

Roto Review

We live by our motto of AIM HIGH

Dear parents and caregivers,

ROTO-O-RANGI SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Friday 19th August is the date for the Roto-o-Rangi Cross Country. Even though Bruce and Andra Wallis are still enjoying a major overseas holiday, we will inform them on their return that the tracks across their farm that the school have been using for many years are needed yet again. The Wallis Quarry, just across the road behind school, is part of the Wallis farm and it is behind the quarry, around the farm that we hold the Cross Country races.

We will be having a trial run of the tracks prior to the day and another notice will come out soon with information about that practice day (we have to run it in shoes, so the children MUST have them that day) and the format of the Cross Country (which traditionally starts at lunchtime, around 12.30pm for the first race).

So get the kids out there training for the big event.

The following Friday, 26th, is the Rural Schools' Cross Country. All the children in the school will travel to the Karapiro Domain to compete against the other Rural Schools around Cambridge. This is yet another event worth taking some time to come and watch.

ART WEEK

Throughout Week 4 this term Monday 15th Aug to Thursday 18th Aug, we will be having an Art Week at school. In a break from tradition, children will be creating art work on canvas. Each class will be following a theme of their choice and learning the technique required to produce their masterpiece. If you think you could help out in a class as an extra pair of hands and eyes to support the teachers, they would appreciate it. Even if there is only one day you can help out. Just let them know when you might be able to help. If we have too many helpers volunteering in one class, you may need to support a different class.

The masterpieces will then be hung and organised ready to be auctioned on the night a few weeks later.

Once we have all the pieces organised we will display in the school so that parents can pop in at any time to have a look prior to the auction.

NGĀ POUTAMA

Could families please return the children's Poutama books as soon as possible. We know families and children enjoy having a good look through all they work they have done but we need them back to add new material. Teachers have already started collecting samples of children's work to put in the Poutama and would like to get them in now.

The teachers and children also appreciate the positive feedback that parents add. Whilst the comments are directed at the child, these are wonderful keepsakes in the future. The boost your positive comments gives to your child's confidence should not be under-estimated, and to have them recorded forever is valuable so please take the time to write something supportive in the poutama before it returns (or ask for it back if it has returned without a comment).

WELCOME

Natascha Johns is now taking over the role of the After School Care supervisor on a Friday afternoon. Natascha is a parent in the school, and has been for quite a few years now. She has a background in child care and music. We welcome Natascha to the Roto-o-Rangi staff team and know that she will bring many strengths to the school (we already know this because she has been a wonderful helper on camps).

YUMMY STICKERS

The next dispatch of Yummy Sticker charts are being sent in later this term; so if you have any full charts at home can you send them in to school as soon as possible. If you need a chart to put the Yummy stickers on then just let the office know and we will send one home with your child.

The Yummy stickers are a simple, easy and effective way of getting more resources into school, so every chart helps.

MONDAY LUNCHES

Hamburgers	\$2.50	(08/08)
Chocolate Milk	\$1.50	
Sausage Sizzle	\$2.00	(15/08)

Wednesdays are Hot Food Days

Food is to be brought to school in a wrapping suitable for going directly in a pie warmer – tin foil, heat proof container, paper. The wrapping then has the child's name and class clearly written on it so the right food goes back to the right child.

HOCKEY Friday 5th August

Roto-o-Rangi Y3/4 v Bye Roto-o-Rangi Y5/6 v CES Thunderbolts Field 1 4.15pm

RUGBY Saturday 6th August

Please note games are being played at Leamington Roto 6th Grade v East Jaguars Field 1M 9.50am Roto 8th Grade v Karapiro/St Peters Field 1B 8.10am Roto 10th Grade v Goodwood Blue Field 3 11.00am Rural Jaguars v Leamington/East Field 2 12.50pm

NETBALL Saturday 6th August

Roto Golden Ferns v CPS Black Court 9 12.00 pm Roto Silver Ferns v CPS Green Court 8 10.20am

Results from last weekend

Roto Y3/4 Hockey drew with LPS Blue Raiders 3 all Roto Y5/6 Hockey won against Goodwood 3-2

Roto 6th Grade lost to CPS Gold 45-35 Roto 8th Grade won against CPS Magic 100-15 Roto 10th Grade lost to Karapiro 60-5 Rural Jaguars won against Matangi/Tauwhare 40-0

Roto Golden Ferns drew with Tamahere Comets 7 all Roto Silver Ferns won against Leamington Ferns 21-6

The draws for entire season are published on the websites of each sport for families to check if you need – Cambridge Netball, Cambridge Junior Rugby and Cambridge Mini Hockey

DANCE AFTERNOON

The Roto Folk Dance will make its triumphant return on the last day of the term, Fri 23 Sept.

In line with our Arts Term, the whole school will be learning dance, particularly Folk and partner dancing. A Dance Afternoon will finish off the term and all parents / grandparents or anyone old enough to remember partner dancing can join in too.

PSG CORNER

Later in the year our PSG will be holding a Country Fair. If any families have any second hand goods they no longer require we would love to have them. Goods can be dropped at school and we will store them here.

MILO & HERBAL TEA THURSDAY

Thanks for the donations of herbal tea, milo and marshmallows so far. We are hoping for more milk donations next term if you can help. Just send along 2L with your child and that will help.

ASSEMBLY

Assembly will be held tomorrow at 9.40am. Room 3 will be presenting a little song they have been learning.

THANKS TO MANY PEOPLE

A round of Thank you messages follow:

Thank you to parents who turned up for the Reading Eggs and STEPS parent information evening. Mrs Furze and Niki (parent and knowledgeable RTLB) were able to show the many alterable features of the programmes that can be more individually set for your child.

It was great to hear the feedback about the programmes and the benefits parents are seeing from the implementation of these programmes.

Thank you to the parents who turned up for the Māori Achievement meeting. Some ideas were developed about the visibility of both the NZ European and Māori cultures around our school. We will hold a further hui later this term to build upon this discussion. Keep an eye out for a mutually agreed date to develop these initial ideas further. You input is crucial.

Thanks to Leeanne Montgomery for the many Friday afternoons she gave up to support us in doing the After School Care role. Leeanne has her Friday afternoons back again.

Ag Day

The first Friday back next term 14th October is the date set for Ag Day this year. If you are keen to have an animal and be a part of the Ag Day experience it is time to be thinking about selecting your calf, lamb or kid goat. Let the office know if you are looking for an animal as local farmers do tell us if they have an animal they are happy for students to raise until Ag Day and then return to the farm. There will also be the Garden in a Bucket and Baking competition on the same day. The theme for this year's Garden in a Bucket and Baking recipes will be sent home next week.

WRITER'S CORNER.

By Room 1 (Yr 0/1)



My Dad is getting a cow in when it has already calved in the paddock. By Xavier

We got a hammer head shark. By Izaac

The rainbow is a slide and I am going to go on it. By Bethany

I was safely in my house and the lightening and rain crashed. By Mason

My Dad shot a rabbit and he pulled the guts out. By Toby

The lightening broke the house and we ran to another house. By Josiah

The monkeys are hanging on the vine and they nearly fell off the vine. The crocodile nearly bit their legs. By Zoé

POLICY AND PROCEDURE REVIEW

Thank you to the parents who responded to the Health and safety policy reviews. These have now been finalised and passed by the BOT.

Please remember that sick children attending school only spread the bacteria/virus so make sure they are well and truly well before they return.

We also rely on parents to inform us of any hazards or potential risks that they can see so please tell us or drop a line about anything you notice which we should be aware of.

PLANTER BOX WOOD NEEDED

Over the holidays we would like to organise to make some planter boxes to decorate and place around the front entrance. If anyone has wood or pallets they could donate to construct these, could you please deliver it to school at the start of the holidays so that we can start on construction early next term, with some input from the children – they will make and decorate them.

UPCOMING EVENTS

10/8	BOT Meeting 6pm
15-18/8	Art Week
19/8	Roto-o-Rangi Cross Country at Wallis Farm
26/8	Rural School Cross Country at Karapiro
09/9	Cambridg <mark>e Sch</mark> ools Cross Country

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Calf Rearer wanted from mid July for around 3 months. Please ph Clem Schollum for more details: 027 451 7228

Samantha Herdman: Mobile Massage Therapist, 529 Kairangi Rd, Cambridge. Please call for a booking 027 420 0213.

Relief milker required every morning during AI and then every 2nd weekend. Please ph Sarah Munro 827 1030 or 027 524 8363.





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