

# Rotokauri School Newsletter



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**Enjoy this special time  
with family and friends.**

**Be happy and safe.**

**See you all after the school holidays.**

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Dear Parents

*Nga mihi o te wa kia koe me to whanau.*

## **ROKOKAURI SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT**

Our positive environment will actively engage us all in learning.

## **ROKOKAURI SCHOOL VISION**

Together We Grow

- Unity (Kotahitanga)
- Inclusive (Manaakitanga)
- Guardianship (Kaitiakitanga)

Together We Learn

- Innovative (Auahatanga)
- Happy (Uruhau)
- Responsible (Tuutika)

## **ROKOKAURI SCHOOL VALUES**

Persistence

Resilience

Integrity

Diversity

Excellence

### **WELCOME**

Nau mai, haere mai ki te kura o Rotokauri.

Welcome to Kezia Samuel (Room 7), Achsah Samuel (Room 6) and Caleb Samuel (Room 4). We hope you and your whaanau/family enjoy your learning journey at Rotokauri School.

Ngaa mihi nui.

## **PRINCIPAL'S PIECE**

As the term comes to an end we can look back on a busy, successful start to the year. Our PTA has worked tirelessly fundraising with the Easter raffle, the BOT have been busy with the MPR project, appointment of a new Principal and participating in the ERO visit to our school. Thank you to both these committees for the time and effort that they put in.

Last week we had the pleasure of the Police education officers in the school speaking to Room 7 and 8 on Cyber Safety. Thank you to Eden Miller for providing information for students, staff and the school community to consider.

I have been fortunate this term to attend events that showcased our students sporting talents – interschool swimming at Ngaruawahia and Northwest Triathlon at Te Rapa. Well done to the students that were selected to participate in these events. You have done yourself proud, your parents proud and the school proud. I have also attended the Top Schools competition at Te Kowhai where I witnessed our students' problem solving,

persevering to accomplish tasks, supporting each other and working together as a team, showing fair play and sportsmanship. Congratulations to the team that competed. We are fortunate at Rotokauri School to be able to provide these learning opportunities for our students and it is thanks to the staff for all their organisation and to the parents that provide transport.

All our classes have visited the Xtreme Waste Centre in Raglan and been inspired by the volunteers that recycle, reuse and upcycle. Over the remainder of the year new initiatives with recycling and caring for our environment will be implemented into our school.

We have also all participated in the hangi preparation and cooking process, as well as enjoying eating the delicious food. This will be a wonderful memory for the students, staff, parents and community members that attended the event.

Wishing you all a safe, enjoyable and relaxing Easter break. I look forward to seeing everyone at the beginning of Term 2, on 1<sup>st</sup> May.

Ngaa mihi nui.

Desiree Smith  
Principal

### **Cyber Safety – Eden Miller (Room 8)**

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April, the two senior classes had the great privilege of learning from two constables (Jacob and Peter) about cyber safety and cyberbullying.

Firstly, they taught us about internet safety: on the internet people can impersonate and pretend to be someone else; it's best not to interact with strangers on the internet.

Secondly, they asked us to define cyberbullying: The act of harassing someone online by sending or posting mean and unnecessary messages, sometimes anonymously, repeatedly over a period of time. We then watched a video that showed how cyberbullying can be extremely emotionally hurtful to others.

What most people don't realise is that a funny message or strong opinion can be misinterpreted to be hurtful or discriminating. Remember next time you're about to send a "funny" or strong opinionated message - think exactly how it will be received.

## **GENERAL MATTERS**

### **MPR Update**

The MPR project has almost been completed, therefore when the students return from their holidays it will be operational again. The second stage of the project is to rectify the leaking newest section of the Administration block. The office will be relocated into the MPR kitchen, as well as the sickbay. Before and After School Care (Atmosphere) will be using the MPR again in the mornings and afternoons. The alleyway and entrance to the Administration block will be blocked due to construction. Entry to the MPR will be via the back doors by Room 1 and entry to the staffroom will be via the side door. We appreciate that this may be an inconvenience but appreciate your patience and understanding. The entire project is due to be completed by July.

## **Room 8 Working Bee**

Thank you to the Room 8 students that worked around the school to complete tasks e.g. filling gaps by the Adventure Trail activities.

## **CELEBRATIONS**

### **NumberWorks Voucher**

Congratulations to Charlize Nevill who has been selected to participate in one term of tutoring at NumberWorks. What a great opportunity.

At our assemblies the following children received certificates.

### **Assembly Awards**

**Week 9** – raining – no assembly

#### **Week 10**

Room 2	Reece Calnan – Always working hard on your writing and maths.
Room 2	Charles Puke – Always showing that you are ready to learn and working hard on your maths.
Room 3	Lola Fau – For your kindness and super effort in everything you do. Be proud Lola.
Room 3	Reed Kahaki – You are such a responsible and positive student in our class and school. Outstanding Reed.
Room 4	Isaac Stratford – For interest and care for our class animals and the environment.
Room 4	Carter Jessop – For making excellent choices in class and taking responsibility for your learning. Well done Carter.
Room 5	Kyah Duncan – Great confidence and skill in the swimming pool.
Room 5	Ashtyn Gyde – You are a polite and respectful student. Also an improvement in focus.
Room 6	Elias Barber – Always focused and trying your best.
Room 6	Hosea Warbrick – Showing excellence in your work.
Room 7	G’arni-Lee Clark – You are a polite and respectful student – a great role model for others.
Room 7	Olliver Milne – You are a mature and motivated student – a great role model for others.
Room 8	Danny Caulfield – You show integrity in everything you do – be proud Danny.
Room 8	Tahlia Farrell – You aim for personal excellence in many activities in the classroom and out on the playground. Well done.

## REMINDERS

### **Mobile Dental Clinic**

The Mobile Dental Clinic will be on-site from 1<sup>st</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> May. The Dental team will carry out check-ups only and are inviting all parents/caregivers to attend with their children if they so wish – but not compulsory. The service has a new online system so we will endeavour to text all families 2 days prior to the appointment scheduled. Please bear in mind this is new and we are not 100% sure how connectivity will affect us.

If your child requires further dental treatment this will then be carried out at Crawshaw Dental Clinic and your child/children will be sent home with the relevant paperwork with an appointment time.

Please feel free to come and talk to us at the van re:appointments and we will endeavour to accommodate you the best we can, in the time frame allowed.

Gayle, Colette and Leanne (Dental Team)

## ***REMINDER: Parent Evening May 10th at 7pm "Friends for Life"***

Rotokauri School is hosting a Parent Information Evening facilitated by Mrs Jenny Bell from Oranga, who will be speaking about the "FRIENDS" programmes available to students of our school. This programme helps by teaching children skills and strategies when navigating stress, anxiety and day to day challenges.

(See March 30th Newsletter for more details)

**Date:** 10th May

**Time:** 7pm

**Place:** Rotokauri School Multi-Purpose Room

**RSVP:** [office@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:office@rotokauri.school.nz)

**Jenny Bell  
Oranga**  
*Empowering people to be resilient for life*



***"It is our aim that your child (ren), your families and community will both enjoy the FRIENDS for Life program and will benefit from learning practical, useful skills for coping with stress, worry, fear and day-to-day challenges."***

## Term 2 Dates

1<sup>st</sup> May – 7 July 2017

Please note there will be no newsletter in Week 1.

## Sunhats

The school policy is for Rotokauri School sunhats to be worn during Terms 1 and 4. Students will be bringing their sunhats home this week so that they can be washed and stored away until the end of the year.

## Upcoming Events

8<sup>th</sup> May - National Young Leaders Day

10<sup>th</sup> May - Lit Quiz competition at Southwell School



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## EASTER RAFFLE UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who bought and sold tickets for our Easter Raffle, we made a profit of approximately \$8,400.

### Our Lucky Winners were:

**\$4,000 Travel Voucher:** Anna Hapi

**Hamilton Zoo Year Family Pass:** Jan Gilby and Jody Sparrow

**Wheelbarrow and Groceries:** Sacha Kahaki

**Te Awa Vouchers:** Donna Kerei, Fran Icke, Karen Walker, Lisa Smith, Simon Warnock, Jan & Jim Heta, Hayley Yorke, Karen Morrison, Veronica Annis, Win Schmits

**Speciality Easter Eggs:** Kernia Jessop, Trish Wilson, Talei Phillips, Matt Webby, Tony Peace, Shereen M, Irene Sharpe, Rachel Watts, Mike Afoa, Kim & David Shipp

**Families who sold the most tickets were:** Barham Family, Archie Cameron Family, Phillips Family

## ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

Congratulations to Sarah White the winner of the Early Bird Prize Draw.

The Book and App for 2017 – 2018 is available to use now, if you would like an app or book ready for these school holidays please order on the link below or email [pta@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:pta@rotokauri.school.nz) we have books available to give you straight away.

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/15484g0>



## PTA MEETING

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017

7pm in Staffroom

All Welcome

## FUNDRAISING FOR 2017

Entertainment Book (May 1<sup>st</sup>)

Car Show & Gala (November)

## SWIM GOGGLES

\$5.00 a pair available at the school office.

**ONLY 7 SETS LEFT**

(Stock up for next season)

## Waikato Ear Health

Now at Northcare Medical Centre, Pukete  
Wednesdays

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## SPEAK OUT –

For confidence - stress-handling - public speaking skills

2017: NEW weekly group classes - at Rotokauri School.

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"We look forward to seeing you in a class soon!"



**COOLING DOWN FOR SUMMER**

# ICE BLOCKS

Make your own ice blocks using a cup and popsicle stick or ice block moulds. Fill with your choice of:

- chopped fruit and water
- milk and berries
- water and squeezed lemon or orange.

Freeze, set – enjoy!

An illustration of various fruits (kiwi, strawberries) and a pink ice block.A logo for "Fruit Energy" featuring a cartoon character and the text "Fruit Energy".

Developed by Sport Waikato 2016



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