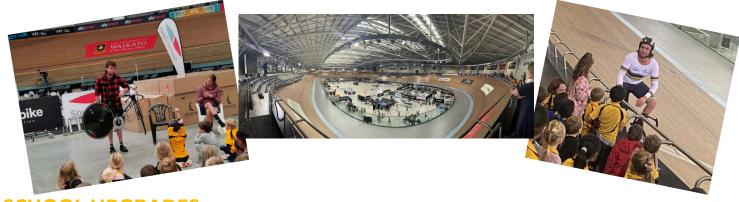




#### **VELODROME VISIT**

The trip out to the Velodrome on Friday was amazing. The para cyclists and coach who spoke to the children were outstanding people. So generous of their time, so respectful towards our children and so resilient to have overcome their challenges and be performing at the top of their sport. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Thank you to the parents who were able to transport the children and accompany us on such short notice. We hope you all enjoyed the experience as well.



# **SCHOOL UPGRADES**

The old tanks are destroyed and the new one is in. The UV filters are keeping our water supply tip-top. The new drain across the gate is stopping torrents of water from flowing off the road and into the school. More drains are being laid and a new drinking fountain outside Rms 4/5; then this project will be completed. At the end of the year the whole school will be painted, inside and out. The Board are beginning to research a colour scheme that freshens up the look of the school, whilst maintaining the fact we are 119 years old. If you have seen a school colour scheme that you really like, take some photos and send them through to the office. The Board will be going to visit some schools with colour schemes that appeal so we can see/feel how it looks. We are also in the early planning stages for a few other projects the Board are funding themselves.













# NAU MAI, HAERE MAI A .....

Layla and Amelia. Layla has started in Room 1. Big sister, Ainsley, has loved having her here and joining in with her friends. Amelia started at the end of last term, and we have finally managed to snap a pic of her! She has made loads of friends in Room 3 and is loving her new kura!

# **COUNTRY BUS & PLAYDATES**

We recently received information from the MOE regarding friends of students using the Ministry funded buses (i.e. our Country Bus). Only children who are eligible to go on the bus may do so automatically. Everyone else must get permission from Cambridge Travel Lines before they are allowed to use the bus. So, if a friend of a student who goes on the Country Bus wants to visit/stay at their friend's place and catch the bus, they must get permission from Cambridge Travel Lines. Our school cannot just permit friends to go on the bus.

# **GREAT NZ QUIZ**

The question sheet for the Great NZ Quiz has gone home in paper form with your child and emailed to parents' email addresses. On Friday 31 May, we will get into our Houses and hold the quiz. The Seniors will help the Juniors write down their answers.

#### **HOT FOOD AND SOMETHING NEW!**

We are pleased to announce the return of Hot Food Wednesdays from next week, 22nd May. During the cooler months we offer our students the option to bring in a lunch that can be heated up by senior students. It needs to meet the following requirements for a hassle-free heat up and distribution:

- ★ Wrapped in ovenproof wrapping. Must be able to go in the oven/pie warmer. No Sistema containers, or other plastic containers that will melt when placed in a hot oven.
- ★ Must be clearly marked with the child's name and room number.
- ★ No 2 minute noodles etc that need boiling water or to be microwaved.

#### ALSO...

**Our PTA** have come up with another exciting opportunity for ngaa tamariki! Every 2nd Wednesday, beginning next week, they will be able to order food from Leamington Bakery, to be delivered to school for lunchtime! This will be distributed with the hot food. There's an exciting menu for us to choose from, so we will include this on a separate page with the newsletter today!

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT

Come along to the Roto-o-Rangi Hall for an evening of fun, information and safety, with our local Neighbourhood Support Group. No speeches, just a bite to eat and a catch up with your neighbours and local support network! Thursday 23rd May 5.30pm - 7pm.

# PINK SHIRT DAY TOMORROW

The concept behind Pink Shirt Day is to reduce bullying by celebrating diversity in all its forms and supporting schools, workplaces and communities to be safe, supportive, welcoming and inclusive for everyone.

We encourage staff and students to Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying! We will be making a low-key effort this year, focusing on the anti-bullying message and just encouraging children to come along in pink. Donations can be made through the Pink Shirt Day website or children can bring at least a gold coin to school. Donations go to the Mental Health Foundation.

# TIKANGA TANTALISERS

Some basic protocols we should all know. Even if we don't use these in our homes, it is good to know when we are at other places.

Some things are tapu/sacred/special such as our heads and shouldn't be crossed with noa/ordinary.

Don't touch people on the head.

Don't pass food over someone.

Don't put your hat, bag or shoes on a table you eat at. Don't sit on, or put your feet on, a table or a pillow. Take off your shoes before going inside the wharenui.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

20-26/5	Road Safety Week
22/5	Oxford Pies delivered
3/6	King's Birthday long weekend
7/6	Winter Sports Day (Yr 5/6 only)
12-15/6	Field Days 2024
12/6	PTA Meeting 7pm
14/6	Teacher Only Day
15/6	Roto-o-Rangi Hall Committee Quiz Night
18/6	Board Meeting 6pm
28/6	Matariki long weekend
1/7	Written reports go home
2/7 & 4/7	Student/Parent/Teacher conferences
5/7	Matariki breakfast 6.30am Last day of term
22/7	Term 3 starts
25-29/7	Life Education Van (Harold the giraffe)

# **SCHOOL POLICIES**

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