



12th December, Term 4 Week 9- Roll 437

Merry Christmas everyone,

Class placements for 2019 will be coming out tomorrow. With 66 staff there is always going to be movement as people come and go. We are expecting to have our full 2019 staffing roster by tomorrow.

Along with the staff mentioned at Friday's Formal Prize-Giving, we congratulate and **farewell Mr Liam Carroll** who has taken up a position at Newstead School. We will be thanking and farewelling all departing staff at this Friday's Leaders Assembly. This begins at 1.30pm in our hall. This assembly is also our way of formally recognising our 2018 student leaders. We invite you to attend.

On behalf of parents, children and myself, I would like to **thank our staff for the amazing work** done throughout the year. We have wonderful and committed staff who give 100% to helping develop our children. Well done to you all.

To our **Year 6 children, leaving CPS** we wish you well for your future and thank you for your contribution to CPS over the time you have been here. You leave a positive legacy behind you. In line with our new Cyber policy, all Year 6 and leavers CPS Google accounts will be closed as of Monday, 17th December.

A reminder that **school finishes on Monday, 17th December at 12.00pm**. Free care is available until 3pm, but you must let Helen know on 021 151 4367, after which normal After School rates apply. The first day back in 2019 is Wednesday, 30th January. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and safe and happy new year.

Ka kite,

Mike Pettit



CPS FLIPPERS: This term Cambridge Primary School's first ever Flippa Ball team CPS Flippers, competed at St Peter's Private pool on Sunday afternoon's. No one had played the game before so, they relied on a tonne of enthusiasm and excitement to get them through. Each week the team stayed cool, trained hard and learnt a heap. Thank you to Jacqui McCann for coaching and training the Flippers through the first few weeks. The coaching reins were then handed over to Tim Foote. The season ended brilliantly with the team undefeated and winning a tough final 2:4 against Newstead. Next term the team will be looking for some new Year 5/6 recruits. If you enjoy the water and the comradery of a team sport then Flippa ball might be for you?

FOUR PEAKS SWIM SCHOOL 2019: In 2019 our swim school will introduce a new structured framework that aims to introduce first time swimmers to a fun and positive environment, as well as developing and improving stroke technique in more experienced swimmers. Our instructors are professional and continually updating their qualifications to give your child the highest quality lessons. Please keep an eye out for 2019 Term One registrations details.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS: The Salvation Army are collecting on behalf of the Cambridge Committee of Social Services. Can you help by donating festive food for the foodbank? There will be a box in the school office for any food donations which will be collected from us on **Friday, 14th December**. The Salvation Army supports our school community via chaplaincy at CPS, so it is great that we are able to give back.

STATIONERY FOR 2019: You'll find your child/children's school stationery lists online at myschool.co.nz. Simply search for **Cambridge School**, select your child's Syndicate and Year level and follow the instructions. **In order to receive your stationery pack before school starts on Wed, 30th January you will need to order by 18th January 2019.** Note: you may wish to join up with another parent to reduce delivery charges. Please contact Hayley on office@cambridgeprimary.co.nz if you have any queries.

PTA NEWS: The PTA would like to thank everyone who contributed to our 2019 fundraising events. We are looking forward to 2019 and are always looking forward to increasing our team of parents with fresh ideas.

There will be **no more juicies in 2018** as we sold out last Friday. Big thank you goes out to Oscar, Thomas and Ben for selling the ice blocks each week.

PRINCIPAL AWARD OMISSION: Congratulations to Clara H for receiving her Principals Award recently. Apologies from missing your acknowledgement from the CPS Newsletter.

LUCKY BOOK CLUB: **Lucky book club books are waiting for collection.** Any books uncollected by Friday, 14th December will be sent home with the child.

LIBRARY / READER RETURNS ARE NOW OVERDUE: All school library books and home readers are needed back for stock take. Please ask your child/ren if they have any books.

FOUR PEAKS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME: Christmas Holiday bookings are now open. **All bookings for the holidays must now be made through <http://enrolmy.com/Cambridge-school>.** The last day of school is **Monday, 17th December finishing at 12pm**. Four Peaks offer care at no charge until 3pm. After 3pm normal after school charges apply. **You must let Helen know if your child will be staying between 12 and 3pm.** Any care after 3pm must be booked in the usual manner. Ph: 021 151 4367



CHINA TRIP 2019: Further to the information evening, we have now received a slightly revised itinerary and prices from our Agent. The group is now scheduled to depart **3rd October** and return on **13th October 2019**. The new prices are \$3,200/child and \$3,650/adult, which include airfares and visas. The new prices show a saving of \$850 (child ticket) and \$1,120 (adult ticket) from the previously advertised prices. Please note, this does not include insurance. Please click [HERE](#) for more information. Expressions of interest to be received by **Tuesday, 18th December**, with deposits due by 22nd February. If you have any questions or to confirm your expression of interest please contact Mike Pettit, email: admin@cambridgeprimary.co.nz.



UPcoming AND DEADLINES EVENTS

LEADERS ASSEMBLY

When: Friday, 14th December 1:30pm
Description: We will be thanking and farewelling all departing staff at this Friday's Leaders Assembly. This assembly is also our way of formally recognising our 2018 student leaders. We invite you to attend.

LOLLY DAY FOR SCHOOL GALA

When: Friday, 14th December
Description: Please bring a packet of wrapped lollies for our 2019 Gala. They will be used in a number of planned activities. If you would like to donate them earlier, we will have a box at the office for collection. Also if you have any quality unwanted items that could be used as prizes for our Gala please pop them in the box found at the office. We will be putting together a detailed list of what will be needed in the coming weeks.



MEET YOUR 2019 TEACHER

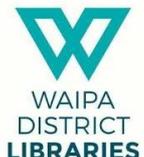
When: Monday, 17th December
Description: Meet your 2019 teacher and class mate's before the year draws to a close.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - MONDAY, 17th DECEMBER 12pm

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL 2019 - Wednesday, 30th January

FREE HOLIDAY READING PROGRAM

REGISTRATION OPEN until Friday, 14th December. There are 70 places at each library. It's a great way to keep reading skills up during the holidays and checking-in at the libraries is a fun holiday activity. Get in quick! *The Amazing Read: Bring your library card or join the library to participate. There are rewards, a finale party and it's free!* **We hope to see you in the library soon!**



The Inspire Mindfulness programme

Taught by qualified teacher, Rachel MacAllister, your child will learn about the brain, how we process thoughts and how to relax in a variety of situations. It will help build resilience, aid concentration and leave your child feeling calm. This will be taught through fun and child focused activities. Rachel has a passion for children's wellbeing and has recently been in the NZ Herald - the article can be found here:

https://www.nzherald.co.nz/lifestyle/news/article.cfm?c_id=6&objectid=12155216

Classes are held at Cambridge Primary School on Tuesday afternoons. Bookings are essential. Search Inspire Mindfulness on Facebook or call Rachel on 021 085 345 66 for more information.