

Kia ora Koutou Katoa,

SPIRIT OF GOLD MUFTI DAY

COVID has struck again. The Paralympics officials have decided to postpone their Spirit of Gold fundraiser until December. We will do the same, so don't dress up in gold tomorrow. Just keep an eye out for the new date next term and we will have the dress-up in gold day then. We will also cancel our special guest speaker. However, a discussion at home about the Paralympics would be an awesome replacement of this fundraiser in

ROTO SPEECHES

the meantime.

The children have been making good progress on their speeches. The children present their speeches in class "Teams": Year 1/2 children do a poetry recital in front of Room 1, 2 and 3. Yr 3/4 present their informative speech in front of Room 2 and 4. Year 5/6 present their persuasive speeches in front of Room 4 and 5. The best 3 speeches in each Team then go on to the Roto Speech night in the MP Room on September 3rd, with a 7pm start. If we are still in Level 2, we will be restricting numbers being able to attend to parents and siblings only and physical distancing being required. If we are back in Level 1 we would love as many people as can to come along and support our speech makers.

The top orator in the Yr 5/6 group then competes in the Cambridge Schools' Rotary Speech Competition on Wednesday 16th September.

ROTO CROSS COUNTRY

The annual Roto-o-Rangi Cross Country Day is happening on Friday August 28th over at the Wallis Farm. All visitors are able to park in the quarry part of the farm and then walk up the drive way to the brow of the hill to observe the races. The children will be organised on the grass island below that. Running the races is very difficult if children are going backwards and forwards to their parents, hence we require that students stay in the school area and they can meet up with parents after all the races have concluded.

The races are run on the challenging hills and tracks of the farm but the children do enjoy the feeling of completing the race. Parents – watch out for those electric fences though!

RURAL SCHOOLS' CROSS COUNTRY

The Rural Schools' Cross Country is still going ahead, at this stage, on Friday 4th September. There has been a slight change to the courses due to another event there. Everything will be run on the bottom part of the Karapiro Domain. As usual we will need some parent volunteers to marshall – stand in a location and direct the runners on to the next part of the course. Your assistance will be needed for the day to work.

Te WIKI O TE REO MAAORI

Starts on 14th September, but let's not wait until then. Try using a common Maaori word you already know at every opportunity you have to use it. Try learning 1 new Maaori word every week and use it as often as you can.

Let's celebrate the unique indigenous language and use it as often as we can.

Giving it a go and getting it wrong is way better than not trying it at all.

VALUES VAULT

RESILIENCE

Despite our best efforts, we cannot prevent adversity and daily stress; but we can learn to be more resilient by changing how we think about challenges and adversities.

Today's families, especially our children, are under tremendous stress with the potential to damage both physical health and psychological well-being.

The stress comes from families who are always on the go, who are overscheduled with extracurricular activites, experiencing major events like COVID and ever-present peer pressure. In the teen years, the anxiety and pressure are related to school, friendship and social media.

In today's environment, children and teens need to develop strengths, acquire skills to cope, recover from hardships, and be prepared for future challenges. They need to be resilient in order to succeed in life.

TE REO TANTALISERS

Here is a very simple mihi or welcome to our classroom. We are doing this when new people start at our school, and it is something the children will be able to lead.

Tena koutou katoa
Nau mai, haere mai _____
ki te Ruma _____ ki kura o Roto-o-Rangi
No reira, teenaa koutou, teenaa koutou teenaa
taatou katoa

Greetings everyone
Welcome (name of visitors)
to Room ____ at Roto-o-Rangi School.
Therefore, welcome, welcome

Can you help your child to learn theirs off by heart?
We would really appreciate your support doing this with our younger ones.

The things we are learning at school we will be adding to our website for families who would also like to practice these activities at home. Just go to www.rotoorangi.school.nz then go to Parent Information then Helping Learning at home.



GIFTING OF A NAME

On Thursday 17th September @ 7:00am at Lake Te Koo Utu, Ngati Koroki Kahukura are gifting the Cambridge Community of Learners a name they can use. The CCOL is a government initiative to support all schools to improve the transition from Early Childhood centres in to Primary Schools, from Primary to Intermediate/Middle Schools and Middle Schools into High School.

At this significant event, every Cambridge school will be represented. Not just the teachers and students but the parents as well. So please come along and join us at Lake Te Koo Utu for this name gifting ceremony. The children are working hard to learn the waiata "Waikato te Awa" in preparation for the ceremony.

We are getting a bus to take us back to school after the ceremony. The morning should take an hour at the most, so plenty of time to get to work or back to school.

Mana whenua will then be visiting the school during the day to talk to the children and teachers about the things we have been doing in our school about our local stories and supporting the learning of Maaori in our kura.

REPORTING TO PARENTS

Thank you to everyone who made the student/parent/teacher conferences on Tuesday. Today is the other afternoon/night for these conferences.

Some families were unable to make conferences due to last minute issues, and other families just never got around to it. You can still contact the classroom teacher directly to organise a conference over the next week.

We believe that it is important to celebrate the learning your child has been doing at school, especially during the unusual year we have had so far, so please do make the effort to celebrate that learning.

The more you know about their learning the more successful your child will become.

OCTOBER ELECTION

The school's MP Room will again be an election polling booth for the new upcoming government election on Saturday 17th October.

Local families will have this as their local polling booth and the MP Room will be unavailable for use from Friday afternoon until Sunday afternoon that weekend.

MILO FRIDAYS

These are on hold until we come back to Level 1

ROTO UMBRELLA FUNDRAISER

Brand new Roto-o-Rangi branded umbrellas are now available to purchase from the office for \$25. Perfect for shelter whilst your watching those winter sports! Please pay by cash to the office, or online banking to the PTA account 03-1568-0070807-00



2020 CALF FUNDRAISER

Please support our School!

At Roto-o-Rangi School we have an annual fundraiser whereby farmers kindly donate a calf to be sold. Farmers can either donate a calf and raise it amongst their own herd until they want it sold, or donate a weaned calf to be raised on another farm and sold when it is bigger.

The money raised from calves this year will be going towards a pool repaint, a new pool cover and a new shade cloth over our sandpit

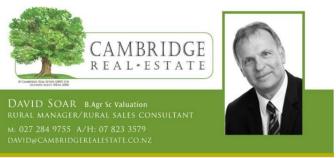
If you are prepared to donate a calf to our School please contact Marcia on 021 367 348 to discuss your preferred option and to organise pickup.

Please note: Calves must be vaccinated, dehorned, NAIT tagged and M.Bovis free certificate/ASD Form



THANK YOU!





HOT FOOD WEDNESDAYS

Our hot food Wednesdays have returned for this term. On a Wednesday you can send your child in with something for us to heat up for their lunch. The food is heated in the oven, so it must be in an ovenproof covering such as tinfoil (individual pies/pizzas are often in packaging that can be heated), and must have the child's name and room number clearly written on the packaging. Unfortunately it isn't possible for us to heat items in the microwave, so please don't send soups etc. This is purely optional but a nice way to warm up on these cold winter days.

AG DAY

Ag Day has been set for the first Friday of Term 4, 16th October. This year we will be able to have calf club entries, along with our lambs and kid goats.

On our website you will find a booklet about what to do with your animals, especially the sorts of things children will need to know in the Reaing section of the competition. This can be downloaded from the "Additional Learning Opportunities" - "Agricultural Day" section of the website.

We will be combining Ag Day with Pet Day as this proved successful and enjoyable last year, along with our usual baking and gardening competitions. Registrations and the finer details will come out in a newsletter next week.

WRITER'S CORNER

This time we have wonderful independent writing from Dr Suess:

Oh, the Places You'll Go!

Congratulations! Today is your day! You're off to great places! You're off and away! You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose. You're on your own. And you know what you know. And YOU are the one who'll decide where to go. You'll look up and down streets. Look them over with care. About some you'll say "I don't wish to go there."

With your head full of brains and your shoes full of feet, you're too smart to go down a not-so-good street. And you may not find any you'll want to go down. In that case, of course, you'll head straight out of town. It's opener there, in the wide open air. Out there things happen, and frequently do, to people as brainy and footsy as you. And when things start to happen, don't worry, don't stew. Just go right along, you'll start happening, too!

SPORTS DRAWS

Draws for the next two weeks

Copies of all the draws can be found on the noticeboard in the Reception area, next to the trophy cabinet.

HOCKEY

No games until we return to Level 1

RUGBY

No decision yet regarding games.

They were not able to hold them at the grounds and have asked schools if they can host instead. Still awaiting a response

NETBALL

Netball Saturday 22 August

FF Yr 3 & 4 9am ZONE B Court 3 Hautapu Stars Vs Roto Magic

FF Yr 5 & 6 10.10am ZONE C Court 9 Matangi Stars Vs Roto Comets

Saturday 29 August

FF Yr 3 & 4 9.10am ZONE B Court 4 Roto Magic Vs CPS Yellow

FF Yr 5 & 6 10.20am ZONE B Court 3 Roto Comets Vs Leamington Keas

Miniball

Monday 24 August 5pm Court 2 CP Stars Vs Roto Dynamos

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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28/8	Roto Cross Country
04/09	Rural Schools Cross Country
09/09	BOT Meeting
14-18/09	Te Wiki O Te Reo Maori
22/09	School Showcase performance 1pm
23/09	Maths Basic Facts House Competition
24/09	School Showcase performance 7pm
25/09	Last day of Term 3
(16/10	Ag Day – first Friday back next term)

Parent/Teacher Conferences

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

The school account number is **02-0316-0126443-000**. Please contact Roxy with any concerns.



