



Ngaa mihi ngaa Maatua me kaitiaki,

FAREWELL WHAEA JEN

Term 2 ends next Friday, June 30th. School will still finish at 3.00pm and we will hold our usual assembly to say farewell. At the assembly, we will also be farewelling Whaea Jen who has been working 1 day a week in Room 4 and 1 day in Room 5. Jen is off to full-time teaching at Pekapekarau in Te Awamutu next term and so we will be employing someone new to take her place. We wish Jen all the best in her new role and will miss her friendly, thoughtful and bright personality around our staff room and classes.

MATARIKI

The Matariki weekend may fall during the school holidays but the school will still be doing things around the importance of Maramataka (Maaori phases of the moon and lunar calendar) and Matariki. It is a time to celebrate the harvest, share food and prepare for the quieter time of the year. Hence we will celebrate with a Matariki breakfast.

We are just finalising details, however, we are planning on celebrating Matariki on Friday 28th July (Friday of the 2nd week back) with our pre-dawn gathering to view the Matariki stars, followed by a hearty breakfast. We will also be heading off to Te Awamutu to visit the Te Awamutu Museum and the Space Centre. So immediately upon arrival back at school next term we will get details out about the Matariki Celebration.

Anyone with braziers, firewood, etc who can bring them in to keep us all warm in the pre-dawn frost, please contact the office.

In order to get the whole school over to Te Awamutu we will need parent support, so if you can help please keep the 28th July free.

WELCOME TO...

Our three new students Jack, Koby and Hendrik. Jack has joined our senior class, having moved to the area from Piopio recently. Hendrik has also moved into the area and is familiar with rural school life. Koby is a new entrant but is very familiar with our kura as his older sister is here, and his family have been hands on helping at working bees, Milo Mondays and other events! We are pleased to see how many new friends you three have made already!







GARDEN TO TABLE

One parent has kindly offered to help Room 2 & 4 out this Friday morning with their Garden to Table work. If there is anyone else who has a couple of hours free from 10.30am please get in touch with Roxy, Mrs T or Mrs Williamson. The teachers will be there too, so you won't be expected to solely supervise the children or run your own sessions! Their vege gardens are looking fabulous, and it is wonderful to see our tauira learning how to harvest, prepare and cook their vegetables!





Thank you to everyone who donated items for their pantry, this too is looking awesome!

PTA SEEDS FUNDRAISER

The PTA have hit on a rather appropriate fundraiser for us, with Kings Seeds 'Seeds of Support' for schools and early childhood centres.

Today with your newsletter you will receive an order form detailing all the seeds available for purchase. OF SUPPORT It's similar to the Oxford Pies form.



There are seeds for vegetables, herbs, flowers, and an organics range. Your child will have <u>6 weeks</u> from today to sell packs of seeds to family members, friends, maybe your work colleagues and neighbours.

All funds and orders must be back to school by Thursday 3rd August 2023. You might like to consider purchasing some for the Ag Day Gardening Competition - details of this will be out at the start of Term 3!

There may just be some small prizes available to the students who sell the most packs of seeds - watch this space for more info but in the meantime, happy selling!

PARENT/STUDENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES - END OF TERM.

The mid-year written report will be coming home tomorrow. Whilst the report has all the learning information you need, the conferences are a chance to celebrate the learning your child/ren has done over the first half of the year, to find out what else could be done to support their learning and ask any questions you have about what your child will be learning in the upcoming terms. It is a valuable time so we would love to have a 100% turn out of all families.

Book your time via the Skool Loop App. If a time does not appear on the list, then someone else has already booked it. If you are struggling to do this please get in touch with Roxy in the office, who will help you to book a time. Otherwise, we will be giving you a call to check in.

MUSIC LESSONS WITH IGNITE

Ignite Arts Academy continue with their music lessons here at school on Thursday mornings, and are now seeking new registrations for Term 3. If your child would like to begin music lessons, or perhaps continue learning an instrument that they have some experience with, then head over to the Ignite Arts Academy website for details of their programme. There is a cost for the lessons, payable directly to Ignite. They also hold lessons at the academy in Cambridge town centre. For more information please grab a flyer from the office or see the website https://www.ignitearts.co.nz/music-in-schools/

PB4L and SCHOOL VALUES

Congratulations to the 85 or so children who earned their first Values certificate at the last assembly. There are now tamariki ready to receive their next Values certificate for the big jump up to 30 Values Points! These will be presented at the last assembly of the term next Friday afternoon. After reaching 30 points the next goal for our aakonga is 100 Values points. This is what they will receive when they reach 100 for each of the values...



We will also present the 100% attendance certificates at assembly. It will be interesting to see how many we have this term!

UPDATING YOUR CHILD'S INFO

Have you recently moved house?

Has your phone number or email address changed?

Have any of your nominated Emergency Contacts details changed?

Has your child developed a new medical condition since they first enrolled?



It is important for us to keep this information up to date as it helps us to keep your children safe and well at school, and able to contact someone in the event of an emergency. If any of your details have changed please email the office with an update.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

We like to have all parent accounts cleared by the end of the year, so as we are now halfway through it's a good time to check your balance and consider setting up an automatic payment to clear it. Year 5 and 6 families will have camp costs and Year 6 leavers costs in Term 4 too. Please get in touch with Roxy for a statement and a confidential discussion about your account.

MILO MONDAYS TERM 3

Milo Mondays can only continue with whaanau help and support. Unfortunately this term we had Mondays where no one arrived to make the childrens' Milo, so one particular parent had to keep saving the day. If you are able to volunteer for Milo Mondays during Term 3 please email the PTA with the Mondays you are available. If there is enough support the PTA will create a roster and contact you to let you know which Monday you are on. It may be that it won't be able to run for the whole of Term 3, and that is fine.

We like to run it during the coldest, wettest months to give our tamariki a treat. Many thanks to our PTA for



continuing with this Roto-o-Rangi tradition - a recent commenter on our Facebook page said she remembers enjoying hot chocolate when she was here 60 years ago! pta@rotoorangi.school.nz

TERM 2 HOUSE COMPETITIONS

With no sports competitions this term, our Houses will do 2 academic competitions: a Basic Facts speed test and te reo Maori competition.

Both of these competitions will be happening next week, so this is the last chance to practice for them.

MINI WORKING BEE SATURDAY

This Saturday some of our parents will be at school laying pavers in front of our childrens' play sheds, and Mr D will be waterblasting the senior playground to give it a clean! If you fancy helping out please pop down! We have some 200 native plants and shrubs to plant, thanks to our PTA receiving a hugely generous donation from Amber Nurseries! There are also some posts to be painted so come on down! Look out for an update on the Facebook page.

UPCOMING EVENTS

23/6 Student Reports go home

27-29/6 Student/Parent/Teacher conferences 29/6 Te Ohu Kaiaarahi o te Kapua Iti @ CMS

30/6 Last day of Term 2

30/6 Assembly 2.10pm - All welcome!

17/7 First Day Term 3

17-19/7 Harold and the Life Education Van
28/7 Matariki breakfast and Te Awamutu

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

PK Kids

This is a speech night with a difference and now in its third year. It's a great way to introduce students to public speaking in front of a welcoming audience of friends and whānau. Children only need to come up with 10 images, a 20 second spiel about each image, and we (the library) will produce the rest. Topics are endless!!! Images would be required in the week prior to the event if at all possible.

Thursday 4 August – 6pm start. Cambridge Library.

(We are also happy to host in Te Awamutu library on another date if there is enough interest – or at your school if you have 8-10 children)

For more information and to sign the children up <u>click</u> <u>here</u> or email me.

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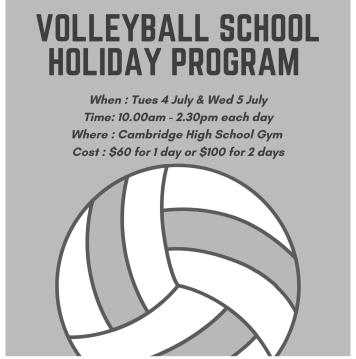
Dee Atkinson

Outreach Librarian WAIPĀ DISTRICT COUNCIL









Skills, Drills, Games and other activities for yr 5 to yr 8 students

Bring your lunch, water bottle and non marking shoes. A bake stall will be running (\$2 items) at lunch time.

For info and registration please email: volleyballecamhigh.school.nz

Dynamix Dance School

NZAMD Registered Classes are Fun with Dynamic Qualified teachers

Classes include

- · Jazz from 5 years
- Hip Hop from 6 years
- · Contemporary from 9 years Classes held at the Cambridge High School.

Contact Carmel to enrol or for more information on 027 405 4600 or carmel@dynamixdance.co.nz

