



Roto Review

We live by
our motto of
AIM HIGH

Dear parents and caregivers,

HAPPY EASTER

I hope that everyone has a very enjoyable Easter. If you are travelling away, be safe on the roads and enjoy the time with family. May the Easter Bunny be generous.



RURAL SCHOOLS' SWIMMING SPORTS

Congratulations to the following children for making it in to the Rural Schools' Team competing at the Cambridge Schools' Swimming Sports today. Libby White, Lucy Dawson, Emma Dawson, Eden Early, Devon Ormsby, Kaylee Grantham, Harry White, Joel Watson & Jimi Trubshaw

Everyone can be proud of their efforts on the day. All swimmers gave it their best and were keen to swim. It was notable how strong the team support was for our swimmers too. You could clearly hear the Roto chant throughout the day. Great school spirit everyone!

WELCOME

Too Room 1 Shamus. Older sister Hollie is so proud to have you here. You have started with such confidence and poise, almost a veteran of school after just a few days.

We also welcome Monique to our staff. She has taken on a teacher aide role and comes with a wealth of knowledge which she has already put to great use.



CONGRATULATIONS AND FAREWELL TO MR EDWARDS

Sadly we have to say goodbye to Mr E at the end of the term.

Grant has earned a promotion to be a Team Leader at Bankwood School in Hamilton. We all wish him the best, and whilst he will never find a school like Roto, we hope he has an exciting time at his new school.

We will hold a farewell assembly for Grant at 2pm on the last day of term – Friday April 13th. Everyone is invited to attend our final, Roto style farewell to Mr Edwards, Rebecca and Beau.

MINIBALL

Last Week's Results.

Roto Rockets lost to Leamington Lakers 42-32

Roto Dynamo's lost to East Hot Shots 48-39

Miniball Draw Friday 30th March

No games as it is Easter

LIBRARY BOOKS

Damaged and lost library books are blowing out our library budget, hence we now need to charge families for any damaged or lost books that children have borrowed. The amount will be set at \$20. No further books will be able to be borrowed until the charge is paid.

SCIENCE ROADSHOW

On the last day of the term the Year 5/6 class will be travelling into the Middle School to participate in a Science Roadshow. There will be a cost of \$10 per student to attend. It is a fun, exciting exposure to Science.

We have also signed up to a group called House of Science who rent out Science equipment to schools. This will launch in the Waipa in Term 3, so look out for some amazing Science learning occurring during the 2nd half of the year.

PHONE SYSTEM

Apologies the phone system has been messed up recently. Everything has been corrected again.

KEEPING THE SCHOOL UP TO DATE

Could families please remember to keep the school up to date with contact details and where their child is. Current email addresses, mobile numbers and people to contact in an emergency are critical if there is a major incident at school. Whilst many of you will not need to be contacted in this situation during your entire association with the school, you don't want to be caught out and be uncontacted on that one occasion something major happens for your child.

We have had a number of incidences lately where we have held up buses, made phone calls home and were placed in very vulnerable positions when children were picked up without letting the office know or the usual arrangements were changed and we only had the word of the child that this was to happen.

PLEASE ensure the office is informed. A message left on the office phone can be accessed by all staff so we can find out of a bus change, pick up change, stay at ASC or someone is not coming to school today. This saves a lot of unnecessary chasing of children, making calls and concern that we are countermanding what a parent have organised.

Thanks for your help keeping us up to date.

ROOM 5 LEADERS

Thank you to all the Room 5 students who were so mature with their help yesterday at the tabloid sports. You are to be commended for your enthusiasm and effort.

There was a steep learning curve as we found out about what 5 and 6 year olds think are fun games, and how hard it is to explain an activity accurately.

But your perseverance and adaptability were great. We all made it through to the end of the day unscathed. A few more days like today and we will get it sorted.

TEACHING IN ROOM 4

At the end of 2017 the BOT informed everyone that our student numbers were low and as a result we went through surplus staffing. Whilst we hoped that we would reach 75 students before the end of the year to get our 4th teacher funded we are not there. With Mr E's departure we are making some important changes within the school.

The BOT are committed to keeping the 4 classes this year and so we have decided on a strategy to do so. From the start of Term 2, Mr D will team teach with a new teacher yet to be employed. The new teacher will be teaching during the mornings, whilst Mr D will teach in the afternoons.

When we get to 75 students we will be back to our current operation, so keep on promoting the school to everyone you know, and don't know. We will need to get closer to 80 if we want to start 2019 off with our 4 teachers though.

COUNTRY BUS RUN

The changes to the Country Bus run take effect as of Wednesday 4th April. All children who catch the morning bus on Norwegian Rd, Tirohanga Rd, Robinson Rd and Kairangi Rd etc. will now need to catch the High School bus to our school. You may want to be at the bus stop before the usual time to wave down the bus driver as they will not be used to picking you up. At this stage the shortened Country Bus run for the rest of the children will run at the same time as it has been.

THANK YOU

We want to thank DBS Electrical (the electricians who are also parents in our school) for their support a few weeks back.

An Auckland school of rowers were staying at the school and the day they arrived we discovered the only shower we had in the school (for the mum's accompanying the crews) had died. So at 6.30pm on a Thursday night, following a desperate phone call, 2 electricians turned up, immediately discovered the fault and repaired it on the spot.

We appreciate you giving up family time to help us out!

WRITER'S CORNER.

Room 4



My brother loves me so much and he loves our cat. He is caring of other people. He eats all the sugar. He likes going swimming with me. He does lots of bombs and doggy paddles. He likes going on bug hunts with me and treasure hunts. He eats a lot of popcorn. He loves making biscuits and I eat a lot with my Mum. He likes going fishing on my Grandpa's boat and so do I. He does long smelling farts and says the s word a lot. He helps me dig up old stuff and wash it. He is always begging my mum when we go shopping to get fizzy drinks. He always uses my Fly Smacker and uses fly spray down my Grandpa's part of the house. He likes making Potions. He is a good artist. He likes colouring in and bike riding with me. His name is Sam and he is the best ever.

By Toby

COMMUNITY NOTICES

MusicHouse: Music lessons – provided during school time so no rushing around after work to get to a lesson. These are on hold due to a lack of numbers. The quality of the group lessons is outstanding so don't miss out on this great opportunity. Guitar, drums, ukulele, keyboard. Contact them on 07 808 0235.

Duck Park: Duck Park are looking for a full time worker to start at the beginning of next month. Hours are 7 am and finish no later than 3 pm. Once a week there is a 3 am start and then home by 12 pm. The main job is spreading shavings for the ducks. Contact Brian Ritchie for more information 027 438 1010.

Thank You: A big thank you to Dave & Lynda Currin for the donation of \$137.00 to our school from their corn sales. The corn was delicious.

UPCOMING EVENTS

29/3	Cambridge Schools' Swim Sports – St Peter's
30/1	Good Friday – Easter Weekend
3/4	Easter Tuesday – still a holiday for schools.
5/4-6/4	Overnight camp at Maungatautari & school.
13/4	Science Roadshow for Rm 5
	Term 1 finishes

PTA NEWS

Our next meeting is Tuesday 3rd April at 7.30pm in the staffroom at school. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in with the fun.

We now have the 2018/2019 Entertainment Book available either at the school office or online on our payment page www.entbook.co.nz/1541q71

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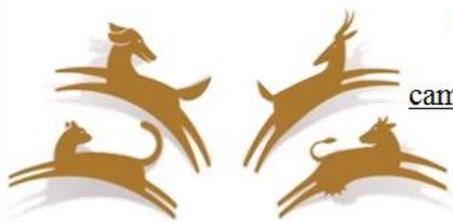


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