

Roto Review



Dear parents and caregivers,

ROTO-O-RANGI SWIMMING SPORTS

The annual school swimming sports are here next week. The first races will be at 10am at the indoor pool to watch the Juniors. Not only will they demonstrate what they have been learning, but there will be some competitive races for them too. Then we venture to the outdoor pool. With a slight change to begin the outdoor races, all children will have a 10 minute, free swim so that the less confident swimmers get to explore the bigger, deeper pool before we start the races. Then we will start the competitive racing.

The PTA have kindly organised a free sausage sizzle for all parents and children. There will be a free sausage and juicie for everyone at the pools. The children may require something more substantial after doing a fair amount of swimming so please still ensure there is a sandwich and snacks for them as well.

This is a fun start to our year and something we really enjoy participating in. Don't forget your togs so you can be a part of the children v teachers v parents race. Current champions are "The Teachers!"

AFTER SCHOOL CARE MATERIALS NEEDED

The After School Care programme would really appreciate any boardgames or card games to entertain the children at Before and After School Care on those wet or stinking hot days where being inside and calm is the order of the day. Plus anything that we could use for art and craft activities – boxes, material, card, glitter, material, magazines, books, buttons, washers, containers, clips, zips, pipe cleaners, poster paint, etc.

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 24**th. Hence, school will be closed for the day and families will be able to enjoy a long weekend.

CHANGED OFFICE HOURS

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.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE WELCOME

She has been at After School Care for two weeks now, but we officially welcome Kirsta to the Roto-o-Rangi School family. This spritely, enthusiastic young lass has settled in very quickly and the children love having her. So if you see her around, make sure you say hi. Natascha Johns continues to help us out by covering Friday afternoons. Lorraine has also helped us out by taking on Before School Care. The contact number for school care is 027 501 1812. A quick reminder that people can enrol in either/both forms of School Care and use on a casual basis – once a month, once in a blue moon, or on a regular

Before school care runs from 7.30am – 8.30am After School Care runs from 3.15 – 5.30pm

WELCOME

Welcome to Teanna and Harper, who have started in Room 1. Josiah and Kupa will be looking after their respective young siblings to start.

Welcome to Samantha (Manthy) and her family too. Manthy has joined us in Room 4. You will have an awesome time at our School.



MONDAY LUNCHES (6 March.)

Sausage sizzle \$2.00 Chocolate Milk \$1.50

Following week – 13 March

Hotdogs \$2.50

<u>There are NO Hot Lunches on Wednesdays</u>. This is just done in Term 2/3 when the weather is colder.

<u>We cook a lunch every Monday</u> 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 drew with Karapiro Rimshots 39 all Roto Rockets lost to Karapiro Dunkers 36-28

Next fortnight's draw:

Friday 3rd March:

Roto Rockets v Camb East Thunder, Court 1, 5.05pm Roto Devils v Camb East Hotshots, Court 2, 5.05pm

Friday 10th March:

Roto Rockets v Hautapu Red, Court 1, 6.15pm Roto Devils v St Peters Fliers, Court 2, 6.15pm

SCHOLASTIC BOOKS

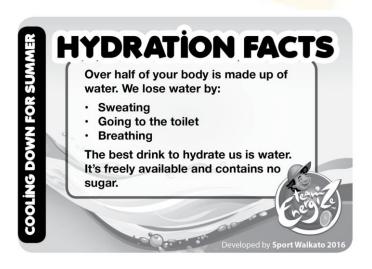
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To register just go online to:

https://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz

HEADLICE

It's back in the school, and rampant. Please check your child/ren's hair today and everyday over the next couple of weeks so we can stop this pesky little mite in it's tracks. Hot, humid weather and sharing hats because we can't find ours doesn't help. A preventative method like tea tree oil in your shampoo might stop your child getting them.



TIQBIZ

The school invested in an app called TIQBIZ which allows the school and individual teachers to quickly send messages out to parents. Instructions on how to load the app on to your phone are located on the school website, in the 'Communication' tab. Use the password below. If you are already using tiqbiz but are changing which groups you want notices from choose the new 'Box' (group) and use the same password... *Roto3495* (case sensitive + no spaces)

TOWN V COUNTRY CRICKET MATCH

Not getting too many names being put forward for the cricket match. If you are keen for this fun family evening let the office know asap to help us get the organising sorted.

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

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

LEADERS

Introducing 2 of our leadership groups at the school. In the photos our Eco Kids are enjoying the fruits of previous Eco Kids who planted the orchard. Plus the whole group is sampling the food they created as part of the "What's for Lunch?" food education programme.





Here are the 4 student leaders, who will be our main ambassadors for the school.



WRITER'S CORNER.

Room 5

Devon

Active, fast, funny and kind

Son of William and Niki, brother of Edison

Lover of landscape art, long distance running and Maori culture

Who feels that nobody should be left out, believes everybody is a winner and nobody should be judged by what they look like

Who needs family by my side, challenges to look forward to and peace to go around Who gives kindness to others, smiles to everyone and anyone, help if they need it Who fears not believing in myself, no challenge too big and cats and their sharp claws Who would like people to stop fighting, to love one another and people to stop caring about money

Who comes from a little town called Kihikihi, Te Awamutu

TRIATHLON BAKING NEEDED

On March 13th the Year 4-6 children who choose to will be competing in the rural Schools' triathlon at the High School. Thanks to the High School for the use of their facilities to hold the event.

As our school is hosting the event the PTA have decided to hold a cake and biscuit stall instead of the old sausage sizzle. Any family who could cook up some muffins/cake/slice or bake some biscuits and donate them for selling at the Triathlon, the PTA would be grateful. Drop them in fresh on the morning of the triathlon (Mon 13th March) please and thanks.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Owl Farm: Owl Farm St Peters Cambridge will be holding an open day on Saturday 11th March from 11-4 everyone is welcome to go along and experience what dairy farming is all about.

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.

Squash Coaching: Emma Millar is starting squash coaching on Mondays 3.30 till 5pm at the Leamington Squash Club (where the bus stops)

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.

ASSEMBLY

There will be an assembly tomorrow at 9.40am. Our year 5's will be running assembly with room 3 presenting some work.



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
29/3	B <mark>OT Meeting – 6pm</mark>
31/1	Cambridge Schools' Swim Sports – Town Pools
1/4	April Fool's Day
13/4	Term 1 finishes

4/11 Country Fair – lock it in now. Guy Fawkes day.

MANDARIN EXPO

Roto is one of just 6 Cambridge schools running a Mandarin programme. The ALLiS project is providing us with a trained teacher and Chinese university students to help the students. The Middle School and soon the High School are also a part of the programme so there will be a pathway for the children to continue this language learning right into high school.

As part of the programme we are putting on a Mandarin Expo. All the schools will be there demonstrating different aspects of Chinese culture. If you get a chance to come along then I suggest you pop over to the Town Square between 12 and 1pm on Friday 10th March.







Mon-Wed 8am-7pm Thur/Fri 8am-5pm Sat 9am-12.30

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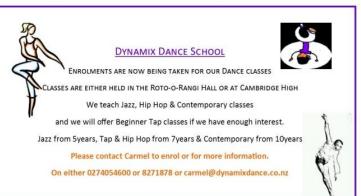
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