



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – Week 4, Term 1, 2024

Message from the Principal

Kia ora ngaa whaanau o Cambridge East kura

What a great first few weeks I have witnessed at Cambridge East School! Our learners continue to display positive attitudes towards learning and are back into the routine of school.

As mentioned below, our Year 5/6 learners are back from their awesome experience at Camp Adair and I can see from the pictures and the smiles on their faces that it was well enjoyed by all involved. A big thank you goes out to Mrs Burchett and Mr Bird for their hard work and organisation of Camp Adair. I look forward to seeing our Year 3/4 learners having an equally valuable experience at Camp Totara Springs at the end of March.

A reminder that our enrolments are still open for 2024 so please encourage your friends and family to get in touch with the School office for a tour and/or enrolment – we'd love them to come along and see what our kura has to offer!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, 23 February

2pm School Assembly – School Hall

Thursday, 7 March

Year 1, 2 & 3 Swimming Sports – CES Pool

Thursday, 14 March

Year 4, 5 & 6 Swimming Sports – CHS Pool

Monday, 25 March to

Wednesday, 27 March

Year 3/4 Camp – Camp Totara Springs

Year 5/6 Camp Adair - What an awesome experience!

Last week we took our senior learners to Camp Adair for 3 days. Over 130 bright eyed eager learners boarded the bus on Monday and headed off for an amazing adventure. The activities they took part in did not disappoint as they had the opportunity to climb rock walls, do some archery, challenge themselves with heights on the super fox and the trapeze, but a highlight for many was the confidence course and the mudslide. One of the most memorable aspects of camp was seeing many learners who initially said "I can't or I don't want to do that" build their courage with the support from their peers and the adults supporting them to push their limits and try new things. The facilities and the camp instructors were fantastic and so too was the food. A huge thank you to everyone who supported the camp, in particular our amazing parent helpers, you were all terrific! And of our hard-working staff, as we know there is a lot of hard work that goes in behind the scenes. Check out our [Facebook](#) page for some amazing pics!



Year 3/4 Camp Totara Springs - 25 to 27 March!

On 1 February parents of Year 3/4 learners were sent our Google form (click [here](#)) asking for permission for their child to attend Year 3/4 camp at Camp Totara Springs from 25 to 27 March 2024. Thank you to those who have already responded and returned the Health and EOTC forms sent home in school bags (please ask your child for it if they haven't already given it to you!). There are spares in the school office too.

A reminder that a \$100 deposit is due by Friday 26 February to confirm your child's place on camp. Please deposit into the school bank account (12-3268-using the references "Totara" & "Child's Name"- thank you!

We have been overwhelmed with Parent Helper volunteers again, which is awesome, and will be able to share the Parent Helper list soon.

More information on Camp Totara Spring will be coming home tomorrow - it's going to be a cracker of a camp!

School Swimming Sports

As you may have seen in our earlier email, Swimming Sports is being split into two groups this year due to a change of venue. Our Year 4, 5 and 6 learners will swim at Cambridge High School Pool on Thursday, 14 March. Supporters are welcome to come along. Please click [here](#) to complete the permission form for your child to attend (if you haven't already done so), and click [here](#) to view the schedule for the day (please note that this is a loose schedule and we cannot guarantee timing, but will do our best to keep on time).

Our Year 1, 2 and 3 learners will swim in the Cambridge East School Pool on Thursday, 7 March. Again, supporters are welcome on the day. No permission is necessary as we are not leaving the school grounds. Please click [here](#) for a schedule of the day.

We are looking forward to watching our learners displaying "Always My Best" during Swimming Sports next month!

Learning Conferences

Our Learning Conferences are coming up in Week 7 of this term with the late night of conferences being Tuesday, 12 February (school will finish at 2pm on this day). Further details will be heading home by email next week in order for you to book a time for you and your child to meet with their teacher and discuss Learning Goals for the first half of 2024. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns around your child's learning, please pop in and see your child's teacher before or after school, or drop them an email. Our doors are always open.

Winter Sport Registrations

Local sports clubs are now accepting registrations for their junior Rugby, Netball, Hockey and Football winter sports teams. If you would like to register your child/ren please contact them directly by clicking on the links below. Please also be mindful of their registration closing dates, some of which close very soon:

Hautapu Sports Club - Netball, Rugby and Hockey

<https://hautapusports.co.nz/junior-sports/>

Leamington Sports Club - Netball, Rugby and Hockey

<http://www.lrsc.co.nz/>

Cambridge Football Club - Football

<https://cambridgefootball.co.nz/register>

TVP Sports - Netball

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/228017>

School Uniform

As school settles back in for the new school year we would like to remind families that there is a requirement for your child/ren to wear a school shirt for trips and sports days.



We are currently taking orders for t-shirts, polo shirts and our optional hoodies and jackets. Orders close **Tuesday, 27 February**. Please order [here](#), one form per child. All orders must be made online please. Tip: If you're unsure of which size to get for your child, we always recommend going for the bigger size so they have room to grow. If you would like to come into the office to check sizes/styles, we will have them on display **until Monday, 26 February** 8:30 - 9:00am and 3:00 - 3:30pm.

****ON SALE**** If you prefer the previous colour or style of T-shirt they will be available from the office for \$20.00 each whilst stock lasts. We also have a limited supply of second-hand items for \$5.00 each.

Children Arriving Early to School

So far this year we have noticed a significant influx in children arriving on school grounds and some wanting to gain access to their classrooms before 8.30am each morning. As mentioned in our previous newsletter, children **must not** arrive at school before 8.30am unless they are attending Before School Care. Our staff are not responsible for your child prior to 8.30am and we appreciate you using [Journey Kids Before School Care](#) if your work commitments consistently mean your child is arriving at school early each day. We appreciate your support in this matter.

PTA News

Hey parents! Want to join the PTA crew? It's all about connecting with fellow parents, making new friends and supporting our CES community. Whether you've got lots of time to spare or just a little, every bit counts and you don't need to commit in advance. Rock on by to one of our monthly meetings and see what you can help with whether it be helping with pizza lunches for an hour every fortnight or help sell ice blocks after school. Together let's team up to make our kids' school days at CES awesome!

Our next get together is on Monday 4th March (which is also our AGM) at the school staff room. We have a few roles to be appointed for 2024. Send us an email for more details pta@cambridgeeast.school.nz



Scholastic Book Club Orders are due in by 3pm on Friday 24th February (that's tomorrow!). We prefer that you use the Scholastic "Loop" App to place your orders if at all possible - app details are on your child's Scholastic Book Club Brochure. Alternatively, please place paper orders and exact cash in an envelope and drop in the box at school Reception.

Ice Blocks and Juicies will be sold at the Junior and Senior Swimming Sports (if you can help do this at the senior sports on the 14th of March, please email pta@cambridgeeast.school.nz - thank you!

Pizza lunches will recommence in Week 5. Look out for our email to order a pizza lunch for your child. Orders will be delivered to classrooms on Friday 1st March.

Kind regards

Ngaa mihi

Paul Cooper

Principal



LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

TIMATANGA

Room 10

LeRouxchke Barnard - You have had such a strong start to the year, LeRouxchke. You shine as a leader in our class. You are working hard in all learning areas, and you approach challenges with a positive and resilient attitude. Keep up the amazing work!

Maxwell Hall - It has been enjoyable to watch you settle and become a valued member of our class, Maxwell. Your enthusiasm towards learning is infectious and I look forward to seeing your growth over the year ahead.

Room 11

Nagesh Modhwadia - Nagesh, I am so proud of you. There is a lot to learn when you first start school and you are trying so hard to be brave!

Maisie Peters - Maisie, you approach everything that you do with curiosity and a drive to learn. He whetu koe, we are lucky to have you in our class!

Room 12

Jacelley Ibarra Jacelley, you are already developing greater confidence to join in during class. I am proud of you for beginning to take risks, well done.

Callaway Nelson Callaway, you are such a hard worker! You get straight to work and stay focused on the task. Ka pai to mahi, keep it up!

Room 13

Giovanna Machado - Gigi, you are always ready to learn and willing to contribute to class discussions which is awesome to see. Keep it up!

Harry McIntosh - Harry, it is great to see you in the pool and working hard in our swimming sessions even though you were unsure at first. Ka pai!

Room 14

Nevyn Bans - Nevyn, it is wonderful to see you engaged in your learning and building the confidence to play with new people and try new things. Ka pai, Nevyn.

Amelia Bernasconi - Amelia, you have already shown that you are a role model in Room 14, especially at mat time where you focus on your learning and ignore distractions. Keep it up, Amelia.

KORU

Koru 1

Thyam Hohia-Ward - Thyam, you have settled well into the routines and expectations of Koru tahi. Your commitment and resilience towards learning new things is commendable. Ka mau te wehi, Thyam.

Thomas Flatt - I am impressed with your contribution to class discussions, particularly during our writing tutorials. You challenge your own thinking and are beginning to produce some creative pieces. Keep it up!

Koru 2

Riley Crawshaw - Riley, it is awesome to see you stepping into the role of a leader in our class.

You come in each morning and get your timetable sorted and willingly help others. Keep up the focus on your learning! Ka pai, Riley.

Parker Comer - Parker, you are settling into your Year 3 year like a champ. You are starting to plan your whole day, focusing on work and self-managing your learning time. These skills will help you be a wonderful learner. Tino pai te mahi.

Koru 3

Leo Shortland - Leo, your commitment to being a team player throughout camp was outstanding. You worked hard to ensure everyone in your group felt success in the challenges that were set and you learnt some new skills along the way. Ka pai!

Lillian Tipene - Lillian, I am so impressed with the determination that you showed at camp. Even in the midst of adventures that really challenged you, you never gave up, showing your resilience in achieving what your goals. Ka mau te wehi!

Koru 4

Evan Liu - Evan, I am so proud of how you displayed your Sense of Duty at camp. You followed all instructions and took risks when participating in all of the activities. Ka pai!

Lachlan Tane - During camp you showed your kind and caring nature when supporting your peers. It was amazing to see your confidence to try new activities grow throughout this time. I am beyond impressed!

AUAHA

Auaha M

Ashton Bernasconi - You have been a wonderful model of Citizenship in Auaha M. You are always focused on making Auaha M the best place it can be for learning, completing your own mahi and always helping with class jobs. Ka mau te wehi!

Lucie Savage - Lucie, we really appreciate the way you step up to support others so they are ready for their day. Thank you for helping to make Auaha M such a positive space for learning.

Kolton Harrison - What a caring and helpful Auaha M citizen you are, Kolt. You noticed someone needed help with their writing and quickly offered your support. Kia ora - we are so lucky to have you!

Jacob Brown - Jacob, Auaha M are so lucky to have you in our space. Your kindness doesn't go unnoticed by kaiako and aakonga. We really appreciate how you include and support those looking for a buddy during a shared learning task. He taonga koe.

Auaha S

Isaac Downey - Isaac, the energy and enthusiasm you bring to Auaha S is infectious. We are impressed with your motivation to learn and the high standard you are putting into your work. Keep it up!

Gayansa Samarakkody - Gayansa, you have had a fabulous start to the year! We have noticed the excellent attitude towards your learning alongside your friendly, warm nature which is so appreciated in Auaha S. Keep it up!

Raymond Phillips - You were a star on camp, Raymond! Your positive attitude and willingness to try new experiences made you stand out, and we appreciate your persistence and efforts. Ka pai, Raymond!

Cooper Calvert - We have never seen so much enthusiasm to be covered in mud, Cooper! You had an absolute blast at camp and made the most of getting to know new people in your activity group. We are impressed by your fantastic attitude and hope to see it continue!

TE PUNA

Te Puna 19

Diamond Martin - I am so impressed with the effort you have been putting into your reading. You have made fabulous progress and you should be very proud of yourself. Ka pai to mahi, Diamond.

Billy McIntyre - You have had such a great start to the year. You are focused on the mat, listen to instructions and follow them quickly and focus on your learning. What an amazing role model you have been, Billy!

Te Puna 22

Connor Foote - Connor, you had an awesome time at camp. It was a joy to see you push yourself and to see your wonderful smile. What an amazing start to the year!

James Cumming - James, it was amazing to see you face challenges head on while at camp. Your quiet determination to succeed will set you up for an amazing 2024. Kia kaha.

Learner of the Week Certificates will be presented at tomorrow's 2pm assembly – all Parents/Caregivers welcome!!



CAMBRIDGE YOUNG MARINERS



Adventure Group for Girls age 8-19

- Are you a Girl who is looking for new adventures?
- Do you have a daughter who loves the outdoors?

Young Mariners New Zealand is an organization for girls from 8-19 years old that provides them with many opportunities for fun, friendship and adventure.

Through our activity choices, girls are encouraged to reach their potential, be independent, confident and caring. We empower them to achieve leadership and develop their decision-making and life skills. Young Mariners helps them connect with their community and with the wider world.

Activities we get involved in are: Sailing, Rowing, Camping, Kayaking, Small-bore shooting, Archery, Rock climbing, Tramping etc. We meet every Wednesday from 6pm to 8pm at the Cambridge Yacht Club at Lake Karapiro.



They also become amazing sailors!

If you would like to join Young Mariners, or find out more about us, contact our unit leader Vaughan Bayley on eMail: vaughan.bayley@ymnz.org
Tel: 07 827 8778 or <http://www.facebook.com/Cambridge.Young.Mariners>