

# Rotokauri School Newsletter



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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.

We would like to welcome Rebecca Cameron, Luca Rogers, Ava Esselbrugge and Nate Turney to Room 1. We hope you and your whaanau/family enjoy your learning journey at Rotokauri School.

## **PRINCIPAL'S PIECE**

Welcome back to Term 4 – the last part of the year and what a busy term it is going to be. It is lovely to have the students back at school with positive attitudes about the final ten weeks. Thank you to everyone for wearing their sunhats – it is important that students wear these on all occasions when they are outside, so please ensure that your child's sunhat can stay on their head whilst active (e.g can it be tightened when the child is running?).

Congratulations to all the students and families that participated in the school's annual Agricultural Day. As I write this newsletter some of our students are competing at Group Day at Gordonton and some will also compete at the Waikato A & P Show – we wish them success with their animals. I was once again impressed with the level of creativity in the classrooms and could see that lots of time and effort had gone into practicing for these activities. Thank you to the many volunteers that assisted on the day – cooking on the BBQ, scribes for the indoor activities, assisting the animal judges or working in the staffroom catering for everyone. Also, a choir of 21 dedicated students prepared for the Kids for Kids concert which was on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October.

I really enjoyed attending this show and witnessing another set of skills which students at our school demonstrated very well.

Last week you will have received an email outlining the progress which has been made with the proposed zone change. A huge thank you to the number of parents/caregivers/whanau that sent in emails expressing their views about the future for our school. We were touched by the depth of your feelings about Rotokauri School and we truly appreciate your support.

This term we have two big events being organised – the Annual Car Show and Gala, and our whole school production. If you are available to assist with either of these events, no matter how small, please let the classroom teachers know.

Ngaa mihi nui

Desiree Smith  
Principal

## **GENERAL MATTERS**

### **Help Needed Please**

Assistance is required for the Car Show and Gala on 12 November. We need helpers for the public entry gate and car gate. Time slots: 9.00 am to 10.30 am, 10.30 am to 11.30 am and 11.30 am to 12.30 pm. Email [pta@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:pta@rotokauri.school.nz) if you can help.

### **Swimming Pool Volunteers**

The BOT have decided to open the school swimming pool from 1<sup>st</sup> December. Keys for the swimming pool and tennis court are available from the office from 1<sup>st</sup> November. When purchasing keys an agreement needs to be signed which outlines the expectations for key holders.

Swimming pool and tennis court key = \$75    Tennis court only key = \$25

For the swimming pool to be open we will need volunteers who can assist with maintaining the swimming pool. This involves 2 – 3 weeks commitment to cleaning the pool and regularly testing water during this period. We are asking any interested parents/caregivers to put their name on the volunteers list (held at the office).

### **Trophy Return**

It is the time of year that we need to gather in all Rotokauri School cups and shields so they can be engraved. If you have any trophies at home i.e. speech, Agricultural Day and end of year awards from 2016 please return them to the school office asap.

### **Gardener Please**

I would like to hear from someone who would be able to give our vege garden 1/2 hour a week. This would need to be during 1 lunchtime between 12.45 pm and 1.00 pm.

Mrs Jacqueline Hill – Room 1

### **Medication at School**

If your child has any medication at school it is the responsibility of you, the parent / caregiver, to check that it is not out of date and that the medication form is up to date with any changes that have occurred since it was first filled in. Please take the time to check this.

# CELEBRATIONS

At our assemblies the following children received certificates.

## Assembly Awards

### Week 1

Room 1	Brianna Donny - For being a thoughtful friend to a new class member.
Room 1	Brooke Watkins - For all the detail that you wrote in your holiday story.
Room 2	Nayr Bradbury - Writing an excellent story yesterday and showing integrity by always being on task.
Room 2	Devon Fuller - Making excellent progress in writing and reading. Showing the value of integrity by making good choices and being a good role model.
Room 3	Grace Petley - For taking on challenges and showing fantastic thinking in her new classroom.
Room 3	Jay Williams - For taking on leadership roles in our class.
Room 4	Caleb Samuel - For showing integrity, by working hard to make good choices in class.
Room 4	Charlotte Frew - For making excellent progress in reading.
Room 5	McKay Robinson - For being a wonderful role model and showing the Rotokauri Values
Room 5	Keira Cowley - For demonstrating excellent maths strategies.
Room 6	Ella Sumner - Great contributions in class and sharing your outstanding vocabulary knowledge.
Room 6	Lily Allen - Showing excellence in maths by mastering some complex fractions work.
Room 7	Kayla Westgate - For being a helpful and motivated student who takes responsibility for her own learning.
Room 7	Sophie Barris - For showing the value of integrity in all that she does.
Room 8	Bailey Lochore-Halpin - For showing a high level of responsibility. Bailey, you are a student who takes on responsibility with maturity and competence. Be proud!
Room 8	Isaac Collinson - For displaying a positive attitude. Isaac, you always approach every challenge with a smile and enthusiasm. Keep up the great attitude.

### Week 2

Room 1	Zeke Sia - For being respectful to other people all the time.
Room 1	Hunter Edgar-Brewer - For always doing her jobs well in the classroom.
Room 2	Orlando Smith - Independently writing a story about a shark and sounding out the words.
Room 2	Alex Perring - Making excellent progress in writing and reading always showing the value of excellence by consistently working hard.
Room 3	Mercedes Barber - For working well in class and showing respect to others.
Room 3	Zakk McDonagh - For working well in class and making good choices.
Room 4	Sari Tangiora - For showing integrity, by being honest and respectful.
Room 4	Ava Viljoen-Thomson - For showing integrity by making good choices in all school activities.
Room 5	Aditya Raju - For an improvement in staying focused and finishing work on time.
Room 5	Corbyn Smith - For trying hard on learning place value.
Room 6	Oscar Stratford - For being responsible and focused in class. You are showing the value of Integrity.
Room 6	Ella Caulfield - For always being proactive and stepping up to responsibilities.
Room 7	Baylee Garden - For her focus and effort during classroom tasks - you always produce your best work Baylee, well done!
Room 7	Cooper Miller - For being an awesome role model in class. Your maturity and integrity is very much appreciated - thank you Cooper!
Room 8	Sarah Teale - For aiming for and achieving personal excellence. Your drive to be the best that you can be, is inspirational! Be proud!
Room 8	Liam Cornelissen - For displaying a positive attitude in all that you do. You persist at all learning tasks, until you are happy with the result.

# Maths Whizz Results

## Week 1

### Progression Placings:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Flint Coyle
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Nirav Maharaj
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Jakin Warnock

### Classroom Placings:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Room 8
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Room 2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Room 7

## Class Sharing Space

### Room 6

#### I'D RATHER BE... POEM

I'D RATHER BE FAIR THAN WIN  
I'D RATHER BE A CAN THAN A BIN  
I'D RATHER BE SINGLE THAN TWIN  
I'D RATHER BE A NEEDLE THAN A PIN  
I'D RATHER BE STILL THAN SPIN  
I'D RATHER BE A MOUTH THAN A CHIN  
I'D RATHER BE SMILING THAN HAVING A GRIN  
I'D RATHER BE TALL THAN THIN  
I'D RATEHR BE FINISHED THAN BEGIN  
I'D RATHER HAVE UP AND GO THAN GIN  
I'D RATEHR BE A BLOWHOLE THAN A FIN  
I'D RATHER BE A WATERMELON THAN A PUMPKIN  
I'D RATHER BE A CLOTH THAN A NAPKIN

BY ELIAS AND JAYDEN AGE 9

#### I'd Rather Be... Poem

I'd rather be a chin than a shin  
I'd rather be fair than win  
I'd rather be silver than tin  
I'd rather be thick than thin  
I'd rather be a hero than a villain  
I'd rather be twist than spin  
I'd rather be a blowhole than a fin  
I'd rather be rubbish than a bin

☺ By: Hosea and Lamayne ☺

#### I'd Rather Be poem By Lily

I'D RATHER BE DAY THAN NIGHT  
I'D RATHER BE A PLANE THAN A KITE  
I'D RATHER BE LOOSE THAN TIGHT  
I'D RATHER BE WRONG THAN RIGHT  
I'D RATHER BE A PRINCESS THAN A KNIGHT  
I'D RATHER BE DULL THAN BRIGHT  
I'D RATHER BE BLACK THAN WHITE  
I'D RATHER BE SEVEN THAN EIGHT  
I'D RATHER BE FRIENDS THAN FIGHT  
I'D RATHER LICK THAN BITE  
I'D RATHER BE MOONLIGHT THAN SUNLIGHT

#### I'd Rather Be ... poem By Ella S and Karenza

I'd Rather Be  
I'd rather cook than bake  
I'd rather be a lizard than a snake  
I'd rather be a biscuit than a cupcake  
I'd rather be right than make a mistake  
I'd rather be asleep than awake  
I'd rather be a muffin than a cake  
I'd rather be a river than a lake  
I'd rather be real than fake  
I'd rather be a spade then a rake  
I'd rather give than take  
I'd rather be milk than a milkshake  
I'd rather be Ashleigh than Jake

## **Agricultural Day – Animal Section**

A special thank you to all our sponsors who financially make this event possible -

- Greater Waikato Veterinary Service Trust
- ANEXA Morrinsville
- Hamilton Veterinary Services
- AgriSea New Zealand Ltd
- Skellerup
- Swandri
- Rainbow Springs

A special thanks goes to Avril McBeth who has helped with animals and given support to our students and school once again this year.

## **Lamb, Goat, Calf and Chicken Results - 2017**

### **Lamb**

Lamb Points Trophy – **Bailey Lochore-Halpin – 38 points**

Most Obvious Pet Trophy – **Liam Surgenor**

Lamb Leading Trophy – **Bailey Lochore-Halpin**

Lamb Rearing Shield – **Bailey Lochore-Halpin**

### **Goat**

Doug McFarlane Shield – Point Trophy – **Reece Calnan – 42 points**

Goat Most Obvious Pet Trophy – **Reece Calnan**

Goat Leading Trophy – **Reece Calnan**

Goat Rearing Trophy – **Reece Calnan**

### **Calf**

Calf Points Trophy – **Molly Fletcher – 42 points**

Calf Leading Trophy – **Molly Fletcher**

Calf Rearing Shield - **Molly Fletcher**

Dairy Type Trophy – **Molly Fletcher**

Beef Type Trophy - **Rebecca Perham**

### **Chicken**

Rearing Champion – **Rebecca Cameron**

Rearing Reserve Champion – **Mercedes Barber**

Most Obvious Pet Champion – **Oliver Campbell**

Most Obvious Pet Reserve Champion – **Sophie Elliott**

Junior Champion – **Rebecca Cameron**

Intermediate Champion – **Mercedes Barber**

Senior Champion – **Oliver Campbell**

Champion Chicken – **Rebecca Cameron**

Reserve Champion Chicken – **Mercedes Barber**

## REMINDERS

### Names are Important

Thank you very much to the families who have donated good quality clothing to Women's Refuge. So many of the women and children in need who turn to Women's Refuge are leaving their homes with next to nothing. They are very grateful for your help. However, if you no longer wish to donate your child's school clothes, PLEASE NAME ALL BELONGINGS.



### Junior Tabloids at Te Uku

A number of junior students are attending a fun-packed day of Tabloid sports at Te Uku on Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Notices have been sent home to the students involved. Please return the permission slip and money to the office by Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> October.



**NEWS**

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# PLEASE HELP US OUT!

We still need more...

## BOARD GAMES AND BOOKS

for the School Car Show and Gala on 12<sup>th</sup> November

Please drop off in the MPR.

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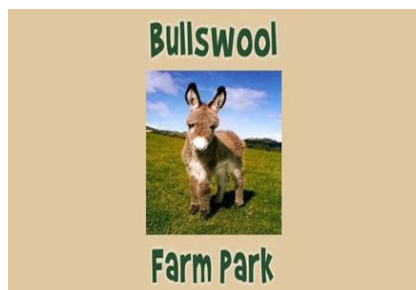
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## Babysitter Available

Hi my name is Jaimee Carlson and I am a reliable 15 year old (ex student of Rotokauri School). I am available for babysitting at nights and on weekends. I have my own transport and have experience caring for my siblings and other friends /families children.

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The event also features a First Credit Union 6km and a 12km available for adults



## SUPER SUMMER SALADS

# SUMMER'S COMING

With warmer weather on the way fresh vegetables will soon be ready for super summer salads!

Vegetables have vitamins and minerals in them which helps our bodies glow, as well as fibre to help us feel full for longer and keep our digestive system healthy

### Tip:

Eat a rainbow of colours every day. Different coloured vegetables and fruit give different vitamins and minerals



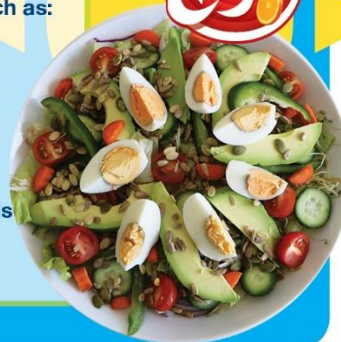
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## SUPER SUMMER SALADS

# MIX & MATCH


Start with a layer of lettuce then add your favourite ingredients such as:

- tomato
- carrot
- cucumber
- capsicum
- spring or red onion
- sprouts
- avocado
- chopped nuts and/or seeds
- boiled eggs
- small amount of cheese – edam or feta



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