



# Roto Review



Dear parents and caregivers,

## RURAL AND INTER-SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

We congratulate all the children who competed at the Rural Schools' Cross Country for the effort you put in. There was plenty of resilience on display as everyone competed against some highly skilled runners from the other rural schools. Well done to those who finished in the top 6 but most importantly, well done to all those who put in their very best effort regardless of the position you finished. Congratulations to the Roto students who made it into the Rural Schools' team to compete tomorrow at the Cambridge InterSchools' competition. Poppy, Samantha, Jessenia, Saheli, Ivy, Cyrus, Kharva and Callan - We wish you all the very best. Kia kaha. Be brave and give it your best.

## TE OKO HOROI KAPA HAKA FESTIVAL

What a magnificent effort by the kapahaka roopu at the Te Oko Horoi Kapahaka Festival on Friday 1st September. The roopu sang beautifully, enunciating clearly so we could all hear every word they sang. Everyone was really supportive of each other and helped them to be the best they could be. The parents were proud of every one of them. Next term we will begin learning waiata ready for another performance at our Prizgiving assembly in December. We are looking forward to seeing what you are all able to do this time around.



## ROTO AND ROTARY SPEECH COMPETITIONS

Congratulations to all the speech finalists at the Roto Speech Night. Final places were:

Year 1&2 1st Joshua, 2nd Zoe, 3rd Penny

Year 3&4 1st Melita, 2nd Kyle, 3rd Aurora

Year 5&6 1st Ryan, 2nd Aria, 3rd Willow

Well done to Ryan who won the Roto Speech trophy in 2023. He went on to the Rotary Speech competition and performed even better than he did on the Roto Speech night. Thank you to our amazing judges, Gillian Diprose and Sharon Best.



## WELCOME TO...

Welcome to our newest students, Chizelle and Ivy, who joined our kura recently.



Chizelle started school just a few days after landing in Aotearoa from her homeland of South Africa. She was fascinated by the cows in the paddock next to the school!

Ivy is used to rural life, and you'd think she'd been here for ages! Sadly, Ivy will be leaving us again at the end of the year before heading off to Middle School.



## BOOK WEEK

Monday 18 - Friday 22 September will be Roto Book Week. We are not having a big book sale this year, but we will be participating in book related activities throughout the week.

**On Thursday** we will be inviting Grandparents, special people, and whaanau to come for lunch with an international food theme. Make sure your child fills in the invitation part of the notice that came home this week, to invite someone special along. We'd love our tamariki and their whaanau to bring a plate of kai to share please.

**On Friday**, the final day of term, we will all be dressing up as our favourite book characters! Costumes don't need to be bought from a shop - help your child to use their imagination and find things from around the home to create theirs!

## AG DAY

### WE NEED YOU!

We'd love some help for our annual Agricultural Day on Friday 13th October, week 1 of next term. Please contact Roxy about helping out.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 15/09 Interschools Cross Country
- 18-22-09 Roto Book Week
- 21/09 Elgregoe Magician Show  
Grandparents / Whaanau Lunch -  
International Food Tasting
- 22/09 Assembly 2.15pm  
**Term 3 Ends 3pm**  
PTA DISCO 6pm Roto Hall
- 09/10 **Term 4 Begins**
- 13/10 Agricultural Day
- 20/10 Group Agricultural Day
- 25/11 Roto Colour Run - PTA to give details soon!

## WORKING BEE

### Saturday 30th September

Lock in the morning of Saturday 30th September to come along to school and help us distribute 90m3 of cushion fall across the playgrounds! Bring a shovel and come along at 9.00am to help us out - we will need it! A BBQ and refreshments will be available following all the hard mahi.



Splash Polo is run in terms 1 and 4 as a summer sport and really is fun for all that is involved, it's also a great sport for students to learn water skills and water confidence while being in the pool with their friends having fun. We have **3 Roto students** who are keen to play but need more to make a team - is your child interested? The water is typically waist-height, so they do not have to be an exceptional swimmer but will need to be comfortable in the water. Please contact Roxy if they are keen!

### Gold Clam open days!

We need your help to spread the word about CORBICULA, the invasive Gold Clam that has been found in our Waikato River. Come along and enjoy a free BBQ on us and find out how you can play your part in protecting our lakes and rivers.



**Saturday 16th September** from 10-1pm at Grantham Street boat ramp, Hamilton City & **Sunday 17th September** from 10-1pm at Horahora Domain.

We look forward to seeing you there! **Hannah Munro**  
**CHECK CLEAN DRY Ambassador Coordinator**

Best dressed Prizes

# ENCHANTED FOREST DISCO

Glow & the dark face painting \$1  
Glow Sticks \$1-\$3

Roto Hall  
Friday 22nd  
September  
6pm-8pm

Gold Coin Entry  
Menu:  
Sausage Sizzle \$2  
Lolly Mixes \$1  
Popcorn \$1  
Cupcakes \$2  
Water \$1