



# Roto Review

We live by  
our motto of  
**AIM HIGH**

Teena koutou ngaa Maatua,

## AG DAY and GROUP DAY WINNERS

Congratulations to all the children who competed in the school's Ag Day and the few children who went on to compete at Cambridge Schools' Group Day. All of you competed so well. It was obvious you had spent a lot of time with your animals and had cared for them. Even though the lambs and calves don't always behave the way we want on competition day, it was obvious the effort you had put in with them. The bonds with your animals were strong. You can find all the results from our Ag Day and Group Day on our website; head to Additional Learning Opportunities - Ag Day - and scroll to the bottom of the page, or you can click on this link if you are viewing the newsletter online [Ag Day Results](#)



**A massive thank you to Roxy** for her single-handed organisation of both days, and especially Group Day because it was her first ever and hadn't even attended one before to know what it looked like. Secondly, thank you to the parents and PTA for all the extra things which added to the day - erecting the rings the night before and taking them down again, organising the food, the marshalls at the rings, looking after the judges, the amazing raffle, etc.

Thirdly thanks to the judges: our local family judges - Debbie and Andra - for their time to judge the baking and garden in a bucket; the official judges of lambs, kids and calves - Monique and Kay.

A big thank you to Nick Dawson and his colleagues from Westpac who not only provided all the food and gear for the sausage sizzle, but cooked it too. Nick is a former Roto parent, and we are grateful that he continues to come back to help us on Ag Day!

We also thank all our wonderful sponsors - please support their businesses if you can, as they have been very generous in supporting us. There is a list on the back of this newsletter.

***Don't forget to bring back your trophies and cups to be engraved!***

## GUMBOOT FRIDAY

**Raising money to provide free and timely counselling for any young Kiwi kids in need**

We celebrated Gumboot Friday today as part of the national fundraising & awareness event. For anyone who has experienced depression it can feel like you're trudging through mud in gumboots every single day. Hence the gumboot representing this worthwhile cause. Roxy told the students she will donate \$2 for every child who completes a gumboot colouring picture by 3pm today. So far she has coughed up \$80, so well done tamariki maa! We will update you on our totals next week, but as it stands at the moment we have raised just over \$180. If you'd like to add to this, either pop some money into the school account, or head to [www.gumbootfriday.org.nz](http://www.gumbootfriday.org.nz) where you can donate directly!



## SENIOR CAMP

The Year 5/6 students are heading over to Waihi Beach for their camp next week. There are lots of exciting things happening, even if the weather late in the week isn't so exciting. Everyone will need their values of Resilience and Respect to get through 4 action-packed days. Thank you to the parents who are able to come along and support us. **Please pay your camp fees by Monday or contact Roxy if this will be a problem.**

## ROTO ATHLETICS

In a couple of weeks, **Tues 15th Nov**, we will be holding our Roto Athletics Day. The programme has already been sent out. The basic plan for the day is field events in the morning - discus/quoit throwing, shot putt, long jump, high jump and vortex throw. The children will move from 1 field event to the next each ½ hr. In the afternoon there are the running races. Each age group will do 2 sprints, the 2nd slightly further than the first. The day finishes with the House relay. We also have the Athletics Cups - a 100m sprint and a 400m race. This is another great opportunity for the children to dress up in their house colours, colour their hair and do some face painting.

## PB4L

Our reasoning is:

***to help create an environment where everyone can experience a sense of belonging/Tuurangawaewae. We will do this through modelling, teaching, learning and rewarding positive behaviours to enhance our relationships. When children feel safe and connected, our learning can flourish.***

Please complete the online feedback form for the next stage of our PB4L process which has been emailed and sent via the skoolloop app.

Here is the link:

<https://forms.gle/T9MRRVtkg62oQtHA8>

This form has 2 sections.

**Section 1** - these are the broad behaviours we believe typify the Value associated with them. If all people (children, staff, parents, visitors, etc.) use these behaviours all the time, then our kura will be an awesome place to be.

We are asking if parents agree with the 4-5 broad behaviours we will promote as being important. We only want 4-5 broad behaviours otherwise the children (and adults) won't remember them. You can add suggestions too.

**Section 2** - the unacceptable behaviours are being split into 2 categories Major Behaviour and Minor Behaviour. We would like parents to indicate if the listed behaviours are in the categories they believe they should be in, if not what would you change and if any other behaviours need to be added. Some of the behaviours are very specific and others are broad (which will be made more specific in the future).

You won't see 'bullying' listed because bullying is made up of numerous behaviours, so these behaviours are listed in their own right.

It will only take 5 mins to complete but will give the PB4L Lead Team great support to know we are all moving in the same direction.

## HATS HATS HATS

Term 4 is skin cancer term, so to prevent the children getting it, we return to hat wearing to play in the playground. Wide brimmed hats like bucket hats or cricket hats are required, caps are not acceptable. We have school bucket hats for sale at \$15.

Children without their hat are required to play in designated, shaded areas - archgola, sandpit, trees by staffroom and senior playground, so they still get to have their play.

## WRITER'S CORNER

Once deep in the shadows lived... a shadow.  
He hated being a shadow. He wanted to be colourful.  
So Mr Shadow confidently marched into town.  
He saw a billboard for a Fanta advert. It was so colourful,  
so Mr Shadow couldn't help it. He bought a can and drank it,  
and it made him hyper and energetic, and he realised it  
was actually coffee beans! How did Mr Shadow not realise that?

Sam, Yr 4



## MANA WHENUA UPDATE

Mana whenua are concerned about the section of highway between Cambridge and Paerua. They met with Waka Kotahi Regional Directors as part of a Governance relationship with them to advocate the urgency to upgrade road safety on this section.

*Waka Kotahi have started:*

- 1) legal process & signage regarding temporary speed reduction from 100 - 80km.
- 2) consultation with landowners, stakeholder and community regarding the fast tracking of safety improvements ie medium barriers
- 3) Environmental court procedure regarding SHW1 / 29 (Tauranga intersection) now awaiting consent decision and improvement approval.
- 4) The project teams will be holding an **Information Day on 17 November 2022 from 1-6.30pm at the Cambridge Town Hall.**

*Ngā manaakitanga,  
Karaitiana*

## ACCOUNTS

Please clear the balance of your school account before we finish up in December. Feel free to contact Roxy to work out a payment plan.

## CALLING ALL YEAR 5 FAMILIES!

Our Year 6 Leavers Dinner is organised by Year 5 families, who will decorate, set up, serve and pack down the event. Please get in touch with either Mrs Morris or Roxy to let them know you can help with this. From there, a committee will be formed and it will be handed over to you to organise this very special and memorable event. There is plenty of information to explain what has been done in previous years.

***So far we have had zero offers of help so please consider helping out with this - next year they'll be doing it for you :D***

## UPCOMING EVENTS

04/11	Gumboot Friday
05/11	Guy Fawkes day
08-11/11	Yr 5/6 Camp @ Waihi Beach
15/11	Roto Athletics Day
17/11	ERO visit 2
18/11	Rural Schools' Athletics Day @ Vogel St.
29/11	PTA Meeting - 7pm @ school staffroom
30/11	St John's Ambulance - student safety day
06/12	Christmas Carols @ Town Hall
07/12	BOT Meeting - 6pm @ school Staffroom
09/12	Year 6 Dinner
12/12	End of Year reports go home
13/12	Prizegiving Assembly.
14/12	Last day of the year

It is a tradition at Roto that when it comes to the last day of the year, only the Year 6 students come to school. They help with the final tidy up, get the run of the school uninterrupted and finish off with a water fight. Year 1-5 children finish the day before at 3pm, then we all come back together for one final time at the Prizegiving Assembly that night.

## SKOOL LOOP APP

From next year we are planning to use Skool Loop more than Facebook as a form of directly communicating with our Roto Whaanau. If you don't have Skool Loop then now is a good time to download or update it. We will still use Facebook to share achievements and fun things with our community.

New whaanau, simply go to your App Store and download the app

## SKOOL LOOP APP

A Roto parent is looking for a rental property closer to our school, or at least in the Cambridge/Te Awamutu area. It will preferably have two bedrooms. If you know of one please get in touch with Roxy who will contact the parent.



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