

CAMBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



QUALITY - TRADITION - INNOVATION

International Student Prospectus 2025

Information Guide for Agents and Parents

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WELCOME TO CAMBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Agents and Parents,

At Cambridge Primary School we have the vision to create powerful students through quality, tradition, and innovation. Cambridge Primary School was founded in 1866 to educate the children of early military settlers. An original military hospital building serves as the office building today. Situated in the heart of the town, the School has maintained a strong roll for over 150 years.

Cambridge Primary School offers a safe and supportive educational experience to all students with a focus on building relationships whilst delivering the national curriculum and specialist learning programmes. We warmly welcome international students to engage with our quality experiences and to contribute to our community of global thinkers.

The Board of Trustees believe in fostering international relationships and acknowledge the importance of developing students' understanding of different cultures. We are a caring school and we value the students in our care. We work alongside families to provide for the needs of all students and we foster and celebrate the multicultural dimensions within our school.

Cambridge Primary School is a signatory to the Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Students) Code of Practice 2021. We welcome enquiries for both long-term and short-term international fee-paying students. If you would like to enrol students at our school, please read through the material in this prospectus and follow the application and enrolment procedures.



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ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

School Type

Cambridge Primary School is a co-educational state primary school that caters for children in Years 1 to 6, aged from 5 to 11 years on enrolment.

School Roll

Our school has approximately 400 students and 16 individual classrooms. Classes are organised into four syndicates:

- Batten (Years 0 & 1)
- Blake (Years 1 & 2)
- Hillary (Years 3 & 4)
- Rutherford (Years 5 & 6)

School Vision

At Cambridge Primary School we believe that Quality, Tradition and Innovation are the foundations for nurturing dynamic, aspiring learners within a supportive community.

School Values

- Honesty
- Integrity
- Reliability
- Fairness
- Co-operation
- Caring and Compassion

- Turangawaewae (belonging/ownership)
- Perseverance
- Respect
- Loyalty
- Tolerance
- Independence



Swim Sports



Outdoor Classroom

2025 TERM DATES

Term 1	Friday 31 January – Friday 11 April	11 weeks
Term 2	Monday 28 April – Friday 27 June	9 weeks
Term 3	Monday 14 July – Friday 19 September	10 weeks
Term 4	Monday 06 October – Tuesday 16 December	11 weeks

SCHOOL HOURS

School Day Begins	8.45 am		
Morning Tea	10.05 am - 10.25 am (M, T, V	V & F)	10.25 am - 10.45 am (Th)
Brain Break	11.35 am - 11.45 am (M, T, V	V,& F)	
Lunch	12.55 pm - 1.40 pm (M, T, W	& F)	12.15 pm - 1.15 pm (Th)
School Day Finishes	Surnames A - L Surnames M - Z	2.55 pm 3.00 pm	

The school day begins at 8.45am and children are welcome at school from 8.30am onwards. Please note that children are not permitted on the school grounds before 8.30am unless they are supervised by an adult.



COMMUNICATIONS

CPS Office: 07 827 5316

CPS Website: http://www.cambridgeprimary.co.nz

CPS Facebook Group: https://www.facebook.com/CambridgePrimarySchool/

DESTINATION CAMBRIDGE

Town Location

Cambridge is a small town in the centre of the North Island providing easy access to popular tourist destinations including Matamata (Hobbiton), Waitomo Caves, Hamilton, Tauranga, Rotorua, and Taupo. Cambridge is an excellent place to live and visit, with a rich history, world class sporting facilities, boutique shopping, exquisite food, outdoor activities, nature walks, and cycleways. With a long-standing history of thoroughbred horse racing and high-performance sport, Cambridge boasts champion racehorses and many rowing, cycling, and equestrian Olympic medallists.

Accommodation

Cambridge Primary School can arrange homestay accommodation for short-term international students or families can make their own private arrangements.

Before and After School Care - Four Peaks

Cambridge Primary School has an approved before and after school programme. Four Peaks provides a safe, secure, and fun environment for children based at Cambridge Primary School. The morning programme is open from 7.30am to 8.30am and the afternoon programme is open from 3.00pm to 5.30pm. Outside of term time, Four Peaks run an Adventure Holiday Programme from 8.00am to 5.30pm.



Outdoor Classroom

SCHOOL CURRICULUM

Classroom Programmes

Programmes at Cambridge Primary School typically feature the following:

- Learning activities in which students investigate issues and solve problems of interest to them;
- A balanced curriculum that emphasises discovery and exploration and encourages higher order thinking as keys to successful learning;
- Opportunities to see the relevance of learning by applying it in a practical way to solve real-world problems;
- Learning activities and experiences (both within and outside of school) that enable all students to succeed, regardless of previous achievement.
- Schemes that are not so prescriptive that they stifle creativity and the opportunity to capture the teachable moment.

We focus on educating the whole child, with a particular emphasis on their social and emotional needs. Students are challenged with authentic opportunities to participate in a wide range of academic cultural and sporting programmes.







Kapa Haka

Teachers at Cambridge Primary School provide exciting learning experiences in all of the essential learning areas of the National Curriculum: Science, Mathematics, English, Technology, Social Studies, Health and Physical Education, Arts, and Languages.

Further to this, the School offers specialist programmes to students. These include the Mandarin language programme, te reo Māori language programme, ESOL (English to speakers of another language), Kapa Haka (traditional Māori dancing and singing), Enviroschools (sustainability projects), Garden to Table (grow, harvest, and prepare food in the commercial kitchen), science, STEM, and the outdoor classroom and adventure programme (confidence building cooperation, problem solving, team building, nature investigations, construction, survival skills, and camping).







Science Garden to Table

Sporting Facilities

We encourage all students to become involved in physical activities and offer a number of different sporting codes that children can participate in. Students at our school also have free access to a range of sports equipment and facilities including, two playgrounds, large playing fields, a large natural bush area, AstroTurf courts, a 25 metre swimming pool, and bike and scooter tracks.





Swim Sports

Fish Pond



Garden to Table



School Camp

APPLICATION AND ENROLMENT PROCEDURES

Code of Practice

Cambridge Primary School is a signatory to the Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Students) Code of Practice 2021, which is administered by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA).

Before making an application for enrolment at Cambridge Primary School, the person enrolling an international student must have read and understood the Code of Practice: https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/providers-partners/education-code-of-practice/

Enrolment Procedures

Cambridge Primary School welcomes applications from both long-term and short-term international students. **The minimum period of enrolment is two weeks**. Where possible, applications must be made at least two months in advance of enrolment.

The following forms are available to download from our school website: http://www.cambridgeprimary.co.nz/1424/pages/602-international-students

- CPS Schedule of Fees 2025
- CPS International Student Application Form and Contract of Enrolment
- CPS Accommodation Agreement (for placement with a residential caregiver)
- CPS Designated Caregiver Agreement (for placement with a designated caregiver)

You must provide a copy of the student's passport in order to verify their date of birth (DOB) for classroom placement, along with their most recent school report. If places are available, enrolment at Cambridge Primary School will be subject to payment of tuition fees and a receipt will be issued.

Prior to arrival at Cambridge Primary School, we will also need to receive copies of the following documents:

- Student visa or visitor visa
- Travel and medical insurance policy
- Immunisation record

NOTE: If the relevant school documentation is not completed in a truthful and accurate manner, the enrolment may not be accepted or may be terminated at a later date.

Accommodation

Students under the age of 10 years must live with a parent or legal guardian while they are in New Zealand. Students aged 10 years or older may be placed with a residential caregiver, if they are visiting as part of a supervised educational group.

Cambridge Primary School can arrange homestay accommodation for international students and their parents. Regular monitoring checks are undertaken to ensure that the living arrangements for international students are suitable as part of their pastoral care.

Programmes for International Students

Cambridge Primary School provides a range of services for international students:

- Full integration in mainstream classroom programmes
- Orientation and reception programmes
- Withdrawal programmes that introduce students to New Zealand culture and introductory English (facilitated by our ESOL teacher)
- Certificate of attendance at the end of enrolment

Integration in Mainstream Classroom Programmes

Our international students will spend most of their time in mainstream classrooms. Students will participate in lessons across all learning areas of the New Zealand Curriculum, using their English language in reading, writing, speaking and listening activities.

Orientation Programme

Coming to another country is a major life experience – getting used to a new environment, different foods, New Zealand culture, accommodation, the weather, and Kiwi accents. The aim of our school orientation programme is to introduce our international students to their new learning environment and provide them with positive experiences of our school culture.

Some of our students will act as buddies to help ensure our international students feel welcome and supported in their new school. They will help the student to learn about school routines (bell times, assemblies, school activities) and what to do at playtime and lunchtime. Buddies play a key role in helping international students to practise and develop their English language skills.

ESOL Programme

Our ESOL teacher will also work with the students to reinforce and extend their English language learning. Students will be withdrawn from their mainstream classrooms by the ESOL teacher twice a week. During withdrawal sessions, students will be working in groups with the same level of proficiency in speaking English. The student's progress will be shared with the mainstream classroom teacher.

Pastoral Care and Welfare of International Students

Cambridge Primary School accepts responsibility for ensuring that international students receive appropriate pastoral care. Students are monitored daily by the classroom teacher and other staff. If a student is not making good progress, then interviews will be arranged with the principal for parents and caregivers to discuss the situation.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FEES 2025

Long-term Students (more than 12 weeks)	Fees
Administration fee (non-refundable)	
Annual (full year)	\$600
Semester (two terms)	\$500
Annual tuition fee Includes ESOL tuition, full stationery pack, and curriculum text books (on loan). There will be an additional cost for school uniform and other optional activities, such as school productions, school camps, school trips, and sports teams.	\$16,500
Payment in full is required in advance for the whole year's study.	
Short-term Students (less than 12 weeks)	
Administration fee (non-refundable)	\$400
Weekly tuition fee Includes ESOL tuition, basic stationery items, and curriculum text books (on loan). Students are able to wear their own school uniform from their home country.	\$500
Payment in full is required one term in advance.	
Homestay Fees	
Homestay placement fee (non-refundable) Provides ongoing contact and supervision of the student and the residential caregiver during their time at Cambridge Primary School.	\$275 short-term \$325 long-term (per person)
Weekly homestay fee Our homestay programme is administered by the school. Homestays provide a furnished room per student and/or parent, meals, laundry, plus transport to/from school. Payment in full is required prior to arrival.	\$400 (per person)

All fees are quoted in New Zealand dollars and include 15% Goods and Services Tax (GST)

PAYMENT DETAILS

Account Name: Cambridge Primary School

Bank: ASB Bank Ltd., 135 Albert Street, Auckland 1010

Account No: 12-3268-0023215-00

Swift Code: ASBBNZ2A

Fees quoted above are valid as at 1st January 2025 and are subject to review

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