

Ngaa mihi ngaa Maatua me kaitiaki,

GARDEN TO TABLE

If you have been following the Facebook Posts you will have seen the fantastic learning for the children in Rooms 2 and 4. Not only are they learning about all the conditions required in order for the plants to grow and the right season for the right plants but the careful preparation that is required to get that food on the table. Keeping those fingers away from the sharp knife when cutting the vegetables is a good learning.



But to keep this venture going we would love some support from people who could spare some time each week to help out in either the kitchen or with the gardens. The kitchen hand is particularly important because there are a lot of little hands, sharp knives, hot pans operating at the same time.

If you, or someone you know would be keen to help in this area please get in contact with the office and we will pass on your details to the wonderful Mrs Williamson and Mrs T to organise it with you.

ERO

The government agency ERO - Education Review Office conduct checks of schools. Our last visit by ERO was a very positive experience which highlighted some great things happening in the school, plus some areas to continue to work on.

Strengths

The school can draw from the following strengths to support its goal to enhance equitable and excellent outcomes for all leaners:

• leadership of learning that collaboratively develops and pursues the school's vision, goals and targets for equity and excellence

- teaching and learning programmes that promote high levels of student achievement
- positive relationships with parents, whānau and mana whenua that support quality partnerships for learning and Māori student success.

Moving forward, the school will prioritise:

• continuing to implement the Positive Behaviour for Learning programme (PB4L) to support student wellbeing, healthy relationships and sustain an inclusive culture for learning

• developing consistency in assessment for learning practices to strengthen students' knowledge of their own learning and next steps paths

• continuing to strengthen teacher capability to further implement engaging learning opportunities that enable students to excel in their learning.

DISCO

The PTA whole school disco is **TONIGHT**, Friday 26th May 6pm - 7.30pm. Dig out your best *Winter Wonderland* outfits and some cash to bring along for treats!

Students need to have an adult at the disco with them please, even if that adult remains outside the hall. For the safety of all our children we should keep them inside the hall and not running around outside in the dark. Have fun!



WINTER SPORTS

We have been enjoying hearing about the array of activities our tamariki are participating in outside of school; Cheerleading, gymnastics, karate, soccer, rugby and netball - what an active bunch you have!

Roxy's whaanau have been enjoying the Under 6 Rippa Rugby on Fridays, with Roto kids Ananias, Jack H, Jonny and Lachie on the same team and Hugo B playing in the Under 7s. It's amazing just how quickly they are picking it up!



Mr D AWAY

From Wednesday through to Friday next week Mr D will be at a conference and away from school. Please direct all inquiries to Roxy in the office and if it needs to be dealt with urgently, she will pass it on to Mrs. Williamson to deal with it. Otherwise, Mr D will deal with things when he returns after the long weekend.

MILO MONDAY

The PTA have been fantastic in supporting the children with Milo Monday. Sadly the job is falling to just a couple of PTA members and the occasional parent. The PTA parents simply can't commit to doing Milo Mondays every single Monday to keep it going.

PLEASE, email/ring the office if you can help out.

It does not have to be every Monday or even most, just let us know any Monday you might be able to come in and help and we will draw up a roster and post it on our website and Facebook so you can see who is on when.

If we can't get enough help, then we will have to stop Milo Mondays.

PINK SHIRT DAY

Our school became a sea of pink last Friday with almost everyone dressing in pink to make a stand against bullying! Deputy Principal, Emma Williamson, addressed our afternoon assembly, praising students who act very much as Upstanders rather than Bystanders, and those who use our school values and kindness on a daily basis. Mrs Williamson reiterated that our school will not tolerate bullying behaviour. Thank you for your donations to the Mental Health Foundation. A total of \$50 was raised.



PARENT/STUDENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES - END OF TERM.

In the last week of the term, we will be holding our conferences. Prior to that, you will get the mid-year written report. 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 term. It is a valuable time so we would love to have a 100% turn out of all families.

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.

The basic Facts speed test is structured thus: Year 1 children - knowing their numbers to 100 and simple addition to 20; Year 2 - knowing their addition to 20; Year 3 & 4 - knowing addition and subtraction to 30 plus some times tables; Year 5 & 6 - knowing addition and subtraction to 30 plus all times and division tables to 10X. The faster you do these, you can earn bonus points too.

The Te Reo competition is a long list of words in te reo and the children say their english meaning. This will cover common topics like family, greetings, days of the week, colours, numbers, things in our house/classroom place names.

Now is the time to start practising. Both competitions will be done in the last week of the term.

BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT CHANGES

As part of our PB4L we are reviewing our behaviour management system across the school. This mainly focuses on the many positive behaviours occurring across the school but is also defining some aspects of unacceptable behaviours.

The Positives:

Students are being awarded Dojo points when they are using the Values. Each award is presented at assembly: After **10 Values points** they receive a Green certificate After **30 Values points** they receive a Silver certificate After **50 Values points** they receive a Gold certificate After **100 Values points** they receive a STAR certificate After **200 Values points** they receive a Super Star badge, certificate and get a special morning tea with Mr D.

After **300 Values points** they receive Values Champion award, 1 block of free choice time, and name and photo on the Values Champion Board at the office. Particular Values points:

After 100 points in a Value they will receive a silicone wristband for that Value.

After 5 wrist bands they receive a Black wristband After 3 wristbands in each Value they receive a Gold wristband.

The Board have been defining what consequences will occur for the occasional severe behaviour which is unacceptable. The wording will be shared in the coming days.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Reminder of events; Community Board

The Cambridge Community Board have begun their annual rural tour to connect with rural communities in the area. They will be joined by councillors, council staff, and the Waipaa Mayor and Deputy Mayor. It's a great opportunity for the community to give feedback to Council about local issues. They will be visiting the Roto-o-Rangi Hall on **Saturday 27th May** at **1pm** and everyone from the local community is invited to attend.

AED TRAINING SESSION FOR PARENTS

Join us in the Roto-o-Rangi Hall next Thursday **1st June at 3pm** for an AED information session (hands on) to learn when and how to use this life saving device.

You can pop your children into after school care for free so please let us know if you would like to do this. To ensure it is viable to hold this session could anyone keen to attend please let the school office know.

UPCOMING EVENTS

26/5	PTA Disco 6pm - 7.30pm
27/5	Community Board Rural Tour 1pm
1/6	Roto Parents AED info session, Roto
	Hall 3pm
2/6	Rural Winter Sports Day - Yr 5/6
5/6	King's Birthday Public Holiday
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
17/7	First Day Term 3
17-19/7	Harold and the Life Education Van