



Roto Review

We live by
our motto of
AIM HIGH

Kia ora Koutou Katoa,

WELCOME BACK TO TERM 3

The winter term has certainly started with plenty of rain so far. I hope everyone had a good break during the school holiday period. The children seem ready for learning and are able to focus much better than last term. In the next couple of weeks the teachers will be doing a lot of assessing ready for reporting in Week 5. The children may have mentioned hauora activities we are doing in class as well now to help focus the mind during learning times. Things like spending a few minutes deep breathing, doing some mindful colouring, and discussing what we are grateful for. Next week the senior classes are trying a focussed learning model trialled in some Hamilton schools of 20mins intense concentrated effort, 5 mins physical activity, 20mins intense concentrated effort, 5 mins activity, 15mins intense concentration, then a break outside.

Over this term we are very busy, as always. However, we do have 2 cross country race days, a school performance that the teachers are writing, reports and interviews, speeches and a speech night, Maaori Language Week and Harold the Giraffe is turning up for a couple of days right at the end of the term. Plus, and most importantly, there is the return of Milo days and Hot Food Wednesdays.

SCHOOL VISION

Next Monday night will be the last chance for parents and caregivers to add their voice to our review of the school Vision. **I will hold a Zoom hui at 7.30pm on Monday night (27th) for people to join.** The Zoom address for the meeting has been emailed out today.

Thank you to those parents who attended hui, added thoughts to the online form or sent their thoughts via paper. This has given us things to consider and will make a richer and current vision.

Over the next few weeks, the Staff, BOT and children will complete their contributions to our Vision as well.

WELCOME TO ROTO!

We welcome three new students to our kura this week;
Darcey (Rm1), Romi-Jayne (Rm2) and Naeco (Rm3).

We can see you settling in and making friends already!

Also pictured here are sisters Sophia (Rm3) & Zoe (Rm4) who started late last term but missed out on the photo.



VALUES VAULT

Manaakitia/Caring is one of the values we have which is easy to show when someone is hurt but not always shown in other ways.

Here are some simple ways of helping their Manaakitia:

Create a Kindness Project

Devise an activity where your family records ONE act of kindness or ONE pleasant activity per day. You might call it your "Kindness Project" or "Happiness Diary." These activities could include helping with dishes, letting someone else go first, taking care of an animal, going out of way for a friend, hugging someone to make them feel better, etc.

Gratitude

Being grateful for what you have leads to Caring for others. At dinner time, sit down to a meal together and talk about one thing you are grateful for today.

Doing "with"

Encourage children not just to "do for" others but to "do with" others, working with diverse groups of students to respond to community problems.

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

Tuia ki raro

Tuia ki waho

Tuia ki roto

Tuia ki here tangata

Ka rongo te poo

Ka rongo te Ao

Haumi e, Hui e, Taiki e.

Unite above

Unite below

Unite without

Unite within

United as one

Listen to the night

Listen to the word

Join, Gather, Unite.

On our school website we are adding te reo resources. The things we are learning at school we will be adding to the school website for families who would also like to practice these activities at home.

Just go to www.rotorangi.school.nz then go to Parent Information then Helping Learning at home.



DYNAMIX DANCE SCHOOL

ENROLMENTS ARE NOW BEING TAKEN FOR OUR DANCE CLASSES

CLASSES ARE EITHER HELD IN THE ROTO-O-RANGI HALL OR AT CAMBRIDGE HIGH

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

Jazz from 5years, Tap & Hip Hop from 7years & Contemporary from 10years

Please contact Carmel to enrol or for more information.

On either 0274054600 or 8271878 or carmel@dynamixdance.co.nz



REPORTING TO PARENTS

Since returning from lockdown last term we have noticed children are struggling to get up to those expected levels that we "traditionally" measure against when you don't have a world pandemic. They were exhausted 2 weeks out from the holidays and struggled to concentrate in lessons. We do need to consider this when we report to you in a few weeks time. We do hope that with the rest over the last holidays that we might be able to accelerate that learning over the next 6 months or so and have everyone back on track. We won't be cramming teaching into them to help that acceleration, but hope to some changes in teaching techniques will help.

WATERBLASTING

A huge thank you to Rob Dines, who spent 6hrs waterblasting the school playground equipment at the start of the holidays during that rather wet Monday. It looks sooo much better. Even the children have commented about how awesome it looks.

MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN DAY

Year 6 families are invited to the Cambridge Middle School Open Day on Friday 7th August at either 9.30am or 1.30pm. Families do need to get their own child to and from CMS themselves. In September there will be an orientation day for the students, which is where we accompany them to CMS.

WHIZZBANG SCIENCE

On the morning of Thursday 6th August our tamariki will be lucky enough to receive a visit from Whizzbang Science, bringing us their Unbelieve-a-Bubble Show. The show has been a hit across our community and the schools they have performed at, and is suitable for years 1 – 7. The show encourages students and teachers to realise the relevance of science in our lives whilst taking them on an exploration through the material world to see how chemicals react and interact. Thank you to our amazing PTA for covering the cost of this for us!



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PLASTIC FREE

How are those plastic free lunchboxes coming along? We have seen some awesome lunchboxes with no plastic at all, or using re-usable containers. The best part was that many of those lunchboxes belonged to our youngest students. Well done Room 1 parents!

6 easy ways you can make your child's lunch box waste-free

1. Invest in a non-toxic and durable lunch box.
2. **Swap plastic wrap for beeswax wraps.**
3. Swap disposable water bottles or pre-packaged fruit juice containers for reusable stainless steel or Bisphenol A (BPA) free plastic water bottles.
4. **Swap single-use sandwich bags for reusable sandwich bags.**
5. Swap plastic utensils for stainless steel, BPA free plastic or bamboo cutlery.
6. **Swap pre-packaged yoghurt tubs for reusable stainless steel or BPA free plastic containers.**

WINTER SPORTS FEES

If you missed this in the last newsletter; We have needed to purchase some new equipment to ensure our tamariki have the right gear to play Netball, Rugby and Hockey. 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.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

Winter Sports fees and Town Bus fees are currently being invoiced. Please pay these as soon as possible. The school account number is **02-0316-0126443-000**. Please contact Roxy with any concerns.

PTA - OXFORD PIES

Oxford Pie forms have now been processed and the pies ordered. The delivery date is 30th July (next Thursday) so please come to the MP Room to collect all the pies from your order forms that afternoon.



WRITER'S CORNER

Thank you to Ryan in Room 5 for this powerful and thought provoking piece of writing

Clang! Goes the door. In my cage I can see humans staring at me, where are my family, my friends and my home? How would you like this if it was you? Keeping animals in captivity is terrible and cruel. This is why.

How would you like it if some random animals captured you, hit you, and locked you up in the wild? That is what we are doing to them. Did you know that between three and five thousand animals all over the world die every year in captivity?

Fortunately, in New Zealand it is illegal to have animals in circuses but in other countries like Africa it is still allowed. Did you know that tigers are afraid of fire? That means that tigers are more afraid of their trainers than being burnt by the rings of fire they jump through. That is how cruel circuses are.

You're probably thinking what about zoos? Well zoos have three aims. 1. To earn money. 2. To inform. 3. To breed the animals and then release them. But animals raised in captivity can't survive in the wild. If you have watched Doctor Doolittle 2 you will know what I mean.

In conclusion, I definitely believe animals should be left alone the way nature intended. As it says in the Bee Movie 'why does their life have any less value than yours?'

Let the animals go!!

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS ONLINE

They are no longer producing paper copies of the entertainment book 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 and you will receive amazing discounts well in excess of the cost of the subscription. Spread the word to friends and family!

SPORTS DRAWS

Draws for the next two weeks

HOCKEY

Friday 24 July 5.45pm

Field 1

CPS Waikato Vs Roto Incredibles

Friday 31 July 7.30pm

Field 1

Kaipaki Lightning Vs Roto Incredibles

RUGBY

Saturday 25 July

6th Grade

8.30am Field 2C

CPS Green Vs St Peters/Roto

8th Grade

9.15am Field 3A

CPS Magic Vs Hora/Roto/Kai

9th Grade

10.05am Field 2A

Hora/Roto/Kai/Te Miro Vs Leamington Warriors

11th Grade

10.05am Field TV4

Roto/St Peters Vs Matangi/Hora/Kai

Saturday 1 August

6th Grade

8.30am Field 2C

Tauwhare Small Blacks Vs St Peters/Roto

8th Grade

9.15am Field 3A

Matangi Mumu Vs Hora/Roto/Kai

9th Grade

10.05am Field 2A

East/Hautapu Vs Hora/Roto/Kai/Te Miro

11th Grade

10.05am Field TV4

Roto/St Peters Vs CPS Chiefs

MINIBALL

Monday 27 July 5.00pm

Court 1

Leamington Lakers Vs Roto Dynamos

Monday 3 August 5.00pm

Court 2 Roto Dynamos Vs CES Hotshots

NETBALL

Saturday 25 July

FF Yr 3/4

9.35am Court 2

Roto Magic Vs CPS Green

FF Yr 5/6

10.45am Court 7

Roto Comets Vs Goodwood Magics

FF Yr 1/2

Wednesdays at 3.45pm

Netball draws are issued weekly and can be found on the New World Cambridge Netball Website.

UPCOMING EVENTS

31/7	Assembly 2.10pm MP Room
5/8	BOT Meeting 6pm
6/8	Whizz Bang Science Show
7/8	CMS Open Day for Yr6 students
10/8	Teacher Only Day – No School
14/8	Assembly 2.10pm MP Room
17/8	Mid-year reports come home
18/8	Parent/Teacher Conferences
20/8	Parent/Teacher Conferences
21/8	Spirit of Gold Mufti Day
26/8	Illustrator Visit
28/8	Roto Cross Country



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