



Te Miro School Panui

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WE ARE ...**CURIOUS CARING CREATIVE COURAGEOUS** and we **TRY**

Te 23 o Hui-tanguru
23rd February 2024

2024
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Tumuaki Kōrero

Week 4 has rolled around so fast! We are so proud of how our ākonga have showed so much courage and curiosity so early on in the year.

This newsletter is chocka block full of wonderful examples of "Growing Together." Whole school camp was definitely a wonderful way to start the term forming important relationships with children and whānau.

Swimming is the main PE activity this term and children are expected to bring their togs every day unless they have a note from their parent. Until the season is over, we won't be going down to the bush. There just isn't enough time.

Maintaining communication with our families is really important to us. Please ensure that we have up to date contact details for you, so that we can communicate quickly when required.

Some other useful information to remember: Newsletters, Musac Edge App, and email are useful ways of keeping track of the wider aspects of school life. Emails are the most likely ways we will keep in touch, with reminders or individualised messages via texts. We have a dedicated school website which is currently being updated with all the information you need, and Te Miro School and Te Miro Parents facebook sites are also places where we will share photos of events and activities we have done.

Also, don't forget to pop in and see us whenever you like. We are always happy to have a chat.

Ngā mihi nui, Your Te Miro Team

Coming Up

Tuesday 27th February

Guitar lessons

For those students who have guitar lessons with Crystal, please remember to bring your guitar and music on this day.

Friday 1st March

Te Miro Schools DOOathlon and Summer Swimming Celebration combined (next week)



This exciting new event is for Years 1-8 and will replace the normal swimming celebration that was planned for 15th March (now cancelled).

Races start 10:30 am SHARP.

Children will swim, bike and run.

FREE sausage sizzle and iceblock on completion of the course for all children (courtesy of the PTA). The school has a small number of bikes if your child needs to borrow one. Please let Jen/office know as soon as possible. Trainer wheels, and balance bikes are welcome.

The schedule can be viewed [here](#).

Closed shoes, togs, hats, and sunscreen are required.

For this to go ahead and to run smoothly we need parent helpers for the BBQ, marshals & pack up from 9:30-1 pm on the day. If you can spare an hour or two please email Luke @ hopehillfarm@hotmail.com. The PTA will provide all helpers with a lunch from the bbq as a thank you.



Please download "MUSAC edge" for school announcements, to report an absence view and pay your school statements. These are only a few of the functions Edge has to offer. Watch this space for more information. To access the Edge mobile app click [here](#). This [LINK](#) gives you information on how to navigate the app. We're still collating and updating information so please be patient during this time of transition. Accounts are coming together and will be showing the correct info by the 1st of March. Please hold off any payments until this date.

Highlights

Camp Raglan 2024

by Saria, Māhina, Philip, Amelie and Tyson

On the second week of school, finally, we all headed out to Camp Raglan. First, we went to the Surf Lifesaving Club and learnt all about their tools, first aid and how to stay safe at the beach. Did you know that if you get stung by a bluebottle you should just rinse it in hot water? Once Beach Education was completed we headed down to the rockpools and surprisingly we found starfish, crabs, shrimp and disappointingly, a bit of rubbish.

Next, it was a hot climb up the steep hill to our camp. We set up our sheets and sleeping bags and tried to keep our gear tidy. The senior boys were not very good at this - losing the dorm inspection by a mile. We had time to chill and play around the camp. Most of the boys played indoor soccer, the playground was a hit as was the giant hammock. For dinner we had some amazing nachos and chocolate self saucing pudding - yum! The little kids went to bed so we all had to be quiet until our bedtime.

As we woke up, we heard little kids screaming and rearing to start the day. After a wholesome breakfast we went to our rotation activities. They were awesome! Archery, low ropes, confidence course, team building, rock climbing and the epic flying fox. It was a boiling hot day but the helpful parents still ran the activities and encouraged us, even though they were melting.

Later that afternoon everyone was pumped for the epic slide and a cooling swim. The slide felt like you were falling off a cliff but in a fun way! We all enjoyed the slide - even the parents. After a long, hot day and some yummy hamburgers we all settled down into our cabins.

In the morning we cleaned up camp and then played 'Minute to Win It'. Stockings on your head, chopsticks with cotton balls and tissue boxes attached to your back - these games were funny to watch. Then we hopped on the bus and traveled to Raglan Museum. It was interesting as we lurked around their exhibitions. The final swim that we had at Raglan Estuary was extremely chillaxing. Most of us fell asleep in the bus on the way home to Te Miro. We enjoyed going to Camp Raglan and look forward to going on our next full school adventure.



REMINDER
Wide
brimmed hats
(no caps) are
compulsory
this term



Information

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

Our After School Care Facilitator Lyn Hunt 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.



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](#)

Te Miro BoT

We hope that everyone had an amazing time on camp at the start of term and that our new students and families that have become part of our school in 2024 are settling in.

The start of the new school year for us has involved activity that keeps our school safe and solvent, such as approving the school's annual budget, conducting health and safety reviews and fine tuning the school's strategic plan. We're continuing to work through the feedback that many of you gave us as part of our consultation process in Term 4 last year.

Please know that anyone is welcome to attend board meetings – we hold them on Wednesdays in weeks 3 and 8 of each term. Usually we meet at 3.15pm but we can be flexible with this time, so if anyone would like to attend an upcoming meeting, please email bot@temiro.school.nz and we can change our meeting time to suit.

Your board - Adam, Al, Fiona, Janie, Michaela and Peta

Enrolling for 2024

Please pass on details of anybody you think may want to enroll for 2024. 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

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

Playgroup

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



Newsletters

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

Information

Itinerate Music Lessons

We 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

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 and other activities. We value the support of our community, parents, grandparents and others. Simply put your name on [this form](#) if you are able to help with either reading with children in the mornings, or in the library on Fridays.

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.**

Community Notices



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/>

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



Registrations are now open. Follow this link to [register](#).

Te Miro Twister XC Mountain Bike Race 3rd March 2024



Choose from the below
2.5km Suitable for Littlies or Beginners
(2 or 4 Laps will finish after 45 minutes)
7km, 14km, 21km or 42kms (Approximately)
E-Bike Classes Available in 21 and 42kms

Plenty of Awesome Spot Prizes
Sausage Sizzle and Drinks for Sale
No Efftop Available Please Bring Cash

For more information and course maps go to:
temiromtbclub.co.nz
Any queries email: temiromtbevents@gmail.com
Registration opens 25th January
Click on the below link to register
<https://www.webscorer.com/register?pid=1&raceid=338828>



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6 WEEK PROGRAM
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FIRST WEEK
MON 19TH FEBRUARY
LAST WEEK
MON 25TH MARCH
SKILLS AND GAMES, COME TRY
THE SPORT OUT, AND IMPROVE
YOUR SKILLS
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USE THE LINKS ON OUR
FACEBOOK TO REGISTER

WAIKATO BOP SCHOOLS XC MTB CHAMPS 2024

Sponsored by Evans Doyle Accounts + Advisors
Track suitable for all abilities - Open from Year 5 - Year 13
Enter through your school by Tuesday 5th March
NEW FOR THIS YEAR - TEAM RELAYS

Thursday 14 March Te Miro MTB Park

Please email
temiromtbevents@gmail.com
for any queries

Food and drink available - please bring cash



For more information, please read the Event Manual on the Te Miro MTB Club website

Junior Rugby and Hockey

2 clubs are offering Junior Hockey and 3 are offering Junior Rugby this season. Registrations are now open, details of the clubs are below.

CJRS (Cambridge Junior Rugby Sports Club) www.cjrs.co.nz

CJRS are excited to again offer rugby for our intermediate (Year 7 & 8) players.

We will enter teams in the Waikato Central Rugby competition, games are played throughout Hamilton as well as at our home ground, Memorial Park, Cambridge.

For more information and to register your year 7 or 8 rugby superstar, click [HERE](#)
You can email cjrsclub@gmail.com if you would like to know anything further.

Leamington Rugby and Sports Club

Leamington Sports Club is excited to offer Hockey and Rugby in 2024!

Junior Hockey is available for Years 3-8.
Providing a strong development program for all grades on a Tuesday afternoon.
Contact Nadine Butcher for more info leamingtonjuniorsport@outlook.com
Register for Hockey: Add a little bit of body text

Junior Rugby is available for Years 0-8
Rippa Rugby for the little ones and Tackle for the big kids! Run by a Leamington 'old boy' and Dad, Jason Rouse. Passionate about all kids having a go. For more info contact Jason leamingtonjuniorsport@outlook.com

Hautapu Sports Club www.hautapusports.co.nz

Hautapu Sports Club is thrilled to again offer Hockey and Rugby to our Junior Superstars in 2024!

HOCKEY

Primary Hockey is played on Friday afternoons/evenings at St Peter's School, 1716 Cambridge Road, Cambridge.

For more information or to play primary (year 3-6) hockey for Hautapu Sports Club register [HERE](#)

Intermediate Hockey is played on Friday afternoons/evenings at various locations throughout the Waikato.

To play intermediate (year 7-8) hockey for Hautapu Sports Club or to find our more information please register [HERE](#)

If you have any questions please email Marie; juniorthockey@hautapusports.com

RUGBY

YEAR 0 - 2 RIPPA RUGBY

Rippa Rugby teams for new entrants to year 2 children, will play on Friday evenings, mainly at Memorial Park, Taylor Street with the occasional game at Leamington Rugby Club, Carlyle St, Leamington.

YEAR 3 - 6 TACKLE RUGBY

Tackle rugby teams, year 3-6 children will play at Memorial Park, Taylor Street, Cambridge on Saturday mornings. Depending on the number of teams in each tackle grade, some grades may travel between various clubs for games as we have in the past. These clubs may include Putaruru, Hinuera and SURF (Tokoroa).

You can register your superstar [HERE](#)

For any questions or further information please email our amazing Junior Rugby Co-ordinators, Rhys and Stacey at juniorryugby@hautapusports.com

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One hour a day of reading, writing and maths

What's happening?

Starting from Term 1 2024, children in Years 0-8 will be taught reading, writing, and maths for an average of one hour a day in each skill.

Daily teaching, along with a quality curriculum and good teaching practices, has been shown to improve children's progress and achievement.

What does this change mean for my child?

Many schools already spend an hour a day on reading, writing and maths, so this will not be a big change.

The new 'one hour a day' requirement has been designed to be practical and flexible. Schools will still be able to hold events like athletics days and school camps since the requirement is for an average amount of time each week.

What will the lessons look like?

The National Curriculum outlines what your child should be able to understand, know and do as they progress through their school years. Teachers will continue to use the curriculum and teach in ways that best suit the learning. This includes using things like active learning opportunities, group work, investigations, practice, and consolidation activities.

The 'one hour a day' requirement can be broken up into small blocks throughout the day. Your child's teacher will manage these to fit the needs of your child.

How you can help at home

To support the learning they do at school, you can help your child develop reading, writing and maths skills by:

- having your child read to you
- reading to your child and talking about books and stories
- encouraging your child to share what they think about a book (or video game, podcast, or movie), and being positive about the material they are reading, listening, or watching
- letting your child see you enjoy books, audiobooks, podcasts, games, movies, or videos in your first language
- encouraging your child to write, and talking with your child about what they are writing
- showing your child that you write for lots of reasons too, such as replying to an email, filling out a form, or writing an invitation or letter
- involving your child in activities where you use maths (for example playing games with cards or dice, grocery shopping, cooking, and DIY activities)
- encouraging your child to share how they solve mathematics problems (they may use different mental or written strategies to the ones you were taught)
- being positive about your child's reading, writing, and maths experiences, and praising their efforts.

Working with your school

It can be helpful to share your child's interests, languages spoken at home, and cultural practices with their teachers, so they can be included in your child's learning.

You can also talk with your child or their teacher about their progress in reading, writing, and maths and discuss with their teacher ways you can support your child at home.

