIMMS Netball  
Loud Shirt Day

#### 31 August/1 September

R9 EOTC

#### 9/10 September

NZSS Individual Cycling  
Champs

#### 11 September

NZAAMS Games Week

#### 12 September

WIMSS Kapa Haka Festival

#### 18 September

Makuhari Students depart  
BOT



### The Principal's Pen

Dear Parents/  
Caregivers Kia Ora

I think we've had a pretty good taste of winter with water, cold frosty mornings and a nice touch of wind. Remarkably the students appear to be taking it all in their stride and apart from the cold morning starts, they just get on with it.

#### Year 9, 2018

**Please consider us when thinking about your sons/daughters education next year.**

This is a reminder that Cambridge Middle School is a school catering for students from Years 7-10. Students who decide to continue their learning here past Year 8 are not being held back because they are not ready for High School. They continue here for a variety of reasons and we are able to cater to these needs. What we offer; and this is possibly our point of difference; is learning in a home-room situation. Learning continues from day one 2018 with no down time as we already know your son/daughter. Teachers are trained to teach this age group. Year 9 students can continue with extra curricula activities such as tutoring in dance, drama, music etc. There are also leadership opportunities and a homeroom based programme to see them through any trials and tribulations associated with the Emerging Adolescent - AND, we don't charge any fees/donations for our senior students. I've never heard of any student missing out by continuing here but I have had reports of them being better adjusted and more

confident in who they are after an extra year or two here.

Recently the COL (Community of Learners) asked all schools to take part in a Me and My School Survey. This is conducted by NZCER (NZ council for Educational Research). One of the aims of the survey was to ask the students how they saw their school as a safe place, recognising their place in it, and how their needs are being met. This survey would provide a starting point for the COL and then look at results again in the future to see if the aims of the COL will have a direct influence on some of the results. Last week we got together as a COL and spent the day unpacking community and individual school results. There will be an opportunity later this term for you to view some of these results if you wish.

Fire rebuild. WOW!!! It has finally started and that's a welcome sight for us all. I'd encourage you to come past in a few weeks' time to see how this lovely learning space will come together and form a magical learning hub for 120 learners.

#### Stand-downs and Suspensions.

Last week some students were either stood-down or suspended because they brought alcohol and cigarettes to school. They then drank alcohol and smoked a cigarette. In a separate incident a student was suspended for assaulting another student. These behaviours are completely unacceptable.

**Ross Tyson**  
Principal



# JUDO SUCCESS!



Congratulations to Connor Gould and Tom Henson who competed in the National Judo Intermediate Competition late last year. They both placed **1st** in their weight division! Mr Tyson apologises for not having celebrated this success earlier. Both boys will receive badges at Assembly in a few weeks time!

# SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to the following students who placed in our school cross country event:

## Year 7 Girls

1st Manaia Elliott  
2nd Mackenzie Barnett  
3rd Rosie Davis

## Year 7 Boys

1st Jack Whittall  
2nd Chris Goonan  
3rd Mathew Peacock

## Year 8 Girls

1st Riley Wood  
2nd Catriona Lamb  
3rd Brianna Stewart

## Year 8 Boys

1st Liam Davis  
2nd Ryan Lake  
3rd Jamie Swan

Mr Glover would like to thank all the parents who helped out on the day. 24 students will now go to the WIMSS Cross Country event on 15 August in Tokoroa. Congratulations to everyone who participated!

# CMS CYCLING

The first weekend of the school holidays saw a team of 12 CMS cyclists take part in the NI Road Cycling Champs followed by the NI Track Cycling Champs on the Monday and race against 700 other students from all over the North Island here in Cambridge. Over three days, cyclists competed in three road events - a team time trial, road race, and criterium - followed by a number of events on the track at the Avantidrome.

Results saw several CMS cyclists on the podium throughout the events:

Jaxson Russell  
1<sup>st</sup> U14 track  
2<sup>nd</sup> U14 criterium  
2<sup>nd</sup> U14 road race

Maui Morrison  
1<sup>st</sup> U13 track  
2<sup>nd</sup> U13 criterium  
1<sup>st</sup> U13 road race

Hunter Brodie-Lees  
3<sup>rd</sup> U14 track

Jack Whittall  
3<sup>rd</sup> U13 track

A massive effort by the whole team which also included Chris Goonan, Fraser Hicks, Alex Croton, Brylie Adams, Zane Rutland, Jess Schuler, Mason Lake and Max Crouchman.

Exciting times ahead for CMS cycling as the team now set their sights on the NI Intermediate Champs in Taupo followed by the National Secondary Schools Road Champs in the Manawatu.

If you're keen on getting into Road or Track Cycling and would like to join the team, get in touch with Miss Bush, she will give you everything you need to know. Even if you don't have a road bike yet and want to give it a go, contact Miss Bush as we have a couple of loan bikes available.

We would really love to have some more girls join the team so we can put a girls team into the schools competition.

The CMS Cycling Team go for rides on a Monday after school and on Saturday afternoons in winter and Saturday mornings in summer; parents are also encouraged to come for a ride.

