



# Te Miro School Panui

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**Te 22 o Here-turi-kōkā 2023**  
22nd August 2023 Iwa



## Tumuaki Kōrero

Tēnā koutou katoa, ngā mihi nui kia koutou katoa.  
Greetings parents, whānau, and all members of our school community,

This past week we have had some amazing parent support to get children to John Parsons workshops and for our field trip to Hall's farm. I always feel such gratitude that we have a community that is able, and excited to support our learning experiences.

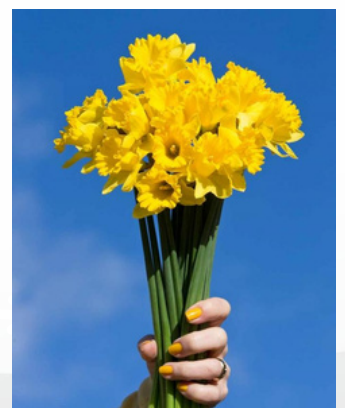
As you know, George Taylor and Kelly McIntyre have resigned from their Board position and I would like to thank them both for their contributions. As Board Chair, George has given me exceptional support during my 6 years here, and the time and energy he gave to the school is evident in its success and growth. I wish him well and Kelly and her whānau all the best for their new adventure.

If you would like to help grow and support our school by becoming a Board member, please come to our Board Governance information evening on Thursday, 31st August at 5pm.

We hope you all were able to go to the parent evenings on Cyber Safety last week. The learning is invaluable in supporting our vulnerable tamariki in this digital age.

On Thursday, NZEI will be acknowledging teachers from Cambridge schools who have been in the profession for more than 20 years. Congratulations Jen and Lindsay.

Have a wonderful week everyone!  
Ngā mihi nui, Michaela



## TECH DATES

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY:  
Wednesday 23rd August  
Friday 1st September  
Tuesday 12th September  
Thursday 21st September

## Coming up

### Friday 25th

#### Daffodil Day

Daffodil Day is an annual campaign by the Cancer Society of New Zealand. It raises money for cancer research and more. This Friday, come dressed in yellow with a gold coin donation and our Ahurei Group will donate it to the cause.

### Thursday 31st August 5pm

#### Board Governance Info Evening

If you are considering becoming a nominee for our Board Election, then come along and hear what it involves. Board responsibilities are as follows:

- setting the strategic direction and targets for the school/kura.
- planning towards and reporting on achieving those targets.
- curriculum management.
- financial and property management.
- policies and procedures.
- health and safety.

# Coming up continued

## Friday 1st September

### Working Bee 2-3 pm

Information about the working bee below

### Speech Finals

Finals are to be held at the Te Miro Settlers Hall.  
Time TBC

## Monday 4th September 6pm

### BOT Meeting

## Tuesday 5th September 9.30 am-2 pm (postponement date Friday 8th September)

### Rural Schools Cross Country - Karapiro Domain

Karapiro School will be hosting this year's annual Rural Schools Cross Country. We will be traveling by bus to Karapiro and home. Leaving at 9 am and returning at 2:15. All students will need to wear a Te Miro Sports Shirt and or their school polo shirt.

## Friday 8th September 6-8pm

### School Disco

It's time to show us your best moves!  
Come as your favourite movie character.

## Wednesday 13th September

### School photos (date change)

School photos will be taken on this day. There will be the opportunity for your child to have an individual photo and sibling photos.

## Friday 15th September (postponement date Monday 19th September)

### Town Schools Cross Country

Some students who qualify at the Rural Schools Cross Country will attend this event at Lake Karapiro Domain.

## Monday 18th - Friday 22nd September

### Book Week

This week is enjoyed by all. I'm sure there will be dressing up and guest authors visiting and books for sale.

## Wednesday 20th September 9am to 12pm

### Te Miro School Open Day

We're looking forward to showing off our wonderful Kura to those who are interested.

## 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 warm clothing and 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. Thank-you.

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

## Yummy Stickers



This a reminder to bring any yummy stickers into the school office. There is a chart to add to on the school notice board and new charts are available from the office. We have until the end of term 3 to collect as many as we can for new sports gear for the school!



## Rural Cross Country PROGRAMME

(with approximate times):

9.30 am Schools arrive and assemble next to the kitchen

9.50 Welcome and briefing (for marshalls and juniors)

10.05 Preschool race

10.10 5 year old girls

10.15 5 year old boys

10.20 6 year old girls

10.25 6 year old boys

10.40 7 year old girls

10.45 7 year old boys

11.00 Prizegiving 1 (for 5 – 7 year olds)

11.10 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 year old Course Walk  
Around/Marshal briefing

11.25 Junior Girls 8 years old

11:35 Junior Boys 8 years old

11:45 Junior Girls 9 years old

11:55 Junior Boys 9 years old

12:05 pm Intermediate Girls 10 years old

12:15 Intermediate Boys 10 years old

12:25 Intermediate Girls 11 years old

12:35 Intermediate Boys 11 years old

12:45 Senior Girls 12 + years old

12:55 Senior Boys 12 + years old

1:20 Prizegiving 2 (8 – 12+ year olds)



# Ag Day 2023



## AGRICULTURAL DAY

Saturday 14th October 2023 from 9.30am

Recycled garden art, baking, sausage sizzle, craft activities, coffee cart, and much more!

Lambs  
Calves  
Goats

Pet Section  
Chickens  
Rabbits  
Guinea pigs  
Birds



## RECYCLED GARDEN ART

Caring for our pollinators

Get as imaginative as you can, using what you have, and create something to support some of our hardest workers in the garden - our pollinators! Think about where they like to lay their eggs? Do they have a rest and where would they do that? What do they like to eat and drink? Use an unused container, an old holey gumboot, baling twine, or prunings or sticks found in the garden. These can be made at home or at school and placed in our school gardens for Agday. They can be taken home or left at school for all to admire. Adults, there is a section for you too.



## AGRICULTURAL DAY

Saturday 14th October 2023 from 9.30am



### REARING YOUR ANIMAL

Before the day, practice calling and leading your lamb or kid goat. At Ag Day we will have 3 areas of judging.

1. Call/Follow/Run
2. Most Obvious Pet
3. Leading and Rearing.

At home, you can set up 4 marker pegs to pretend it is the square ring that will be at the Ag Day.

### MOST OBVIOUS PET / CALLING

**Call** - Have someone hold your lamb/ kid goat. Run to the first peg, turn and call loudly to your lamb/kid goat and pat the lamb/ kid goat when it reaches the peg.

**Follow** - walk slowly to the second peg without excessive calling or turning around. Your lamb/ kid goat should be close behind you.

**Run** - run to the third peg; the lamb/ kid goat should join in your run as though it is enjoying it, even if it starts bucking and jumping.

**Catch** - turn around at the third peg and catch your lamb/ kid goat, and attach the lead onto the collar. When the lead is on, walk quietly to the fourth peg or out of the ring.

### LEADING

The lamb/ kid goat and child should walk as a unit, with the child standing level with the shoulder of the lamb/ kid goat and the lead just taking up the tension, not dragging the lamb/ kid goat or the lamb/ kid goat leading the child. Do not hold the lead on the metal clip that attaches to the collar. The child's leg should not touch the side of the lamb/ kid goat. Walk around the 4 pegs. Halfway between the 1st and 2nd pegs, the child should STOP walking with the lamb and count 1,2,3 (there will be a peg to mark the spot). The child should then start walking with the lamb/ kid goat again, around the 2nd peg and onto the 3rd peg.

### REARING

Brush your lamb every day. Do some brushing on the back, then on the legs, and don't forget underneath on its tummy, around its bottom, and under its chin. You can put a cover on your lamb to help keep it clean but remember to take it off on hot days. Do NOT wash your lamb because you will strip all the lanolin out of its fleece. Always wipe its face after feeding your lamb or the milk will dry on its skin and make it sore over time.

On the day before Ag Day, with a damp cloth, wipe the skin under its legs until it is clean. Be very careful because the skin is quite soft here.

Carefully clean the wax out of its ears with the damp cloth too. Clean around its bottom and under the tail. It needs to be nice and clean. You can also clean its hoofs and knees on the morning of Ag Day and redo under the legs and ears. Make sure that it is properly dried afterward and put in a warm spot to warm up afterward. Do not wash it in a drafty spot as it will get cold and likely get sick. Trim the hoofs carefully and the hair just at the top of the hoof. Also, trim the hair on the edge of the tail. Make sure its ears, face, bottom, and under its legs are also sponged clean. Give your goat a brush all over its coat to make sure there are no loose hairs on Ag Day morning. Check for lice regularly and apply a powder for this. Ask your vet about what product to use. On the morning of Ag Day, feed your pets early so that they are not starving or over full by the time we start the competition.

At Ag Day the judge will ask you some questions about your lamb/ kid goat. Learn as many answers as you can. You may be able to find out more about your lamb/ kid goat to tell the judge.

1. What breed is your lamb? 2. When was it born?
3. What do you feed it? 4. How many times a day do you feed it? 5. What have you done to clean your lamb? 6. Has your lamb been vaccinated? 7. What plants can make your lamb sick? 8. Has your lamb been drenched? 9. Why do we drench lambs? 10. What was the vaccination for? (diseases) 11. Name 3 other sheep breeds. 12. Does your lamb have teeth?
13. Are the teeth on the top or bottom? 14. What does your lamb do if it is cold?
15. How does a lamb/ kid goat stand up? 16. How could you tell if your lamb was sick? 17. How does the mother identify its baby? 18. Why do you not wash a lamb? 19. What is the name of the special milk that the ewe makes to feed her lamb?
20. What is a male/ female sheep/goat called?

### Poisonous Plants

Watch your garden with lambs as they will nibble anything! Many plants, including lawn clippings, are poisonous to lambs so don't let them roam free in your family's garden! Find out what is poisonous in your garden to prevent your animal from getting sick. Below is a short list of plants that are poisonous to lambs.

1. Ragwort
2. Rhododendron/Azalea
3. Daffodils or any plant from a bulb
4. Woolly Nightshade/Tobacco Weed/Flannel Leaf
5. Kowhai
6. Oak Tree/Oak Leaf/Acorn
7. Foxglove
8. Bracken Fern
9. Greened Potatoes
10. Daphne
11. Buxus (Boxwood)
12. Rhubarb Leaves

If your animal shows signs of poisoning contact your local vet for advice.

Please remember on Ag Day that we have Rhododendrons, Oak, Kowhai, and Buxus in the school gardens!!



Please remember, children are to hand participation forms to the school office by Friday 1st September.

Group day 20th October at Hautapu Grounds



# Information

## Newsletters

If you have anything you'd like to include in our newsletters please send them to [office@temiro.school.nz](mailto:office@temiro.school.nz)

## Te Miro School PTA Spring Seed Fundraiser



Spring is in the air and what better time to order your spring flowers to brighten any garden bed, while supporting Te Miro School!

We have eight amazing seed packets available in a rainbow of colours which include Sunflowers, Sweet Peas, Microgreens, and beautiful Bee Friendly Wildflower mixes, and introducing our Vege Medley Mix, a mix of 6 healthy option for vegetable staples.

An order form will be sent home with your tamariki to order the seeds, please return the order form by the 22nd of September to Te Miro School Office, and payment made to the account details on the order form.

Don't miss out on adding colour to your garden for Spring.



## 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](#)

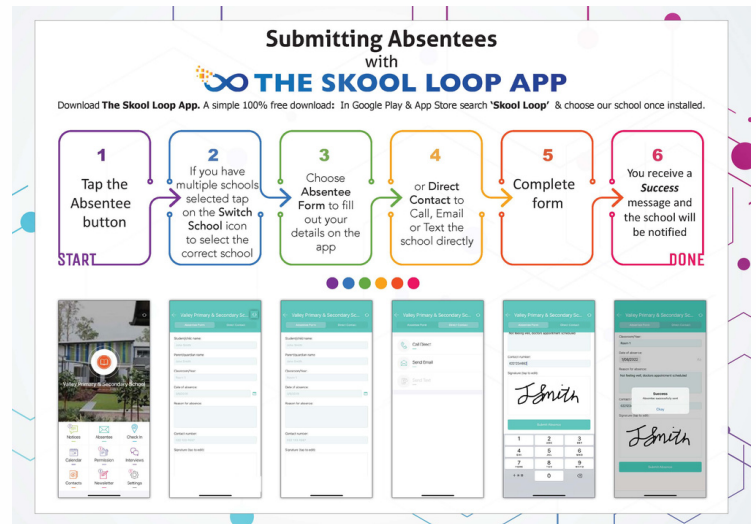
## Assemblies

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

After school care is available Monday to Thursday. If you'd like to book your child in, please see Jennie in the office. Ideally, 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.





# Information

## Mini Working Bees

We have a few jobs around the school needing extra hands, please come along and help out from **2.30-3pm on Tuesday afternoons**. You don't need to help for the whole time, even 10mins would be greatly appreciated. If this doesn't suit you, and you would like to help out at another time please let Laura (021 02542107) know and she will ensure you have tools if you need them. Our most pressing task is to clear the mulch from under the swings before the new woodchip arrives.





## Speeches

Students Year's 4 to 8 have been working hard on their speeches. During the week of **28th August to 1st September**, they will have the opportunity to present their speech in class. From those presentations, some students will be chosen to be in the speech finals at the Te Miro Settlers Hall on Friday, 1st September where parents will be invited to come and watch. An external judge will decide who is the winner who will then go on to represent our school at the Cambridge Rotary Speech competitions on Tuesday, 12th September, The night after that is also an opportunity for the best of our Year 7 & 8 students to represent us at the Waikato Full Primary Schools event.



## Science whole school topic 'Moo to You'

The success of our recent visit to Hall's farm just down the road has reinforced our learning and some of our experts in the group came up with some insightful and challenging questions for Alistair Hall to answer. Kā pai akonga.


 **WORKING BEE** 



**TIME FOR ACTION:** 

THE ENVIRO GROUP HAS BEEN WORKING AND DECIDED ON SETTING UP A WORKING BEE. AT THE WORKING BEE WE WILL BE PULLING TRADESCANTIA. IT WILL BE ON FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER 2:00PM - 3PM

 **WANT SOMETHING IN RETURN?** 

BRING A PLATE OF FOOD AS THERE IS A REWARD. YOU WILL BE ABLE TO GET SOME VERY GOOD FOOD, BUT MAKE SURE YOU BRING SOME TO SHARE!

 **1ST OF SEPTEMBER**  
**2:00 PM - 3PM**

 **TE MIRO**  
**SCHOOL** 



## Targa Rally

Tuesday 24th October 2023

The Targa New Zealand Rally will be taking place in Te Miro Tuesday 24th October. Roads around the school will be closed sometime between 12:10 pm - 4:50 pm. The organisers can't guarantee exactly what time. If you would like to collect your child before 12 pm on this day, please let the office know.



# Information

## Birthdays

A big happy birthday to the following students who have their birthdays in the month of August and it's just Tyson!

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:office@temiro.school.nz)



# Community Notices



**FRAZZLED KIWI ADVENTURE RACE**  
Sun 20 Aug 2023 | Cambridge

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I KŌHĀE O CAMBRIDGE



## FRAZZLED KIWI ADVENTURE RACE, CAMBRIDGE Sunday 20 AUGUST 2023

For students and whānau who love the outdoors, maps, adventures, team challenges, and having fun in our beautiful taiao – join the Frazzled Kiwi fun on Sunday 20 August in Cambridge.

The course is designed for students and families as well as adult social & work teams of 2 – 5 people. Frazzled Kiwi is a fun introduction to adventure racing – use your course map and clue sheet to find checkpoints and complete fun mystery activities.

While Frazzled Kiwi is a run/trek-only adventure race, it's still 100% a team sport – you must stick together on the course.

For more information and to register your team, visit: <https://soakedinadventure.co.nz/frazzled-kiwi-cambridge/>

### KEY INFORMATION:

Course length: 6-7km [complete within 1.5 – 3hrs]

Date: Sunday 20 August 2023

Key times: 8.30am registration; 9.45am race briefing; 10am race start; 1pm prizegiving

Cost per person: \$35



### PREDATOR CONTROL TE MIRO

#### CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

We need more volunteers to help with targeted bait drops, trapping and predator monitoring to really start cutting down on rat, possum and stoat numbers on the Te Miro maunga (Waterworks Rd Reserve).

If you're keen to help please email [piakocatchment@gmail.com](mailto:piakocatchment@gmail.com) with your contact details to register your interest and for more information



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/>

### LITTLE ARTIST INTERNATIONAL ART EXHIBITION

#### CALL FOR ART SUBMISSIONS

This is the second year the **Little Artist International Art** exhibition will be held in New Zealand and children aged 3-18 years are invited to make a submission to be exhibited in Cambridge in early September. In addition prizes will be awarded for 1st to 3rd, including a Carole Hughes original artwork and Paperplus vouchers.

Each work must comply with this year's theme - 'Animal Protection: We are the One Family'. It must be a work by hand (not digital) and on a paper size of 30cm x 30cm. Artists must be aged from between **3 and 18 years**.

The submissions must be hand delivered to either Waipā District Library prior to Thursday 17 August to be available for judging.



# Community Notices

## 2023 GENERAL ELECTION



We are interested to hear from anyone who would like to work for the 2023 General Election.

We are seeking people 16+ who can work on Election Day, 14 October 2023.

We are also employing people who wish to work at advanced voting polling places or in the Waikato Electorate Head Quarters based in Hamilton.

Apply online at:

Open this Hyperlink and scroll to the bottom of the page to apply.

[General Election 2023 - Waikato Electorate - Electoral Commission \(elections.nz\)](#)

Look for this once you have scrolled down.

Application closes on: 30 Sep 2023 23:00



Look forward to hearing from you.

**Katrina Pepper**

Recruiting & Rostering Manager.

Waikato Electorate

021 2423847

[Katrina.pepper@elections.govt.nz](mailto:Katrina.pepper@elections.govt.nz)

## Ahu Ake – Waipā Community Spatial Plan

We're running our first ever World Café and looking for residents from across the district to join us!

The World Café will bring community members, Council staff and experts together to discuss different topics that we need further feedback on at tables around a room.

It will be run as part of the development of Ahu Ake – Waipā Community Spatial Plan and is an exciting opportunity for us to share knowledge, collaborate and generate ideas on the more complex issues in the spatial plan with our community.

### So, what's it all about?

Earlier this year, we received thousands of valuable pieces of feedback on what the future of our district could look like.

This not only helped to confirm some of the challenges we are up against now and in the future, but highlighted areas in the plan that we need to flesh out further before progressing with its development.

We'll use the World Café to discuss topics including growth, housing, the economy and parks and public facilities with residents and working through possible solutions to questions like: 'How can our villages continue to grow while keeping their rural character?'

The ideas and insights developed during this process will be presented to the Mayor and councillors to consider as we work towards finalising this important plan next year.

### What's required?

Participants will be required to attend 3-4 workshops (all part of the World Café process) which will be run in September, October and November 2023. Those who take part will receive a \$150 Prezy Card as a thank you for their time.

Residents can sign-up online at [www.ahuakewaipa.nz/our-spatial-plan](http://www.ahuakewaipa.nz/our-spatial-plan) or by picking up a hardcopy survey at either of our Council offices or libraries.

Sign-ups close on **Wednesday 23 August 2023**. After this point, we'll make the registrations of interest anonymous and then select 40-45 community members to take part in the World Café. More information about this process is available on our website.

It is important we hear from a wide range of people with different backgrounds and experiences of living in Waipā. So, if you're a resident and over the age of 16, we want to hear from you!

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