

angi School Roto Review

We live by our motto of AIM HIGH

Teenaa koutou ngaa Maatua,

SPEECH COMPETITIONS

Roto Speech night is next Thursday, 1st September at 7pm.

The children have been working hard on their speeches over the last few weeks, and we have just started the in-class presentations in some classes. Three finalists will be chosen by Tuesday from each Group (Year 1/2 poetry recital, Year 3/4 personal speech, Yr 5/6 persuasive speech). The Group finalists then go on to attend the Roto Speech night to deliver their speech to an audience of staff and finalists' family members. Public speaking is nerve-wracking but it is an amazing skill to develop. Your child may like some support at home - practising their speech in front of the whaanau can be a great way to prepare for their class competition!

All whaanau and ngaa hoa (family and friends) are welcome to attend the Roto Speech night to support the children. We would like all visitors seated by 6.55pm so we can start at 7.00pm. So that we don't have to have windows and doors wide open, we do ask all visitors over the age of 12 to be masked whilst inside, unless you have an exemption. The Yr 5/6 winner from this night goes on to attend the Cambridge Rotary Speech Night on Tues 13th September. Here our student will compete against all other primary schools, including Cambridge Middle School. A tough ask but a great challenge to resilience.

HEALTH CURRICULUM MEETING

Every two years the school is required to consult the community on our Health Curriculum. **TONIGHT** is a kanohi ki te kanohi/face-to-face meeting at 7.00pm in the MP Room to outline the curriculum we are proposing to hold over the next 2 years. We are seeking input from the community about things they would like included. An email with an online form to respond to the same information has already been sent out. Thank you to the families who have stated their preferences online already.

PHOTO DAY TOMORROW

Tomorrow we are holding the school photo shoots. There are a couple of school sports teams - Touch rugby and Miniball. The children will need their school shirts and black shorts for the sports teams. Otherwise, the children just need to come in nice clothes for their individual, family and class photos. You do not have to purchase any of the photos, but all students will be photographed anyway. Then you can view a small digital version just in case you change your mind and do want one.

CROSS COUNTRY

The children have started training for the Rural Schools' Cross Country on Friday 9th September. They could do some "homework" on this - What a great opportunity to get out with the kids and do some exercise! It does not have to be the rather boring long distance running, unless you get them to run while you ride the bike. Get out with the dog, play basketball without being allowed to stand still, and continuous tag is a heart starter too!

Note - Our own Cross Country day is 23/09/2022.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO YOU....

Katene Hepi

Kia ora koutou,

I'm Katene Hepi, I was born in Te Puke but raised in Taumarunui, my father is one of 17 children and I have over 120 first cousins (yep I can hear some of your jaws hit the floor after reading that). I left home at the age of 18 to



join the New Zealand Defence Force where I was able to grow and learn from senior military members before deploying on a 6 month operation at the age of 20. After completing my 6 year contract I left for the UK, where I lived and worked for 3 years. I returned home in 2008 and started my Electrical Engineering Trade. I currently work for CHP Electrical and I am a project manager in the commercial division.

My association with the school began four years ago when my step daughter began attending Roto-o-Rangi and now my son, Ananias, has started his first year with Mrs Goldsman. Over the next 3 years I look forward to building relationships with the rest of the board and the community. I believe the school has so much potential and room to grow. I know that we will face challenges along the way but we will be ready.

Sarah Tipene

"Ko te ahurei o te tamaiti arahia oo taatou mahi."

I Whanau mai ahau ki raro I te arai o Maungatautari. I taakaro au ki roto I te wai o tooku tuupuna awa. Ko Waikato tooku tupuna awa. He uri au noo Ngati Koroki Kahukura. Ko Sarah Tipene ahau.



Kia ora e te whaanau. My name is Sarah

Tipene. I was born and raised around Cambridge. I have two children at Roto-O-Rangi school and one child who has recently moved on to Middle school. My whaanau have been a part of the Roto-O Rangi School community for 6 years so far and we have been fortunate enough to experience many opportunities within our kura that only come from being a part of a small rural school. Roto-O-Rangi has provided a learning space with room for growth, catering to the needs and aspirations of the whanau. I have worked in the Early Childhood Education sector for the past eight years previously with Playcentre where I served over the years as property officer, treasurer, and president of the board. I currently work as a kaiawhina for Te Koo Utu Koohanga Reo where I am a Kaiako representative on the committee. I would like to help grow and strengthen our relationships with whanau within our school, our wider whaanau, community, and local iwi to produce desirable outcomes for all involved. I believe my experience in the education sector has given me knowledge that can be used to support our wonderful teachers and whanau to achieve their aspirations. The whakatauki I started with is one that I believe in and use daily in my own life. I think it is appropriate to use in this setting as a potential board member. In English it reads

"Let the uniqueness of the child guide our work."

Renata Gibson

I am Renata Gibson. Wife of Adrian Gibson. Mother of two amazing girls Melita and Azalia. I was born and bred in Cambridge. I grew up on a dairy farm in Fencourt. Growing up with the open spaces of the farm and currently living in Leamington has given me a solid grasp of both Rural and Urban



After leaving school I completed study in Early Childhood Education and Office Administration.

I worked in hospitality and ECE before I gained employment as an Administrator in the Transport Industry. I worked in administration then management within the Transport industry for over 10 years before leaving to have my Children. Having 2 small children and being a stay-at-home mum, I enrolled at Leamington Playcentre so I could be a part of my girl's education. I was there a month before being voted in as President and held this role until I decided to leave at the end of 2021. Melita started Roto-O-Rangi School in Room 1, Term 1, 2021. Azalia will start in Room 1, Term 1, 2023. During our short time at Roto-O-Rangi School, I have joined the PTA, taken on Milo Mondays, became a member of the BOT in mid-2021 and more recently the PB4L team. I am looking forward to all the positive changes within the school over the coming years and feel privileged to be a part of it.

Rachael Brooky

Hi I'm Rachael Brooky. I grew up in Pukekohe and shifted to Mt Maunganui where **Applied** completed an Science degree in marine and environmental studies. I have been fortunate enough to live and travel through



various countries but feel very lucky to be settled here in the Mighty Waikato with my hubby and two boys.

I currently work for the LIC field staff. I am new to the whole school thing, with my eldest son having started here at the beginning of this year, but I'm really excited to be a part of the Roto-O-Rangi School community and to help support and shape the direction of our kura.

WELCOME TO NATHAN

Nathan has joined Room 1 as a new entrant, alongside older Brother, Joshua, who has been at school for a year. Nate is settling in just fine and already has lots of friends!



OUR BOT (cont)

Emma-Louise Emery-Sinclair

Apart from being the mother of two Roto rascals, I am a social entrepreneur and foodie activist. Professionally, I am a co-director at Impact Hub Waikato and passionate advocate for business as a vehicle for change. I spend my days empowering individuals



and businesses to tap into their values and passion for a better, fairer world.

Originally from Sweden, I came to New Zealand for love in 2012, and we settled in Roto-O-Rangi in 2015 when we bought the little cottage near the school. As a family, we spend most of our time with our hands in the dirt, or in nature, and we are also keen travellers something we have missed during the pandemic! We absolutely love it here in Roto, and I am thrilled to be on the Board Of Trustees and help support the school in any way I can. I hope that my contribution will be to look to the tamariki for their leadership and innovation for a better future.

BOOK WEEK - Last week of Term

We have scheduled our Roto Book Week for the last week of this term, 26th - 30th September.

Each day the students will take part in different activities relating to books and reading, including author visits, a magician visit, teacher's reading their most favourite book and dressing up.

There will be books on display from Scholastic PaperPlus Cambridge which can be and purchased. In the past, families have purchased books from those on display and donated them to the school to diversify the range of books we already have. It is a great way to get your child's favourite author or genre of book onto our library shelves. The week will end with a Grandparents'/Special Persons' Day, where we invite those special people in the lives of our tamariki to share some reading time at the kura. We realise there are many children here who don't have grandparents around, and so they can invite whichever special person they would like to.

On that day we also invite everyone in our kura (including our teachers) to come dressed as their favourite book character! This is time to really go to town and come up with some wacky costumes - there are some great ideas online.

TIKANGA TANTALIZERS

Pepeha is a method of sharing who you are, where you are from and connections you have with family. Not everyone has a strong connection to a specific place like a maunga/mountain, or awa/river, etc. Below is an example of a pepeha that still shares who you are, where you are from and connections but shows a slightly different level of connection. Anyone can learn and use their pepeha so why not give it a go?

No oku tiipuna. My ancestors are from	1
Ko raaua ko oku kaumatua.	
and are my grandparents.	
E tipu ake au ki I grew up in	
E noho ana au ki I now live in	
Ko tenei taku mihi ki ngaa tangata whenua o te roh	e nei.
I acknowledge the people of this	s land
Ka mihi hoki au ki nga tohu o te rohe nei.	
I acknowledge the important landmarks of thi	is area.
Ko au / am	
No reira, teenaa koutou katoa.	
Therefore I acknowledge y	ou all.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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25/08	Health Curriculum Hui 7pm
26/08	School Photos
1/09	Roto Speech Competition
2/09	Assembly 2.10pm
4/09	Father's Day
5/09	PTA Meeting
9/09	Rural Schools' Cross Country
12-16/09	Te Wiki o te Reo Maaori
13/09	Yr 6 Orientation visit to CMS
	Rotary Speech Competition
14/09	BOT Meeting 6pm (new Board)
16/09	Assembly 2.10pm
19/09	Ag Day entries due in
21/09	Taki Rua performance in Roto Hall
23/09	Roto School Cross Country
26-30/09	Roto Book Week
29/09	Elgregoe the Magician performance
30/09	Last Day Term 3 -
	Book Day Dress up
	Grandparents/Special Person Day
	PTA School Disco in evening
21/10	Ag Day
26/10	Group (Ag) Day



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