



Roto Review

We live by
our motto of
AIM HIGH

Kia ora Koutou Katoa,

WELCOME BACK

Hard to believe we have been back 2 full weeks now. It has been another long term; combining the rain with the COVID interruption. Whilst the children have returned to the Level 2 way of doing things quite well, it is clear the mental and emotional toll the last lockdown has had on them, families/whaanau and teachers/kaiako. Hence the reason we have been keen to keep the cross country and speech events going.

With the Cross Country tomorrow, we are still planning on holding it but will be checking out the course and where we sit, in the morning. We will make the call by 10am.

If it all goes ahead, please remember the Level 2 protocols provided by the MOE that we should have in place so that we can hold this event:

1. Scan in with the code located on the gate post entry to the visitors viewing area, or complete the paper version.
2. Stay 2m away from other families outside your family.
3. Please wear a mask.
4. Everyone must stay inside the visitor viewing area. If people need to go home before 2.30pm, we will halt the races for 5 mins after each group for those people to return to their cars (after the 7/8 yr olds, then after the 5/6 yr olds, then at the end of the day.)
5. Each family is limited to 2 adults attending because we only have capacity for 100 visitors and with 70 families, we could quickly reach our limit and some families miss out on seeing their children race.
6. Children are not allowed to come back over to adults because our bubbles are not allowed to mix.

House colours are encouraged. If you have any clothing or apparel in the colour of the House your child is in, they are welcome to wear it for cross country. Our Houses are one of the things we do to encourage a sense of Belonging, which is integral to our school vision. Do not go out and buy whole outfits, but if you do have something at home then join in the fun. We have some coloured t-shirts here, kindly donated by the Community House, for those who don't have a coloured t-shirt. On our Roto Parents Facebook page we have uploaded a list of the Houses children are in. Takahe is red, Kokako is blue and Kiwi is green.

INTRODUCING MR APPLEFORD

Mr Appleford joined us during the most unusual circumstances; lockdown. He had to make connections with his children virtually before really getting to know them over the last 2 weeks. Admittedly Joseph was seen around the school earlier this year doing some relieving work in different classes, including Room 2. Now he has settled into Room 2 properly and is doing a wonderful job with a wonderful class. Welcome aboard Mr Appleford!



BUS REMINDERS

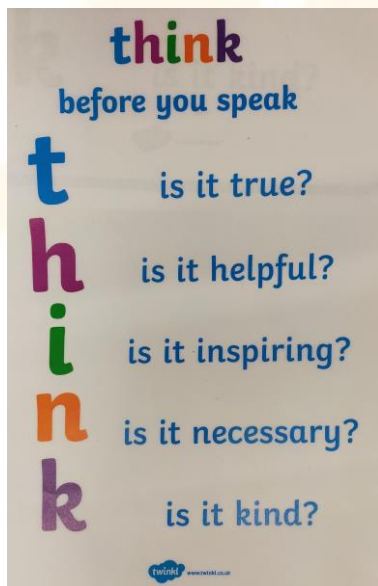
Everyone has been super great during this Level 2 period, letting us know when the bus arrangements change. Thanks for your support with this.

So just a quick reminder to please notify the office if the normal bus arrangements change – be that they are going on the bus on a day they don't usually do that, or someone has picked them up when normally they do go on the bus.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

The children have returned to school pretty well. The general behaviour, the way we treat each other, the interactions are generally good. With all the heightened anxiety with lockdown at home and in society in general, plus the mental tiredness we can see amongst the children, it is pleasing at how well they have returned to school.

Great work whaanau, you have done a great job over the lockdown to look after your tamariki/children.



LEADERSHIP AND ALTRUSA ASSEMBLY

On the last day of term, at 2.10pm we will conduct our final assembly of the term, virtually.

At this assembly there will be 2 very special awards presented. The Altrusa Award is presented by the Altrusa Club of Cambridge, in recognition of students who have made miiharo/excellent progress with their literacy skills over the past year or 2.

The Sir Peter Blake Young Leaders Award recognises someone who shows strong leadership skills, or a huge growth in their leadership skills. Westpac will be presenting this award.

So we will have a few students in the MP Room for these presentations, plus whaanau of the awardees. The rest of the school will still be in their rooms attending the virtual assembly.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Hopefully everyone has navigated the ordering of school photos via the web. I am sure there are a few kinks to work out when doing something new like this. You will need to order your photos by tomorrow, Friday 24th, to get them delivered to school and not pay postage. After this date you will need to arrange to have them sent to your home. Because of the online method, families/whaanau will deal with Masterpiece photography directly for everything related to the photos. Having checked through the whole school sets of photos, I must say that we have very photogenic families. Many of the shots are simply awesome.

CMS ORIENTATION DAY

The morning planned for the Year 6s to go into CMS to experience a little bit of CMS life on Tuesday 28th September has been postponed to Term 4 with a date to be confirmed.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

If you are in need of holiday care for your child please get in touch with the office for information on the various holiday programmes being run in the local area.

AG DAY

Ag Day is happening on the first Friday back next term, October 22nd, with Cambridge Group Day the following Wednesday 27th.

After all the hard work it would be great to see as many children as possible entering Group Day too. Maybe we could have every animal entered in our Ag Day enter Group Day too?! Let Roxy know if your child would like to enter Group Day and she will register them.

If you don't have the space to raise a calf, lamb or goat then don't forget about the Garden in a bucket and Baking competitions on the day. We'd love to see more gardening entries this year, so check out the Ag Day notice for all the details!

This year, not only are we having pets coming along, we are also returning to some of the traditional activities. These activities we do in class on Ag Day whilst the other children are out competing. So from now, you might want to collect some recycling material to make a recycled Ag scene or a sand tray depicting a nature scene. Closer to the date, you might need to pick various flowers for making flower petal collages and flower pictures.

Advanced thank you to Marcia and Allan Hayward who have offered to come down the day before to put up the rings for Ag Day. If anyone else is able to come and help, that would be greatly appreciated.

WRITER'S CORNER

The best day of my life By Archie, Room 2

First we packed up the car for our big road trip to Lake Taupo.

It was early in the morning, I could smell the dew on the grass and feel the warm sun rising. I was so EXCITED!

Then we stopped for breakfast at subway in Tirau and I could smell COOKIES!!!!

I chose a large chocolate chip cookie and it tasted so delicious. We set off again for our destination, Lake Taupo hot springs. After nearly two long hours we arrived.

As soon as I saw the gigantic hydroslide I felt overwhelmed with excitement.

I changed into my togs as fast as I could and started my climb to the top of the steps... It was so high up, I could see the entire park. I had never been down a slide this enormous before in my life and I felt a little bit scared. But.....i went for it.... WOW....i slid and i

turned and went super fast, whizzing all the way to the bottom where i landed in a huge SPLASH.... It was AMAZING!!!!!!!!!!!!

I had to go again, and again, and again, and again, and again..... I don't know how many times I went down the slide, I lost count, but it was the most fun I have ever had!

Finally it was time to leave, as we walked back up the long hill to the car park I could still hear the sound of the water running down the slide and smell the volcanic hot pools. This was definitely one of the best days of my life and I can not wait to come back again one day!



LOST PROPERTY

We would have no lost property if children's clothing was named because clothing would be returned to children if we knew who to give it too.

If you are able to remove the lost property we have here at school and drop it off to an op shop we would be most grateful.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Searching for a new home..

A Roto family is on the lookout for a new rental home asap; ideally four bedrooms and in the Cambridge area. Please contact the office if you know of something suitable.

AG DAY JUDGES

There are vacancies for Ag Day judges in our area.

Do you know someone who would make a good Ag Day judge? Encourage them to contact the office and we can put them in touch with the people who will provide them with more information and training.

UPCOMING EVENTS

24/09	Roto Cross Country
28/09	POSTPONED Yr 6 Orientation at CMS
01/10	Virtual Assembly 2.10pm including Leadership Award and Altrusa Awards
01/10	Term 3 Ends
18/10	Term 4 Begins
22/10	Ag Day
27/10	Group Day
2-5/11	Yr 5/6 Camp – Waitomo

WELCOME TO...

Penny who started school during lockdown.

She is lucky to have a caring older sister, Sophie, to help her transition in to school life.



TE REO TANTALISERS

Describing sentence/phrase:

The shortest version of these have 3 words/parts:

The start + the object + the adjective. This pattern is like many non-English languages has the adjective comes after the noun.

He pene kikorangi – the pen blue; He tepuu nui – the table big,

In English we change it around to: the blue pen and the big table.

How would you say these:

He pene where – _____

He pukapuka nui – _____

He tama iti – _____

He ngaa huu mango – _____

_____ - The green scissors

_____ - The small apple

_____ - The sparkly stars

_____ - The messy bedroom

Go to this website to find out the translations

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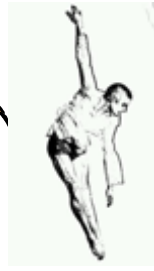
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