



Roto Review

We live by
our motto of
AIM HIGH

Kia ora Koutou Katoa,

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Well the most unusual term in decades concludes tomorrow. Hopefully people will get to enjoy an actual holiday and not just an enforced, stressful time at home like we endured during lockdown. We are grateful that NZ has the freedom to have this holiday time. We hope that families are in the position to take advantage of this time too.

The effects of the Lockdown have been significant, and have affected the children right up to now. We look forward to a new term with children refreshed and ready to focus on their learning with vim and vigour.

A big shout out to everyone for getting through this term as well as we have. It has not been easy for any single person, so we are thankful that we have all made it through.

Term 3 will be a very busy term. The start of the term we will be assessing the children and where their learning is at. Then we will have written reports and parent/teacher/student conferences in Week 5 (17-21 August). Throughout Term 3 the staff will be working with the children to write our own school production and perform it. As always, every child will have their part to play in creating and performing this production.

Performances will be in the last 2 weeks of the term.

Winter sports kick off next term. Rugby and Netball are well on their way. Thank you to the parents who have put their hands up for coaching or managing a team. Hockey will start but no dates have been confirmed yet. The school and inter-school cross countries are all go too.

SCHOOL VISION

Tomorrow is the last chance this term to tell the BOT and the staff what your vision is for the future. We can then make an informed decision about the things we will pursue and the teaching that will guide your children in the future.

The online questionnaire is due back tomorrow afternoon and all returned questionnaires will earn \$5 coffee voucher from Scotts Café and a chocolate fish for their child/ren.

Due to the very low attendance at the last parent meeting we will hold another parent meeting on Wednesday 22nd July at 2.30pm. So come in a little earlier for picking up the kids and join the meeting. The children can then play in the playground supervised by staff until the meeting is finished.

WELCOME

Welcome to our new students Sophia and Zoe who join rooms 2 and 4, and Ava (pictured) who has also started in room 4.



LOST PROPERTY

All the lost property we have will be taken away at the end of the day on Friday. Photos of the items have been posted up in the Roto Parents Facebook group.

VALUES VAULT

Manahau/Resilient is one of the values we have, and one that has been tested over the last term. Here are some simple ways of helping their Resilience:

1. *Kids won't always notice the people who are in their corner cheering them on, so when you can, let them know about the people in their fan club.*
2. *Being brave and strong means knowing when to ask for help. How often do your children see you asking other adults for help?*
3. *Mindfulness supports a healthy response to stress. When this is strong, children will have more of a hand in decisions and behaviour.*

And one that I personally love:

4. *Optimism has been found to be one of the key characteristics of resilient people. The brain can be rewired to be more optimistic through the experiences it is exposed to. If you have a small human who tends to look at the glass as being half empty, show them a different view. This doesn't mean invalidating how they feel. Acknowledge their view of the world, and introduce them to a different one.*

'It's disappointing when it rains on a sports day isn't it. Let's make the most of this. What's something we can do on a rainy day that we probably wouldn't do if it was sunny?' The idea is to focus on what is left, rather than what has been lost.

TE REO TANTALISERS

In case you missed it last time, here is a karakia we are learning as a school to match key things we believe in.

Tuia ki runga	Unite above
Tuia ki raro	Unite below
Tuia ki waho	Unite without
Tuia ki roto	Unite within
Tuia ki here tangata	United as one
Ka rongo te poo	Listen to the night
Ka rongo te Ao	Listen to the word
Haumi e, Hui e, Taiki e.	Join, Gather, Unite.

TOUGH GUY & GAL CHALLENGE

Other work has gotten in the way of the notice I was planning to send out about this! If your child is keen to enter the challenge - AKA the MUD run – please email me and we'll look at which date suits us all best. It would be really cool to have enough kids to get a team together this time! Applies to Year 3/4 and 5/6 only.

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WINTER SPORTS FEES

Netball, Rugby and Hockey begin next term and we have needed to purchase some new equipment to ensure our tamariki have the right gear to play. Therefore, we have increased our sports fees which allows us to cover these costs. We will be looking at replacing our uniforms before the season begins next year, but hoping we can find suitable sponsors to cover this cost.

Rugby socks are available to purchase from Sportsworld in Cambridge at \$15.99 a pair; just ask for Roto-o-Rangi socks.

Uniforms from last year really should have been returned by now, so please bring them back to school so other children are able to use them.

WATERBLASTING

On Monday we will be doing some waterblasting of the wooden playground – weather permitting. As we only have water pressure for 2 waterblasters at a time, if anyone is around from 10am onwards to man a waterblaster for a while just let Mr D know and he will co-ordinate it. If anyone has a good length of hose and ends, even a waterblaster, please bring it along. We will have 2 waterblasters there already but another grunty one would be good.

HEADLICE

Please check your child's hair for headlice and eggs during the holidays and ensure all traces are gone before we return to school for Term 3. We've had a few reports of headlice, particularly in the younger children.

BREAKFAST

They say it's the most important meal of the day, and it really is true! We're noticing more and more children eating their lunch in the morning before school has even started – it must be these chilly mornings! Please make sure your child has a substantial breakfast before leaving home in the morning, and has enough food to see them through the day so they can be alert and actively learning. The Sport Waikato page has great ideas for meals, and we'll be posting up some of their 'nuggets' on our Facebook page to help with ideas.

If your family is struggling with food, or anything else, please get in touch with Mr D or Roxy for a confidential chat, as we have some wonderful contacts in the wider Cambridge community who can help you out.

PLASTIC FREE

How are those plastic free lunchboxes coming along? The holidays will be a great time to review what we put in our childrens' lunchboxes and *how* we put our food in there. July is plastic free month, so we'll be looking at this more when we come back. Ask your child to come up with some ideas on what we can do to reduce our plastic here at school, as we've just today received details of a competition for this!

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

Thank you to the families who have been paying off their school account. The best way to stay on top of your account is to set up a regular automatic payment. The school account number is **02-0316-0126443-000**. Please contact Roxy with any concerns.

PTA

OXFORD PIES

Oxford Pie forms came home with the children recently and some have already been returned with lots of orders on! If you would like a form please email Roxy and she will send you one, or collect a paper copy from the small desk in Reception. Our school receives a portion of all sales made, so it can be an amazing fundraiser for us – plus they're pretty yummy pies to have for dinner on these chilly winter evenings!

DISCO

If you missed the disco last week, it was AMAZING! Huge thanks to everyone who came along, and to the parents who set up, served the kids, and packed down/cleaned the hall afterwards. We couldn't do these things without your help, and it was our biggest fundraising disco yet!

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS NOW ONLINE

Great for discounted trips, activities and food during the holidays!

Entertainment Books from 2019/2020 have now expired and we have a new version available. They are no longer producing the paper copies with vouchers, but you can purchase the online version by heading to this website

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1541q71>

For every subscription you buy, when you nominate our school we receives \$14. So it's a great way to fundraise without spending your time, and you get great discounts well in excess of the cost of the subscription. Spread the word to friends and family!

WRITER'S CORNER

ROOM 2 (Yr 2/3)

Room 2 have been designing their own kites for Matariki and written about their designs and plans for them!

I would fly my kite over the sea and the whole land. I hope it doesn't crash-land. I would make its own airport and I would ride in it.

I control the speed. It looks like batman. Sam
My kite is made of string and flax. The colours are red blue and black. It's shaped as a circle. Kiara
For my kite I have designed a pretty girl. Its eyes are made out of rocks and its body is made out of flowers, sticks, swirls and pipi shells, and it's extremely cool!! I mean SO cool!! Aria

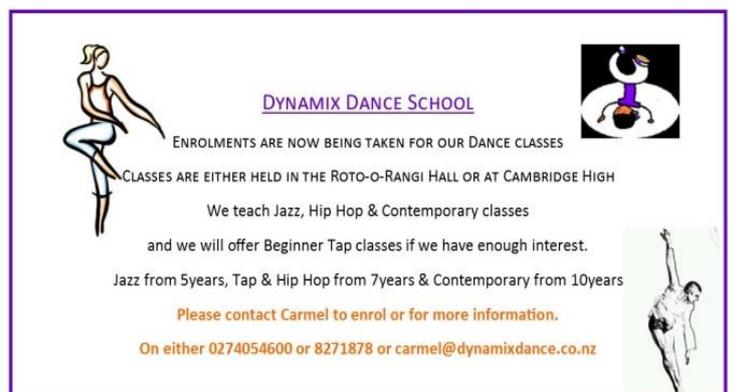
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We teach Jazz, Hip Hop & Contemporary classes and we will offer Beginner Tap classes if we have enough interest.

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