Thursday 1st November, 2018



Roto Review

We live by our motto of AIM HIGH

Dear parents and caregivers,

AG DAY / GROUP DAY / WAIKATO SHOW

Congratulations to all the children who participated in AG Day, Group Day and the Waikato A&P Show. We had some beautifully trained animals which highlighted the hours and hours of training that went into preparing for these days. Whilst on the other hand, "never work with animals" because some children did put in those same hours of effort but on the day their pet had other ideas and performed poorly. However, the children were resilient and soldiered on anyway, continuing to do their best.

Here are results from all 3 shows.

Champion Lamb Call Follow Run - Skye Anderson - Reserve Champion – Chelsie Watson Champion Lamb Leading – Izaac Hopkins - Reserve Champion – Lucy Dawson Champion Lamb Rearing – Lucy Dawson - Reserve Champion Regan Trubshaw Champion Goat – Hollie McIntyre - Reserve Champion – Juan Holten Senior Chocolate Fudge – 1st Libby White, 2nd Harry White, 3rd Greer Curin Junior Chocolate Fudge – 1st Liam White, 2nd Aiden Allison, 3rd Cody Orr Senior Pikelets – 1st Grace Walters, 2nd Libby White, 3rd Riley Kuijpers Junior Pikelets – 1st Khloe Hall, 2nd Renee Kennerley, 3rd Summer Mudford Senior Garden in a Bucket – 1st Reef Smith, 2nd Kaylee Grantham, 3rd Timo Johns Junior Garden in a Bucket – 1st Lillia Keeley, 2nd Zoe Thurgood, 3rd Aria Thurgood <u>Group Day:</u> Libby White 4th Rearing, 7th CFR. Kaylee Grantham 1st CFR, 2 Leading. Liam White 6th CFR, 4th Leading, 4th Rearing. Hollie McIntyre 2nd CFR & Reserve Champion, 1st Leading & Champion, 2nd Rearing & Reserve Champion. Shamus McIntyre 3rd CFR, 4th Leading, 3rd Rearing. George White 1st CFR, 7th Rearing, 7th Leading. Samuel Mills 7th CFR. Waikato Show: Kaylee Grantham 6th CFR. Hollie McIntyre 5th Rearing, 2nd Leading, 5th CFR. Shamus McIntyre 4th Rearing, 3rd CFR, 4th Leading



IT'S TIME YOUR CHILDREN HAD THE EDUCATION THEY DESERVE

Schools are facing a teacher shortage crisis, with a 40% drop in people training to be teachers; and a growing number of school-aged children. In term three, 50% of schools reported that they did not have enough teachers. Schools are struggling to attract teaching staff, and that problem looks set to worsen.

There is also a desperate need for more support for children with additional learning needs.

Yet, the Government has a bumper surplus of \$5.5 billion, more than enough to fix the issues in primary education (\$0.9b).

WHAT WE ARE CAMPAIGNING FOR?

- * More teachers so your kids can get more attention
- * More resources/staff to support children with additional learning needs
- A pay jolt to salaries for teachers to address the teacher shortage – so that your children will have a teacher in the future.

STRIKE DAY

Doubtlessly, you are all aware that another strike has been called by the primary teachers union. Whilst this has forced the government into Facilitation, overseen by the Employment Relations Authority, it is expected that the strike will still occur for Roto-o-Rangi School & most of the North Island on **Tuesday November 13**.

Everyone will be aware of the times your children had their class split up and they went into other classes around the school because we were not able to find a reliever. But you may not be aware of the number of time a teacher has come to work ill because they knew we couldn't get a reliever and they didn't want the class split.

Anyone with a child who struggles with learning in the class know the anguish of not enough support being provided for them. Schools are required more and more to support these learning needs but resourcing to help is not there.

There has been a good pay offer discussed, but these other issues that have not been adequately addressed yet. This is a package deal. Everything needs to be properly addressed.

КАРАНАКА / РОІ

The staff and Board are keen to get even a small group of students learning kapahaka and poi. The sticking point is someone with enough knowledge to help us. If someone has the knowledge but is not keen/confident to teach the children then we will ensure there is a teacher (probably Mr D) with you to help with that part.

The students enjoy the waiata and te reo we already do, so if there is anybody you know who would want to do this at Roto-o-Rangi please let Mr D know.

(Room 4 are already keen to paint some kowhaiwhai patterns on the noticeboard posts)

MINIBALL

This week's draw Friday 2nd November Roto Dynamos v Hautapu Black, Court 1, 7 pm Roto Rockets v Karapiro Golden, Court 2, 6.20 pm

Results from last week

Roto Dynamos won against Leamington Lakers 14-9 Roto Rockets lost to Leamington Warriors 32-10

ROTO ATHLETICS

DATE CHANGE: Monday 19th November. Due to an absence of staff on the original plan for athletics we have moved the date to the Monday.

Parents are welcome to come along and support on the day.

9.30 am = Field Events Rotation

5 x 25 minute slots of rotation activities Station 1~ Shot Put/Bean bag start with the 10/11 yr. Station 2 ~ High Jump starting with the 8 yr. olds Station 3 ~ Long Jump starting with the 6/7 yr. olds Station 4 ~ Discus/Frisbee starting with the 5 yr. olds Station 5 ~ Vortex Throw with the 9 yr. olds

12:00 STOP FOR LUNCH. (could be later)

12.30 p.m. = Track Events Rotation Running Races in Age Groups. Roto Athletics Cup Races.

SWIMMING POOL OPENING

The pool is planned to be available on 19th November. Families may begin renting keys for the pool from this date. Swimming lessons will begin at school during this time depending on weather conditions.

When renting a key please do remember that there are rules and requirements about the use of the pool and the area. This is a government facility/government grounds and legal requirements therein. We all have to ensure we and others are abiding by these requirements, otherwise issues arise that we could do without.

NITS ARE BACK

It is that time of the year again. We have a confirmed case of nits in the school. It is important that all children's hair is checked and if they have picked them up, then they are treated immediately. We don't want the cycle to continue. Regular checking of your children's hair, treatment with preventatives such as tea tree oil in shampoo or combing with a fine tooth comb will help reduce the incidences of Head Lice in our school.

There are numerous treatments available at pharmacies, both natural and chemical based.

One other preventative is not sharing hats. Children are regularly sharing hats because they have forgotten theirs. We will now not have any spare hats at school for children to use, they must remember to bring their own. Please have a quick "Get your hat" reminder each morning as part of your 'getting ready for school' routine.

CHRISTMAS PARADE

We will be entering the Cambridge Christmas Parade again this year, but we need people to volunteer to help with decorating the float. Last year's tribute to Murray Ball as our Christmas float was a real hit. We need some inspiration and someone to take the lead with this. Our Think Tank team from the last couple of years will not be there this year so someone else needs to take on the mantle. Please contact the office.

We will decorate the float on the morning of Sunday 2nd December. Children are welcome to be on the float and we will be asking for children to join the float at a later date.

WINTER SPORTS ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to all the students who were recognised for their achievements in our sports teams over the winter.

WHANAU MEETING

We are proposing to hold a Whanau meeting at school on Thursday 29th November at 6pm. A pizza tea will be provided for those attending (tamariki included) so you can bring the whanau and not have to cook for 1 night. A staff member will be here to supervise the tamariki whilst the adults are in the hui.

The plan for part of the meeting is student achievement in 2018 and what whanau would like to see included in the school charter goals for 2019. If there is anything else to add to the agenda we can do so on the night.

WORKING BEE

The PTA are holding a Working Bee on Saturday 17th November at 9.00 am to paint some line markings, paint the train, wash down the walls of the buildings and have a general tidy up of things in the PE shed and around the pool ready for summer.

Handy people required for the PE to build a bit of shelving

WRITER'S CORNER ROOM 3

Yesterday there was thunder and it went Boom! And there was lightning and it went crash! Zap! Boom! And I was terrified and everybody was screaming and Teanna wasn't screaming but everybody else was. Then it stopped and everyone stopped screaming. By Charlotte

Yesterday there was lightning and thunder and people were running and screaming "Help! I am going to die!" and in Hamilton there was a tornado and it picked up a trampoline and Mrs Morris dog Bella got scared of the lightning and thunder and she ran all over town and people at the vets had her and they scanned her and she lived. She had her address and they called Lorraine and they said "Is there someone called Mandy Morris her dog ran all over town. By Dani

On Monday there was thunder and lightning and some people were running around and they were screaming and me and Charlotte were in the buzzy bee shed. When it stopped I got out I ran to the MP room and Charlotte ran to the hut and I was running around too. By Teanna

Yesterday ther<mark>e was a huge mas</mark>sive <mark>lightning and t</mark>hunder storm. There w<mark>as also</mark> a gigantic tornado in Hamilton. Mrs Morris dog ran away from her house because she was scared. Everyo<mark>ne was</mark> running around. By Zac

Yesterday all around Cambridge and at school there was booming thunder and striking lightning. The storm was very scary. People made it even louder by screaming. The teachers could hear it from inside the staffroom. There was even a tornado in Hamilton. By Hollie

Photos from Ag Day







COMMUNITY NOTICES

Baby Sitter: I am a university student and I am available for baby sitting in the Kairangi/Roto-o-Rangi area. Please ph Maria 827 1961

House/farm cottage wanted. For 12-18 months for a father and daughter who are both working for Curin Contracting. Please ph Mark 027 458 5652

UPCOMING EVENTS

| 5/11 | Guy Fawkes day.(no planned events) |
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| 6-9/11 | Senior Camp |
| 19/11 | Rot <mark>o Athlet</mark> ics |
| 23/11 | Rural Athletics |
| 27/11 | Reading at Home information evening |
| 29/11 | Puppet Show for Room's 1 & 3 |
| | Whanau hui at 6pm |
| 30/11 | Cambridge Schools' Athletics |
| 11/12 | Christmas Carols in the Town Hall 2 pm |
| 5/12 | BOT Meeting 6pm |
| 7/12 | Year 6 dinner |
| Dec | Year 6 Ride to Avantidrome |
| 13/12 | Prizegiving Assembly |
| 17/12 | Last Day |
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