

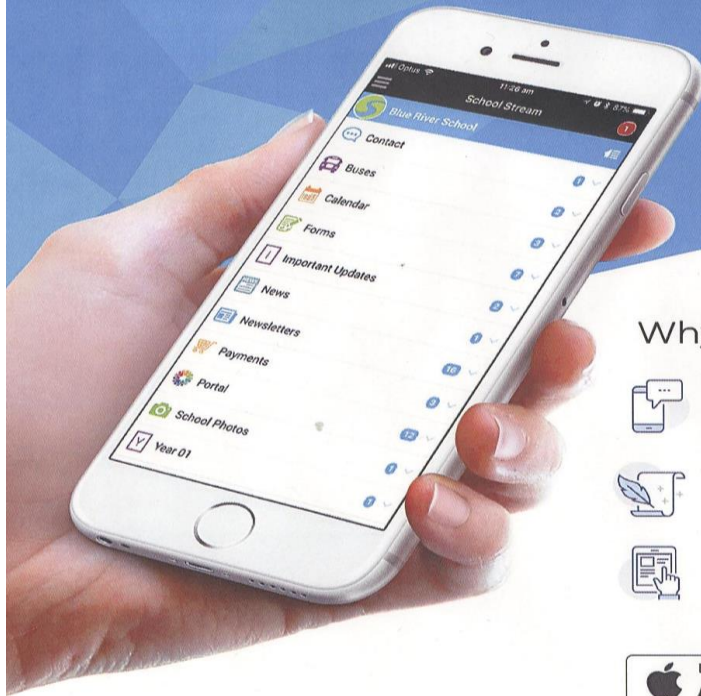
Rotokauri School Newsletter






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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 Samantha Towl to Room 1. We hope you and your whanau / family enjoy your learning journey at Rotokauri School.

Nгаа mihi nui.

PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

The term seems to be flying past and we are onto our last two weeks. We have had a full term with many learning and sporting opportunities for our students. It has been an anxious fortnight as we all come to terms with the distressing news of events that unfolded in Christchurch. We know that all of New Zealand mourns the people who have lost their lives and those that are injured. Last Friday students, staff and parents that attended our weekly assembly participated in the nationwide two minutes of silence, which allowed everyone to pause, to reflect and think of others, as well as being a sign of respect and highlighting the importance of showing aroha and manaakitanga. Those students, staff and parents at the cluster swimming sports also took this time between the races to stand united as New Zealand citizens. During the events in Christchurch, schools were put into lockdown. Lockdown procedures are employed where there is a potential danger to students and staff. Over the next few weeks we will be reviewing and practising our Lockdown procedures. During a lockdown there is a bell signal which tells staff to take children inside, lock all doors and windows, and to close all curtains and turn off lights. Children will remain on

the floor and movement will be kept to a minimum. The children and staff will need to stay like this until the all clear bell signal is given, usually notified by the Police. Once in a lockdown no parent/adult will be given access to their child's class.

Parents/caregivers will be notified via Facebook, school app or email message, as soon as it is practical to do so. I sincerely hope we never have to do this!

Some of you may have heard that we were meant to have a Paid Union Meeting last week. Due to the events in Christchurch, the NZEI postponed these Paid Union Meetings. Staff have now been asked to complete their voting online, rather than the disruptive meetings that had been scheduled.

Enjoy the continuing fine weather and daylight saving hours.

Ngaa mihi
Desiree Smith

BOT NEWS

The Board of Trustees have appointed Sharon Verstraten as our Returning Officer for the triennial elections this year. Sharon is currently ensuring all details are correct on our database to produce our main electoral roll. If you are considering standing for this very important role please note that nominations are open early May. More information will be sent out in the near future around how to nominate someone.

The Board of Trustees have voted to have 5 elected parent members on the Rotokauri School Board. We will also have a staff trustee that our staff nominate and vote for. This new Board of Trustees will be responsible for implementing any reforms brought about by the Tomorrows Schools Review. It is an exciting time for school trustees.

Appointments

The Appointments Committee have the great pleasure of announcing that two vacancies have now been filled and we will welcome Ms Jaimee Carter to the role of Deputy Principal and Mrs Diana Donovan as the classroom teacher for Room 5. Both these ladies will begin their tenure with us in Term 2.

Resignations

The Board of Trustees have accepted resignations from Miss Sarah Mussett, Mrs Karen Hollingsworth and Mrs Jacqueline Hill. Miss Mussett and Mrs Hollingsworth will both be leaving at the end of Term 1 and Mrs Hill at the end of Term 2. We wish Mrs Hill and Mrs Hollingsworth all the best with their retirement and Miss Mussett with her new venture into dairy farming. Exciting times for them all for the future.

PTA NEWS

Easter Raffle

It is not too late to donate an Easter item for the Easter raffle. Bring these to your child's classroom to get house points. These items will be made into hampers for the raffle. Please also try your best to sell your Easter raffle card. All cards must be returned to the school office, sold or unsold by 1st April. The raffle will be drawn on 5th April. Thank you for your support.

Entertainment Book

A promotional banner for Entertainment Book. On the left, a smartphone displays the Entertainment Book app interface, and next to it is a physical Entertainment Book. The background is a teal-to-blue gradient. The text 'Support our fundraising!' is in white at the top. Below it, a blue banner says 'PRE-ORDER NOW!' and a dark blue banner on the right says 'Just \$65'.

Hurry! Bonus Early Bird Offers. Limited Time Only.

Rotokauri School is fundraising with Entertainment!

Your support really helps us fundraise for an Outdoor all weather hub, so we're thrilled to let you know about special bonus Early Bird Entertainment Membership Offers for loyal supporters.

Pre-order the NEW 2019 | 2020 Entertainment Membership and receive bonus offers you can use right away!

AGM

The PTA held their Annual General Meeting on 13th March. It was an opportunity to review and reflect upon what has been achieved throughout 2018. The PTA worked tirelessly to fundraise over \$22,000. These fundraising funds have been used for – camps, El Gregoe and Hiwi The Kiwi shows, Jump Jam resources, subsidized transport costs to events, Splashy and Numicon maths equipment purchases. The PTA have also helped to beautify and improve the facilities that we have at Rotokauri School by providing picnic tables, seating at the busbay, VisTab machine and the new sound systems.

The staff would like to acknowledge the efforts of the individual members of the PTA committee, as together they are a strong, hard working committee and their contribution to the school and the students is immense. Thank you all.

2019 PTA Committee

At the Annual General Meeting the new PTA Committee was elected.

Congratulations to the following parents for being elected –

Chairperson: Cilla Molloy

Secretary: Tracy Wilson

Treasurer: Nicole Barham

Committee Members: Jill Cameron, Craig McDonagh, Meg Westgate, Chris Zillwood

Staff representative: Raewyn O'Brien

GENERAL MATTERS

ASB School Banking Deposits

As we have had only one transaction through the school banking drop box this year, we have decided to discontinue this service. Please make any deposits directly into your child's bank account via Clever Kash – their cashless moneybox or internet banking into their bank account.



Friday, 7th June 2019

Individual Entry

We have 50 spaces reserved for Friday, 7th June. These spaces have to be booked and paid for by the end of Term One – 12th April 2019. Parents Enter and Pay for Children Online. As this day is now sold out please follow the following instructions:

Pincode: Hams7

Click the link below select which Hamilton Friday 7th June Entry Type you want to enter and then enter the above Pincode into the Pincode box that appears. Then tick the T&Cs and click next to carry on with the entry. By entering this pincode it will make the Next button appear at the bottom of the page.

<https://eventdesq.sportstg.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=RegisterAdd1&EventDesqID=30680&OrgID=20511>

It is VERY IMPORTANT that parents select the correct entry type/day and venue, they MUST also select Teacher for bib collection (C Moroney) and write the School name in FULL. As long as all these things are completed correctly the school registrations will link together and everything will be waiting for the team on the day of the event.

This is a chance for our Rotokauri students to get involved in New Zealand's biggest mud run series in a version tailored especially for them! The Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge will include many of the same amazing perks as the adult version, such as outstanding goodie bags, challenging obstacles, incredible venues, hot showers and spot prizes.

- 1.5 km course – for school years 3 – 4
- 3 km course – for school years 5 – 8
- Fee from 1st February until 12th April = \$25.00 per entry

Closer to the time we will be sending out notices so that transport can be arranged for the event.

Be in quick – spaces are limited!

Top School Competition

We have entered a Year 7/8 team and need 12 players. If you would like your child to participate please return the appropriate paperwork by Monday 1st April.

Top Schools 2019

Sunday 7th April Te Kowhai School

2019 TOP SCHOOL GAMES

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NEW WORLD Te Rapa

Te Kowhai School
To Be Our Very Best

This is our 14th annual Top School Games, where 20 schools from across the Waikato battle it out to be.. the 'Top School'.

10 FUN Games

Loads of food for sale

Cheerleading and Mascot Competition

Games 10 am - 2 pm

Competing Schools: Nawton, Rototuna, Deanwell, Cambridge East, Aberdeen, Knighton, Leamington, Glenview, Pukete, Pakerau, Toku Mapihi, Marian, St Columbus, Te Rapa, Te Mata, St Patrick's Te Awamutu, Ohinewai, Te Kowhai, St Josephs Fairfield, Rotokauri

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Swimming Pool Closure

The school swimming pool will be closing at the end of the term on Friday 12 April. The junior classes (Rooms 1 – 3) are no longer swimming due to the coldness of the water. At the end of the term we will be asking for the pool keys to be returned as the pool will not be available during the holidays.

School Donations

This year the Board of Trustees has once again made the decision to leave the school donations at \$100 per child, maximum of \$250 per family. This is used to support the school budget. All donations are gratefully received and can be paid to the school office. You are able to claim a tax credit from all donations.

Tech Fees

Thank you to all the parents of Year 7 and 8 students who have paid for Term One or the whole year tech fees. If you are paying by term just a reminder that \$25.00 per term is still owing from Term Two.

CELEBRATIONS

At our assemblies the following children received certificates.

Assembly Awards

Week 6

Room 1	Elijah Ploeg - For always working his hardest and bring thoughtful and kind.
Room 1	Maddox Stratford - For his great attitude towards learning and being a kind boy.
Room 2	Shaan Judge - For always coming to school with a fantastic attitude and trying your best in everything you do.
Room 2	Jaxson Williams - For being engaged in his learning and coming to school with a fantastic attitude towards all school activities.
Room 3	Aniket Raju - For being so helpful in class, focussed and engaged and for your lovely smile.
Room 3	Aja Jessop - For your risk taking in using Google Drive and positive attitude to your learning and problem solving.
Room 4	Grace Petley - Being an awesome leader in swimming.
Room 4	Reed Kahaki - Showing respect during swimming sports.
Room 5	Hannah Jones - For showing great thinking to shape your ideas when writing recounts and having such a positive attitude in Maths. Well done!
Room 5	Riley Boswell - For taking great responsibility for his own learning, working thoughtfully towards his goals. You are a kind and caring class member too!
Room 6	Carter Jessop - For always being a respectful, positive and active learner in Room 6.
Room 6	Riley Dempsey-Irvine - For trying his best with his work this week, and always having a positive attitude.
Room 7	Mikayla Farrell - For showing an excellent attitude to learning and for your willingness to always give things a go.
Room 7	Lewis Surgenor - For excellence by going the extra mile and presenting his homework in an amazingly creative and informative Powerpoint to the class.

Week 7

Room 1	Turner Wallace - For your persistence in learning more words and numbers.
Room 1	Maddox Stratford - For being a fabulous thoughtful member of Room 1.
Room 2	Esme Gyde - For having a lovely aura, and always coming to school with an excellent attitude towards learning.
Room 2	Mackenzie O'Rourke - For showing courage and determination in the pool. You have developed fantastic confidence.
Room 3	Alex Dombroski - For reading with fluency and understanding.
Room 3	Cairo Nelson - For your great learning attitude and your progress in reading.
Room 4	Grayson Wallace - For using the school value of being an active learner and understanding place value houses in maths.
Room 4	Noah Rose - For using the school values of respect and being an active learner in all of his learning.
Room 5	James Ward - For tackling challenging maths problems with skill and confidence. A wonderful class member too.
Room 5	Sari Tangiora - For taking important steps towards achieving her learning goals and for taking great pride in her work. Be proud Sari.
Room 6	Ryan Jorgensen - For being an active learner and working hard this week on completing work.
Room 6	Taylor Underhill - For working really hard during Maths, and trying her best to try and solve problems.
Room 7	Lily Allen - For aiming for and achieving personal excellence in all areas of the curriculum.
Room 7	Bella Wilson - For being a student can always be relied on to carry out any task to a very high level. Thank you!
Room 8	Kayla Westgate - Always being respectful and putting her best effort into work.
Room 8	Thomas Keightley - Always being respectful and putting his best effort into work.

Touch Results – Round 4

Teams	Result	Player of the day
Rotokauri Rattlers vs Hamilton West	Lost 2-4	Riley Cornelissen
Rotokauri Rangers vs SPC Tigers	Lost 2-8	Lewis Surgenor
Rotokauri Rebels vs Aberdeen Jets	Lost 1-7	Cole Turney
Rotokauri Rascals vs Aberdeen Raiders	Won 7-1	Zakk McDonagh
Rotokauri Rascals vs Nawton Pumas	Lost 0-7	Jude Ploeg
Rotokauri Racers vs Southwell Speedy	Lost 4-5	Ernie Young

Touch Results – Round 5

Rotokauri Rattlers vs Maeroa Cutters	Lost 0-10	Seth Westgate
Rotokauri Rangers vs Whakawatea	Win by default	
Rotokauri Rebels vs Te Rapa Lightning	Won 7-4	Cooper McLean
Rotokauri Rascals vs Whitiara Wehi	Won 5-0	Charlie Jones
Rotokauri Racers vs Aberdeen Comets	Lost 4-5	Zach Williams

Cluster Swimming Sports Competition

On Friday 22nd March, 30 students from Rotokauri School competed at the cluster swimming sports held at Ngaruawahia Municipal Pools. Well done to all the team – you gave 100% effort in all your events and were amazing at cheering on and supporting your team mates. Also, a big thank you to all the parents and family members that provided transport and encouraged our children all day. We will be presenting the certificates at our Celebration Assembly at 2.25 p.m. tomorrow. Below are the results from the day:

Event	Age Group	Placing	
Freestyle 25m	10 year old girls	1 st	Isla Kahaki
Freestyle 25m	11 year old girls	2 nd	Ella Burt
Freestyle 25m	9 year old boys	1 st	Cory Burt
Freestyle 25m	9 year old girls	2 nd	Neve Townsend
Freestyle 25m	9 year old girls	1 st	Carter Jessop
Freestyle 50m	11 year old girls	1 st	Ella Burt
Freestyle 50m	10 year old boys	2 nd	Seth Westgate
Freestyle 50m	10 year old girls	1 st	Isla Kahaki
Backstroke 25m	11 year old girls	1 st	Ella Burt
Backstroke 25m	10 year old boys	1 st	Seth Westgate
Backstroke 25m	10 year old girls	2 nd	Isla Kahaki
Backstroke 25m	9 year old boys	1 st	Cory Burt
Backstroke 25m	9 year old boys	2 nd	Jay Williams
Backstroke 50m	10 year old girls	1 st equal	Isla Kahaki
Backstroke 50m	10 year old boys	1 st	Seth Westgate
Backstroke 50m	11 year old girls	1 st	Ella Burt
Breaststroke 25m	9 year old boys	1 st	Cooper McLean
Breaststroke 25m	9 year old boys	2 nd	Cory Burt
Breaststroke 25m	9 year old girls	1 st	Carter Jessop
Breaststroke 25m	8 year old boys	1 st	Nate Westgate
Breaststroke 25m	10 year old girls	2 nd	Isla Kahaki
Breaststroke 25m	11 year old girls	2 nd	Ella Burt
Breaststroke 25m	11 year old girls	3 rd	Kayla Westgate
Breaststroke 50m	11 year old girls	1 st	Ella Burt
Breaststroke 50m	10 year old girls	1 st	Isla Kahaki

Relay Results:

Junior Relay Team – Carter Jessop, Isla Kahaki, Cory Burt and Seth Westgate – 1st place.

Class Sharing

Room 5 students have been writing Haiku
(Japanese poetry form)

Night Glow by Nalei
Wavy laser flashing
Glowing, colourful fiery shapes
Surprising fireworks

Balloons by Hannah J
Blue, purple and green
Shiny, bright and beautiful
Stunning, colourful

Night Glow by Lily
Bright noisy fireworks
Rainbow colourful night glow
Shiny sparkly sky

Wellington by Eli
Capital city
Peaceful, amazing, sunny
Welcoming people

Pete (my bird) by Charlotte
Silly and funny
Swinging head and climbs the bars
Shining yellow head

My cat, Goose by Jamie
Grey, black and brownish
Scampering and galloping
Fluffy and skinny

Balloons by Nate
Awesome Darth Vader
Floating colourful giants
Big fiery flames

Hot Air Balloons by Elijah
Burning, blazing fire
Colourful and gigantic
Soaring in the sky

Night Glow by Mercedes
Kiwi, butterfly
Shy creatures of New Zealand
Amazing bright rides

Pepper by Sari
Cute cat and funny
Soft grey cuddling on my lap
Fighting with Gingey

Balloons by Bella
Colourful giants
Exploring, soaring up high
Beautiful sparkle

Night Glow by Deanna
Colourful giants
Exploring, floating up high
Amazing balloons

Night Glow by Anya
Colourful giants
Exploring, floating up high
Round and awesome

Night Glow by Riley
Colourful giants
Exploring, floating up high
Feeling awesome

Night Glow by Archie
Colourful giants
Exploring, floating up high
I felt excited

Night Glow by Madison
Colourful giants
Exploring, floating up high
Looking amazing

Night Glow by Kees
Colourful giants
Exploring, floating up high
Awesome and breezy

Balloons by Jack
Awesome Darth Vader
Huge colourful butterfly
Misty and foggy

Hawaii by Joseph
Sunny hot Hawaii
Warm, wavy tropical beach
Green shiny landscape

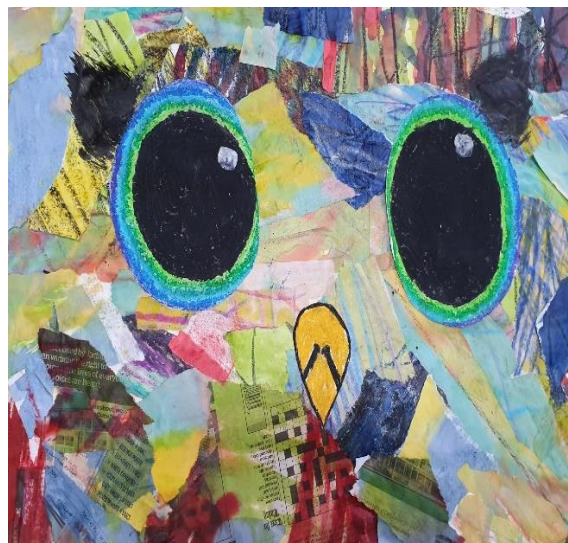
Art by Hannah
Designing cartoons
Colour the picture – enjoy
Pretty character

Balloons by Cooper
Colourful giants
Exploring, soaring up high
Blazing adventure

Balloons by Madison
Colourful giants
Exploring, soaring up high
Bright, stunning fireworks

Room 6

We have been doing some beautiful artwork with our release teacher Mrs MacDonald. It was a step by step mixed media process that included collage, paint and pastels focusing on the eyes and beaks. Here are a few examples of the beautiful pieces they have created.





**WE'RE LIFTING
THE LID ON DAIRY
PRODUCTION**

COME SEE HOW IT'S DONE

Fonterra is opening the gates to our Te Rapa site for the local community to come and see what we're turning our delicious milk into.

6 APRIL 2019

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Aladdin



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!

23,24 and 26 April 2019 *(Monday & Thursday are Public holidays)*

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 09 294 7129

ARTZONSHOW.

DRINKS

FRUIT JUICE



Fruit juice still contains sugar and only a small amount of goodness for our bodies. 250mls = 6 tsp sugar, so should be kept to a **SOMETIMES** drink.



TIP:

Eat fresh/ frozen/tinned fruit rather than drinking fruit juice for more goodness.

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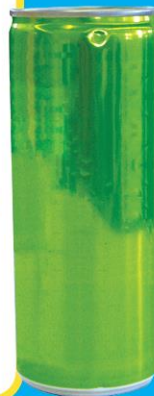
DRINKS

ENERGY DRINKS




Energy drinks contain large amounts of sugar and caffeine which provide **NO** goodness for our bodies. These drinks are **NOT** recommended for children.

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