



Coming Events - 3 September 2026

Coming Up

31 AUG-4 SEPT

WINTER TOURNAMENT WEEK

2-3 SEPT

Y8 TESTING - CMS STUDENTS

4 SEPT

Y8 TESTING (NON-CMS STUDENTS)

7 SEPT

CO-REQUISITE READING EXAM

8 SEPT

CO-REQUISITE WRITING EXAM

9 SEPT

CO-REQUISITE NUMERACY EXAM

10 SEPT

CO-REQUISITE CATCH-UP EXAMS

10MTT - HOSPICE WAIKATO THRIFTY THREADS

10-18 SEPT

SENIOR ASSESSMENTS

11 SEPT

10COM - LUGE TRIP

18 SEPT

DNZM NATIONALS

19 SEPT

HOCKEY PRIZEGIVING

21 SEPT

RUGBY PRIZEGIVING

22 SEPT

NETBALL PRIZEGIVING

23-24 SEPT

NATIONAL JAZZ BAND-IT COMPETITION

23-25 SEPT

SPIRIT WEEK

24 SEPT

OED1 - SNOW PLANET (1)

DRA3 - ASSESSMENT EVENING

25 SEPT

FOOTBALL PRIZEGIVING

OED1 - SNOW PLANET (2)

END OF TERM 3

Term 4 Begins - Tues 13 October

12 OCT

TEACHER OLY DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED

13 OCT

FIRST DAY OF TERM 4

SENIOR DANCE SHOWCASE

14-15 OCT

SPS3 - PADDLEBOARDING

19 OCT

NGA POUTIAKI CELEBRATION EVG

20 OCT

ARTS AWARDS PRIZEGIVING

21 OCT

SPORTS AWARDS PRIZEGIVING

22 OCT

OED2 - CLIMB (1)

23 OCT

OED2 - CLIMB (2)

26 OCT

LABOUR DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED

4 NOV

LAST DAY FOR Y11, 12 & 13 STUDENTS

5 NOV

SENIOR PRIZEGIVING

6 NOV

Y13 GRADUATION CEREMONY

12 NOV

Y8 SCHOLARSHIP EXAM

16-18 NOV

JUNIOR TOURNAMENT WEEK

19-24 NOV

JUNIOR ASSESSMENTS

[NCEA Corner](#)

[Co-Requisite \(CAA\) & Senior Derived Grade Exams](#)

Kia ora e te whaanau.

Cambridge High School begins its Assessment Weeks on **Monday 7th September**. This includes both Literacy and Numeracy Corequisite exams (CAAs) and the senior Derived Grade Exams (DGE).

The CAAs are happening **Monday 7th Sept to Wednesday 9th Sept** in periods 1 and 2 for all students. Students will need a fully charged and updated laptop running chrome, Student ID, their NZQA login and equipment such as a pen, ruler and calculator (for numeracy).

The Derived Grade Exams commence on **Thursday 10th Sept** and finish on **Friday 18th Sept** and are run under strict NZQA rules. Morning exams commence at 8.30am and afternoon exams at

12.10pm. Students will need their IDs and equipment in a clear plastic bag. No phones or watches are allowed. The exam timetable can be found on the school website:

<https://www.camhigh.school.nz/>. Students who are not sitting exams are expected to be at home studying, or if a quiet space is not available at home, in the school library.

Any students that miss either a CAA or DGE for a justified reason e.g. medical or bereavement leave, can apply for a catchup exam. Please email mce@camhigh.school.nz to arrange this.

Ngaa mihi nui.

Mike Cole

Exam period – Thur Sept 10th – Fri Sept 18th

- Check the timetable and ensure you know what to expect for each exam. What standards are being covered, what equipment you will need etc.
- If you have a clash of exams then you need to email Mr Cole as soon as possible for a fix.
- These exams will give you a derived grade should you need one.
- If you miss an exam for a valid reason you are to email Mr Cole to arrange a catch up.
- Exams are being run with mostly NZQA rules.
- You must be in full school uniform and do the right thing at all times.



Study break during derived grade exams

You are not in school during the assessment weeks unless:

- You have an examination; or
- Have arranged a tutorial/catch up session with your teacher; or
- Are required to come into school for a catch-up session

Your teachers will not necessarily be available during your normal timetabled class time.

If you need to see them, make sure you contact them to arrange a suitable time before coming in to school



Before you Enter the Exam Room

- You must have your photo ID to enter the room. For the NCEA external exams you will also need to bring your NZQA Admissions Slip.
- Drink bottles must be clear and have no writing or labels on them
- Pens & pencils must be in a clear plastic bag
- No food is permitted in the exam room, including lollies & gum
- Calculator covers must be removed and left in your bag
- Bags must be left at the front of the classroom or outside the hall
- Phones must be switched off (not on silent) and left in your bag or in your emergency pack under your chair
- You must be in school uniform



Banned Items

- Any paper
- Correcting fluid
- Books, written or electronic notes
- Cell phones
- Dictionaries or translators
- Watches of any type
- Any electronic device which has storage, communication or information retrieval capability, except approved calculators
- Hoodies & Jackets



Once you are in the Exam Room

- No communicating or talking
- Follow instructions from supervisors who will direct you to your seat
- Your photo ID needs to be face up on your desk at all times throughout the exam
- You must not touch or open your exams/resource booklets until you are instructed to do so



Once you are in the Exam Room

- Write in blue or black pen only, unless stated on the cover of the exam booklet
- You must sit with both feet on the floor under your desk throughout the exam
- Exam and resource booklets must remain flat on your desk
- Drink bottles must be under your chair, not on your desk



Digital Exams

- Digital derived grade exams are on teams assignments or education perfect
- You need to come to digital exams with a fully charged laptop
- You cannot charge your laptop in the NCEA exams
- You must only have the exam window open on your device
- The exam screen must be maximised and brightness turned up, so your screen is clearly visible. You must stay on the exam screen at all times.



Digital Exams

- Turn off/disable all updates and notifications
- Classwize will be on and monitoring for all digital exams
- **If you miss a digital exam or are late you must not open the exam. If you open an exam from anywhere other than the supervised exam room you will be given an immediate Not Achieved.**



Leaving the Exam

- **You may not leave until 60 mins have elapsed in a two hour exam. You may not leave until 120 mins have elapsed in a three hour exam.**
- If you wish to leave, raise your hand and a supervisor will come over to you.
- You must not remove any paper from the exam room, this includes exam booklets, resource booklets & extra paper. Any digital exams must be turned in before you leave.



Leaving the Exam

- Once the supervisor has collected your exam booklets, you must leave quietly via the route they tell you.
- Once outside the room, quietly collect your bag and move quickly away from the exam room.
- **You must not remain on the school site after exams unless you have a genuine reason to do so e.g. waiting for a bus. All bus students must go to the library to wait.**



A Couple of Rule Reminders

- You must completely fill all pages of your exam booklet before requesting extra paper
- Extra paper can only be used for planning or notes in a digital exam and it must be handed in at the end of the exam to be destroyed
- There must be no writing on:
 - Rulers
 - ID cards
 - Any part of your body
- Do not write on yourself during the exam
- If a supervisor sees writing anywhere, except on your exam materials, a report will be sent to Mr Cole for investigation.



Derived Grades

- Derived grade results matter.
- To qualify for a derived grade you need to have a genuine and justified reason e.g. medical leave, bereavement, national representation in sports or culture
- It is a complex process and isn't guaranteed
- If you just decide not to sit your exam, you will not qualify for a derived grade



Finally

- On exam day
 - Arrive at school in good time for your exam (8.30 am or 12.15pm start)
 - Check the board outside the main office for your exam room – rooms include the hall, F Block, A1 and A2.
 - SAC students, report to the correct room (or WT if you are confused)
 - Move to your room with plenty of time
 - Listen to instructions from the supervisors
- Best of luck for your exams
- Any issues on exam day see Mr Cole



Derived Grade Exam Timetable

Cambridge High School Derived Grade Exams – 2026



Digital Exams in **Blue** – Workshops and Catchups in *Italics*

CAMBRIDGE
HIGH SCHOOL

Week	Day	Time	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Week 8	Thu 10 th Sept	8:30 AM	<i>CAA Catch-ups</i>	DCE2 JAP2 PHY2	PSY3
		12:15 PM	<i>DES1</i> HTH1 MTE1	HTH2 MAT2 MAA2 TAH2	BIO3 HIS3 MAO3
	Fri 11 th Sept	8:30 AM	ENG1 ENH1	ART2 <i>DES2</i> DRA2	CLS3 GEO3
		12:15 PM	COM1 FRE1 TAH1	BIO2 <i>PHO2</i> SCI2	<i>ART3</i> FRE3 PHY3 SCI3
Week 9	Mon 14 th Sept	8:30 AM	ART1 DTS1 GEO1 JAP1	ACC2 CHE2 MAO2 MED2	ENG3 MUS3
		12:15 PM	HIS1 MAO1	ENG2	ACC3 DRA3 HTH3 <i>PHO3</i>
	Tue 15 th Sept	8:30 AM	MAF1 MAI1 MAT1 10MAA	BUS2	DCE3 DTS3
		12:15 PM	AGH1 DCE1	ECO2 HIS2	<i>DES3</i> JAP3 MAS3 TAH3
	Wed 16 th Sept	8:30 AM	<i>Level 1 Catch-ups</i>	AGH2 CLS2	BUS3 MAC3
		12:15 PM	<i>Level 1 Catch-ups</i>	DTS2 FRE2 GEO2 <i>PHO2</i>	CHE3 ECO3 MED3
	Thu 17 th Sept	8:30 AM		<i>DVC2</i>	<i>CAR3</i> <i>MTT3</i> <i>RTL3</i>
		12:15 PM	<i>DVC1</i>	<i>MTT2</i>	<i>CMC3</i>
	Fri 18 th Sept	8:30 AM	<i>DRA1</i>	<i>CMC2</i>	<i>DVC3</i>
		12:15 PM	<i>MTT1</i>	<i>CRS3</i>	<i>CRS3</i>

Kindo - New Auto-Pay Feature

School payments are easy to lose track of. Life is busy. Introducing Autopay, the easy way to stay on top of school payments so your student is always ready to take part. Set it up once, and Autopay takes care of the rest.

Click the link below to get started.

[How To Set Up Auto-Pay](#)

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Streamline School Payments



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Set your payment share per student

Most caregivers can leave this setting at 100% but if you share a student's school payments with someone in another household, set this to your portion only. This can be adjusted later. [Learn more.](#)

Student	Organisations	Payment share
Nicholas Knox	Rimu Ridge College	100 %
Bosco Pluzhnikov	Kauri View Primary	100 %
Benson Pluzhnikov	Kauri View Primary	100 %

If a student's school or organisation doesn't support payment requests, they can't use Autopay and won't show in this list.

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A Friendly Reminder

REMINDER STUDENTS WHO FEEL UNWELL AT SCHOOL

- **ARE NOT TO TEXT OR CALL THEIR PARENTS**
CELL PHONES ARE BANNED AT SCHOOL
- **THEY ARE TO SEE ONE OF OUR NURSES WHO WILL**
CHECK THEM OVER AND WILL CALL THE
PARENT/CAREGIVER IF THEY FEEL THEY NEED TO GO
HOME.



Notices

revamp style swap



Part of Waipa
District Council's:



 Revamp Style Swap

- ♥ Get tips and tricks about sustainability and fashion from our fabulous guest panelists
- ♥ All proceeds from our event go to Cambridge Community House Whaanau Support Services
- ♥ Reconnect with your personal style while adding new pieces to your wardrobe

Saturday
19th September 2026
Cambridge East School
Williams Street, Cambridge
1:30 - 5pm

Scan here
for tickets:



 @revampstyleswap



Waikato River
Authority



RANGATAHI PADDLE RACE

KAYAKS - SUPS - WAKA AMA

SUNDAY, SEP 13TH 2026

11KM RACE FROM
NARROWS - HAMILTON



**FREE
ENTRY!**

EQUIPMENT PROVIDED
FOR RANGATAHI AGED U18
TEAMS & INDIVIDUAL EVENTS



ENTER HERE
[EVENTPLUS.NET/CTH26](https://eventplus.net/cth26)



SEPTEMBER VOYAGE

5 DAY SAILING JOURNEY

28 September – 2 October 2026

5-Day Sailing Adventure – Are you up for the challenge?

Explore Auckland's Hauraki Gulf on this epic journey

Ages 14–18

\$1,575 incl GST – all gear, food & accommodation included!

Sail and Explore in the School Holidays

Live aboard the legendary Steinlager 2

Learn to sail, helm, and work as a crew

Counts for Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Bronze, Silver & Gold

Limited spots – Don't Miss Out!



**NEW ZEALAND
SAILING TRUST**



9-HOLE AMBROSE GOLF TOURNAMENT



WEDNESDAY
14 OCTOBER 2026

CHARITY
PARTNER:



Shot Gun Start
4pm tee-off



Capped at 36 teams
of four players - \$60 per player*

*includes 2 x raffle tickets

Live Auction
at the Clubrooms
on the night

For team entries contact Sandy Wesford
info@cambridgelifeskills.co.nz or phone 021 190 1760

The MacDiarmid Institute

DISCOVERYCAMP

Te Tohu Huraina

18-22 JANUARY 2027
ŌTAUTAHĪ CHRISTCHURCH



Hosted by the MacDiarmid Institute, DiscoveryCamp is a four-day residential lab experience with top scientists, completing hands-on investigations into a range of topics such as electron microscopy, laser physics and nano-electronics, for current Year 12 and 13 Māori and Pacific Island students with a passion for the sciences.

Experience science in a fun, hands-on environment and work with some of New Zealand's top researchers!

ALL FLIGHTS, ACCOMMODATION, MEALS & FUN ACTIVITIES ARE FULLY PAID - IT IS FREE!!

Places are strictly limited and strongly contested

For more information and to apply head over to:

<https://www.macdiarmid.ac.nz/news-and-events/events/discoverycamp-2027/>

Contact us: macdiarmidnano-discoverycamp@vuw.ac.nz

HURRY!
APPLICATIONS
CLOSE
23 AUGUST
2026

To solve the challenges facing New Zealand and the world today - clean water, renewable energy, climate change - we'll need new materials and new technology based on those materials that haven't been discovered yet. That's what the MacDiarmid Institute does. We are New Zealand's best scientists, engineers and educators, unified for a common goal: to make, understand, and use new materials to improve people's lives.





GIRLS* ON ICE

MT RUAPEHU EXPEDITION

JANUARY 6-16, 2027

Love science, art and/or the outdoors?
Aged 15 or 16 on January 6, 2027?

Join our annual tuition-free
expedition to Mt Ruapehu.
Find out more and apply online by
August 24.

**FIND OUT MORE
APPLY ONLINE**



<https://www.inspiringgirls.org/goi-aotearoa-nz>

* Girls* on Ice welcomes female-identifying, non-binary, and intersex students

The MacDiarmid Institute

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2027

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Hosted by the MacDiarmid Institute, NanoCamp is four days of residential lab experience with top scientists, completing hands-on investigations into a range of topics such as electron microscopy, laser physics and nano-electronics.

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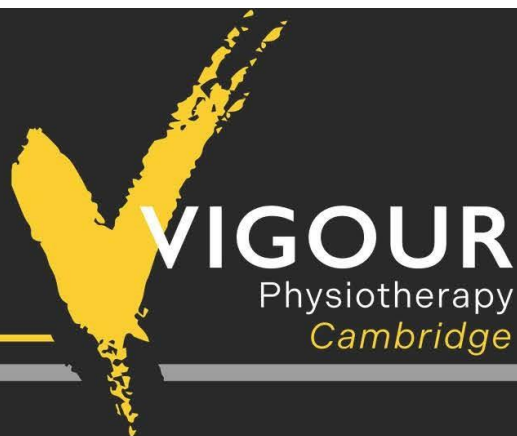
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To Māori Tūhono Whakawhānake
MacDiarmid Institute
Advanced Materials & Nanotechnology



Cambridge High School Physiotherapy Clinic

**ACC appointments
Monday - Friday
@ Cambridge High School**

\$50 One off Term Fees for ACC

Appointments can be made through the school nurse,
by ringing Vigour Physiotherapy directly on 07 823 1506

Vigour Physiotherapy
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