Te Miro School Panui

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WE ARE ... CURIOUS CARING CREATIVE AND COURAGEOUS

9th Hakihea 2022

9th December 2022

19 Tekau mā iwa



DIARY DATES

Tumuaki Kōrero

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

The end of the year is fast approaching and our dairy dates are getting fewer.

It has taken me till now to realise that less is more. That not everyone wants to read my ramblings, and messages are getting lost in my korero, so I will stop here and hope to see you all at our end-of-year celebration and picnic.

Ngaa mihi nui, Michaela





Weetbix Tryathlon 2022

2022

Monday 12th December - Carol's singing at the town hall (11 am) and swimming at the town pools (from 12 pm to 2.15 pm)

Tuesday 13th December - End of Year Celebration (5pm picnic, 5.40 pm Guitar Recital, 6 pm Formalities)

Wednesday 14th December - Last day - School finishing at 12:30 pm (please let us know if you need after-school care on this day by Tuesday)

2023

Tuesday 31st January 2023 - Term 1 starts Wednesday 15th to Friday 17th February -Years 4 to 8 Pironga camp (Years 1-3 will do something fun at this time too) Tuesday 7th March - Rural Schools Swimming Sports Thursday 6th April - Term 1 ends Monday 24th April - Term 1 ends Monday 25th April - Term 2 starts Friday 30th June - Term 2 ends Monday 17th July - Term 3 starts Friday 22nd September - Term 3 ends Monday 9th October - Term 4 starts Friday 15th December - Term 4 ends



Inter-School Athletics

After all the rain and cancellations, 4 students from Te Miro managed to compete in the Inter-school Athletics day at Athletics Park. William Manion 8yrs, Rupert Manion 9yrs, Kate Mellow 8 yrs, Ana-Maria Jones 9yrs, and Addisyn McIntyre 9yrs all displayed wonderful sportsmanship and courage.

Congratulations to Addisyn who placed: 2nd shotput 3rd 100m sprint 1st high jump 3rd long jump





Full Primary Schools Athletics Porritt Stadium

Congratulations to Byron McIntyre, Joubert Lombard, and Calum Taylor who competed in the Full Primary Schools Athletics competition at Porritt Stadium on the 1st of December. The competition was steep and you all did your very best.





Weetbix Tryathlon 2022

Congratulations to all those that participated in the Weetbix Tryathlon. We again had more students enter than any other schools based on the size of our roll.Thank you to Sarah Cowley-Ross and Kate Manion for organising the gazebo to keep the children from getting sunburnt on the super hot day. It was great to see our big Te Miro tent up at the event.



Thanks to Paul

Paul has given us his time for two years now and we are truly indebted to him. To have a person with such experience, passion, and expertise work with us and our students has been such a gift.

All of the students year 3 and up have now been to the Te Miro Bike Park and their motivation is evident with the number of bikers around the school. Paul, we will miss you very much, but hope your new adventure to the Coromandel brings you much joy as you have given so much to us.





End of year celebration

Our End of Year Celebration is coming up this Tuesday 13th December. Bring kai and picnic rugs and gather for a picnic with everyone from 5 pm onwards. The guitar recital will start at 5.40 pm. Guitarists bring guitars. Formalities will start at 6 pm. If it's raining we will be in the Te Miro Hall.



Guitarists practising for the End of Year Celebration

Year 8's day out

The year 8's enjoyed their first time at the Velodrome for their special day out. This was also part of their Pounamu Challenge. They took on the challenge and did great!





Farewell

A fond farewell to the following students who have helped make this kuru a wonderful place to be. We will miss you all very much and wish you the very best for the next chapter in your lives. Families, thanks for being part of our school community. We wish Kaitlyn Ward, Calum Taylor, Diesel Sandison, Finian Schott, Joubert Lombard, Cody Orr, Brooklyn Rose, Octavia Paintain, Nina Helleur Hogg, Bodhi Truscott, Elijah Burd and Anna Stoneham all the very best.

Bush Class wins us our **Green Gold Enviro** Schools status again!

Our Green Gold reflection involved the students reflecting on our practices and our strengths as an Enviro School. We are so proud of the akonga that showed our visitors and assessors around. The comment was made that, "it was easy to see you just live and breath the Enviro School philosophy here".



Swimming Pool



Keys to the pool can be purchased or renewed from the school office during school hours, or from Laura 02102542107. This season the keys are \$110 + \$20 key fob (refundable on return). Keys will be enabled on receipt of payment (cash or online) and completion of the Key Holders Agreement.

Our pools are funded, managed, and maintained through the partnership of our school and community. There are two invaluable ways you can help:

Please consider helping our pool fundraising team pick up hay. This is a friendly group who work hard to make a large contribution to the upkeep of our pool complex. Those committed to helping at 4 or more hay pick-ups will receive a partial key refund (amount dependent on how much is made). Contact Carwyn 021 484 225 for more info

Or please consider being on our pool testing team. The pool water needs to be tested 3x a day. It is this commitment of our pool testers that ensures we are able to stay open. We are rostered on for a week at a time, sharing the testing with a buddy. We test the water and perform simple maintenance tasks to ensure the water is sparkling clean. Contact Laura 021 025 42107 for more info.

Be safe this summer and enjoy our beautiful pools!



Information

Hay Pick Up



The Pool Committee is the group that maintains our beautiful school pool complex and there are many costs they have to cover throughout the year including pool chemicals, running and repairing the pumps, regularly repainting the pools and maintaining the infrastructure like the sheds, fences and the electronic gate.

One of the main ways they raise funds is by picking up hay bales over the summer. They're always looking for volunteers to join the group, so if you like the sound of meeting some locals, seeing beautiful parts of Te Miro farmland, and getting hot and sweaty every so often to help raise money for this amazing community asset, the Pool Committee want to hear from you! If you're interested in being added to the list of volunteers for hay pick-ups, please text Carwyn Mellow on 021 484 225.

ΡΤΑ

The PTA held their AGM last week and there have been lots of changes with new people stepping up to take on key roles which is fantastic. In 2023 Luke Campion is taking over the role of Chairperson from Linda Mulvihill, Kate Manion is replacing Janie Taylor as secretary and one of our new parents, Jordan Webb, will be taking over from Jennie Molloy as treasurer. A huge thanks to Linda, Janie and Jennie for all of the hard work they have put into their roles this year.

2022 has seen the PTA hard at work raising funds for our school. Activities the PTA has been involved in and money raised this year from key fundraisers include:

Helping cater the camp food in February

The horse trek at the Campion's farm in March (\$800)

Running a spring bulb fundraiser in March (\$800)

The orienteering event on the Hannon's farm in May (\$400) Helping organise soup and buns for the Matariki Festival in June

The seniors raised money for their ski camp in June by planting shelter trees at the Campion's (\$1250)

In August we sold LOTS of Oxford Pies (\$770)

Later in August, we hosted the Frazzled Kiwi adventure race (\$1800)

And did it all again in September with the Soaked in Adventure race at Janie Taylor and Carwyn Mellow's farm (\$3000)

Ag Day was a huge hit, held later in September (\$1100) And the school disco was held in November.

PTA continued...

We also raised money from ticket sales to Aladdin, a Good George fundraiser, selling entertainment books and spring seedlings and the amounts for these are still being calculated. So, its been a super busy and fun year with over \$10,000 made. This was all made worthwhile when the long awaited new bike shed we have all been working towards arrived on 7th December, and is finally in place, just in time for us to fill it with bikes! Big thanks to Luke Campion, Paul Manion and Alister Nicholls who made that happen!

So many people have played a part in these fundraisers and events, and to each and every one of you, the PTA is very thankful. There is no way we could raise money without the involvement and support of our school families and we appreciate the help so many of you have given.

The have lots of fun things planned for 2023, and lots of great ideas about how to spend the funds we raise. Meeting dates for next year will be publicized when school starts again in 2023 and we would encourage everyone to please put their hand up to help us again next year – it's a fun and rewarding way to volunteer your time to directly impact your child's experience at school, with the money we raise contributing towards resources and experiences we would not otherwise be able to afford.

Lastly, the PTA would like to say a huge thank you to Neena Truscott who is leaving the PTA after being part of the group the entire time she has been a parent at Te Miro School – more than 7 years! We will all miss Neena's fantastic sense of humour, her infectious laugh and enthusiastic personality but we know she will be back to share social events with us in the future!









New entrants for 2023

We have had the last of our last visit for New Entrants this year and we can't wait for Ludo, Angus, Layla and Harper to start in Rata on day 1 next year. You will easily transition to school as you are all so ready to be a part of our class!

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

Guitar lessons



Our fabulous guitar teacher Crystal is now taking bookings for guitar lessons at school (during school hours) for 2023. Please sign your child up here: Music lessons

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.

School Donations

A reminder that school donations are voluntary. The amount we ask for is \$100 per student per year and \$40 per sibling per year. From now on, to make things a bit easier, we'll be adding the family's full amount to the eldest sibling's account. To reiterate, it is a voluntary payment that gives us the option to do some of the following;

- Subsidise school camps
- Extracurricular activities
- Swimming and music lessons

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.

Hats - change to wide brimmed hats only!!!

HATS **must** be worn for Term 4 and Term 1. 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

Library books and readers returned now!

We are still waiting on a few library books and readers to be returned please.

Office Hours

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

Guitars to be returned

To those of you who have borrowed/hired a guitar, please return them to school after the End of Year Celebration.

Resources etc



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.



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.

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 around \$25 - \$30 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.



Not long year 8's, before you arrive here. We are so going to miss you and your fantasic contributions to Te Miro school!

Noho ora mai, Annie, Fiona, Jen, Claire, Jennie, Kim, Laura and Michaela



Community Notices





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: <u>Register for cricket</u>



Gift Shop | Christmas craft | Tea shop | Local Choirs | 🛱 Santa midday on weekends



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/



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 <u>Heidi.lj.07@gmail.com</u>

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



Lightwire Rural

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KIDS MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDES SATURDAY, 29TH OCT – 10TH DEC 2022

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 donations & 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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