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Monday 13th March Wednesday 22nd March Friday 31st March (bus returning to Te Miro School at 3.30-3.40pm) Monday 1st May Wednesday 10th May

Coming up

Tumuaki Kōrero

Tena koutou katoa, nga mihi nui kia koutou katoa. Greetings parents, whanau, and members of our school community.

We have come to the end of week 5 (halfway through Term 1) and I am hoping with this great weather, there will be no more cancellations. It has been so disappointing for our Year 4 to 8 students not going to camp but we have made a date for Term 4, so mark it in your calendar now, 1st to 3rd November.

Our board of trustees (BoT) has had a rapid learning curve with visits from our review partner, Lee Marchioni who was impressed by our happy chatty tamariki and our beautiful school. We are looking forward to sharing the draft strategic goals with you at our community picnic and BBQ. We have set some exciting targets and look forward to your partnership in achieving or exceeding these goals. If you can't make the picnic, we will send out a link to view the plan in next week's reminders.

Our year 7 and 8's will be cooking the BBQ at the community picnic to raise funds for their Wilderness Camp at the end of the year.

Ngā mihi nui, Michaela

Saturday 4th March - Agrikids

We have four teams competing in Saturday's Young Farmer Contest in the Agrikids competition - Dairy Dreamers, RD Fours, Udderly Awesomes and Pocket Rockets. We wish these teams the best of luck as the compete on all topics within the food and fibre sector. The teams have been practicing at lunch times learning anything from fencing to forestry. Good luck Te Miro School!

Monday 6th March - Guitar Lessons

Due to the Rural Schools Swimming Sports being held next Tuesday, guitar lessons will be held on Monday 6th March next week. After that, lessons will go back to every Tuesday. If you are having lessons, this is a reminder to bring your guitars and music books. This year, lessons are optional but are still held during school hours and organised through Crystal 027 2813956 simonandcrystal@xtra.co.nz.



Coming up continued

Tuesday 7th March - Rural Schools Swimming Sports

The Rural Schools Swimming Sports is an event for 8-year-olds and up and will be held at St Peter's School on Cambridge Road next **Tuesday 7th March**. The event starts at 9.45 am and finishes at 2 pm. A timetable of the day's events has been attached to the Skoolloop parent help request form in permissions. Please remember to send your children to school with togs, a hat, sunscreen, water, and a packed lunch if they haven't ordered a lunch. Junior students will be doing their swimming at the Te Miro Schools Summer Celebration Thursday 9th March.

9th March - Summer Celebration and Community BBQ

Our summer celebration is also our school swimming sports. Our older students get to have swimming races and show you how they have improved. Our junior students will show you how amazing they are in the pool. Parents and whanau are encouraged to come along to watch and participate in swimming races with the students.

As mentioned in the weekly reminders, we have moved the Summer Celebration to **Thursday 9th March 1-3pm** which coincides with the Community BBQ that afternoon/evening. Juniors will swim first.

Wednesday 15th March - New entrant visits

for new students starting term 2 2023

New entrant visits for children starting in term 2 start **Wednesday 15th March 9am - 12.30pm**. Please bring a hat and morning tea. Please let the office know if you need an enrolment form sent to you.

Friday 24th March - Rural Schools Tryathlon at Te Miro School

Friday, 24th March 10 - 2pm, Te Miro School will be hosting the Rural Schools Tryathlon for the Cambridge Rural Schools. We will need all hands on deck for the day so we can run an exceptional event for our fellow schools. It has been a few years since we ran the last one here and we are all very keen to see this become an annual event again.

Friday 31st March - Waikato Full Primary Schools Swimming Sports

The top selected years 7 & 8 students who qualify will be representing Te Miro School at the Waikato Full Primary Schools Swimming Sports **Friday 31st March**. Parents will be contacted with more information closer to the time.

Sunday 5th March - Waipa Fun Run

Set in the heart of Cambridge, Waipa Fun Run is a great family event, held on the Town Square and offers courses for keen **runners** and **walkers**, plus **families** that just want to stroll the course.

Whether you want to walk or run, we've got something for everyone. The event starts a 9am. There are loads of spot prizes. See the flyer below for more information.

Monday 3rd April - Cambridge Inter Schools Swimming

The top selected 8-year-old and up students will be representing Te Miro School at the Waikato Full Primary Schools Swimming Sports **Friday 31st March**. Parents will be contacted with more information closer to the time.

Website google calendar

All dates mentioned above are on the school website google calendar

Information

Board of Trustees

It's been a busy start to the year with our scheduled review from the Educational Review Office (ERO) underway. ERO visit schools regularly to assess progress across many areas including policies and curriculum development, so Lee Marchioni, our ERO representative was at school last week meeting staff, parents and pupils. Thank you very much to those of you who took the time to come and meet with Lee, her review will be received later this term which will then be shared with everyone. Lee was impressed by the chatty and highly involved children she met during her two day visit!

A lot of work is being done to develop a revised strategic plan for the school, which we will be sharing with you soon. There will also be an increased focus on consultation with our school community this year to ensure that the strategy being developed fits with your vision for the school.

Many of you may have seen the notice on the tennis court fence with information about a meeting that Waipa District Council will be holding, with additional information about this meeting in this newsletter. We will ensure that there is board representation at that meeting as proposed plans for the district will impact our future planning for the school. It would be positive to get a lot of community representation at that meeting, so if you are interested in attending that meeting, please note the date and time and come along.

We're looking forward to welcoming new families at the Community BBQ/Picnic being held next Thursday night (the 9th) – it is a great opportunity to have an informal catch up together.

Lastly, board meeting dates have been set for the rest of the year – these are held on Monday evenings at 6pm, in the school staffroom on the following dates:

20th March

8th May

12th June

31st July

4th September

23rd October

27th November

If you are interested in coming along to a board meeting at any time, members of the school community are always welcome.

Michaela, Fiona, George, Kelly, Janie and Adam

PTA

We've started the term with a hiss and roar with many new members to the PTA group, as well as some good old faithful faces. The PTA is chaired by Luke Campion, Treasurer Jordan Burnnand, and Secretary Kate Manion. On Sunday 26th February, we thanked all our weaner calf donors with a pizza dinner at Oasis. Te Miro School PTA appreciates the generosity of the farmers & grazers that have donated calves as each calf has an end value of around \$1200-\$1500, and the donated grazing & associated animal health is valued at \$950. We look to realise these profits later in the year when the stock is sold. Next week we cater the Rural Schools Swimming Sports. This is a chance for us to fundraise as well as provide students with a BBQ lunch. We will require some helpers for that day March) 7th SO please contact (k.beeby@hotmail.com or 0276161038) if you can help. Thank you to everyone that has raised their hand (or had their arm twisted) to help in previous events we appreciate it. Our next meeting is Thursday 16th March at 3:15 pm in the Miro room.

School bush kaitiakitanga korero

The native bush at school is a special place for us all. Created by each one of our students since 2004 by planting a native tree to celebrate being a part of our school.

Their collective planting has created a beautiful space, where they play, explore, climb trees and build huts. It is also home to our beloved kereru and native fauna.

This taonga needs our care; weed species are restricting the growth of native seedlings, which jeopardises the regeneration of the bush.

Please come and join our korero, share your ideas and discuss how together we can best care for our school bush.

<u>Meeting Monday 13th March, 2.30-3pm</u> in the school bush, bring insect repellent!

If you can't make the korero, but would like to be involved please contact Laura Edward <u>02102542107</u> or <u>laura.edward@gmail.com</u>

Information

Newsletters

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

WANTED Parents to train as Ag Day Judges

Going forward, we will be required to supply trained Ag Day judges for our regional schools Ag Day events. If you're serious about your child spending the time caring and training an animal and participating in Ag Day, we'd like you to consider training as a judge.

The commitment would be attending a training session along with 2 or 3 mornings judging per year.

So if you have a younger child and will be involved in Ag Days for the next few years, please consider this opportunity. It's a great way of gaining more knowledge and helping your own child knowing what to do with their animal.

Let's keep this really enjoyable time with our children going!

For more information, please contact Andrea 027 452 1937 bruntwood4@xtra.co.nz

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

School formal assemblies that we invite parents to come and be a part of will be on **Friday 10th of March and Thursday 6th April**. 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.

Playgroup

Te Miro Playgroup is attended once a week, on **Wednesdays from 10am-1pm** 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.

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

After school care is available. If you'd like to book your child in, please see Jennie in the office. We need to know the Friday prior to the week you require care. However, phone the school if you need to make a last minute booking and we'll see what we can do. Meeka is our lovely carer who is always happy to have more children.

Request for help reading with children and library parent helpers

Thank you to those parents who have already been in to help some of our children with their reading. We'd like two people per day. Last week we shared a google doc with you where you can add your name and the day/s you're available if you'd like to help or simply put your name on the office noticeboard. Please let the office know if you'd like that link sent to you again.

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 on the office noticeboard.

Information



Birthdays

A big happy birthday to the following students who have had their birthdays in the months of February and March. Ludo, Leo L, Charlie, Jacob, Addisyn, Harper H, Rowan, Tom and Caleb.

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.



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. Next year we will be separating out the cost of transport to various event throughout the year. This cost will be \$25 and will be added to your account.

FREE LIGHTBULBS



PLEASE COME AND COLLECT YOUR SHARE OF THESE ENERGY-EFFICIENT LIGHT BULBS FROM SCHOOL. WE WANT TO GIVE THEM AWAY

Parents please collect bulbs from the school office.

Hats - change to wide brimmed hats only!!!

HATS **must** be worn for terms 1 and 4. Next year, we will be expecting everyone to have a wide-brimmed hat. If you want to buy one of our school hats, please order now so we can get them in over the holidays

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





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".

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

Noho ora mai,

Annie, Fiona, Jen, Claire, Jennie, Kim, Laura and Michaela





Te Miro Ahu Ake Community Engagement

What will Waipā look like in 2050?

Waipā District Council is in the early stages of developing Ahu Ake - Waipā Community Spatial Plan which will be a blueprint for our district for the next 30+ years.

This plan will have a direct impact on our future, and the future of our children and grandchildren and will be the most important plan we create.

Now the plan needs you.

Council will be at the Te Miro Settlers Hall on **Thursday 23 March from 2.30 pm**-4.30 pm to speak with our community about what is important to you for the future of our village and the wider district.

So, when picking up your children on Thursday, please feel free to drop in at their event and have your say.

Your feedback is a critical part of this plan.

You can find more information about this project and have your say online at www.ahuakewaipa.nz/have-your-say.

Cambridge Junior Rugby

Registrations are now open for Intermediate (Years 7 & 8) rugby are now open.

Can you please let your Year 7 & 8 students and families know. Registrations close 21/3/23. Registrations can be entered at

https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/174099?returnUrl=http%3a%2f%2fwww.cjrs.co.nz%2fSubs-Clothing-Costs

Leamington Sports Registration

Leamington Sports Club invites you to register for the 2023 winter season, we offer Netball, Hockey and Rugby. Please register using the following links:

Netball: https://www.sporty.co.nz/leamingtonrsc/Junior-Sports-Registrations/junior-netball-player-registration

Hockey: https://www.sporty.co.nz/leamingtonrsc/Junior-Sports-Registrations/junior-hockey-player-registration

Rugby: https://www.sporty.co.nz/leamingtonrsc/Junior-Sports-Registrations/junior-rugby-player-registration

Please come along to a muster at our club on Carlyle Street on Sunday, March 5th at 2 pm. You can try on uniforms, talk to our volunteers, kick, throw, or hit a ball around, and get to know our club. There will be games, food and drink, and lots of friendly faces. We would love to see you there!

If you have any questions please contact Lara Connors or Sam Ward on leamingtonjuniorsport@outlook.com







Cricket

Friday night cricket in Cambridge started 4th November.

Years 0-2 Fun skills based sessions 5.30pm - 6.15pm. This is a great introduction to cricket.

Years 3-4 Introduction to games 5.30pm - 7.30pm played with plastic equipment.

Years 4-5 Friday night cricket. Transition to Saturday cricket formats - batting pads, gloves and helmets.

Years 5-8 SISTA smash. Modified games for girls, using a softball.

If you're interested please head over to this link to register: Register for cricket



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/

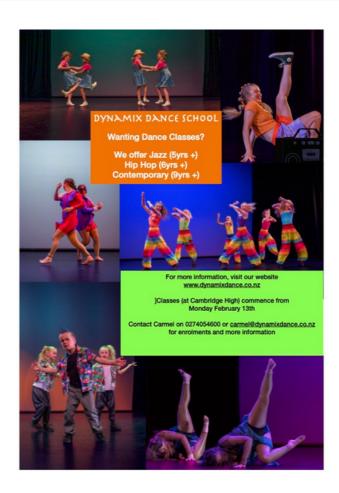
Cambridge Football

Registrations are now open for the winter football season with Cambridge Football. To register head over to their website https://cambridgefootball.co.nz/register

















9:45am - Meet at Main Carpark for rider briefing 10am – Group Rides Start

12pm - Groups return to BBQ Area

Ph/Text Heidi for more information – 027 341 2228 or contact by email Heidi.lj.07@gmail.com

Please advise if your child has any special needs so that they can be grouped with extra adult support if required

www.temiromtbclub.co.nz

KIDS MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDES SATURDAY, 11TH FEB - 1ST APR 2023

Te Miro MTB Park, Waterworks Road, Te Miro

Approx 15 mins from both Morrinsville and Cambridge

- Recommended Age 8 to 15 (Adults welcome to join the ride)
- Under 8's must be accompanied by riding, walking or running adult
- Bring a drink bottle/camelbak & any medication you may need
- Bikes must be suitable for off road use & in good working order
- Helmets and shoes compulsory (No exceptions)
- No cost for the rides but donation & new members are welcome
- Stay after the ride for a sausage sizzle and drink – Cash Only
- · Rides are on rain, hail or shine
- Parents accept full responsibility for child's health & safety during rides





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