

Kia Ora Koutou Katoa.

ROTO CROSS COUNTRY

Don't miss the Roto-o-Rangi Cross Country tomorrow afternoon on 23rd August. The programme is as follows: Venue: The Wallis Farm / Quarry across from Roto-o-Rangi School.

Necessities: Sneakers (Compulsory). Extra drink and food for after their run, and plenty of warm, waterproof clothing. Parking: Parents are invited to park over in the Wallis Quarry. You can then meet the children and teachers up by the paddock on the crest of the driveway and opposite the Wallis Flagpole at approximately 12.40 pm.

- 12.30 pm Walk over to the Wallis farm.
- 12.40 pm Assemble at Wallis farm track intersection.
- 12.45 pm Events will commence in the following order -

7 year old girls and boys; 8 year olds girls and boys; 6 year old girls and boys; 5 year old girls and boys; 9 year old girls and boys, 10+ year old girls and boys; Cup Race for girls, Cup race for boys.

2.30 pm Presentation of Cups and Farewell.

We will regularly update if the Cross Country is going to be postponed through the Skool Loop app and facebook page.

Children may leave from the Cross Country venue with their parents / caregivers as they will have their bags with them, however, we do ask that all children stay until the last race to cheer / support the other runners and at prize giving (providing it is not a wet day). Children not taken home at the conclusion of the Cross Country will return to school in time for buses, After School Care, etc.

This is an awesome day for the children, both challenging and rewarding.



WELCOME



Kingston and Yasmin have joined us from up Auckland way.
Kingston is in Room 5 and Yasmin is in Room 4. We hope you enjoy your new school and make some awesome friends!

KAPAHAKA FESTIVAL

We have filled all the spots for the Kapahaka festival but we are a bit short on transport. If you could provide some transport, please let the office know.

This is an exciting opportunity for the children and thank you for the support.

FINAL WINTER SPORTS GAMES

This weekend our sports teams have their final Netball and Rugby games of the season. We wish you all the best and hope you have enjoyed being a part of your teams!

AG DAY

Ag Day / Pet Day is being held on Friday 18th October, 2019. We still cannot have calves at our Ag Day because of the Micoplasma Bovis but you can do the online version. Register at calfclubnz.co.nz It also gives you all the info needed to compete in this format.

We are including a pet section into our day with competitions like "Owner and Pet who look most alike", "Cuddliest Pet", Best behaved pet and owner", and more. The one important rule with the Pet section though is that the pets will not be able to stay at school all day. The competitions will be early in the day so pets can be at school by 10am but they must be taken home by 12.30pm. Pets will need to be in a cage whilst at school and so we don't want them caged all day (except for pet mice or snakes — they can stay in a cage the whole time) hence they need to go home by 12.30pm.

We will hold a school wide "Herb Garden in a can" competition so we will need a huge number of tin cans asap. We want tins of approximately the same size so we want tins that are a standard fruit can (i.e. tinned peaches, etc.) If you have a trophy at home from last year's Ag Day please return this to school soon.

We would love some parents to help on the day at the rings, holding lambs etc. ust to help the children out. We will also be hosting a kindergarten again, so helping them participate in some planned activities would be great too.

NEWS FROM THE PTA

COUNTRY FAIR

The school will be running Country Fair type activities at the Cambridge A and P Show on 30th November. This is the most significant money raiser for the PTA in 2019 and will need a lot of parent support to ensure it is successful. The organisers met with other PTA members at the last meeting to outline the many varied and exciting activities planned for the day. If everyone gets involved you will just be doing a couple of hours on a stall (which does not require any special skills or need to drum up customers).

We are looking to beat our previous fundraising tally of \$7,500. Please ensure you keep this date free, fill out the jobs sheet when the form comes out and enjoy the experience!

CALF REARING

If you know of any farmers who might donate a calf, a family prepared to raise a calf/calves or can help in any way, please ring Karamea on 027 716 7071

Next meeting 7.30pm 3rd September

Our next PTA meeting will be held in the school staff room at 7.30pm on 3rd September and we'd love to see you there! If you'd like to know what's happening with regard to fundraising for our school, including the Country Fair (November) please come along to find out more and add your ideas and support to our efforts.

JOHN PARSON – ONLINE SAFETY

John Parsons will be meeting with Room's 4 and 5 to discuss ways of keeping ourselves safe on the internet, protecting our identity and not doing things we will come to regret in the future. John is a reknown expert in this field, travelling the country to deliver his message. He will them meet with staff to ensure we are teaching this behaviour in our classes too.

Tonight is the last chance to hear John speak at the parent's evenings. He will be at CHS and the message he will be delivering is aimed at High School aged children. It is not suitable to take children under the age of 11 to, but you are welcome to take your older children to the evening.

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ROTO SPEECH NIGHT

The seniors have been busy writing and practicing their speeches, whilst the Juniors have been learning to recite a poem. Soon we will hold the school-wide speech competition (yes, children can earn points for their House depending on how well they deliver their speech). The top 3 speeches from Year 5/6, Year 3/4 and poem recitals in Year 1/2 then attend the Roto Speech night on Thursday 29th Aug to be crowned the best speech in their year group.

The speech night is held in the MP Room and starts promptly at 7pm. Special guest judges with then adjudicate the evening.

Everyone is welcome, even if your child isn't selected to compete on the night. We often have friends coming along to support their mates.

RURAL CROSS COUNTRY

On Friday 6th September we will be travelling out to the Karapiro Domain to compete against all the other rural schools' children. More details will be coming out soon. The first 3 children in each age group race on the Rural Schools' Day then go on to compete against all the big school at the Cambridge Schools' Cross Country. This is their chance to find out just how good they are at cross country. None of the other children attend this event.

CAMBRIDGE GYMFEST

Good luck to the 12 children competing at the Cambridge Gymfest next Tuesday, 27th August. Remember it is about trying your best, challenging yourself. If you also happen to get on the podium, then well done, but the priority is best effort and good sportsmanship.

WRITER'S CORNER Room 1 - Year 1

The tornado is sucking the concrete off the ground! Harry

Me and my Dad are milking my cow. Bonnie

The sun is shining on the house and I like sun. Archie

My pencil case has rainbow colours. Indie

The little pig built a house of bricks because the wolf was trying to blow the house down. Aurora

The sand truck is making a road in the sandpit. Cyrus

The wild mouse is in our classroom! Ryleigh

GROWING CLASSES

Thank you to everyone for your patience and understanding regarding the size of our classes. We have had a significant number of students enrol at the school, and in one particular area of the school. Whilst we have managed this change, it has certainly changed the dynamics in classes.

The school is just as great a place as it has been, the children who joined us have settled in quickly and they have enhanced the our great little school too.

There isn't anything we can do to reduce the class size until we hit the magic number of 101 students, and we don't have spare money in the budget to pay for one. Fingers crossed we might get there in 2020.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

23/8 John Parsons visit to Roto-o-Rangi (a.m.	/8 J	John Parsons	visit to	Roto-o-F	Rangi (a.m
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23/8 Roto Cross Country (p.m)

27/8 Cambridge Gym Festival 9.30am @ St Peters

28/8 Leamington School sports team photos

29/8 Roto Speech night 7pm in MP Room

30/8 Cambridge Kapahaka festival

1/9 Fathers' Day – he deserves a big present

3/9 PTA Meeting 7.30pm @ Staffroom

6/9 Rural Schools' Cross Country @ Karapiro Domain

10/9 Altrusa Awards 6pm @ Cambridge East School

11/9 BOT Meeting 6pm @ Staffroom

13/9 Cambridge Schools' Cross Country @ Karapiro

18/9 Rotary Speech Competition

18-20/9Cambridge Principals' PLD trip

21/9 Working bee @ school – massive cleaning

23/9 Yr 6 Orientation day at CMS @ 9.30am

25/9 Mandarin Expo for all students learning Mandarin

27/9 Last Day of Term 3

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Edventure Survivor Camp

Aongatete, Sept 30th - Oct 4th, \$495

We have an amazing week lined up with bush walks, archery, rock climbing, team building and confidence activities, orienteering & night activities. A typical "Kiwi Outdoors" camp with an emphasis on mountain safety and survival skills. Based at Aongatete Lodge- near Katikati. More info www.edventure.co.nz or 02102241576.

8-13yr olds. OSCAR available. Pick ups Hamilton, Akl and BOP

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