

# Rotokauri School Newsletter



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## Scholastic Bookfair

at Rotokauri School on

Monday 14th May - Thursday 17th May

The children will be walking through with their class to look at the books on Monday, where they will be able to write down books they are interested in.

If you would like to purchase any of these books they will be for sale in the **Multi Purpose Room**:

**Monday** 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm

**Tuesday** 8.30 am - 9.30 am and 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm

**Wednesday** 8.30 am - 9.30 am and 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm

**Thursday** 8.30 am - 9.30 am and 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm

You can drop orders off at the school office with payment (cash or cheque - made out to Scholastic NZ) or see me - Toni Rae

**Eftpos available - Only through bookfair (not school)**



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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 Elsie Van Rooij, Leelyn Clark and Shaan Judge in Room 1 and Eli Bell in Room 4. We hope you and your whaanau/family enjoy your learning journey at Rotokauri School.

Ngaa mihi nui.

## PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

Firstly, welcome back from all of us here at school, we hope you had a fantastic holiday break with your children. When I look at the whiteboard in the staffroom it is filling quickly and we will once again have a busy term.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs Jacqueline Hill back to Room 1 and once again thank Mrs Win Schmits for relieving in this room during Term 1. The staff have been busy over the holidays writing student reports and these will be shared with parents during parent interviews scheduled for Week 4 (21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> May). At school during the holidays it was also a hive of activity as there was electrical testing of all appliances, a wifi upgrade for our IT system and our caretaker Mr Hans worked tirelessly to improve the visibility in the carpark by removing a number of flaxes. It is pleasing to hear from visitors that they can see an improvement with the tidiness of the school – keep it up everyone. The Ministry of Education also had some recladding work completed on Room 4 and we now await the painting to finish off this project. Students

are currently training on a daily basis for the upcoming school cross country and selected students have begun to sit the ICAS exams. These are great opportunities for students to showcase their abilities and we wish them the best of luck. As I write this newsletter a group of 8 students are preparing for their involvement in the Lit Quiz competition being held tonight – they have been reading loads of books and watching lots of DVDs in preparation for this event. Thank you to Mrs Toni Rae for her encouragement and support with these students and we look forward to hearing about their accomplishments. Next week we will be holding the Scholastic Book Fair in the MPR. There is information about this on the front page of the newsletter. Please keep checking the noticeboard at the front of the school, your emails and the school's Facebook and webpages to stay informed about what is happening at school.

Have a great fortnight.  
Ngaa mihi

Desiree Smith

### **Whakatauki (Proverbs)**

Each child is unique and this whatatauki is one that we hope all our tamariki remember. Every child will have a dream or an aspiration but this will not happen if first and foremost they don't believe in themselves.



### **PB4L**

One of the important aspects of PB4L is our students, staff and school community knowing and understanding our school values. At school this involves classroom teachers unpacking the values with their students and linking these to everyday experiences/common contexts. When a random selection of the students were interviewed recently by our PB4L facilitator it was pleasing to note that the children could describe the values. Each fortnight we will be focusing on one of the values.

**Persistence Resilience Integrity Diversity Excellence = PRIDE**

### **PERSISTENCE**

This means that we don't give up, even when we are challenged.

We know that we value this when we:

- Get the job done
- Learn from our mistakes
- Practice to reach our goals

Student voice -

**Room 1**

Nihil - You don't give up. If you have to run, you don't give up.

Jackson - Never give up and push through. When story writing gets too hard you keep going.

**Room 2**

Bella - It means you don't give up and just keep trying. When you are running if you get sore just ignore it and keep going.

Aja - Never give up and keep trying again, again and again. When things get hard keep going.

**Room 3**

Reece - Always be kind and caring. When you're playing a soccer game and your losing, keep going.

Grace - If you do gymnastics and it's hard, don't give up.

**Room 4**

Nalei - Don't give up. If you're doing events at school or at home you always try your hardest.

Elijah - Being confident and caring. You should use it all the time.

**Room 5**

Jay - Never giving up and always trying your best and pushing through. If you're in the middle of a big puzzle and you can't finish it you never give up.

Ava - Always keep trying, like if you were running and you want to give up you push through and get it done.

Maya - You always keep trying and never give up. Always learn from your mistakes. If you aren't happy with something you've done, try and perfect it until you're happy with it.

**Room 6**

Bridgette - Persistence is when you don't give up and try and try again. For example, if you had to do a maths equation and you didn't know what it means you try again.

Lily - When you have a hard challenge and it's too hard, you never give up. If someone comes up to you and is mean, you persist with your day.

**Room 7**

Ella C - Never give up and keep going. When you're running cross country and you're not a confident runner you think to yourself persistence is key so keep going.

Corey - I really think it means you try and strive for your goals. Say you've run 5 km and you don't think you can run anymore you just keep going.

**Room 8**

Tegan - Keep trying and don't give up. If you're doing a running competition and you're getting tired never give up and keep going till you get to the end.

Isaac - When you never give up and keep trying at a task. In a math test and you get stuck on a question, you keep trying until you get the answer.

## **GENERAL MATTERS**

### **Sunhats**

Our school policy is that school sunhats are to be worn in Terms 1 and 4. Students should have brought their sunhats home to be washed and stored until Term 4.

### **Thank You**

I am always impressed with the way that parents/caregivers support and help the school in a variety of ways and it is important to thank those parents/caregivers for doing these special extra things for the school, and especially the students.

Thank you to Craig Zillwood for fixing the microphone stand that is used at our school assemblies and thank you to Trudy Smith for the donation of musical instruments which can be used for music lessons in the classes.

### **Keeping Well This Winter**

With the cooler months fast approaching, it is a timely reminder to be extra vigilant with winter illnesses and bugs. Illness can spread very quickly in a school so if your child is unwell, please keep them home to avoid any potential spread. We ask you keep your child home for at least 24 - 48 hours after vomiting or diarrhoea (depending on the type of illness). As we have some children with high health needs, it is also very important to advise the office of any cases of more serious illnesses i.e. chicken pox etc. Please remember to contact the school office by phone or email if your child is absent.

### **Road Safety Week**

From the 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> May (this week) it is Road Safety Week. The theme for 2018 is “Belt on, phone off – make it a habit”. Parents and caregivers are being urged to play their part in keeping our roads safe, and particularly appealing to drivers to commit to not using a mobile phone when at the wheel, and to drivers and passengers to always wear a seat belt and ensure children are in an appropriate child restraint for their age and size. On a number of occasions in our school carpark the Road Patrol monitors have been concerned about and have reported to staff drivers on mobile phones coming in to pick up children and unrestrained preschoolers in vehicles as well. Please remember that our students are watching you model these behaviours.

### **House Points Term One 2018**

The winning House for last term is...Kakariki. Kikorangi came second, Kowhai was placed third, and Whero fourth. Our House points play an important part in our School Culture. Students are recognised for the positive contributions they make in and out of the classroom – these students receive a Values Award or House points. The points are counted up and the winning House for that week is announced at our School Celebration Assembly. These points are recorded and will be added to reveal the winning House at the end of the year.

## **Rotokauri School Cross Country**

We are having our Cross Country Competition next week on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May (postponement day is Tuesday 22 May). The first race will start at around 11:00 a.m. We hope to finish by around 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. There will be an assembly for prize giving straight after lunch; those parents who come to watch can take their children if they wish.

Students are to be dressed appropriately for such an event: shorts and t-shirt (shoes are optional) - they may want to wear their House colours. If you are free to help marshal, please contact Helena Kirkham [hkirkham@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:hkirkham@rotokauri.school.nz)

### **Yummy baking will be available to purchase at morning tea and lunch times.**

To save time boys and girls of the same age group will run at the same time, but will be competing in their own events.

<b>Race 1</b>	<b>Race 2</b>	<b>Race 3</b>	<b>Race 4</b>	<b>Race 5</b>	<b>Race 6</b>	<b>Race 7</b>	<b>Race 8</b>
5 Year old girls	6 Year old girls	7 Year old girls	8 Year old girls	9 Year old girls	10 Year old girls	11 Year old girls	12+ Year old girls
5 Year old boys	6 Year old boys	7 Year old boys	8 Year old boys	9 Year old boys	10 Year old boys	11 Year old boys	12+ Year old boys

A Rotokauri School Cross Country team will be made up of our top runners from this event to take part in the Interschool Cross Country at Waitetuna School on Friday 25 May.

## **Parent / Student Interviews**

**Our BOOKINGS: OPENED MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup> of May @ 9:00AM. They will be CLOSED FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY @ 3:00PM. Parent / Student Interviews will be held at the following times:**

- 2:15 pm – 7:30 pm Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018
- 2:15 pm – 5:30 pm Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018

To book your interviews, go to [www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code) in your browser, and enter the event code **g47cw** This is an opportunity for you and your child to discuss their learning progress and identified next learning steps with their classroom teacher. We really encourage you to make a booking as soon as you can. Your child's school report will be given to you at this meeting.

**The school day will finish early on both of these days - please make arrangements for your child/ren to be picked up from school at 2:00 pm.**

## **Winter Sports**

We would like to acknowledge the students who have joined a sporting team to play a winter sport. We have a large number of boys and girls representing Rotokauri School in netball this year. We are really looking forward to hearing the results of their games at our School Celebration Assembly on Friday. Thank you to our parents who have offered to coach and/or manage a team. A big thank you to Lisa Burt for organising the teams and the gear bags. We really value your ongoing support and we know our players appreciate your efforts as well.

## **Medical Requirements**

Please ensure you come to the school office to fill out a medical form if your child requires medication during school hours. If your child needs to use an inhaler please ensure that they are brought to school, named and in a sealed plastic bag. No medications can be administered without written permission. If medication is held at school please take the time to check expiry dates during the year so that, if needed, the medication will work correctly when administered.

## **Change of Clothes in Bags**

Just a reminder to send your children to school with a change of clothes in their bags (yes - even seniors). It might save you having to make a special trip to school with spare clothes for those who have gotten wet and muddy in the wintery conditions.

## **Group Day Organisation**

Just informing all the schools in our region that we are having our AGM for the Hamilton North Agricultural Group on WEDNESDAY 16 May at Horsham Downs School at 7.00 pm. Anyone from the school community is welcome to come and join us.

Any questions or queries please contact me Anna Phillips [annamarkphillips@gmail.com](mailto:annamarkphillips@gmail.com)

# **Entertainment Books 2018**



Entertainment Books for 2018 have been sent home with your child. If you wish to purchase your copy please return the slip with credit card details or cash to the school office. Payments can also be made by eftpos at the school office or email pta at the email below for our bank account details (note the account is different to the school bank account). If you do not wish to purchase your copy please return your book to the office asap so it can be returned to the supplier.

Any queries please email: [pta@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:pta@rotokauri.school.nz)

We have extra books available at the office if anyone needs more. Thank you to all of those who have purchased the book or app or have returned their book. Funds will be used to upgrade the MPR sound system.

**Everyone that purchases the app or book will go in the draw to win a \$100 Helm Meal Voucher.**

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



## CELEBRATIONS

At our assemblies the following children received certificates.

### Assembly Awards

#### Week 1

Room 1	Brayden Ridley - For your fabulous listening and following instructions.
Room 1	Jesse McDonagh - For learning to pack your bag by yourself.
Room 2	Hunter Edgar-Brewar - For becoming an independent writer. You worked so hard on your vocabulary and spelling this week.
Room 2	Ashton Newbold - For striving for excellence when writing an information report about autumn leaves.
Room 3	Devon Fuller - For displaying a positive attitude towards reading and making great progress.
Room 3	Caitlin Furlonger - For striving for excellence during writing time, to produce work she is proud of.
Room 4	Lily Young - For a really good work ethic and showing persistence in all that you do.
Room 4	Timothy Sumner - For his enthusiasm and confidence in reading. You are also working hard on inferencing. Keep it up!
Room 5	Maya Sharma - For being a responsible and reliable classmate who includes others in all that you do. You rock!
Room 5	Cooper McLean - For having a positive, respectful attitude and an amazing zest for life. You shine!
Room 6	McKay Robinson - For striving for excellence and showing persistence within his maths strategy work and his running training.
Room 6	Bella'Capri Nelson - For showing a high level of motivation and enthusiasm in all that she does in class.
Room 7	Karenza Curtis - For persistent effort during cross country this week.
Room 7	Ella Sumner - For persistent effort during cross country this week.
Room 8	Olliver Milne - For displaying persistence in our Cross Country training - you just kept on running..!
Room 8	Seth Dixon - For aiming for personal excellence. Seth, you have made choices in your learning that have shown maturity.

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It is important to eat healthy and well-balanced meals and snacks all the time, not just when we play sport.

Include the four food groups and drink plenty of water!

This will help to keep our bodies healthy, strong and ready for action all year round.



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**SPORTS NUTRITION**

# BEFORE SPORT



1-4 hours before you are active, fuel your body with GO foods such as porridge, weet-bix, wraps, a sandwich with grain bread, pasta, rice or a kumara/ potato salad.



**Porridge**



**Rice Salad**



**Kumara Salad**



**Wrap**



**Weetbix**



**Sandwich**

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