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Term 4

09 November
Tui Ridge Camp - Koru & Māui

11 November
Tui Ridge Camp - Koiri & Puhoro

17 November
WIMS Drama Day
WIMS Lacrosse
Yr8 Catch up testing CHS

03 December
Final Prizegiving

10 December
Final Day for Year 8 students
Year 8 Senior Dance

11 December
Final Day for Year 7 students



Principal's Pen 2026

Week 4 Term 4

Kia ora e te Whānau,

Term 4 is always an exciting and busy time at Middle School. There is a lot to pack into the final term and many things to celebrate. A lot of time is being spent on the transition for the year 6 students coming in 2027, whilst celebrating the senior students as they prepare to head off to high school. Teachers will be starting to use their assessment data to formulate end of year reports, whilst ensuring quality learning is happening deep into the term.

New ERO Review

Last week, we welcomed the Education Review Office (ERO) to Cambridge Middle School to review how we are performing across a range of areas, including leadership, governance, curriculum, teaching and learning, student achievement and wellbeing.

It was an extremely positive visit, with the initial feedback recognising many of the strengths of our school and the work being done to support our students. We are very pleased with the feedback received and look forward to sharing more with our community once we have received the formal draft report.

Principal's Pen Continued...

Strategic Planning

As we look ahead to 2027 and beyond, we are also beginning to review our Strategic Plan to help guide the future direction of CMS. This is an opportunity to reflect on what we are doing well, identify areas for further improvement and ensure we continue to provide the best possible learning experiences and opportunities for our emerging adolescents.

An important part of this process is hearing from our school community. We would really value your feedback on what you believe makes CMS a great school, what we should continue to build on, and where our priorities should lie in the coming years. We encourage all whānau to take a few minutes to complete our **short 5-minute survey using this link:** Strategic Plan Review - Community Voice and help shape the future direction of Cambridge Middle School. There are five $100 New World Vouchers up for grabs for those that complete the survey.

Term 4 Sport

Thank you to Katie Burr for organising our annual athletics day. Although we lost a few gazebos to the weather, overall it was a very successful day. In the coming weeks we will be selecting our interschool team from the results and we will also have our final interclass sport competition for the year.

Camp

Over the next two weeks all classes will attend Tui Ridge for our annual EOTC experience. This is a great opportunity for children to challenge themselves and step outside their comfort zone in a different environment. We are thankful to the commitment of our staff and the many parents and whānau who have taken time out of their busy lives to make sure this experience is successful. We look forward to hearing the exciting stories from the students when they return.

We look forward to seeing many of you who are supporting camps in the coming weeks.

Nga mihi nui

Daryl Gibbs

School Notices

New CMS Turf – Looking Fantastic!

It's been exciting to see our newly resurfaced turf open for use this week, providing a fantastic, upgraded space for our students to enjoy!

We are very grateful to our School Board for their continued investment in high-quality facilities that support sport and physical activity at CMS.

We would also like to acknowledge the Grassroots Trust for their generous donation towards this fantastic project - thank you!

Our refurbished cricket nets are already being used almost daily, the new cricket pitch is nearly ready, and the Board has also approved funding for additional sports equipment for the turf, along with new football goals for the field.

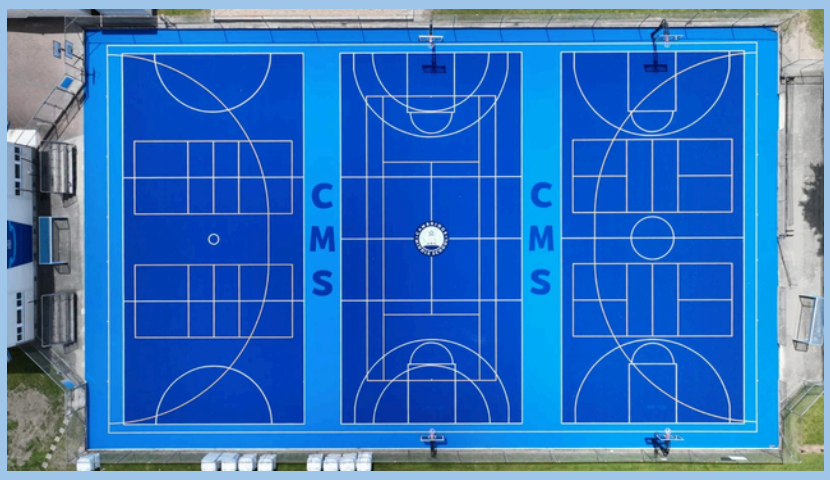
Protecting Our New Turf

With such a significant investment in this facility, it's important that we look after it to ensure it stays in great condition for years to come.

To help protect the new surface and avoid any unnecessary damage, we ask that the turf is used for foot traffic only, with no e-scooters, e-bikes, bicycles or other wheeled equipment on the surface. These can cause damage to the turf, so we appreciate everyone's support in helping us keep it looking its best.

To help protect our new turf, both gates will be locked immediately after school each day and will remain closed over weekends until our new turnstile is installed, hopefully by the end of November.

We appreciate everyone's understanding and support in helping us protect this fantastic new facility for our students and school community to enjoy for many years to come.



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CAMBRIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL'S
SENIOR DANCE
WINTER WONDERLAND
Thursday 10 December
Arrival 5:30 - 6:00pm
(Note: Doors will close at 6:00pm)
Dance 6:00 - 8:00pm
Parents will need to collect their child from the hall
Supper will be provided
Tickets cost $16 each
More information to come by email 10 November

Cambridge connections
Moving forward together



IT'S TIME TO GET MOVING!

Community input has shaped every stage of Cambridge Connections.

Now it's time to have your say on the draft Transport Plan!

Tell us your thoughts on proposed:

- Public transport improvements
- Walking and cycling options
- Freight routes
- Parking management
- Future bridge choices

Have your say

Scan to have your say by Sunday, November 22.



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