

Roto Review

We live by our motto of AIM HIGH

Dear parents and caregivers,

Last week was another great experience for our Year 3 to 6 children as they attended the senior camp in Rotorua. A full programme was complimented by great weather — until the final morning that is. We got to see Kuirau Park, the panoramic views from the top of Rainbow Mountain, explore Whakarewarewa and the Buried Village, have a quick look at the Blue and Green Lakes, plus lots of new experiences — kayaking, rock climbing, archery, orienteering and the very cold Mud Run.

Congratulations to the children for an awesome camp. The resilience, respect, enthusiasm and caring were strongly shown over the duration of the camp. A huge THANK YOU to the parents, who were awesome – as always. A special thanks to the parents who brought some of the children down for day trips.









WINTER SPORTS DAY

The Annual Winter Sports Day returns on Friday 2nd June. Only the Year 5-6 children participate on this day. Once there, they will get mixed with other schools and participate in a day of sports games run by the High School PE students. Children will need a good hearty lunch and snack because they are fully involved in exercise all day. They will also need to wear their school shirt, black shorts and footwear. Being a Winter Sports day it could be wet, windy, cold and most likely – all 3 so a raincoat, warm jacket/jersey if they don't have the school jacket is highly recommended. And, of course, they need to bring their best sportsmanship attitude and willingness to "have a go."

Parents are most welcome to come down any time during the day to watch the children, but we do warn you that it can be tricky finding exactly which games and where they are playing.

CONSULTATION

In the next couple of weeks, the BOT will be seeking feedback from our parent community of a couple of issues. One will be about the school camps we hold annually whilst the other is about a change to the education act which changes when children start school. The traditional method of starting on your 5th birthday may be changing to starting at the beginning of a term. More details, and your feedback will be coming out next week. Please keep an eye on school bags and emails for these information sheets and feedback forms so that we can ensure everyone has their say.

In regard to the government changes to the Education Act, you can read about them at https://education/legislation/the-education-update-amendment-act/#quick with the specific change to when children might start school at https://education.govt.nz/assets/Documents/Ministry/Legislation/Ed-Act-Update-Factsheets/Ed-Act-Update-FS-8-Enabling-schools-to-introduce-cohort-entry.pdf

WELCOME

Welcome Gabi, to Roto-o-Rangi School. Gabi has started in Room 1 last week, even without big brother, Reece, there to help her settle in.
Gabi is making loads of friends already.



RÃHINA LUNCHES

Hamburgers \$2.50 Chocolate Milk \$1.50

Monday 29th May

Sausage Sizzle \$2.00

<u>Hot Food Wednesdays return</u>. Children bring along food to be warmed up in a pie warmer in a suitable container/wrapper, with child's name and room number written on it. We will collect it first thing in the morning and have it lovely and warm for lunch.

<u>We cook a lunch every Monday</u> at school, which the children may order. One week is sausages, then hotdogs followed by hamburgers.

RUGBY

This week's draw:

6th Grade v CPS Gold 3A 9.30am 8th Grade v East Eagles 3A 8.10am 10th Grade v East Mustangs 3A 10.10am 11th Grade v Tau/NgaH TV5 9.10am Visit the website for the latest draws and information: http://cjrs.co.nz/

NETBALL

Roto Diamonds v Tamahere Hawks Court 6 11.10am Roto Golden Ferns v East Rubies Court 4 3pm http://www.sporty.co.nz/cambridgenetball

HOCKEY

Roto v Goodwood Strikers Field 2a 6.35pm http://www.sporty.co.nz/cambridgehockey

WHANAU MEETING

From our whanau meeting last term, two of our goals are to source a korowai and find a way for children to participate in kapahaka.

The korowai (cloak) could be worn by students at very special occasions, recognising the duality of cultures that exist in our school whilst we are recognising the achievement.

Kapahaka would be for those children wanting more than what we can offer at the school.

We have started looking at possibilities but if anyone has any leads / ideas that might help us out to achieve these goals could you please contact the office. Providing a name, a possible place, someone who knows someone, anything like that will be appreciated. Kia ora.

PTA

Thank you to the parents who supplied the mountain of baking for the car rally 2 weeks ago and to the parents who helped out on the day cooking food, etc. There was a big group of car enthusiasts here this year.

The PTA have their next meeting on Tuesday 30th May at 7:30pm, which is another opportunity to offer fundraising ideas, help at events and just to get to know other parents in the school. The meetings are relaxed, informal whilst we get things done.

BOT NEWS – Community of Learners

The school and BOT are involved in the government initiative called Communities of Learners, and have been for the last 18 months. All the schools in Cambridge, from CHS through to us are involved in this Community. The essence of the Community of Learners is for schools to come together and share the best teaching skills and systems we have so that every school benefits and grows. When the CHS see what we are doing in the primary schools and at CMS, they have a better understanding of the students they are getting in Year 9, and we have a better understand what is expected of high school students in achieving the standards at NCEA level. In the past, we have talked through these things, but now we are working together for a more seamless transition from one school to the next.

Our BOT still determines what is important for our children to know, learn and do but we are also working towards common goals with all the school in our Community.

As a Community, we have identified 5 areas of learning that we believe will have the greatest effect on student achievement in Cambridge. Two of those areas our school have already been working on over the last 18 months – Learner Agency and Responsive Practice. So, the Community is focussing on the same things we see as important to our children's learning.

What is Learner Agency? – "learner agency is when learners have the 'power to act'. When learners move from being passive recipients to being much more active in the learning process, and actively involved in the decisions about the learning." Simply, they are not just waiting for the teacher to tell them what they need to know, but work with the teacher to understand what they need to learn and deciding together where they go next.

SCIENCE ROADSHOW

Rooms 4 / 5 travelled into the Middle School on Friday 5th May to participate in the Science and Technology Roadshow.

The school visit exposed the children to very practical and real world examples and the science and technology behind them. It was another great experience our children were exposed to.

It was fabulous to see some ex-Roto students being the Ambassadors for the Roadshow – helping to explain the theory behind the activities.





Room 4

Lakes Ranch in Rotorua By Dylan

'Splash' as I sprinted into the dirty, sticky water. I did the mud run. The mud was so high I ended up swimming in it and I got stung by stinging nettle. It hurt but I just carried on. We had to cross a wire bridge. It took quite a long time to get across and I got tripped up by hidden branches underneath the water. My new shoes got ruined. They had stones and little twigs in them. Afterwards we went into the hot pools and it was so hot and relaxing. It was epic fun and I was so proud.

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MUSIC LESSONS

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Wanted:

Either a baby sitter from 6-10am or a farm assistant from 5-8.30am starting early July through calving. Please ph Sarah 027 524 8363 for more information

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.

FIREWOOD:

A trailer load of firewood for sale. Ph Glen or Michelle on 827 1967

Childcare available:

Homebase care available with a qualified early childhood teacher. Please contact me for more information, ph 0272233606. Available from 1st August.

SWIMMING POOL KEYS

Could parents return keys asap and inform any other user you know, who doesn't go to the school, that it is time to return the key.

ENTERTAINMNET BOOKS

It's that time year again when the wonderful 2017/2018 Entertainment Book is available to buy. The cost this year is \$65.00 in which \$11.00 comes back to the school. If you like eating out, going to fun places and want to save some money then this book is for you. Please contact the office if you wish to purchase one. You can also purchase an electronic version that you access via your smart phone. This still provides the \$11 for our school because this is our portal for buying the book. Just go to www.entbook.co.nz/1541q71

UPCOMING EVENTS

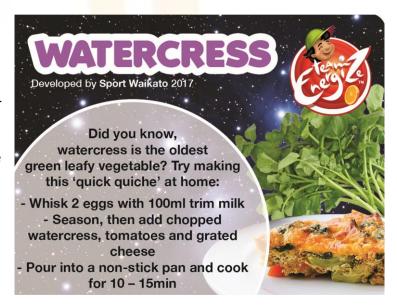
30/5	PTA Meeting – 7pm in Staffroom
2/6	Winter Sports Day
5/6	Queen's Birthday Weekend
12/6	School Photos including sports team photos
16/6	GymFest at CHS (Friday of Fieldays weekend)
21/6	BOT Meeti <mark>ng – 6</mark> pm in staffroom
30/6	1st Aid certificate for children – senior class
3-7/7	Leade <mark>rship W</mark> eek
7/7	Leadership Assembly for Sir Peter Blake Young
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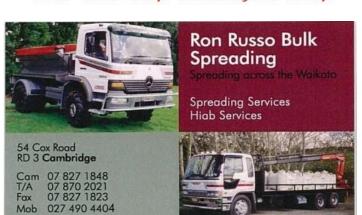
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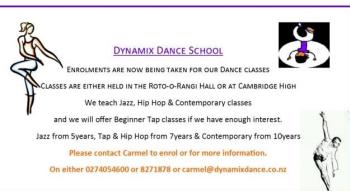
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