

Rotokauri School Newsletter



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Thank You...

*for the very generous donation of
many items from lots of different families
for the Women's Refuge.*

*These items are still being collected by
Lilly and Natal until tomorrow and will then
be delivered to this worthwhile cause.*



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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

PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

A busy term is coming to an end and it is timely to reflect on all that has been accomplished during Term 2. The BOT have appointed a new Deputy Principal and Assistant Principal, new fill has been added to the playgrounds, and electrical testing has been completed.

Students have participated in – Young Leaders Day, Lit Quiz, Huggable Hearts, ICAS exams, Wacky Hair Day, World of Maths, Cross Country, Wig Wednesday and Matariki celebrations. A number of students have shown empathy by organising events to give to others, such as Ronald McDonald House and Women's Refuge. Well done to all those thoughtful students and thank you to everyone who has shown their support for these great causes.

For parents there has been the Friends for Life workshop, Keeping Ourselves Safe workshop and parent interviews in both the junior and senior areas of the school. The PTA have worked hard again this term with fundraising at Arbor Day and beginning preparations for our annual Car Show.

Staff have undertaken a considerable amount of professional development this term and this will continue for the rest of the year.

It will be a hive of activity at school during the holidays with the big shift back into the Administration area, new cobblestones to be laid, gutter guard being applied to Rooms 1 and 2, and work underway in the Adventure Trail garden.

At this time I would like to take the opportunity to thank Mr Mike Watkins for the great job that he has done as Assistant Principal since Term 4 last year and to Mrs Win Schmits for so capably stepping into my role as classroom teacher for Room 3. The students have appreciated the fine job that Mrs Schmits has done and will miss her. However, she will still be releasing Ms Hall on Mondays and will be around the school as a reliever on other days.

We are all looking forward to Term 3 and the learning opportunities that it brings. Wishing you all a safe and relaxing holiday. Enjoy having your children at home for the next two weeks and we will see them all back at school on Monday 24th July.

Ngaa mihi nui.

Desiree Smith
Principal

GENERAL MATTERS

Keeping Ourselves Safe Programme

Thank you to the parents/caregivers that attended the Parents Workshop last week. If you are unsure about anything please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or go to the Keeping Ourselves Safe website where you will find overviews of the lessons being taught, the resources used and answers to frequently asked questions.

Carparking

It has been brought to our attention that a number of children are now walking down the hill from the school towards Rotokauri Lake. We understand that carparking is at a premium at 3 o'clock and that parking in this area is a necessity. However, we encourage you to park and walk up to the school to ensure your child's safety, as there is no staff supervision in this area.

Māori Games

All classes worked with Project Energise on Monday learning Māori Games. The children thoroughly enjoyed this experience and the challenge that it provided, especially for eye/hand coordination.



CELEBRATIONS

At our assemblies the following children received certificates.

Assembly Awards

Week 9

Room 1	Ryan Russell - For improving your concentration and making great progress in your reading.
Room 1	Isaac Hapi - Working hard to stay focused on your work.
Room 2	Reece Calnan - Working hard and being conscientious in all your learning. Showing the value of excellence.
Room 2	Ellie Fairclough - Working hard and being conscientious in all your learning. Showing the value of excellence.
Room 3	Reed Kahaki – For always giving 100% with your maths.
Room 3	James Ward – For always having a great attitude.
Room 4	Maya Sharma - For showing the value of diversity, by caring about others.
Room 4	Madson Garden - For working hard to write a narrative he is proud of. Well done Madson.
Room 5	Hannah Hobbs - For aiming for excellence in all that you do.
Room 5	Seth Westgate - For persisting at challenging tasks. Keep it up!
Room 6	Teacher away
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Room 7	Connor Williams-Thomas - For being a self-motivated student who always strives for personal excellence.
Room 7	Kayla Westgate - For being a self-motivated student who always strives for personal excellence.
Room 8	Liam McLaughlin - For being such a responsible young man. We really appreciate all that you do. Be proud!
Room 8	Molly Fletcher - For consistently showing respect. You are always thoughtful and considerate toward others.

Week 10

Room 1	Hunter Edgar-Brewer - For settling well into school routines, being a good role model, and kindness to others.
Room 1	Brooke Watkins - For great improvements in reading and writing, and showing excellence in all learning areas.
Room 2	Lucie Birks - For great improvements in reading and writing and showing the value of excellence in all your learning.
Room 2	Charles Puke - For great improvements in reading and writing.
Room 3	Jack Jones - For demonstrating self-management skills and sharing thoughtful ideas.
Room 3	Nalei Nelson - For consistently maintaining high learning standards in all activities.
Room 4	Sari Tangiora - For showing the value of diversity, by accepting and caring about people.
Room 4	Isaac Stratford - For outstanding effort and improvement in maths.
Room 5	Tamsin Rose - Being a confident class member and giving everything 100%.
Room 5	Riley Dempsey-Irvine - For always caring for people and showing respect.
Room 6	Ben Milne - Outstanding effort and enthusiasm in his writing.
Room 6	Achsah Samuel - Enthusiastic story writing and focusing on the learning intention.
Room 7	Ashton Williams - For working hard to get his 'green tick' within his Maths-Whizz learning last week.
Room 7	Jaxon Tate-Ward - For working well with his buddy to produce some great results within our Matariki learning.
Room 8	Hazel Rodney - For displaying leadership and guiding others in their learning. Be proud!
Room 8	Heidi Perring - For being confident in yourself as a learner by sharing your ideas in a whole class discussion. Keep it up!

MATHS WHIZZ RESULTS

Week 8

Progression Placings:

- 1st Place – Reed Kahaki
- 2nd Place – Lewis Surgenor
- 3rd Place – Brooklyn Snelgrove

Classroom Placings:

- 1st Place – Room 7
- 2nd Place – Room 5
- 3rd Place – Room 3

Week 9

Progression Placings:

- 1st Place - Brooklyn Snelgrove
- 2nd Place - Isla Kahaki
- 3rd Place - Kezia Samuel

Classroom Placings:

- 1st Place – Room 7
- 2nd Place – Room 6
- 3rd Place – Room 3

Top 10 - Term 2

- 1st - Brooklyn Snelgrove
- 2nd - Kezia Samuel
- 3rd - Corbyn Ridley
- 4th - Elias Barber
- 5th - Lewis Surgenor
- 6th - Reed Kahaki
- 7th - Sophie Elliott
- 8th - Connor Williams-Thomas
- 9th - Caleb Samuel
- 10th - Isla Kahaki

Wig Wednesday

Thank you to everyone that participated in the Wig Wednesday fundraiser for Child Cancer. The school raised \$199.20. Winners on the day were –

	Winner	Runner Up
Room 1	Jiya Prajapati	Orlando Smith
Room 2	Reece Calnan	Ernie Young
Room 3	Archie Cameron	Ryan Jorgensen
Room 4	Blake Robinson Hastings	Anya Fuller
Room 5	Lewis Surgenor	Bridget Donny
Room 6	Ben Milne	Lilly Aitchison
Room 7	Brooklyn Snelgrove	Ashton Hopping
Room 8	Sarah Teale	Isaac Collinson

Number Works Voucher

Congratulations to Jakin Warnock who has won the Number Works voucher for a terms tutoring.

Women's Refuge

Well done to these two young ladies for making a difference in the community - Hi, our names are Natal Birks (Rm 6) and Lilly Aitchison (Rm 7), and **we need your help!** 😊

We are learning about caring for others in our community in Church at the moment, and we've decided we want to be a part of helping a very important charity that is life changing for hundreds of women and children every minute of every day.

Women's Refuge provide **safety, care and education** to women and children who live in homes that are unsafe and life threatening. They rely largely on donations from individuals and companies and we want to help them. **Will you help us?**

When women leave the care of Women's Refuge they often don't have any personal belongings, they are given small care packages to help them get started and this is what we are collecting for.

We are collecting things like: **Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Face Cloths, Soap, Body wash, Shampoo, Conditioner, Sanitary products, Deodorant, Hand/Face cream.**

These are simple everyday items, things that we might take for granted, that vulnerable women and children just don't have because of the violent or dangerous circumstances they are escaping.

If you would like to help us with this collection, and are able to donate even just one item you will be a part of something much larger than that one item, you will be a part of a community that cares for its vulnerable members, and that is a huge thing!

There will be a basket at the office from Monday morning till end of school Friday.

REMINDERS

World of Maths

The World of Maths Roadshow visited Rotokauri School on Friday 23rd June. The students participated in a range of hands-on mathematical tasks. Thank you to the senior students that helped their younger buddies to complete these tasks. **If you still haven't paid for your child to attend this Roadshow please pay \$6.00 per child as soon as possible.**



EPro8 Challenge – For Adults

Recently Rotokauri School took part in the EPro8 Challenge - the engineering and problem solving competition.

Well now it is the adults turn. On 6 September your workplace or organisation can compete against others in the Waikato region. You will work as a team to solve a range of fun engineering based challenges. This is a fantastic team building opportunity. For details and to register see www.epro8challenge.co.nz/business-events

BOT NEWS

What's New?

We have added new soft fill to all of the playgrounds around the school. We hope this will aid in preventing injuries.



Our ERO report has been signed off and will be available on the website shortly.

Education Act

We are currently processing the changes to the Education Act.

Have a question for the BOT?

Email us on bot@rotokauri.school.nz

Contact us:  bot@rotokauri.school.nz Next meeting: Wednesday 26th July @ 7pm



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MAAORI NEW YEAR

HANGI

Developed by Sport Waikato 2017

A hangi is a traditional Maaori meal cooked/steamed in the ground on hot rocks. Add vegetables: kumara, potatoes, pumpkin, carrots and cabbage. Cut visible fat off meat and remove skin from chicken before cooking.

MAAORI NEW YEAR

TITI TOREA

Developed by Sport Waikato, 2017

A fantastic game to improve hand-eye-coordination. Using rolled up magazines, create actions involving throwing and catching at the same time to music. E Papa is a popular waiata to use.

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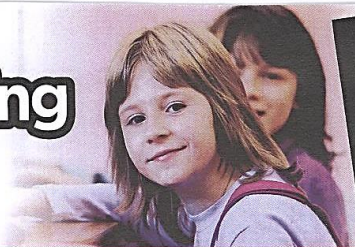
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