

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.

Welcome to Mahi Sharma and Turner Wallace to Room 1. They join their older siblings at Rotokauri School.

We hope you and your whaanau/family enjoy your learning journey at Rotokauri School.

Ngaa mihi nui.

PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

As I sit writing this newsletter I am listening and observing what is happening outside the staffroom window – Room 1 students are problem solving with the PMP equipment on the concrete area outside their room, Room 4 students are working collaboratively on PE activities on the tennis courts, other students are practising their speeches and senior buddies are working with their junior buddies – there is a wonderful buzz of students engaged in their learning.

It has been my privilege last week to have been teaching in two junior classrooms – thank you Rooms 1 and 3 for letting me work with you, I was really impressed with the independence of the students, the willingness to take risks when trying something new and the way all students tried to do their very best work.

The whole school has been focussed on Speeches this term and I have been impressed with the confidence of the students, their commitment to practise their speeches and the quality of their speeches.

This week (10 – 16 September) nationally it is both Te Wiki o te Reo Māori (Māori Language Week) and Keep New Zealand Beautiful. For our students and staff the goal for Te Reo is – Ahakoa iti, ākona, kōrerotia = Learn a little, use a little. Thank you to the parents that came along to help with the tidy up of our school and community roadsides on Monday – it was interesting to listen to the students discussing the irresponsible behaviour of people to litter in the Rotokauri community. Driving to school this morning I can see that the small amount of time we spent as a school ‘doing our bit’ has made a difference!

Ngaa mihi – enjoy the sunshine everyone.

Desiree Smith



Book Sale for the Car Show & Gala

We need donations of books for the sale. All ages fiction and non-fiction. Supporting the book sale is a great way to recycle your books and make room for this year's purchases.

Please leave your books in the collection box in the MPR.

Any questions please contact Petria 0212170050.



Email: pta@rotokauri.school.nz

CAR SHOW & GALA 4th NOVEMBER 2018

We are seeking sponsorship for this year's Car Show & Gala. We have a few options available and are seeking assistance from businesses in the way of a monetary donation.

Your donation will be used to purchase items for the Car Show & Gala. Here are some options we are looking for sponsorship for:

Scratch Kiwi Raffle Cost \$100 (**Available**)

Grocery Raffle Cost \$150 (**Available**)

Child's Bike & Helmet - **Noel Jessop Architecture**

Sausage Sizzle Cost \$350 (**Available**)

Pulled Pork Food Stall Cost to come (**Available**)

Lolly Pop Tree Game - **Florist Irene**

Donations of \$50 & \$100 are most welcome or you can sponsor one of the above and have your business logo attached to this item or stall.

If you are interested and can help please email us at pta@rotokauri.school.nz and we can give you some more details.



PTA MEETING

Wednesday, 26th September 2018

6.30pm in Staffroom

All Welcome

HELP REQUESTED

PLEASE

A request for the hoop throw stall has come home this week. We are asking that each child fills a jar with items suitable for winning. See notice that came home for more information.

Also...

Some flyers came home to pass onto friends and family who may wish to bring a car on the day.

Fundraising for 2018

Car Show & Gala (November)

Books Wanted

For Book Fair, drop off box in the MPR.

Thank You

GENERAL MATTERS

School Hats – Terms 4 and 1

For Terms 4 and 1 all students need to wear a Rotokauri sunhat, which is available from the school office - \$15.00 each. These hats are not to be individualized (no graffiti or accessories added) by the students. Failure to have a hat means the child has to sit in a shaded area during break times.

Student Led Conferences

Thank you to all our parents/caregivers for supporting our students learning by attending the Student Led Conferences. For those students and parents that were not able to complete conferences on this afternoon we encourage you to contact teachers to set up a time to have the conference. Student and parental attendance at our Student-Led Conferences is key to the academic success of our students. Thank you for being part of this process!

Tree Donations

Lightwire have an agreement with the school to provide Broadband to the local community and their antennae are on the school property. This year they started a new initiative with the rural schools that support their network which involved donating two native trees to the school as a thank you for their support. Miranda Hennebry from Lightwire presented the school with a kowhai and a horopito.

We have also been fortunate to receive some seeds and plants through the Avis Leeson Fruit Tree Trust. There were over 1,000 fruit trees given away, sponsored by Andy and Sandi McGrath of McGrath nurseries. Thank you to Jill Cameron and Rhys Barham for picking these up.

Keep NZ Beautiful

This year Keep New Zealand Beautiful partnered with G.J. Gardner Homes, to bring a bigger and better annual Clean Up Week, than ever before. On Monday 10 September, Rotokauri School participated in this event. The junior classes gave our school grounds a 'spring clean' while the senior classes walked along Bagust Road and Rotokauri Roads picking up rubbish. The volume and variety of rubbish picked up by the students was shocking. We can be proud that we have made a positive contribution to our local environment. Thank you to the parents that accompanied the staff and the students.

Hiwi The Kiwi Show

The Minstrel visited Rotokauri School on Monday 10 September to entertain the students. Thank you to the parents/caregivers that promptly paid the \$2.50 per student by putting the money in a named envelope and sending it to the school office. There are however some payments still outstanding – we would appreciate these being paid as soon as possible. Thank you to the PTA for subsidizing this show.

In my office I now have a child's fishing rod which I have to give away to a deserving student. All the students have to do is write an entertaining story that includes two of the messages that the Minstrel talked about in his show. Then these stories will be judged and the best story writer will win the fishing rod. Entry forms for this competition are available from Miss Smith and the entries need to be handed in by Wednesday 26th September. The winner will be announced on the last day of term.

CELEBRATIONS

At our assemblies the following children received certificates.

Assembly Awards

Week 6

Room 1	Kade Calnan - For working hard to write tidy numbers
Room 1	Asa Robinson - For writing your stories independently this week.
Room 2	Nature Aitchison - For your positive attitude and willingness to give everything a go with a smile.
Room 2	Alex Dombroski - For making good progress in your reading. You're trying so hard.
Room 3	Caitlin Furlonger - For always striving for excellence in all she does at school
Room 3	Devon Fuller - For consistently working hard to complete all her tasks.
Room 4	Timothy Sumner - For displaying excellence in writing. Great use of vocabulary.
Room 4	Lily Young - For making great progress in her maths. Keep it up!
Room 5	Anya Fuller - For persistence - managing her time well by meeting her speech deadline, and creativity with her board design.
Room 5	Ashtyn Gyde - For persistence - managing his time well by meeting his speech deadline, and creativity with his speech topic.
Room 6	Melisa Soltanizand - For putting her best effort and focus into her Plastic Research Project and producing her best work.
Room 6	Mya Aitchison - For putting her best effort and focus into her Plastic Research Project and producing her best work.
Room 7	Elias Barber - For working well in the reading programme.
Room 7	Natal Birks - For persisting and achieving with drawing and building 3D shapes.
Room 8	Carter Jackways - For working hard toward your goals to achieve personal excellence in all areas of your learning.
Room 8	Isaac Collinson - For showing integrity. You are always kind, caring, and considerate. You treat others with respect. Thank you!

Week 7

Room 2	Orlando Smith - For Persistence- You are a motivated learner with a positive attitude who keeps smiling all day long.
Room 2	Ava Esselbrugge - For Excellence - You always do your best in everything you do and it is showing in your progress and achievement.
Room 3	Nirav Maharaj - For showing diversity, by willingly helping others to solve problems on our I.T. equipment.
Room 3	Jude Ploeg - For showing integrity, by always making excellent choices in the classroom and showing respect to others.
Room 4	Jamie Haldane - For listening and working well with his peers in class.
Room 4	Nate Westgate - For always working hard to achieve his goals.
Room 5	Maya Sharma - For showing integrity by always being the very best you can be. You are always so kind and caring class member. You SHINE!
Room 5	Blake Robinson Hastings - For making a huge effort and showing respect by listening really well to his classmates and waiting his turn to speak.
Room 6	Jayden Ward - For working hard on using persuasive language and a range of punctuation in his writing to produce his best work.
Room 6	Asher Hapi - For putting a lot of effort into achieving his goals.
Room 7	Hanikamu Matenga - For rising above during Kapa Haka.
Room 7	Layton Farrell - For persistence and resilience by finishing his speech.
Room 8	Daniel Cameron - For showing integrity. Dan, you are always kind, caring, and considerate toward others. Thank you!
Room 8	Sophie Elliott - For displaying excellence. I was so proud of how you ran your student-led conference with your mum!

Maths Whizz Results

Week 6

Progression Placings:

- 1st Place – Corey Molloy
- 2nd Place – Ella Sumner
- 3rd Place – Lewis Surgenor

Classroom Placings:

- 1st Place – Room 7
- 2nd Place – Room 6
- 3rd Place – Room 8

Week 7

Progression Placings:

- 1st Place – Corey Molloy
- 2nd Place – Adam Towl
- 3rd Place – Hazel Rodney

Classroom Placings:

- 1st Place – Room 6
- 2nd Place – Room 8
- 3rd Place – Room 5

Gymsports Competition Results

We are very proud of our all of our gymnasts – they represented our school with such confidence and pride. It was great to see the team spirit; students encouraging and supporting each other in a very competitive environment. A big thank you goes out to Emma Furlonger-Jones who came in every Wednesday to help coach our gymnasts. Also, we'd like to thank the parents who helped with transport and management on the day. We really value your ongoing support.

Name	Group	Event	Placing
Bella Wilson	Springers	Floor	3rd
Bella Wilson	Springers	Beam	2nd
Paige Moka	Springers	Vault	3rd
Jesse Zillwood	Springers	Trampoline	3rd
Sophie Fairclough	Flyers	Trampoline	3rd
Matthew Webber	Flyers	Trampoline	3rd
Lily Young	Flyers	Mini Trampoline	3rd
Sophie Fairclough	Flyers	Mini Trampoline	2nd
Lily Young	Flyers	Trampoline - overall	4th
Matthew Webber	Flyers	Trampoline - overall	3rd
Sophie Fairclough	Flyers	Trampoline - overall	2nd
Cooper McLean	Twisters	Trampoline	2nd
Cooper McLean	Twisters	Trampoline - overall	3rd
Tamsin Rose	Flyers	Vault	3rd
Lily Allen	Flyers	Vault	1st
Bridgette Donny	Flyers	Vault	1st
Lily Allen	Flyers	Beam	2nd
Lily Allen	Flyers	Overall	1st
Ava Viljoen	Twisters	Vault	1st
Ava Viljoen	Twisters	Beam	2nd
Karenza Curtis	Twisters	Overall	5th
Ava Viljoen	Twisters	Overall	2nd
Keira Cowley	Club	Vault	4th
Carter Jessop	Club	Vault	2nd
Keira Cowley	Club	Beam	3rd
Carter Jessop	Club	Overall	6th
Keira Cowley	Club	Overall	4th

CEM Results

This year for the first time Rotokauri School has participated in the University of Canterbury Competitions for Kiwi English and Mathematics. The Kiwi competitions are written by New Zealand teachers for students and are based on the New Zealand curriculum. These competitions are completed online.

The first set of competition results have been received. Congratulations to Nirav Maharaj for receiving the following certificates –

English (Year 5 & 6) = Achieved Mathematics (Year 5 & 6) = Participated

REMINDERS

Ballot

Enrolment at Rotokauri School is governed by an enrolment scheme. Students who live within the home zone are entitled to enrol at the school. There will be an out of zone ballot held on THURSDAY 25 OCTOBER 2018 for students not living in the school's home zone. An application form must be completed for siblings of current out of zone enrolled children. This is part of the out of zone procedures set down by the Ministry of Education. Ballot application forms (for out of zone applicants) and pre-enrolment forms (for in zone applicants) are available from the school office.

The closing date for receipt of applications for out of zone places is 4pm, THURSDAY 18 OCTOBER 2018.

Rotokauri School Board of Trustees has determined that there are likely to be the following approximate number of places for entry in 2019:

New Entrant/Year 1: 12 places

(those students turning five between 21st December 2018 – 20th December 2019)

APPLICATIONS FOR OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENTS WILL BE PROCESSED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER OF PRIORITY

The enrolment of out of zone students is governed by the provisions of the Education Act 1989. If there are more applicants in the priority groups than there are places available, selection within the priority group will be by a ballot conducted in accordance with instructions issued by the Secretary for Education under Section 11G (1) of the Education Act 1989.

1. First priority is given to any applicant who is accepted for enrolment in a special programme run by the school and approved by the Secretary for Education.
(This priority category is not applicable at this school because the school does not run a special programme approved by the Secretary.)
2. Second priority is given to any applicant who is the sibling of a current student at the school.
3. Third priority is given to any student who is the sibling of a former student of the school.
4. Fourth priority is given to any applicant who is a child of a former student of the school.
5. Fifth priority is given to any applicant who is either a child of an employee of the board of the school, or a child of a member of the board of the school.
6. Sixth priority is given to all other applicants.

Agricultural Day

Entry forms for calves, lambs and goats are due in by Friday, 21st September 2018. Chicken entry forms are available from Miss Smith and are due back by Thursday, 27th September. **Sorry no late entries can be accepted.**

Information about the indoor activities is currently being finalized and will be published prior to the end of term.

Cellphones at School

Students are encouraged NOT to bring mobile phones to school. If it is necessary for your child/ren to have a mobile phone at school a note or email must be provided by the parents (to the Principal) and the following rules must be adhered to:

- Mobile phones must be handed in to the school office before 9.00 a.m. and collected at the end of the school day. Phones will be kept in a locked area.
- If mobile phones are found on students they will be taken off them and handed in to the office for parents to collect.

Class Sharing

Room 5

The senior school went to Splashy yesterday. Students designed a picture that represented one of the school values. They did their mock up at school and recreated it on a ceramic tile. These will be displayed around the school once fired and glazed. As you can see they really enjoyed creating these.



Room 6

In Room 6 this term we have been learning to write persuasively. The focus of our learning has been to:

- Use a range of punctuation accurately to enhance our writing.
- Use persuasive language.
- Group our ideas into paragraphs.

The students have made some awesome progress within their writing during this time. Here is one example of this writing:

Why country living is better than city living

Why would you want to live in a city when you could be living in the country? Here are three reasons why it's better to live in a country house than a city house.

Firstly, living in a country house has way less traffic, in fact no traffic lights! Traffic lights hold up a lot of traffic, so when you're trying to pull out of your driveway, there is usually a lot of traffic, in fact if you're in the country there is usually no traffic! What would you rather?

Secondly, you get a lot more space in a country house so you can have more stuff in your backyard (playhouse, tramp, garden and more)! Wouldn't that be fun? I would say "Yes!" You would never get bored!

Finally, you could have a farm (chickens, cows, pigs, sheep and way more) and you could feed them or even ride them! Wouldn't you love that? You could have a big garden and plant anything (corn, carrots, potatoes and more) and eat them...YUM!

So don't you think having a country house is better than a city house?

By Jayden Ward, Year 5



Artz on Show School Holiday

Performing Arts Workshop

This is a fun yet educational week for students
aged 5 – 15 years

Students participate in a range of performing arts classes,
concluding the week with a performance!

8 - 12 October 2018, 9 am – 4 pm daily

Held at Southwell School

*View our website; www.artzonshow.co.nz
or contact Hayley on either
artz@artzonshow.co.nz or 0800 667 469*

ARTZONSHOW.

LABEL READING

PLAIN IS BEST, FORGET THE REST

Naturally flavoured water
at home with fruit and
vegetables

- 100% natural
- Everyday choice



Bought flavoured water

- No goodness for our bodies
- Can have up to 5tsp of sugar
- Can be expensive



YOU KNOW YOU OUGHTA FLAVOUR YOUR OWN WATER!

Mandarin
& orange



Lemon &
Lime



Watermelon



Cucumber
and mint



Berries



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LITE/LIGHT

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It could mean
less sugar, colour,
flavour or salt.

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