



Te Miro School Panui

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

20 o Whiringa-ā-nuku
20th October 2023

2023
Tekau mā rua



TECH DATES

Thursday 26th October
Tuesday 7th November
Wednesday 15th November (TBC)

Coming up

Monday 23rd October

Labour Day

Tuesday 24th October 2023

Teacher-Only Day

With the uncertainty around road closures during the Targa Rally race on the 24th of October, Te Miro School has decided to have a teacher-only day on this day. This day has been recommended by the MOE for teachers to begin learning about the new curriculum refresh. The school will be closed for instruction.

Thursday 26th October 2023

Te Ohu kaiaarahi o te Kapua Iti

The final session of Te Ohu kaiaarahi o te Kapua Iti is set for next Thursday. This event will be hosted at Ngaa Hau e Whaa Marae. The day will start at 9:30am with a whakatau before we head into our kaupapa. The day will conclude around the 2pm mark as usual, but may be slightly later due to having a kai together at the end. Only for children who are attending.

PTA meeting 3:15pm (All welcome)



Tumuaki Kōrero

Tēnā koutou katoa, ngā mihi nui kia koutou katoa.

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

We have had a joyous start to the term with our Spring Festival and Ag Day last Saturday. It was so nice to be able to chat with such a range of community members. The children all seemed to be having a fun time and it was so great to see calves back in the ring.

Of course days like this would not be possible without the help of so many people and to you all, we can't thank you enough!

The creative Bug Hotels that have been left for us, will encourage our bee pollinators too.

We hope that you are all going to make the most of this long weekend. Having a TOD on Tuesday will hopefully allow some of you to make the most of the extra day. We will be taking a look at the NZ Curriculum refresh and having a think about our goals for next year. You too can be involved in this important decision making. Make sure you mark the date (**23rd November**) for our **Community Consultation**. This is a really good time to share what you want for your child's education. Because it is so close to the end of the year, it will also be our end of year get together with food and beveys, and childcare provided.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!

Ngā mihi nui, Michaela

REMINDER
Hats are
compulsory
this term



Coming up continued

Monday 30th October

BoT meeting 3:15pm



Wednesday 1st - Friday 3rd November

Pirongia Camp

Our Y4-8 camp at Pirongia Forest Lodge is coming up and we can't wait! Central to our camp experience is our school focus, Whanaungatanga - building healthy relationships with each other and the outdoor environment.

On Wednesday 1st November we will travel in cars to Pirongia Forest Lodge via Te Awamutu Museum (Education session). The students will participate in 3 days of outdoor learning and activities. On Friday 1st November, we will depart Pirongia Forest Lodge by car, and head to Te Awamutu pool with an aim to be back at Te Miro School before 3 pm. A big thank you so much to the parents who are coming to camp with us.

The cost of camp is \$100. **We require this payment BEFORE camp** or come and talk to us if this will cause any problems for you and your whaanau. Please deposit funds into the Te Miro School BoT account: 03-1568-0009205-000. Thank you.

Keep an eye out for the paper permission form coming home with your child soon.

Thursday 2nd November

Rata and year 3 Kowhai students visit to the Te Miro Bike Park

Rata class and the Year 3 students from Kowhai are planning a fun day out while the rest of the school is on a camp! We will be taking our bikes for a ride at Waterworks Reserve and having a BBQ/picnic.

To make this day possible, we need some parent volunteers to help transport the children and assist throughout the day. If you are available, please join us!

Details and permission slips were sent home with your child on Wednesday this week.

Location: Te Miro Mountain Bike Park on Waterworks Road, Te Miro.

Time: Departure at 9:30 AM, returning at 1:30 PM

What to Bring: Bike, helmet, closed-toe shoes (we do have a few 20-inch bikes at school that can be used), full water bottle, hat, and sunscreen.

Food: Please bring a plate of food to share. We will be providing a sausage sizzle for lunch.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please feel free to reach out.



Monday 13th November

Rata and Kowhai trip to the zoo

Another exciting outing is planned for Rata and Kowhai classes. More details to come.



Tuesday 14th November

BoT By-Election voting closes 4pm

The voting box is located in the school office.

Coming up continued

Wednesday 15th November

Rural Schools Athletics (new date)

Date: Wednesday 15 November (Postponement day, TBC)
Venue: Cambridge Athletics Ground, Vogel Street, Cambridge
Times: 9:30 am Schools Assemble and Welcome
9:45 am Track and field events start
2 pm Day ends

Transport: Students will travel on the bus to this event.

(Parents pick up their children at 2 pm - more information to come later)

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



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!



Thursday 23rd November **NB THIS DATE HAS CHANGED**

Community Consultation

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.

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

Town 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)

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

Place to be advised. All welcome!

Friday 15th December

Last day of the year

School finishes at 12pm.

EVERY FRIDAY - 11:30am to 12:30pm

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](#)

CLASS
OF
2023



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

WANTED Pentanque Balls

If you have any pentanque balls you no longer require, please pass them on to the school for shotput. Or, if you'd like to purchase new ones to donate to the school we'd be very grateful. We'd like them as soon as possible.



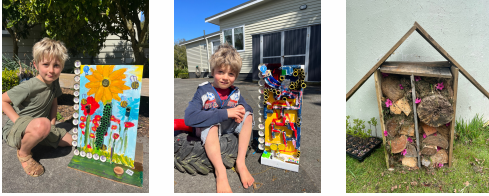
Highlights

Ag Day 2023

Thank you to all those who helped make Ag Day 2023 a huge success! The weather behaved (apart from the wind creating havoc with the food stall), the children were smiling, the animals were behaving as best they could whilst on show, parents were catching up, games were played, the coffee tasted good, there was some amazing garden art on display, and the magic carpet ride and lolly necklaces were a hit! Congratulations to the following students who did the mahi in rearing their animals for this special day.

RESULTS

LAMBS



Junior

Champion - Harper Nicholl with "Bar Bar"
Reserve Champion - Harper Hall with "Cotton Socks"

Intermediate

Champion - Rowan Taylor with "Violet"
Reserve Champion - Imogen Nicholl with "Milton"

Senior

Champion - Isla Taylor with "Petal"
Reserve Champion - Kate Mellow with "Daisy"

CALVES

Junior

Champion - Aubree Dunn with "Gigi"
Reserve Champion - Rio Nash with "Elon"

Senior

Champion - Tyson Koni with "Donut"
Reserve Champion - Ashton Dunn with "Milly"

PET SECTION

Senior

First - Taylor Boyd with chicken "McChicken"
Second - Ari Suter with guinea pig "Belle"

Junior

First - Soul Nash with pony "Q"

HOME GARDENS

Pre-School

First - Mila Roozenburg

Junior

First - Ludovico Roozenburg
Second - Max Ross
Third - Rowan Taylor



Altrusa Award Winners

Congratulations to our Altrusa award winners Amelie Lombard and Leo Lewis. The purpose of this award is to recognise efforts of children whose reading and writing skills have improved to the best of their individual abilities.



Information

Newsletters

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

PTA Update

It's been a productive few months for the PTA, with lots of purchases and sales happening, so it's time for an update. We have been gifted \$500 from Jumble Around for four new gym mats. The first six head of weaner cattle sold last week for \$10,575. Lego has been purchased for the classrooms. Two netball hoops will show up soon, as well as rugby goal posts. We held a social movie night fundraiser - Barbie, and that bought in \$183. The Ag Day was an awesome event with funds raised for the next three school camps. Thank you to all that helped with a stall or baked goods. The PTA, alongside the Ahurei group (yr7&8 students), put on the school disco at the Settler's Hall. Lastly we had our spring seed fundraiser for all those green thumb community members.

We love new members on the PTA; it's an equal mix of socialising, event coordination, assisting the school and fundraising. Anyone is welcome to attend meetings. The next meeting is Thursday 26th October at 3:15pm in the staffroom. Our final hurrah is the AGM with a tentative date of November 30th - time and venue TBC.

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](#)

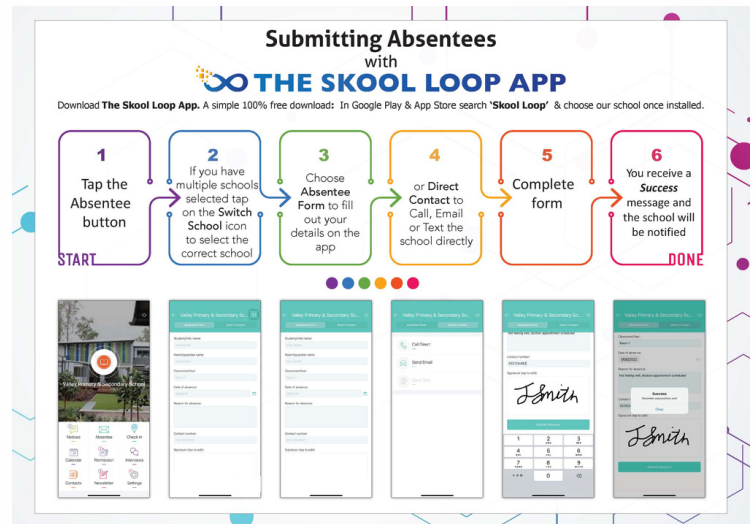
Assemblies

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

We welcome our new After School Care Facilitator Lyn Hunt to the team.

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

Ordering School Photos

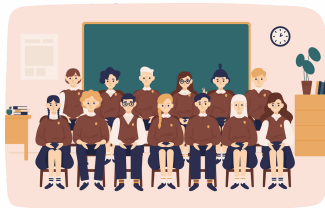
By now you should have been emailed your child's unique Key Code to go online to view and purchase 2023 School Photos. ***FREE DELIVERY EXPIRES Midnight Sunday 29th OCTOBER ***

You might need to keep an eye on their trash / spam folder.

Please feel free to contact us or Photolife direct.

Parent Queries – Please contact us on:

enquiries@photonlife.co.nz



Weet-bix TRYathlon

Date: Sunday 10th December 2023

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

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

More Photos from Ag Day



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



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
- Nestled within a community with an inclusive, family-friendly atmosphere

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

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Board of Trustees

BoT Update

It was SO good see so many school and wider community members out in force at Ag Day. So much to enjoy, from the lambs, calves and pets (obviously lavished with care) and all of the stalls and activities that our incredible PTA had organised. To the PTA and all Te Miro families that spent time on animals, gardens, creative art, baking and helping before and on the day, from the board, thank you! Ag Day encapsulates what is unique and wonderful about our rural school.

We have had some fantastic school parents put their hands up to be nominated for places on the board. Thank you to those that attended the information evening we held and took the time to consider the role of parent representatives. You should be receiving voting paper via post, in the next day or two.

Michaela, Fiona, Adam and Janie

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

Birthdays

A big happy birthday to the following students who have their birthdays in the month of October - Sophie, Jimmy, Ari, Eli and Kate.

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
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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

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022 320 9076 - Indika

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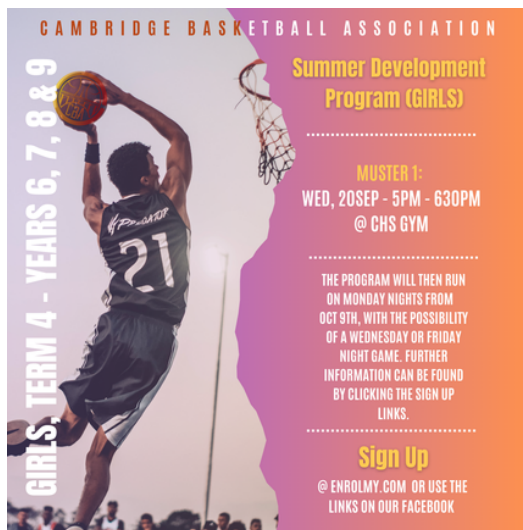
John Kerkhof Park



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 BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Summer Development Program (GIRLS)

MUSTER 1:
WED, 20SEP - 5PM - 630PM
@ CHS GYM

THE PROGRAM WILL THEN RUN ON MONDAY NIGHTS FROM OCT 9TH, WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF A WEDNESDAY OR FRIDAY NIGHT GAME. FURTHER INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND BY CLICKING THE SIGN UP LINKS.

Sign Up
@ ENROLMY.COM OR USE THE LINKS ON OUR FACEBOOK

GIRLS, TERM 4 - YEARS 6, 7, 8 & 9



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