



Roto Review

We live by
our motto of
AIM HIGH

Dear parents and caregivers,

The term has started with a bang, and we are well underway with our learning. The children are very settled and working beautifully. As I enter classes the quiet hum of learning is evident. Children helping each other with their work, teachers working with small groups of learners, independent learning going on.

The school and staff are pursuing our vision of Aim High through a learning approach called Learner Agency. We began down this track last year. This is where the students work with the teacher to better understand what they do know, what their next learning step could be, what they need to do to achieve that and then reflect how well they have gone. The teacher and child work together to plan their learning.

One slight difference you may notice around the school this year, is that Mrs Furze and myself will be working in Room 3. In the past, I have released each of teachers from their classes to do administrative tasks at least a couple of times a term. This year I am releasing Mrs Furze every Thursday so that she can release the other teachers and have her release. This way, Mrs Furze, as the Deputy Principal, gets a better understanding of all the learning going on in each of the classrooms, and I get to have a most enjoyable time with Room 3. So every Thursday, I will not be available for anything other than indulging my love of teaching with Room 3.

MEET the TEACHER EVENING

Thank you to the parents who were able to make the Meet the Teachers night last night. It was very relaxed and casual so we hope the newer families to our school are feeling more a part of the school. It was unfortunate that we clashed with the Middle School's night too, but we appreciated the fact that a number of families made it to both.

The teachers appreciated the visits to their rooms so that everyone is on board with what they are trying to achieve in that class this year.

Any suggestions on how to make the evening any better would be appreciated, so just drop us a line or gives us a call. We can now look forward to the Roto-o-Rangi Swimming Sports Day on Thursday March 9th for another get together.

TOWN V COUNTRY CRICKET MATCH

A couple of years ago we had a very entertaining cricket match which mashed T20, backyard and indoor cricket all in to one game. Family members supported from the side lines and the concluding BBQ topped of an awesome afternoon.

We would like to have another game. The Country parents annihilated the Town parents in that match so some revenge is required. If you are keen to participate just drop the office a line.

Tentative date: Saturday 18th March, 4-7pm.

Pip Early is the reigning "Man" of the Match trophy holder and needs a challenger.

TEACHER ONLY DAY

With the professional learning that the teachers have taken on this year, we have just negotiated a delivery package which includes a **Teacher Only Day on Friday March 24th**. Hence, school will be closed for the day and families will be able to enjoy a long weekend.

Can parents please be aware that Lorraine now leaves school at 2pm, so any bus changes and after school care phone calls will need to be made before 1.30 pm so these can be put in place.

WELCOME

Welcome to James. He just started today in Room 1. The family have moved out from Hamilton to work in the district so we welcome them to Roto-o-Rangi too. You will have an awesome time at Roto-o-Rangi School.



MONDAY LUNCHES (20 Feb.)

Sausage sizzle (again)	\$2.00
Chocolate Milk	\$1.50

Following week – 27 Feb

Hamburgers	\$2.50
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There are NO Hot Lunches on Wednesdays. This is just done in Term 2/3 when the weather is colder.

We cook a lunch every Monday at school, which the children may order. One week is sausages, then hotdogs followed by hamburgers. We advertise in the newsletter what is available the following Monday.

MINIBALL

Past weeks Results:

Roto Devils lost to Camb Primary Bears 28-20

Roto Rockets won against Camb Primary Cougars 53-33

Next fortnight's draw:

Friday 17th February:

Roto Rockets v Leamington Pacers, Court 1, 6.35pm

Roto Devils v Leamington Lakers, Court 2, 6.35pm

Friday 24th February:

Roto Rockets v Karapiro Dunkers, Court 1, 5.55pm

Roto Devils v Karapiro Rimshots, Court 2, 5.55

SCHOLASTIC BOOKS

The most efficient way to order the scholastic books is to go Online. Using a credit card you can order the books and get them delivered to school. It costs no more, you can look up the catalogue online too in case you can't remember what to order. That way there is no lost pamphlets, no finding the correct amount of change, no worrying if the order made it to school or not, no worry about lost money. And you can go back to your order to make sure you got it all correct if something ever did go wrong. The first time you do it you need to register. Just follow these steps.

1. Go to <https://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz/>
2. Click on Register and fill in the details: parent's name, your own made up password, email address.
3. Add new child – for each child in the family
4. Search for school (but only enter 'Rot'. A number of schools starting 'Rot' will appear, and Roto-o-Rangi is one. If you enter Roto it doesn't show any schools, which is silly.)
5. Choose the class/teacher
6. Submit.

You are registered. Then from the main menu, click on 'Order' to start ordering.

You can even do all this from your phone.

The rewards points etc that the school earns still happens, you can still use vouchers if you get them. All the convenience and none of the worry or hassle. Give it a try

TIQBIZ

The school invested in an app called TIQBIZ which allows the school and individual teachers to quickly send messages out to parents

The password when joining a new group is... **Roto3495** (case sensitive + no spaces)

For those new to using the TIQBIZ, you can download the app by:

1. Go to the Play Store or Apple Store on your smartphone.
2. Search for TIQBIZ
3. Download the app – (but not the TIQBIZ Admin one.)
4. Install and open.
5. Register – enter your name, NZ, email address, and make up a password.
6. Click- Find Boxes – then go to *Schools, Primary*.
7. Scroll to *Roto-o-Rangi School* and select it.
8. Tick each group you want messages from – i.e. whole school (that's messages from the office), Room ?, Rugby, etc. Each time you tap a group you will need to enter the password – *Roto3495*.
9. Close it. Then find the icon and start using.

It even has the school calendar, school website and absence form on it so you can see these things too. There have been a number of messages sent out already this year, so we hope you are getting them.

FORMER ROTO-O-RANGI STUDENT LIVING BY SCHOOL'S MOTO 'AIM HIGH'

This was the headline in the paper last week about Carl Jones and we have added it here too:



Local archer Carl Jones has just returned from Trentham and the National Championships 2017, hosted by Archery Zealand. This tournament covered 2 days of field archery, and 3 days of target archery, and an annual event that hosts our top New Zealand and international archers.

Jones, aged 18 came away with 3 gold medals. First in Field; First in Target; and First in the knockout match play for target. During this National event Jones qualified for the field world championships to be held in France; in September 2017. But Jones has set his goal for 2017 to qualify and compete in the Youth World Target Championships, to be held in Argentina, in October 2017.

Good luck to Carl. Roto wish you all the best!

WRITER'S CORNER.

Room 1



My frog is happy. My flower band has patterns. By Charlotte

My name is Mason. I like to pick the rings up. By Mason

This is a beautiful land. It always has the sun and it always has butterflies. By Dani

I love my baby brush because it is a baby. By Beverly

My name is Khloé. I am 5. I like diving in the pool. By Khloé

I was at school last night and we went for a swim. I was in the deep end. By Xavier

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Fabric Fair: Altrusa International Cambridge is holding their Fabric Fair in April 2017. Seeking donations of saleable material, haberdashery, wool, patterns etc. All proceeds will go back in to the Cambridge community. Contact De-ane Busby at gdbusby@xtra.co.nz

MusicHouse: Music lessons – provided during school time so no rushing around after work to get to a lesson. The quality of the group lessons is outstanding so don't miss out on this great opportunity. Guitar, drums, ukulele, keyboard. Contact them on 07 808 0235.

Ladies Tennis: Ladies needed to play tennis on Wednesday nights, 6.30 pm at the school courts. Please ph Gillian Monks for more information 827 1854.

If there is ever anything anyone would like the school community to know about, just email the office with the info and we can include it in the newsletter.

UPCOMING EVENTS

21/2	BOT Meeting, 6pm Staffroom
1/3	Music lessons start with Music House.
9/3	Roto swim Sports – St Peters, start 10am
10/3	Cultural Fusion Day (TBC) @ Cam Primary
13/3	Rural Schools Triathlon – CHS.
20/3	Rural Schools' Swimming Sports – St Peter's
24/3	Teacher only day
???	Marae stay – Cambridge Community marae. TBC
29/3	BOT Meeting – 6pm
31/1	Cambridge Schools' Swim Sports – Town Pools
1/4	April Fool's Day
13/4	Term 1 finishes

We have had to change the marae stay because it is going to clash with a new event. Date to be confirmed in next week or so.

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Rural Schools' Triathlon – our school has taken on the task of organising and running the Rural Schools' Triathlon – hence we would like to know 2 things:

1. Which child would like to participate in the triathlon
2. Are there any parents who have the time to help with the event: either cooking on the day or marshalling competitors.

Please complete the section below.

The Triathlon is for 8 year old (or close to it) children and up. The triathlon is being held at the high school on **March 13th starting at 10am.** It is a mini triathlon (25m swim, 1km run, 1km ride for the youngest and double that for the older ages). Children compete in age levels against other schools. It is a voluntary participation, so not everyone will be going.

- My child/ren** will compete in the Triathlon.
- I can help on the day as a Marshall (directing competitors on the course to follow)
- I can help do a sausage sizzle on the day.

Signed: _____



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