

Kia ora Koutou Katoa.

SHOWCASE PERFORMANCE

Congratulations to all the students for their wonderful effort with the Showcase. The students learnt their parts in record time, and mostly at home. With such a short time frame to put the showcase together and still trying to get other things done, the students and teachers did a wonderful job. Some of the powerful singing that punctuated the entire show raised some goosebumps.

Now for the thank you:

Mrs Morris for writing the vast majority of the show and finding the songs that aligned with the stories. And Mrs Goldsman for her support with the writing of the showcase.

The teachers who worked hard with their classes to have their items learnt.

Heidi for giving up days of her own time to help operate the sound system and co-ordinte the timing of the songs during the rehearsals, dress rehearsal and then for the performances.

Debbie and Karamea for all the flax work around the walls, in the costumes and the presents to the Directors. Annette for the kapahaka costumes.

Here are some photos to remind us of the Showcase.





TEACHER ONLY DAY

Next MONDAY, 16th November is a Teacher Only Day, so no children come to school. Enjoy your long weekend! Teachers will be using this time to conclude assessment data and to work on your children's reports.

ATHLETICS

Well we got through the afternoon yesterday and were able to hold the running races at least. The children competed really well, and were very supportive of each other. Rawe!

Here are the results from the running races

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Age	1 st Boys	2nd	3rd	1 st Girls	2nd	3rd	
5 year olds	O'Shay	Bryn		Alexia	Asleigh	Maia	
6 year olds	Archie / Cyrus		Lane	Ryleigh D	Britney	Sofie-Ela	
7 year olds	Cartel	Jack T	Sam/William	Mia	Aria / Milly		
8 year olds	Gabrielle	Jax	Kier	Kiara	Sophia	Harper	
9 year olds	Zac / Henry		Mason	Zoë T	Zoe H	Madi	
10 year olds	Mitch	Dylan		Renée	Georgia		
11 year olds	Fletcher	Ashton	Ryan	Emilia	Kaylee		
Cup Races	Joel	Cory	Mitch	Rheeahn	Gabi	Dani	

RESPECTFUL CALLS TO SCHOOL

I do not like to rant in a newsletter when the majority of our families are not causing the issue but I feel the time has come to make a statement as things are getting worse.

Our staff have had to deal with abusive and accusatorial emails and phone calls which has increased to an unacceptable level recently.

We accept that we get things wrong and mistakes are made which causes concern for families and have accepted the angry responses this has caused.

It is no longer acceptable to tolerate the behaviour just because people are angry.

A reasonable number of times the inappropriate behaviour has happened but when the underlying issue is worked through, it wasn't the fault of the school, the staff member or a lack of information; it was that person's own error/lack of understanding. Unfortunately the abuse has already occurred by then.

A respectful call to inquire into a mistake we have made/information missed saves a lot of relationship restoration when things are sorted out later.

LAST DAY OF THE YEAR

Whilst we are still a few weeks away from that, for our new families we need to explain how the unique Roto-o-Rangi School operates.

Monday 14th December is technically the last day of the year, following MOE requirements. A long held tradition has been that the Year 6 children are the only children who turn up on the last day. Their rite of passage in leaving Roto-o-Rangi School.

This means that all other year levels finish the day before, so Friday 11th Dec. will be their last day.

HOWEVER, officially the school is still open to all students on the Monday. So if families desperately need to send their children to school on the 14th Dec., they are able to come, regardless of their year level. We just ask, that if you can keep them on that one day, please do so.



HELPING - YEAR 6 LEAVERS DINNER

At the end of the term we will say farewell to our Year 6 students who will mostly be moving on to Cambridge Middle School. In keeping with tradition we will be holding a farewell dinner for those students and their parents, on the evening of Thursday 3rd December. The evening is organised by Year 5 parents, so if you are a Year 5 parent please contact Debbie Norvill 027 664 4079 to let her know which part of the planning, decorating or helping on the night you can support. Many hands make light work, so whatever input you can have will help to make the evening a wonderful sendoff for our year sixes (and for your child next year).

KAPAHAKA

On Friday 4th December at 2pm our kapa haka roopu will be putting on a performance for all to attend. Thanks to Whaea Karamea and Miss Munford-Stokes for all their work this year with the group. Neither are kapahaka tutors or experts but saw the need to get this happening and volunteered to run it. If there is anyone out there keen to help we would love to take the group to the next level in 2021 so please get in touch.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

Miniball and Touch fees have now been added to accounts and statements will be sent out to all families next week.

Please ensure your school account is cleared by the end of the school year. If you have any concerns please get in touch with Roxy. The school bank account number is 02-0316-0126443-000.

FAREWELL MISS MUNFORD-STOKES

Unfortunately Miss Munford-Stokes will be leaving us, and the Waikato to return home to the North.

We have enjoyed, appreciated and utilised her skills and knowledge over the last year, thus will sorely miss her presence.

We will hold a farewell assembly on the last Friday of the term at 2.10pm for Miss Munford-Stokes. All families are invited to attend.



WRITER'S CORNER

Year 1/2, Room 3

In the weekend I played with my water balloons and water slide and my paddling pool. I had a lot of fun. by Archie.



I went to buy a new LOL toy with Aurora by Bonnie

Ryleigh and me were playing with a ball but the ball hit me in the arm so I went to get an ice pack. It worked.

The End.

by Kayla.

When the big production was finished me and my family went to bed. by Cyrus.

Me and Ryleigh and Samuel and Jax are going to play in the tree house. By Ila-Rose

WELCOME TEACHERS

Firstly, congratulation to Mrs Aish-Gillard who has gained a permanent position at the School. Having started here on only a 1 year contract, she has proven to be such a good teacher that she is now a permanent member of the team.

Mrs Aish-Gillard's enthusiasm, knowledge, skills and ability to manage the stressful role she has taken on has shown what a quality teacher she is, and the potential for the outstanding teacher she will become.

We have also made a new appointment for the position of Miss Munford-Stokes, and we welcome Miss Taylah Russell to the School. Another local persons who chose to become a teacher and has earned the position at Roto-o-Rangi next year. We look forward to the many abilities that Miss Russell brings to the School.

We will hold a mihi whakatau to welcome Miss Russell and all the new families who started this year or will start on the first day of the new school year, Thursday 4th February, 2021. The mihi whakatau will start at 9.15am on that Thursday.

CLASSLISTS

These are currently being finalised and should be ready soon.

The class structures for 2021 are very similar to this year, except a slight change for Mrs Furze.

Mrs. Goldsman	Year 0/1	Room 1
Miss. Russell	Year 2/3	Room 2
Mrs. Furze	Year 2/3	Room 3
Mrs Aish-Gillard	Year 4/5	Room 4
Mrs. Morris	Year 5/6	Room 5

CHRISTMAS PARADE

The School has entered a float into the Cambridge Christmas Parade. Now we need some parents to get together to organise the float and decorate. We will have a large trailer and a ute to tow it from Parklands turf. The theme for the parade is "Storybook Christmas" but we can choose our own theme that suits us if we want. Please contact the Office if you can help out:

organise, decorate, theme ideas.

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Children are usually allowed on the float so keep that in mind too.

The parade is Sunday 6th Dec.

DEVICES AT SCHOOL

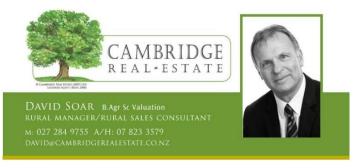
able to access things unsupervised.

We are seeing a few phones and devices turning up to School without our knowledge. They are not being used for their intended use either. If your child requires a phone because of reasons like they are travelling by themselves, or in a split family situation you need to be able to catch them after/before School on occasions, etc. Could you please let the School know. The children can keep them in their bags but we need to know they are here.

We would also prefer the phones to not be able to Access the School wifi, nor use their own data because we cannot keep children safe if they are

Tablets/chromebooks/ipads and laptops definitely need to have a signed BYOD permission form before they are brought to School. Not only could they be used incorrectly, but could easily be broken, miss used by other people or stolen. The BOT require families to complete the BYOD permission form as it explains when and where the devices are allowed to be used.

No devices are to be used during break times, unless directly supervised by a staff member.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

16/11	Teacher Only Day – No	
	School	
20/11	Rural Schools Athletics	
24/11	PTA Meeting	
24-27/11	Year 5/6 Camp	
02/12	BOT Meeting	
	Conclude Roto Athletics Day	
03/12	Year 6 Leavers Dinner	
04/12	Kapahaka Performance 2pm	
06/12	Cambridge Christmas	
	Parade	
11/12	Final Assembly 2.15pm incl.	
	Miss Munford-Stokes farewell.	
	End of term for Years 1 - 5	
14/12	Last Day of Term 4 – Teachers,	
	and Year 6 students	

The full school calendar is on our website and in the Skoolloop app. So you can keep up with what is coming up over the next weeks and months.

We use 4-5 mediums to communicate the vast majority of what is going on in the school which is becoming burdensome. Now we are going to only use 3: the Skoolloop app on your phone, Facebook, and the school newsletter/notices. Please make sure you are accessing at least 1 of these 3 to stay informed.