



Roto Review

We live by
our motto of
AIM HIGH

Dear parents and caregivers,

TEACHER ONLY DAYS

TOMORROW we are having a Teacher Only Day. Staff will be finalising assessment data and organising our mid year reports throughout the day.

There is another TOD **on Friday June 18th**. All state schools in Cambridge will be closed on this day, with the teachers participating in a Professional Learning Day as part of the Te Oko Horoi Kahui Ako (Cambridge Community of Learning). And finally, **Monday June 28th**, for MOE training on Behaviour Modification techniques. Further information about this new TOD is in the BOT news.

WINTER SPORTS DAY

The Year 4-6 children will be participating in the Rural Schools' Winter Sports Day on June 25th. This is a participation in various sports day with the focus on meeting students from other schools while playing some different, interesting and fun sports games. Please return the forms asap with the permission and transport section completed so that we can organise the transport. The form can be completed on the Skool Loop App if you don't have the paper copy.

Parents are welcome to come along to the day to watch their children play. It can be a bit hard to find them because there will be 15 different games going on and the teams moving sports and fields every 30 mins, but it is quite an enjoyable day. The schools are all split up and intermingled with each other so that we get to know people from other schools too.

TE REO TANTALISERS

A new karakia to learn:

**Heuea ngā rangi tuatinitini,
Heuea ngā rangi pōkaikaha
Kia maiangi ake te hautupua
Tau tonu, mau tonu, ākina!**

Remove self-doubt,
and anxiety
That your talent may shine
Settled, ready, to be challenged.

WELCOME TO...

Mia who started in Room 1 last week, being reunited with some of her friends from Kindy, which has made it easier for her to settle into school life.

We also welcome brothers Callan and Cameron who moved onto a farm up the road on 'Gypsy Day' (1st June). We welcome their family to the Roto-o-Rangi area and know the boys are already making lots of new friends.



PINK SHIRT DAY

It was awesome to see the pink turn out this year and the discussions around how we all have a responsibility to prevent bullying. A total of \$164 was given to the mental health foundation in support of this cause. Thank you to Mr D for matching what was donated by our tamariki and kaiako.



GUMBOOT FRIDAY

There was an array of gumboots at school last Friday. Whilst many said, "I wear these to school everyday" it was still a good chance to talk about mental health as kids. Our focus was on one of the strategies to help your mental health – being grateful for what you have and not getting caught up in the jealousy of what other people have. We can be grateful that we live in families who love us and try to do lots of things for us, we can be grateful for living in a beautiful town and farm, we can be grateful that we are safe and live in a very safe place, we can be grateful for the friends we have and the friends we can make, we can be grateful for all the things we own because lots of people have nothing. We didn't ask for donations for Gumboot Friday as our school families had given generously the week before. However, some children did bring in gold coins and this was paid in via the 'Key to Life' Givealittle page with a bit more added to round it up.

HOT FOOD WEDNESDAY 'RULES'

On **Wednesdays** students have the option to bring in a lunch that can be heated up by staff and senior students. Please note the following requirements;

- **Clearly** write the child's name and room number
- Packaging/containers able to be heated in the oven as they are. i.e. Wrapped in heatable wrapping – tinfoil, paper; But **NOT** Ziplock bags, sistema type plastic containers, clingwrap or anything that can't go directly in the oven.
- **2min noodles are NOT allowed.**

Examples include; pie, sausage, toastie, pizza slices.

LOST PROPERTY

Our lost property is once again overflowing so much that the majority is now inside the cloakbays between rooms 4 and 5. Please encourage your child to look there for any clothing or belongings they may be missing and remember to clearly **name** their items.

TE OKO HOROI

The Cambridge Community of Learning or Kahui Ako is called Te Oko Horoi. The Teacher Only Day for all of Cambridge on June 18th is one of the things Te Oko Horoi does. Besides the very famous guest speakers attending the day (Meng Foon, Nigel Latta) our very own Mr D will be presenting to the entire Cambridge Schools' community the journey the Roto-o-Rangi teachers have been on over the last few years around culturally responsive teaching and significantly raising the bi-cultural standards in our school. Something the school is proud of, even though there is still more to be done.

BOT VACANCY

As part of the process for filling the vacancy on the BOT there is a survey to be conducted. The position can be filled by either 1/. A by-election (calling for nominations and all families voting) or 2/. Selection (parents put their names forward and the BOT select a person with the skills and knowledge they need on the Board).

Remember to have your say about whether to have a By-election or to have Selection. Send an email to bot.chair@rotoorangischool.nz if you want a By-election to happen. Do nothing if you want the BOT to proceed with a Selection. Voting closes on 21st June.

BOT NEWS

Over the last few BOT meeting there has been discussion about the levels of aggressive behaviour in the school and the steps the school has taken to address these. Whilst numerous strategies have been utilised, they have not had the desired effect.

This week, both the MOE and the RTLB (Resource Teachers for Learning and Behaviour) have visited the staff to investigate what is happening and to implement different strategies to tackle the issues.

Besides focussing on the individuals concerned, the MOE wish to implement a whole school strategy. This is on top of the extra teacher aide hours/the extra supervision/the various behaviour strategies already in place and the outside support that the school teachers have already used.

The school has asked for this support to be a top priority, and so the MOE are doing a whole day's training with the staff, this term. They have finally seen the need to act quickly. So, we will be having a Teacher Only Day on **Monday June 28th** to do their training.

Whilst we understand how difficult on families this term is now that we have 3 Teacher Only Days dotted over the remaining weeks, this one had to be added to address the behavioural concerns.

LAUNCHPAD (Bible In Schools)

Lessons will run until the end of the term. They are held in the MP Room from 11.50 – 12.20. The theme of the lessons will be based on Elijah and the Values: respect, integrity, community, equity and participation.

MATARIKI HANGI

To celebrate Matariki at the end of the term (it will be a national holiday in 2022) we are holding a traditional hangi on Friday 2nd July in the evening here at school.

Thank you to the parents organising the Fry Bread, some of the PTA helping with serving up the meals AND the parents who are supplying all the hangi gear and laying the hangi. Costs and order forms will come home soon.

PTA NEWS

Thank you to all the people who supported us over the weekend with hosting the NZ Motorhome and Caravan Association.

They were impressed by the quality of the catering, the friendliness of the crew and the hospitality, but not so much with the weather. The new BBQ was put through its paces and came up trumps.



Earlier this year, the PTA received a request from the school for an additional 20 Chromebook teaching resources for our kids. With the help of you all supporting school fundraising efforts, we were able to purchase 10 Chromebooks immediately. The PTA then worked behind the scenes to gather funds quickly for the remaining 10 Chromebooks needed, from a small number of farmers within our special Roto-O-Rangi district. The remaining 10 were purchased shortly afterwards due to their generosity. Each Chromebook is an expensive item, and they donated without hesitation.

We give a special mention, sincere thanks and say farewell on "gypsy day" to two of these donors leaving the district this week after many years;

Murray & Paula Steele who have bordered two districts for nearly 40 years, and Brian Coakley who has lived and worked in the district for 42 years. Both parties donated the cost of a Chromebook without hesitation, and we thank you all so much for supporting us. We wish you well on your next adventure!



Thank you for keeping your children at home when they have coughs, colds and other illnesses. This helps us all to stay well 😊

WRITER'S CORNER – Room 2, Year 3/4

The Nature Walk

By Ryan, Room 2

I can see the birds making a nest in the tree.
I can hear birds chirping.
I can feel the spiky grass.
I can smell the fresh air. I am outside.

The Tangy Fruit

By Sam, Room 2

A weird taste hits my mouth. It is disgusting and has a tangy flavour. I smell a strong sour scent of the fruit, it looks like green slime and rotten brown. I hear the squelching of the knife cutting it. I feel the wrinkly soft skin and the fruit is a feijoa.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENT

Well done to Indi for being awarded Player of the Day at her netball game yesterday. Managed to snap her with her certificate as she came into school grinning this morning!



Feel free to send in photos or even just a note about your child's sporting achievements for us to celebrate with them here at school!

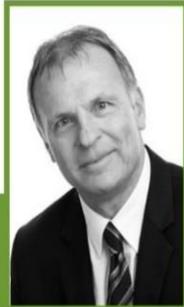
UPCOMING EVENTS

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| 04/06 | Teacher Only Day (No school) |
| 07/06 | Queen's Birthday (No school) |
| 11/05 | Assembly 2.10pm |
| 15/06 | PTA Meeting 7pm |
| 18/06 | Te Oko Horoi Teachers PLD day (All Cambridge schools are closed) |
| 23/06 | BOT Meeting 6pm |
| 25/06 | Rural Sch. Winter Sports Day (Yr 4-6) |
| 28/06 | Teacher Only Day (MOE Training) |
| 02/07 | Matariki Hangi Evening |
| 06/07 | Student Conferences |
| 08/07 | Student Conferences |
| 09/07 | Last Day Term 2 - Assembly 2.10pm Miss Russell's last day. |

The school calendar can be viewed on the home page of our website.



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