



EVES Realty Sports Academy

Sport at Otumoetai Intermediate has developed and evolved over the past five years to a point where the school now offers over 27 different sports for the students to participate in at either a participatory or elite level.

The school has fostered a strong climate of student self belief and a play hard, play fair attitude to all competitive events.

Over the past four years Otumoetai Intermediate sports teams and individuals have forged a formidable reputation as sportspeople culminating in the school finishing in the top ranks of most sports during inter school and national tournaments. The school has consistently had winning teams in the **NZAIM's National Sports Tournament**, the premier sporting tournament for New Zealand Year 7 and 8 students.

The National Tournament was an initiative started by the principals of Otumoetai and Tauranga Intermediates to provide sporting opportunities and competition at the highest level for our students and year 7 and 8 students in schools across New Zealand and has now established itself as the top sporting event for this age group.

The development of our **Sports Academy** was to provide opportunities for two different groups of school athletes namely those identified through individual learning pathways as being our top achieving elite athletes and those students selected to represent the school at selected tournaments. There will of course be many students who fall into both of these categories.

The academy provides a programme of seminars and practical training sessions for those identified through individual learning pathways. Seminar and workshop topics include:

- Fitness and training
- Goal setting
- Nutrition
- Professional sports career pathways
- Sports psychology and physiology
- Tertiary training options
- Sport BOP
- Guest speakers
- Skills workshops

Other students will have the opportunity to benefit from intensive training for specific events. The makeup of this group will vary depending on the event being prepared for.

Events will include:

An annual sports camp at Totara Springs in Matamata where the students will meet and join other elite students from the upper North island in vigorous sporting activities and mentoring.

Multi-sport
Touch Rugby
Sevens Tournament
Winter Tournament
NZCT AIMS Tournament
Athletics
Volleyball

Students selected for these tournaments would be involved in four week intensive training blocks utilising Otumoetai Intermediate staff and outside coaches.

The school has also developed strong partnerships with local community groups and businesses.

A significant partnership for the past four years has been one developed with **EVES Realty** who have provided sponsorship for the new representative tracksuits our sports people wear and sound equipment.



As a school we are committed to ensuring all students receive a large variety of sporting opportunities and to develop each student as an active participant in sport and exercise.

For all students, coaches and managers there is an expectation of excellence in everything we do. This includes presentation, sportsmanship, team work and a high standard of skill development. It is our goal to maintain the school's reputation as one of New Zealand's premier sporting intermediate schools and to provide our year 7 and 8 students with the best opportunities for sport in the country.

