



Roto Review

We live by
our motto of
AIM HIGH

Kia ora Koutou Katoa,

TEACHER ONLY DAYS

TOMORROW we are having a Teacher Only Day.

All state schools in Cambridge will be closed on this day, with the teachers participating in a Professional Learning Day as part of the Te Oko Horoi Kahui Ako (Cambridge Community of Learning). Speakers such as Meng Foon, the race relations commissioner, Nigel Latta and Dr Richard Hill are all presenting. The Kahui Ako is about all the schools working together and to raise the teaching and learning at all schools in Cambridge. This Teacher Only Day is one of the things the Kahui Ako does to facilitate that alignment and growth of the profession.

Monday June 28th is another Teacher Only Day for MOE training on Behaviour Modification techniques for all the staff. There are a few behaviours that are impacting the learning at school currently but thankfully the vast majority of the students are going about their learning very well. The support we gain from the MOE will be good for all students, but also will make changes to those challenging behaviours.

MATARIKI HAANGI

To celebrate Matariki we are holding a traditional haangi on Friday 2nd July in the evening here at school, and the PTA have decided to put on a disco. As you can see from the panui below, entertainment is part of the Matariki tradition, so thanks to the PTA for their extra contribution. Thank you also to our Roto whaanau who are organising the fry bread & stuffing, serving up meals AND of course the ones who are supplying all the haangi gear and laying the haangi. Extra help is always gratefully received so please let us know if you can help out.

Order forms have gone home and been sent digitally, so make sure you complete and return these asap so we can order the amount of food needed. We have extended the reply deadline to Monday 21st June.

The classes will be doing some learning around Matariki and the importance this time holds.

The rise of Matariki in the winter skies above Aotearoa is an important time in the Maaori calendar, as it signifies the start of the Maaori new year. For Maaori, astronomy was interwoven into all facets of life. Experts would observe the night sky, charting star and planet movements, the relationship of the stars and planets to the moon and sun, while also noting what was happening on the whenua (land) and in the moana (ocean), roto and awa (lakes & rivers). All of these celestial star beings were attributed qualities and named accordingly, and their stories were woven into the history of the people. Historically, new year celebrations provided the opportunity for whaanau to come together to acknowledge the year gone by, prepare and plan for the year ahead; to celebrate with kai, koorero, ceremony and entertainment.

JOHN PARSONS VISIT

John is a well known risk and internet safety expert and he's coming to our school on Thursday 24th June.

His lessons with the children are very age appropriate with a lot of discussion around our inner circle of people we trust (family, close friend). These are the people we share close information with like our age, address, phone number, times we are at home, etc. We don't share any of that information with people outside our inner circle of trusted people. So his lessons are not just about the digital world, its is also about being safe in general.

John also runs parent evenings so you can be proactive and pre-emptive for your child's safety. He will give you the skills and knowledge necessary to keep your child or teen safe in their world. I attend his meetings every year and always walk away with something new for my own family. We are not hosting a parent evening but there are one's at other schools who have invited our parents attend. Cambridge East Tuesday 22nd June @ 7pm (aimed at parents of primary aged children) or Cambridge High School on Monday 21st June @ 7pm (aimed at parents of teenagers).

WELCOME TO...

New entrant Hunter and Room 2 student Kaa-Lyn, who have joined our school since the last newsletter. We welcome you and your respective whaanau to our school community and look forward to seeing you settle in and make new friends. Hunter wasn't available for a photo so we'll catch him next time.



REPORTS AND CONFERENCES

Mid year written school reports are coming home on Friday 2nd July, & Student/Parent/Teacher conferences being held on Tuesday 6th and Thursday 8th July.

Conferences are a chance to celebrate with your child, the learning they have been doing so far this year. It also provides a chance to catch up on how they are going and what are the things they can be learning in the future. If there is anything specific you wish to discuss with the teacher, this is a great opportunity, however it is about celebrating your child's learning. If you have any concerns about their learning, please don't wait until student conferences to discuss them. Contact the teacher and make an appointment. Then you won't have the time pressure a conference night has.

BOT VACANCY

As part of the process for filling the vacancy on the BOT there is a survey to be conducted. The position can be filled by either 1/. A by-election (calling for nominations and all families voting) or 2/. Selection (parents put their names forward and the BOT select a person with the skills and knowledge they need on the Board).

Remember to have your say about whether to have a By-election or to have Selection. Send an email to bot.chair@rotoorangi.school.nz if you want a By-election to happen. Do nothing if you want the BOT to proceed with a Selection. **Voting closes on Monday 21st June.**

If you wish to be considered for the position on the BOT and you haven't already done so, please email the office your name and a little bio about yourself and what skills you bring.

TE REO TANTALISERS

A new karakia to learn:

**Heuea ngā rangi tuatinitini,
Heuea ngā rangi pōkaikaha
Kia maiangi ake te hautupua
Tau tonu, mau tonu, ākina!**

Here is how to pronounce it using english phonics
Hair-oo-ee-ar nar rung-ee too-a-tinny-tinny
Hair-oo-ee-ar nar rung-ee poor-kai-car-har
Kee-ar my-ung-ee ar-key tare hoe-too-poo-ar
Toe tor-noo, mow tor-noo, ar-key-na

It means: Remove self-doubt,
and anxiety
That your talent may shine
Settled, ready, to be challenged.

WINTER SPORTS DAY

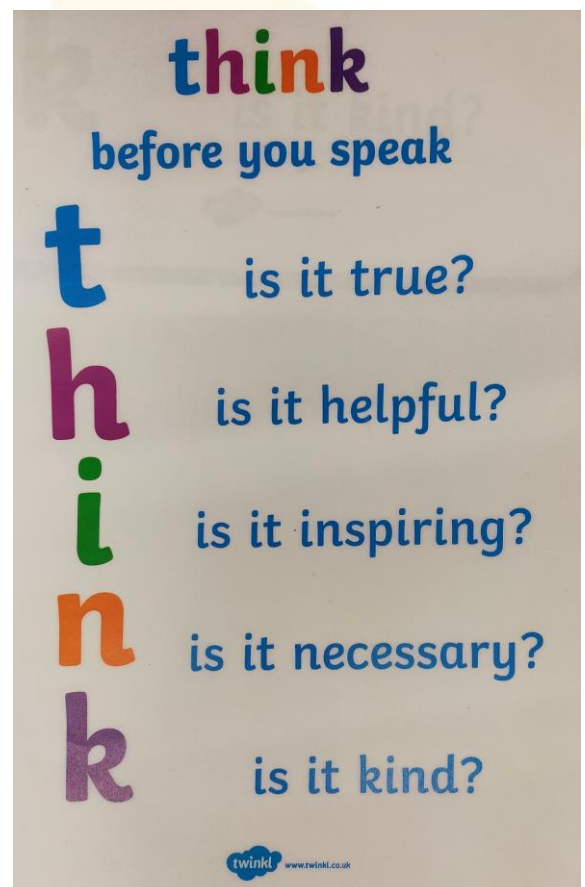
The Year 5/6 children will be participating in the Rural Schools' Winter Sports Day next Friday June 25th. *Please note that the year 4 students are not able to participate this year.* This is a participation in various sports day with the focus on meeting students from other schools while playing some different, interesting and fun sports games. Please return the forms asap with the permission and transport section completed so that we can organise the transport. The form can be completed on the Skool Loop App if you don't have the paper copy.

Parents are welcome to come along to the day to watch their children play. It can be a bit hard to find them because there will be 15 different games going on and the teams moving sports and fields every 30 mins, but it is quite an enjoyable day. The schools are all split up and intermingled with each other so that we get to know people from other schools too.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

A positive approach we are working with at school to help everyone treat each other better has the acronym THINK. We would appreciate families having conversations at home about the ideas behind each line.

If all families can support the positive behaviours behind these words, what a great school we will have.



HOT FOOD WEDNESDAY CONTINUES

Please do not send pot noodles/2 minute noodles in with your child as these will not be prepared for them.

LOST PROPERTY

Thank you to Rosie for sorting out our lost property and posting up photos on the parents FB group. A huge amount is still left so please check this out if you come into school. We will wash it all and donate it to an op shop at the end of the term.

Don't forget to clearly name your child's belongings to avoid this in the future.

LAUNCHPAD (Bible In Schools)

Lessons will run until the end of the term. They are held in the MP Room from 11.50 – 12.20. The theme of the lessons will be based on Elijah and the Values: respect, integrity, community, equity and participation.

IGNITE MUSIC

We have had a huge uptake in the music lessons provided by Ignite Music, a Cambridge based company. This is awesome to see.

Lessons are at School on a Thursday 9 – 11am. If you are wanting your child to learn an instrument then contact them to see if there is any space available.

Ignite Arts Academy offer amazing holiday programmes too, so check out their website for more information.

CMS PRODUCTION – Aladdin Jr.

There Year 5/6 children will be attending the Cambridge Middle School production of Aladdin Jr. on 7th July. This is an opportunity for the children going off to CMS in the next year or two to experience one of their productions, to inspire and give them the confidence to participate when they are there.

We will need support with transport, but I am not sure we will have any extra tickets for parents who help us, but we will work on it.

CMS can be daunting at times because of its size so we do try to expose the Roto children to CMS events to help them be more comfortable when they do go there.

Well done to Harlan from Room 3 who recently received Player of the Day for rugby!

Feel free to send in your child's sporting achievements for us to include them in future newsletters.



WRITER'S CORNER

Thank you to Mitch E from Room 5 for sharing with us this wonderful piece of characteristic writing about someone who has impacted on his life...

We think you're right on the money there, Mitch!

A kind and welcoming smile, keep going and a funny attitude. Who is this kind helping superhero?

Rod!

He is the heart of the school and a legend.

He has a heart warming and day making voice, bright defining earmuffs, hard working steel cap boots and very bright shiny eyes but don't forget the big ear to ear smile.

Rod is always out there peacefully with his bright beaming leaf blower, proudly blowing the leaves.

He is so cool headed and unworried.

To think of Rod being so cool and chirpy I think inspires us to be like him in the future.

Rod makes me and my friends want to be more a part of the school. All of my friends think Rod is a legend and they are so right.

Thank you Rod so much for simply, just being who you are.



Roto PTA Matariki Disco Friday 2nd July after the haangi, over in the Roto Hall. Send your child's song requests to the PTA via Roxy ☺

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| 18/06 | Te Oko Horoi Teachers PLD day
(All Cambridge schools are closed) |
| 23/06 | BOT Meeting 6pm |
| 25/06 | Rural Sch. Winter Sports Day (Yr 5/6) |
| 28/06 | Teacher Only Day (MOE Training) |
| 02/07 | Matariki Haangi Evening
Followed by Matariki Disco |
| 06/07 | Student Conferences |
| 07/07 | Yr 5/6 attending CMS Production |
| 08/07 | Student Conferences |
| 09/07 | Last Day Term 2 - Assembly 2.10pm
Miss Russell's last day. |

An up to date calendar can be found on the home page of our school website.



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