



Te Miro School Panui

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WE ARE ...**CURIOUS CARING CREATIVE AND COURAGEOUS**



10 o Whiringa-ā-rangi
10th November 2023

2023
Tekau mā toru



Tumuaki Kōrero

Tēnā koutou katoa, ngā mihi nui kia koutou katoa.

Greetings parents, whānau, and all members of our school community,

We are already half way through the term and there are still many events happening ahead of us. The whole school is in training for Athletics and the merciless Jen has us out there every day practicing. It has been so good getting a very much needed long jump pit. Thank you to our super amazing Dads who put it in. Having the right tools and resources to do the job means that your children get the best opportunity.

The teachers are moving around some of the classroom AV equipment as we need a larger TV in Rimu class. Does anyone happen to have a 65" TV or bigger that they are looking to re-home? A long shot perhaps but thought we'd ask – otherwise we will purchase one at the end of December. The existing Rimu TV will be moved to Rata class.

As many of you will have noticed, the school is being painted and looks amazing! Thanks to all the parents, staff and ākongā for working around the painters.

After a very successful Year 4 to 8 camp, I want to thank Jen and Lindsay for organising such a fantastic time for these children. Pirongia camp was full of challenges, history and collaboration and every child made us very, very proud. Teachers go above and beyond their day job when organising camps and they really appreciate the acknowledgments that they have received.

It is soon to be pool weather again. We hope to be opening the pool in the next couple of weeks. We will let you know when you can come in to buy your key. The children will be swimming soon!

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!
Ngā mihi nui, Michaela

Coming up

Monday 13th November

Rata and Kowhai trip to the zoo



Rata and Kowhai classes will be travelling via bus to the Hamilton Zoo. Permission forms have gone home with a request for parent helpers. Please fill it out and return it as soon as possible. The cost is \$12 per child which will be added to your account. Leaving school at 8:45 am

Tuesday 14th November

BoT By-Election voting closes 4pm

The voting box is located in the school office.

Wednesday 15th November

Rural Schools Athletics



The annual Rural Schools Athletics will be held at Cambridge Athletics Ground, Vogel Street, Cambridge. Children will be traveling via bus to and from the event.

Times: 9:30 am Schools Assemble and Welcome
9:45 am Track and field events start
2 pm Day ends

Parents are able to pick up their children at 2 pm from the venue but please let a teacher at the event know.

Food: Some healthy food options will be provided by Kaipaki School PTA. Cash only on the day!

Coming up continued

Friday 17th November

Golf Tournament

Te Miro students Rupert, William, Tom and Charlie will be representing Te Miro School at the Ngahinapouri Primary School Golf Tournament. All the best!



Wednesday 22nd November

Junior year 1-3 Athletics and Tabloid Sports day 1-3pm

Mini Athletics, run by our competent Ahurei Group (Year 7 and 8 students). Come and enjoy watching your children compete in run, jump, throw and work together in a range of tabloid sports. We will finish the day with an ice block and a bit of free play.

This is just for the 5 to 7 year olds that will not be attending the Rural Schools Athletics.

Location: Te Miro School



Thursday 23rd November 6:30pm

Community Consultation (more information below in BoT Update)

We are excited to announce an upcoming event that plays a pivotal role in shaping the future of our school community.

This participatory process is an invaluable opportunity for you to provide feedback and insights that will guide our school's development and growth. At this event, we will be discussing important matters that affect our school's direction, and your input is not only welcome but highly encouraged. Link to the survey that we have shared with you via email. <https://form.jotform.com/233088497400055>

Additionally, as the year comes to a close, we want to celebrate your vital role in making our school a nurturing and thriving place for our students. This will be at our school and childcare will be provided.

Save the date, stay tuned, and get ready to engage in meaningful discussions and enjoy a festive celebration as we wrap up another successful year together.

We look forward to your participation and appreciate the ongoing support you provide for our school community.

Friday 24th November

Cambridge Schools Athletics

For successful participants from the Rural Schools Athletics Day. More information to come.

Wednesday 29th November

Waikato Full Primary Schools Athletics Championships 2023 (Year 7/ 8 only who qualify)

Date: Wednesday 29 November (No postponement day)
Venue: TE AWAMUTU STADIUM, Armstrong Avenue, Te Awamutu
Times: 9.15 a.m. Assembly of Officials
9.20 a.m. Teams Assemble and Welcome
9.45 a.m. Track and field events start

Due to qualifying guidelines, parents will be notified (after Rural School Athletics - Wednesday 15 November) if their child has qualified to participate in this event.

Coming up continued

Monday 4th December

BoT Meeting 3.15pm

Wednesday 6th - Friday 8th December

Wilderness Camp for Year 7 and 8

This camp is a right of passage for our year 7 and 8 students. This is where all of their experiences in the bush come to the fore. This experience happens once every two years and the challenge goes towards these young rangitahi completing their 'Pounamu Challenge'. This amazing 3 day camp is done without parents, without tents (just a tarp), cooking on the fire, walking into their camp, and fending for themselves. It is a chance for them to create a home in the bush working collegially together for the good of the group.



Tuesday 12th December

Last guitar lessons

End of year assembly

Te Miro School. All welcome!

Friday 15th December

Last day of the year

School finishes at 12pm.

CLASS
OF
2023

REMINDER
For all
children who
ride bikes
and scooters
at school,
please wear
closed in
shoes.

EVERY FRIDAY - 11:30am to 3:00pm

Bush Class

Bush class will be held EVERY Friday, weather permitting. Please remind your children to come along with their gumboots or sensible covered shoes. ANY SPARE children's gumboots or closed-in shoes no longer in use we'd be happy to have. We welcome parents too. Thank-you.

All dates mentioned above are on the [school website google calendar](#)



Being Sunsmart

Hats are compulsory this term. Please make sure they're named. Put sunscreen on in the morning. Each class has sunscreen available for reapplication during the day.

Highlights

Pirongia Camp

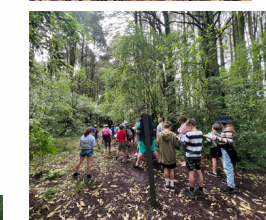
The year 4-8 went to Pirongia Park Lodge. On the first day we traveled from Te Miro school to Yandleys Bush where we met Karen. Then after that we went to the T.A [Te Awamutu] museum. We had a fashion show of wearable art. So much fun. We traveled to the camp and did some awesome activities then some downtime.

On the second day, we had 3 rotations of Activities: Frisbee Golf, Climbing Wall, and Zipline. We had an hour and a half on each rotation. It was so much fun! After the rotations, we went for a nice dip in the river. After dinner and some AMAZING dessert, we all practiced our skits for 10 minutes. It was performance time, And everyone knocked it out of the park. We played a few games until it got dark enough to play spotlight and only four people didn't get caught.

On the third day, we did another three rotations: Archery, Rock On Rock Hunt, and Problem Solving. This time we only had 45 minutes on each activity. We packed up all our stuff and said goodbye. Then we traveled to Te Awamutu pools where we had a lot of fun. But all fun things must come to a stop and we had to travel home.

The camp was so much fun. We had a blast. Thank you to the parents and teachers for making this camp possible for us. We appreciate it. We hope you can continue to help out our school.

Rory and Elliott.



Information

Newsletters

If you have anything you'd like to include in our newsletters please send them to office@temiro.school.nz

PTA Update

The upcoming PTA Annual General Meeting is to be held on Thursday November 30th at Onyx function room from 6:30pm. Come along if you're interested in joining the PTA or want to hear what the PTA has been up to.



Te Miro School Parents Facebook Group

We have a parents' Facebook private group should you wish to join. It is a place for parents to connect, share and learn about what's going on behind the scenes at school. It is a private group for only school parents/caregivers so that we can ask questions, find lost belongings, get reminders on fundraisers & school activities and volunteer our help. Please click on the link to check it out, and join our school parent community.

Link: [Facebook Page](#)

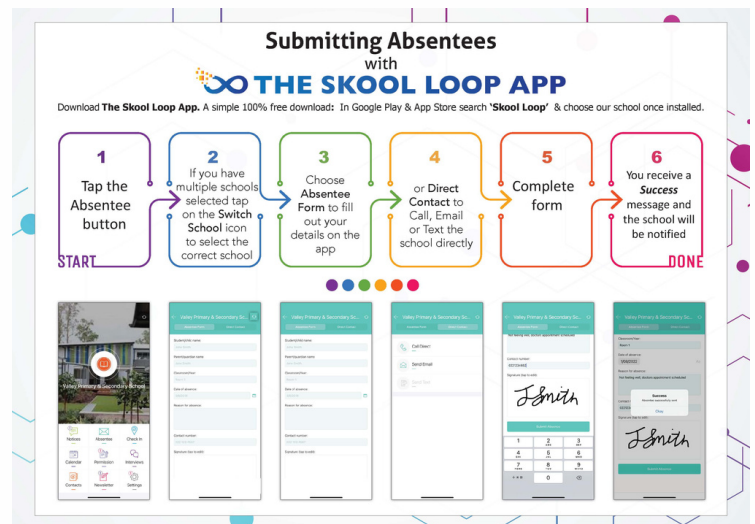
Assemblies

We invite parents to come along to our formal assemblies every Friday at 2.15pm. At these assemblies, we will endeavour to share some of our learning from each class and present any certificates that might need to be presented.

Skoolloop App



How to subscribe to classroom, how to turn on app. Permissions are always followed up with an email so you know to head over to the app and fill them out. Make sure you subscribe to your child/ren's classroom under "settings".



Before School

If you need to drop off earlier than **8.30am**, then please get in touch with the office to see if this can be arranged for you unless you have done so already. For all other children, please drop them off at school no earlier than 8.30am.

After School Care

ASC is available Monday - Fridays 3.15pm - 5.30pm. Please contact the office if you require care prior to the day. However, phone the school if you need to make a last minute booking and we'll see what we can do.



Information

By-Election Nominees 2023

Kia ora Koutou,

My name is Anna Bridgland I live in Te Miro with my husband Hamish and our two boys Leo and Ben. Leo currently attends Te Miro School and Ben will join in 2025. I have over 19 years of experience in education and have been working as a Resource Teacher: Learning and Behaviour (RTL) in the Cambridge school community for the past 3 years. The RTL service provides learning support, when requested by schools, to support the needs of students experiencing learning and behaviour difficulties. It is fair to say that I am passionate about education and hope to contribute my experience and expertise to the Board of Trustees. I have taught in New Zealand, London, and Melbourne, as well as holding positions of responsibility such as head of department and Special Education Adviser in the Ministry of Education. Te Miro school has given my son Leo, the best start to his education and we love the special inclusive culture and community that underpins the ethos of the school. To me, this role is an opportunity to help shape school policy to best support positive educational outcomes for our children.



Hi, my name is Alastair Hall. I am a 4th generation dairy farmer here in Te Miro. Together with my wife Tia we share-milk the family-owned farm, and Tia operates the Milk Press pottery business. We have two young daughters, Harper 6, who is in her 2nd year at Te Miro and Darcy who is 2.

Our family has a long history and connection with the school and community. My mother Sally taught at Te Miro for many years, while my brothers and I all attended Te Miro. The school for a number of years has used our farm for bush class and we are happy to share this wonderful resource for all to enjoy. I am standing for BOT election as I believe I can offer strong communication skills, an ability to listen, consider and then act, as well as extensive financial knowledge & business experience.

I am a current member of the Institute of Directors and Toastmasters international, have completed various training programmes, and have experience on many agricultural based committees. I would love to see our school continue to be a pillar of our community, which can cater to all students needs in our ever changing world, whilst retaining a strong focus on attaining high educational standards. Thanks for your consideration.



Peta Vassalini

Currently, I have two of my three children attending Te Miro School in Year 1 and Year 3, with my third child starting in 2025. Through my experience in governance and 15 years working in education, I offer a set of skills, knowledge, and experience that will allow me to work with the school community collaboratively to achieve the best outcomes for our children. I have an excellent understanding of how school boards are supposed to operate in governing, support the staff to achieve great results for our children and the well-being of students.

At the start of the year, I assisted the current board by writing policies that ERO had flagged as missing, or incomplete, using my professional skills in educational policy writing. I am currently studying towards my master's in public policy majoring in educational policy, which are skills that I believe are a much-needed skill set that our school needs in its board room. I have a strength and passion for governance and education which I can share with the school to contribute to the ongoing success of Te Miro School.

Information

BoT Update

We've sent out the annual community consultation survey out to all families – and we're really looking forward to hearing what you have to say. The link for the survey is here: <https://form.jotform.com/233088497400055>. You have the opportunity to say as little or as much as you'd like. We'd love a response from every family at our school by MONDAY 20TH NOVEMBER at 5pm. Your opinion really matters as it shapes our future vision and planning. If you'd rather fill in a paper copy, please request one from Jennie in the office. And please put 6.30pm THURSDAY 23rd NOVEMBER in your diary for pizza and drinks at school (with a movie for the kids, so no babysitter required) for our consultation evening, when we'll share the survey results with you all.

Voting papers for the upcoming board by-election have been sent via post. Please remember to return your voting papers to the locked box in the school office before voting closes at 4pm on TUESDAY 14th NOVEMBER. If returning via post please return asap as these need to be received by Monday 20th November.

Many new policies and updates have been required this year so we're in the process of enrolling in a programme called School Docs which ensures that all policies comply with often changing legislation and Ministry of Education requirements. All of our policies will be available on the school website from early 2024.

We're looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our consultation evening on 23rd November. Until then, don't forget to vote and please complete the survey! Michaela, Fiona, Adam and Janie



Tune in to watch Ari TVNZ+ 3.40pm Tuesday 14th Nov

Kiwis compete in a series of increasingly tricky challenges involving maths, memory, spelling and more - working towards the ultimate test of smarts and stamina, the Brain Buster!

Enrolling New Entrants for 2024

Please pass on details of anybody you think may want to enroll for 2024 so we can plan our classes. Feel free to share the below flyer.

Te Miro School provides quality education in a beautiful, warm, inviting rural setting. We provide children with a holistic approach to learning and welcome visits/enrolments at any time to our wonderful kura.

NO ZONE

GREEN GOLD ENVIRO SCHOOL

CURIOUS CREATIVE COURAGEOUS CARING

Weet-bix TRYathlon

Date: Sunday 10th December 2023

Come join Te Miro's school team in the upcoming Hamilton Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon [JOIN THE TEAM](#)

For more details: <https://tryathlon.co.nz/>



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We offer so much more than we can share here:

- An easy and personal transition for new entrants
- The junior class has play-based learning
- Structured literacy for learning reading and writing
- Quality year 7-8 programme includes Wilderness Camp and leadership opportunities
- Small class sizes with experienced teachers
- We know our students and provide learning opportunities that suit their individual needs
- Our outdoor Class weaves lessons from nature into learning
- We embrace our unique rural setting with Agricultural Day
- Camps every year
- Swimming pools with swimming lessons every day in term 1
- A well-resourced school including tennis courts, a library, a radio station, and 1 to 1 digital devices for years 4 and up
- Nested within a community with an inclusive, family-friendly atmosphere

Come and see our learning in action. When you see us, you'll know.

Information

Birthdays

A big happy birthday to the following students who have their birthdays in the month of November - Kate, Layla, Rory, Max, Riley, Kaiden and Evelyn.

Itinerate Music Lessons

We now have a local music teacher, Chris Gale, who is teaching private itinerate music lessons at Te Miro school. Please contact Chris direct if you'd like to sign up for next year.



Music Lessons

Violin

Ukulele and guitar

Recorder

Piano

Singing for Music Theatre

Experienced friendly tutor Beginner to advanced
Exam preparation or just for fun
Individual lessons \$30 / half hour
Small groups possible by arrangement

Chris Gale
chris-gale.m@gmail.com 021 044 2854

Accounts

Any extracurricular costs or stationery accrued during the term will be added to your invoice that is sent out at the end of each month. This year we have separated out the cost of transport to various events throughout the year. This cost of \$25 has been added to your account.

FREE LIGHTBULBS



We still have **LED lightbulbs** that we'd love you to have. **Parents, please collect bulbs from the school office.**

Playgroup

Te Miro Playgroup is attended once a week, on **Wednesdays 9 am - 1 pm** on the Te Miro School grounds during term time only. Come and join our super friendly group of caregivers who regularly meet. Check out their Facebook page for more information or to make contact. <https://www.facebook.com/TeMiroPlaygroup>

Polo Shirt and Hat Purchase

Te Miro School shirts cost \$35 each and hats are \$25 each. Either pop into the office or email Jennie to place an order office@temiro.school.nz



Parent Help Request

Thank you to those parents who have already been in to help some of our children with their reading. We value the support of our community, parents, grandparents and others. Simply put your name on the form on the office noticeboard.

Please get in touch with Kate Manion k.beeby@hotmail.com if you can help out in the library on Fridays. Or, add your name to the roster also on the office noticeboard.

Office Hours

Our office administrator Jennie is in the office Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30am-2pm. **Not Thursday.** Phone 8278146. Email office@temiro.school.nz

Community Notices

CAMBRIDGE CRICKET ASSOCIATION

JUNIOR Cricket
season of 2023/24
open now

Skill based fun learning
Proven results over the years

Let's Smash It

CAMBRIDGE JUNIOR CRICKET

STARTING DATES

Saturday Cricket - Year 5 - 8

- Saturday 28th October

Girls Cricket - Year 6 - 8

- Wednesday 1st November

Friday Cricket - Year 0 - 5

- Friday 3rd November

CONTACT US NOW

Steve Carter - Club Captain
Indika Senarathne - Director of Cricket

021 821 820 - Steve Carter
022 320 9076 - Indika

cambridgejuniorcricket@gmail.com
indicambridgecricket@gmail.com

John Kerckhof Park



A counselling free service for children here in Cambridge

If you feel that your child or a child you know needs someone to talk with, then let us know so we can make a referral or contact them directly. Cambridge is so lucky to have this not for profit service. Aroha nui.
<https://www.cambridgelifeskills.co.nz/>

Cambridge Festival of Sport is a new event in November 2023.

Great activities are:

- A Pool party, bar-b-cue, and swimming for 25m, 50m, 100m certificates - at the Perry Aquatic Centre in Cambridge on Friday afternoon/evening (24th)
- A 2.2km fun run - or the last 2.2km of a Rod Dixon's Kids Marathon - at the Cambridge Raceway on Saturday morning (25th).
- Teams to do a 4 x 1km relay - they can be children, competitive teams, business house (staff), families.
- A Triathlon NZ supported split triathlon - swim Friday evening (200 for 14 and under, 400 for 15 up), run at the Cambridge Raceway on Saturday morning, cycle at APL Hautapu on Saturday afternoon.
- A 5km fun run for adults.
- Attend a great concert in Hamilton for Gumboot Friday (Mike King). It is alcohol free and family friendly.



The Gumboot Friday Concert
(on a Saturday)
Globox Arena: Claudlands - November 25

Superb young Cambridge Band
Pineja
Are playing the opening set.

GUMBOOT FRIDAY CONCERT
Raising funds for I AM Hope and Gumboot Friday
THE FEELERS . MIKE KING . JASON KERRISON AND MORE

Tickets through
Ticketek

Community Notices



Kids in NEED WAIKATO OPEN DAY

Have you ever wanted to take a closer look at what we do? Bring the whole family!

- SPECIAL GUESTS
- MUSIC
- BOUNCY CASTLES
- FACE PAINTING
- SAUSAGE SIZZLE
- COFFEE
- TOURS
- PICK A XMAS WISH

SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER
10AM-2PM

118 FENCOURT RD
CAMBRIDGE

Check Facebook for event updates:
Kids in Need Waikato

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Calling all young hockey players, it's time to gear up for our new unforgettable end-of-year event!

Our Kiwiana Mixer promises two days packed with non-stop fun.

Open To Everyone
\$85 Entry Fee - Includes Jersey

Don't miss your chance to participate!

Registrations are open
9th to 27th October via HIHC website

Stay tuned on the Hamilton Inline Hockey Facebook Page for more information & updates.

2ND - 3RD DECEMBER



CAMBRIDGE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

It's Christmas

Cambridge Town Hall

Friday 1 - Sunday 17 December

1 - 9 Dec 10am - 8.30pm
10 - 17 Dec 10am - 5.30pm

Santa visiting midday on weekends

Decorated Christmas Trees on Display | Christmas Gift Shop | Tea Room | Choirs

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