



# Roto Review

We live by  
our motto of  
**AIM HIGH**

Dear parents and caregivers,

## ART AUCTION

Thank you so much for all of your support with the Art Auction. The children certainly loved having people bidding for their work, even if it was just 1 bid from mum and dad. It was awesome to see some of the other children supporting their friends and classmates. There were some children whose parents couldn't make it to the auction so other children bought their art instead. It is this caring attitude that makes a teachers life so enjoyable.

If you are a parent who was unable to make it on the night you can still purchase your child's art. Just ring the office to make sure it hasn't already been bought, then let Lorraine know how much you want to buy it for, bring (or send) the money to school and the art will go home.

We also want to thank the Cambridge Society of Arts, Franzelle Pinfold/Hitchcock, Amber Hitchcock/Moore, Rod Cooper and the Little Red Gallery for their kind donation of art works to sell at the auction as well. These art works contributed significantly to the profits from the night. The Cambridge Society of Arts and Franzelle set particularly low reserves (mainly \$0 or \$10) which probably didn't even cover their costs. The evening raised around \$1500 going towards repairing some of the rope sections on the school playground next year.

Final thanks to the PSG for their support, the teachers who spent many hours making sure the art pieces were done just right and of course, the children who did such a fabulous job creating the art.



## ROTO-O-RANGI SCHOOL SPEECH NIGHT

Next Wednesday night (21<sup>st</sup> September) from 6.30pm is the annual Roto-o-Rangi Speech night in the school's MP Room. The children have been furiously writing and practicing their speeches. Late this week the 3 finalists from the Year 1-2, Year 3-4, Year 5-6 categories will be decided. The finalists will then compete on the speech night. Special guest judges will be deciding the best speeches and awarding the certificates. The 2 best speeches in the Year 5-6 category will then represent the school next term at the Rotary Cambridge Schools' Speech Competition. All families are welcome to come to the speech night and support the finalists.

## DANCE AFTERNOON

The Roto Folk Dance will make its triumphant return on the last day of the term, Friday 23 September in the Roto-o-Rangi Hall starting at 1.30pm. In line with our Arts Term, the whole school will be learning dance, particularly Folk and partner dancing. Practices have begun. Have a look on the website for a quick video of the junior classes beginning their dance moves. What a great way to start the holidays. All parents / grandparents or anyone old enough to remember partner dancing can join in too. Come on down and enjoy an entertaining hour for nothing but a bit of your time.

## MONDAY LUNCHES

Sausage Sizzle \$2.00 (19/09)

Chocolate Milk \$1.50

Hamburgers \$2.50 (10/10)

### 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.

## HOCKEY Friday 16 September

Roto Y3/4 v LPS Blue Raiders Field 2A 4.50pm

Roto Y5/6 v GDW Mini Sticks Field 1 4.50pm

## RUGBY & NETBALL

Rugby and netball have finished for the season. Thanks to all our players, coaches and parents who have helped make the rugby/netball season a great one. Please can we have all jackets, dresses and rugby jerseys cleaned and back to school over the next week.

## Results from last weekend

Roto Y3/4 Hockey lost to Karapiro 5-0

Roto Y5/6 Hockey did not play

Roto Golden Ferns lost Leamington 10-5

Roto Silver Ferns lost to Cambridge East 24-8

## CAMBRIDGE SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to Hannah, Amber, Maya, Jacoba, Max, Shaun, Michael, Lucy, Madison J and Greer who all ran at the Cambridge Schools Cross Country last Friday as part of the Rural Schools team. An awesome effort was put in by all of you with a special mention for Madison Judd who was 1st in her race and Jacoba Gread who was 3rd in her race.

## YUMMY STICKERS

If any families have any Yummy Sticker sheets at home could we please have them back to school tomorrow as we need to send them in. Thanks

## TEACHERS' UNION MEETING

Thank you to everyone for your support in allowing nearly all our teaching staff to get to the union meeting. This did allow the education sector to clearly show the government that the Funding Review needs it's own review.

This still remains a crucial topic that will effect all schools for decades to come so it needs to be right. I would like to keep you all informed so that you know too.

Schools are currently funded on the number of children in the school. Schools who have children from lower socio economic areas area given significantly more money than school from high socio economic areas which is known as decile funding. So decile 1 schools receive significant funding and it decreases the further up the decile rating you go. Roto-o-Rangi School is a decile 9. Decile 10 is the highest group receiving the least money in the Operations Grant money. Poverty does cause huge issues for learning and so these schools do need much more support to provide extra programmes to help the children achieve what they are capable of. We believe decile system is unbalanced currently and just basing funding on levels of poverty does not directly help those children in most need. It needs reviewing. Schools however are currently staffed on the number of children in their school and are guaranteed a minimum number of teachers. The amount of experience of the teachers has no effect – we could get 4 in-experienced teachers or like we have now, 4 very experienced teachers and it does not cost the school a cent. The amount of teachers and their level of experience does not effect the school budget currently but under the new system it will be. The school will responsible for the number of teachers and the level of experience of those teachers - which has to fit the funds they are provided. With that funding aimed at only the average wage of the teachers, not at the level for very experienced teachers which our school enjoys.

More info about the funding issue can be found at the Better Funding for Better Learning website and in the next newsletter.

## POUTAMA BOOKS

Can all families please make sure that their child's Poutama Book is back at school so they can be updated with this term's work.

## NIKITA HOWARTH

Congratulations to Nikita for her efforts so far at the Paralympics. What an awesome achievement to have won a gold and bronze medal. We would like all children to bring their yellow Roto-o-Rangi T shirts to school tomorrow so we can send a photo to Nikita via facebook.

**GO, GROW, GLOW!**

# SNACK SWAPS

Find us on [fb.com/ProjectEnergize](https://fb.com/ProjectEnergize)

Snacks are mini meals and should come from the four food groups, providing the body with goodness and fuel.

Developed by Sport Waikato 2016

The poster features a central graphic showing a swap between packaged snacks and fresh produce. On the left, there are bags of 'Garden of Eatin'' snacks. On the right, there are fresh items: a pear, an apple, and a bunch of grapes. Arrows indicate the transition from the packaged snacks to the fresh produce.

## WRITER'S CORNER.

By Room 5 (Yr 5/6)

### Why Kids Shouldn't Have Homework

Do you think that kids should have homework? Hi my name is Max and I am here to talk to you about why kids should not have homework. The first thing I want to say is...kids... we go home to have dinner, go to sleep then we wake up and go back to school. Isn't 6 hours of school enough for teachers? In 6 hours you do maths, reading, writing, spelling, art, science, P.E. and other topics. When I get home the first thing mum always asks is, "How was your day? And "What did you do?" And then she asks, "Do you have any homework?" I say "No," even though I always do have. I don't get away with that answer though. Homework is a waste of money because the teachers have to print out 100's of pages just for us kids to do the homework. It takes up valuable teacher time and the parents have to buy a homework book as well to do the homework in. It is just a waste of time! My teacher Mrs Morris has to get it already on Sunday. That takes up time during her weekend off. I know it is supposed to be helping us in our education, but as I said before, what a waste of time. Us kids shouldn't have to go home after a day at school and do homework. We need to relax, or play games or I could help my dad feed the horses. With Agricultural Day coming up soon, I now have to take care of my calf as well. I need to feed meal and milk powder to my calf and that takes ages. I need to move my calf from paddock to paddock. I need to brush it and make sure it is clean. Then I have to do my homework when I am tired. What does homework do for you? Is homework important? I do not think that homework is important at all and the good thing is that I have no homework on the weekends. These are the best days of my life. Cambridge Middle School has no homework and I think that is the best idea. So instead of doing homework, why don't us kids get outside after school, have fun and discover the amazing world around us? I think this would be much better for me instead of sitting down inside learning spelling words, times tables or working on projects or finishing writing and learning my speech. That is my speech for tonight. Thank you for listening. I have to go and do some homework now.

By Max Fraser/Campin

## PSG CORNER

On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November from 11am-4pm our PSG will be holding a Country Fair. This is going to be the major fundraiser by the PSG for the year, so let's get behind it, invite as many friends and family as we can so there is a huge turn out

Don't forget, if there is anything you need to let the PSG know just email them using the new email address. It will be checked regularly by the PSG Secretary or Chairperson. - [psg@rotoorangischool.nz](mailto:psg@rotoorangischool.nz)

**Donations are required for the following events, any donated items can be left at the school office.**

Ag Day:

Wheelbarrow raffle – we need goods/treats donated for the wheelbarrow raffle.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

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| 21/9  | Roto-o-Rangi School Speech finals, 6.30pm |
| 22/9  | BOT Meeting & Training                    |
| 23/9  | Folk dance afternoon                      |
|       | Last day of Term 3                        |
| 10/10 | First day Term 4                          |

## ASSEMBLY

Assembly will be held tomorrow at 9.40am.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

Altrusa Cambridge are holding a Fashion Show on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at Lyceum House on Dick Street, Cambridge. Tickets are \$30 for a glass of wine or juice plus canape's on arrival. There are limited tickets so if you would like to come along please contact Ann Maclure on 07 823 0214 or email [ann.maclure@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ann.maclure@xtra.co.nz) by 15<sup>th</sup> September"

Carer needed for 2 children aged 12 and 9 before school from 6:30am to 8:00am. Will need to have a drivers licence to drop children off at bus stop and at school. Starting term 4 - Monday 10th October. Afternoons may be needed in the future. Please contact Emily Stewart on 027 236 532 after 5pm for more information.



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