

angi School Roto Review

We live by our motto of AIM HIGH

Dear Parents and Caregivers

NO SCHOOL TOMORROW

Tomorrow is the Cambridge wide Teacher Only Day so that all teachers across all schools can attend the Te Oko Horoi Kahui Ako professional learning day. This day gives our staff access to speakers and educational professionals we would never have the finances to see if it wasn't for the Kahui Ako. We are also looking forward to hearing from educators in Cambridge about all the great work they are doing in their schools.

MATARIKI CELEBRATION

We are looking forward to the Star Gazing morning with the tamariki, keeping warm at the braziers, toasting some marshmallows and eating some kai provided by the PTA.

We would love as many families to come to the breakfast as we can. Matariki is about celebrating with whaanau/family. Looking forward together, in the hope of good times ahead.

Whilst some families will be unable to be here because they do have to stay home with babies, or they'll never get their High Schooler out of bed for it, it would be great to celebrate as a family. If the family can't make it, then the children are welcome by themselves and we will look after them.

Later on we will be having a go at a dance or two related to Matariki. Mr D is a mover and shaker on the dance floor, a sight not to be missed!

Thanks to Matua Harry Wilson, a very prominent member of Ngaati Korikii Kahukura, for giving up time in his busy life to share the stories of mana whenua with us. It is a real gift that mana whenua are prepared to share stories that are very personal to them with the rest of us.

As the wise whakatauki/saying goes:

Kia whakatōmuri te haere whakamua. I walk backwards into the future (with my eyes fixed on my past.) For us to move forward in our future so we don't repeat the past, we need to *know* about the past. The knowledge and understanding of these sites of significance are important for our future, for they are shaping the present anyway. Parents, extended family and whaanau are very welcome to accompany us all on the haerenga.

Then we get to enjoy our first national long weekend for Matariki, starting on Friday 24th June. Enjoy the weekend, and travel safely if you will be heading away anywhere.

WELCOME

This week we welcome Sophia, Jessenia and Olivia to Roto-o-Rangi School. Sophia and Jessenia have moved into the area with their farming families, coming from small rural schools similar to ours. Olivia is a new entrant, beginning her school journey with us. We hope you will all feel very welcome and settle in quickly, making some new friends.







MATARIKI PERMISSION FORMS

An important reminder to please return your child's permission form for our Matariki Haerenga/Trip taking by Monday 20th June.

It is important that you let us know they can attend, and sign the permission form, as we will not have supervision here at school for anyone who is not attending. All students are expected to attend this **important EOTC** (Education Outside The Classroom) trip.

Please get in touch with Roxy or Mr D if you have any queries or require another form.

Breakfast forms also need to be in by Monday morning so the PTA can tally up all the orders.

COUNTRY BUS CHANGE

As of Monday (June 20), the Country bus will be going Clockwise around the Kairangi Loop both in the AM and the PM.

It will be going along Kairangi Rd from school and staying on Kairangi Rd, up past Hewson Rd, Rahiri Rd, Griggs Rd, and then turning on to Robinson Rd back to Kairangi Rd at the start of the Loop to school.

This also means it will be 5-10 minutes earlier for people living on Kairangi Rd (at Kairangi/Robinson Rd intersection at the start of the Loop) and 5-10 mins later for people on Robinson Rd (at the Kairangi/Robinson Rd intersection at the start of the Loop). The pick up and drop off times for those at the top of the loop (Griggs Rd) should be the same. Now the bus will pull over on the same side of the Rd as the intersections.

PB4L

Over half of our families have responded to the Values survey, either online or via a phone call from one of the PB4L Lead Team. There was a resounding belief that Respect / Whakaute; Responsibility / Takohanga; Resilience / Manawaroa were the preferred Values for the school to pursue.

The students had very similar expectations for the types of students they want in our school. The Respect and kindness values were the ones that resonated with them the most.

From here, the team will work with the staff and children to create 4-5 actions that everyone will follow. The actions that typify each of the Values. i.e. how do we act/speak to show we are being respectful. Once again, further anv ideas/contributions from the parents can be sent through the office.

DROPPING OFF EARLY

We are seeing a few children arriving at school before 8.30am again. No student should be coming into the school grounds before 8.30am, except for the children who come on the Country bus.

The teachers need the time before 8.30am to get their work ready for the day and don't need to be supervising children arriving early.

We do not have Before School Care any more because it wasn't being used. If you are wanting us to start running Before School Care again, then let us know and if enough people are going to be using it everyday, then we will restart it.

PICKING BUS CHILDREN UP FROM **SCHOOL**

Please remember to let the office know if you collect your child/ren from school on a day that they would normally catch the bus home. We will not let the bus leave until we have located any missing children. This makes the bus run late and causes additional work at an already busy time of day. Wednesdays seem to be a particular day that this happens, and Fridays after an assembly.

WINTER SPORTS

Chelsie plays for Y6 Leamington Hail netball team and was awarded Player of the Day last Saturday for some great intercepts and energy in wet conditions -Well done Chelsie!

Kiara plays for our Roto Dynamites Miniball Team, coached by Debbie Norvill. She had a great game on Monday evening and was awarded Player of the Day!





It's great to hear about our students' sporting achievements and efforts, so keep them coming each week!

BOOKARAMA THIS WEEKEND

The PTA have organised an amazing Bookarama and winter clothing sale for this coming Saturday, here at school. Come along and grab yourself a bargain book, puzzle or pre-loved clothing item!

Baking and refreshments will also be available, so come on down and support our school's fundraising efforts.



CALLING ALL "ARTY" PEOPLE

We have a plan to add some colour and interest to the school entrance by creating panels to attach to the fence. These will depict who we are and where we are from. Naturally the children will be doing a few of these panels but we are seeking adult input too. Can you draw a picture to go on a panel? If you aren't "arty" then we can get an "arty" person to make your picture come to life. If you are "arty" would you have the time to help the children paint them, or add your flair to other people's ideas? One thing Mr D is keen to have is a panel which represents each culture of the families in our school.

UPCOMING EVENTS

| 17/06 | Te Oko Horoi Teachers PLD day |
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| | (All Cambridge schools are closed) |
| 18/06 | Roto-o-Rangi Bookarama & Clothing |
| | Sale |
| 22/06 | BOT Meeting |
| 23/06 | Star Gazing morning, breakfast & |
| | Local Stories trip |
| 24/06 | Matariki long weekend (Friday) |
| 01/07 | Student Reports go home |
| 05/07 | Student/Parent Conferences |
| 07/07 | Student/Parent Conferences |
| 08/07 | Last Day Term 2 |
| | Assembly 2.10pm |

TE REO TANTALIZERS

What do each of the stars of Matariki represent?

- ★ Matariki is the Mother, gathering people together and encouraging us to connect to our environment and each other.
- ★ Waitii shines for all sources of fresh water and life within them. She reminds us that water sustains us and to take care of it.
- ★ Waita is the twin of Waitii, shining on sources of salt water and protecting the life within it. She calls us to protect the treasures of our coasts and oceans.
- ★ Waipunaa-aa-raangi represents life-giving rain in all its forms; rain, hail, snow, reminding us how vital rain is for the earth's cycle and gifts us with rainbows!
- ★ Ururangi represents the four winds (North, South, East and West) and is associated with Tawhirimatea (god of wind and weather).
- ★ Tupu-aa-rangi is associated with trees, forests and everything that lives and grows within them.
- ★ Tupu-aa-nuku symbolises the growing and nurturing of food that can be harvested; all the edible plants.
- ★ Poohutukawa is the star associated with those who have passed on, and reminds us to remember them.
- ★ Hiwa-i-te-rangi is the wishing star, who grants our wishes and realises our aspirations for the coming year.

Source - Waitangi.org.nz and tepapa.govt.nz

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lambs for Sale \$50 each.

Available from late July, wether (castrated) lambs for pet day or to rear for the freezer. Lambs will be 2 days or older (will have had colostrum), have had scabiguard treatment and tails rung. They will come with a Rearing Guide, feeding bottle, small amount of milk powder and coat. Please call 0272094661 or email aranuifarming@gmail.com if interested. Located

Wharepapa South.

BRAIN PLAY SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Brain Play teaches online after-school science & technology classes to Kiwi kids aged 5 - 13, from right across the country! Online topics this term include 3D printing, coding, animation, STEM experiments, LEGO & more. Free trials available for new students. Check out our timetable on our website and use the form to get in touch www.brainplay.co.nz



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