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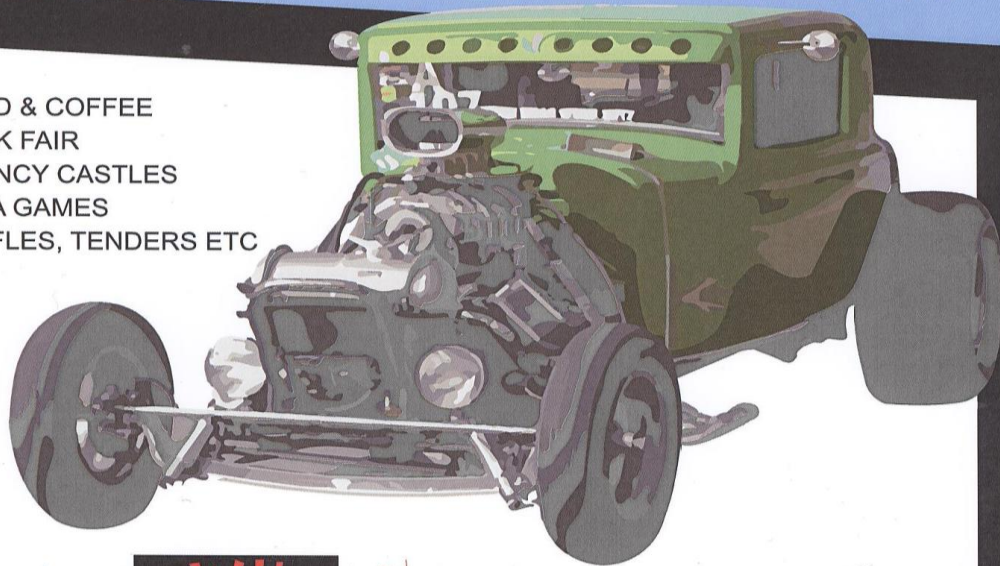
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Dear Parents

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

Respect

Empathy

Active Learning

Courage

Honesty

WELCOME

Nau mai, haere mai ki te kura o Rotokauri.

Welcome to Kayden John and Ellie-Rose Anderson in Room 1. We hope you and your whaanau/family enjoy your learning journey at Rotokauri School.

Nгаа mihi nui.

PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

What a wonderful feeling it is to have the summer weather upon us. It definitely picks up the spirits and energy of everyone when they can get outside and enjoy themselves. Thank you to the parents/caregivers that emailed in regards to the placement of their child/children next year (this opportunity has now closed) and thank you to the parents/caregivers that have officially notified the school about their child/children not returning to Rotokauri School next year. We really do appreciate knowing this information as we finalise class lists for 2020.

Thank you to the parents/caregivers that responded to the questions regarding the opening of the school swimming pool. The BOT have decided to have the pool open from 2nd December to Easter 2020. This means that keys will be available for purchasing closer to the time.

The staff and children are extremely busy over the next fortnight preparing for the Talent Show, Car Show and Market Day. We would love your support at these events as they ultimately will benefit all the students at Rotokauri School. Please let your

child/children's classroom teacher know if you can be of assistance in any way. I look forward to catching up with lots of family members over the coming weeks.

Ngaa mihi
Desiree Smith

BOT NEWS

Ministry Property

Last week myself and our Board Property representative Brad Kells met with the Ministry to start the process for getting two new classrooms at Rotokauri School. We were given the tentative timeframe of one year to make this happen. We walked around the school with the Ministry representatives and were pleased that they were thinking the same as us about not placing buildings on our school fields, as we want to retain these grassy areas for our students' well-being. Over the coming months we will be meeting with the Ministry again to discuss what the classrooms will look like and finalise their placement – if you have any ideas about where these two new classrooms should be positioned we would appreciate your feedback (or drawings) by emailing dsmith@rotokauri.school.nz

Carpark Safety

Despite many reminders throughout the year we are still receiving complaints from children and parents about the dangerous or inappropriate behaviour of some of our parents and extended family. I apologise for sharing these incidents in the newsletter but I must remind everyone that as adults you are responsible for your behaviour and you should be modelling appropriately when on Rotokauri School grounds.

1. A family member parking in the median strip, leaving the car and going to a classroom to find a junior student, therefore leaving all other vehicles attempting to enter the school carpark stranded in the middle of the road.
2. A parent angrily addressing another parent for accidentally taking a carpark which they were waiting for.
3. Drivers talking on their cellphones as they drive into the school grounds.
4. Parents bringing their children into class after the 8.55 a.m. bell and disturbing the class which has already started

Swimming Pool Survey

Thank you to the parents/caregivers that provided valuable feedback in regards to the opening of the school pool. We have two families that have volunteered to help over the summer period and we appreciate your commitment. We have also been offered sponsorship from Noel Jessop Architecture and Laser Plumbing to assist with the running costs. This is amazing and shows that having and using the swimming pool is important to many people.

Employment

The Appointments Committee are busy conducting classroom observations and interviewing applicants for the advertised positions at Rotokauri School. The structure of the school for next year will be announced in the next newsletter.

GENERAL MATTERS

High Jump

In past years, we have found the High Jump takes longer to run than the other events and slows down the process of the Athletics Day. To alleviate this problem, we will run the high jump competition on **Wednesday, 13th November**.

Time	Age Group
9:00 am	9 year old girls, 9 year old boys
10:00 am	10 year old girls, 10 year old boys
11:30 am	11 year old girls, 11 year old boys
1:00 pm	12 and 13 year old girls, 12 and 13 year old boys
2:00 pm	8 year old girls, 8 year old boys

Junior Athletics Day

The 5, 6 and 7 year olds from Rooms 1, 2 and 3 will be participating in the Junior Athletics Day on **Thursday, 14th November**. The postponement date is 19th November (a decision will be made by 9.00 a.m.). If we need to postpone, an alert will be sent out via the School Stream app. All events will be run from 9.20 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. - high jump, long jump, vortex throw and sprints. Children need to be appropriately dressed for running, jumping and throwing and for the weather. Please bring a named drink bottle and school hat. Parents and families are welcome to attend this event, please make sure pre-schoolers are kept off track and field events. We would appreciate parent helpers that can help out teachers as you follow your child around the events.

Senior Athletics Day

The Senior School Athletics will be held next **Friday, 15th November** starting at 9.00 a.m. and running for the whole day. **This involves all students aged 8-13 years and children will compete in their age group as at 2 December** which is our Interschool event at Porritt Stadium. Our postponement date will be Friday, 22nd November. Please refer to the timetable sent as a separate email for approximate times of each event.

Children are encouraged to wear their house colours and will need to wear their school sunhat, sunscreen and suitable clothes for running, jumping and throwing. If you are able to help out at each event, please make contact with your child's teacher or let Jaimee Carter know jcarter@rotokauri.school.nz.

Children's Market Day

Throughout this year all the students have been involved in learning which is culminating in their own market day. We are excited to come to the end of this rich learning experience. Each class will hold their own stall on 21st November to showcase and sell the products, activities and food they have created. Some examples are: stress

balls, reusable shopping bags, shortbread, pen cups, gingerbeer, plaster of paris ornament painting, christmas card making, scrunchies, wands, dog tugs, candy floss and so much more...

Classes have learnt about the properties of the materials used in their products through science. They have achieved many outcomes in social studies from economics, to roles and responsibilities. Students have learnt about the entire process from designing a product, creating, testing and selling the product through the technology curriculum. Also first hand experience at being a young entrepreneur and the work it takes to raise funds.

The Student Council are looking forward to using the funds raised to contribute to the beautification of the school.

Kauri Dollars will need to be pre-purchased, to use as the 'money' at the market. These can be ordered from the office from next week. The market is at school on Thursday 21st November from 2.00 p.m. until 4.00 p.m. It is open to all students and their families. Students will be responsible for running their class market stall, taking turns on a roster while also getting a chance to be a customer. Students who are wanting to help run their class stall after 3.00 p.m. or help to pack up will need to return a parent permission slip which will come home closer to the time. All other students must be accompanied by their parent/caregiver or return to the bus bay as per usual when the bell rings at 3.00 p.m.

Values

This week, we look at the value of Courage. Thanks again to all our families who have taken the time to complete these as a family. Your efforts are truly appreciated. Family homework for Courage is due back on Friday, 8 November.

Courage

Mārohirohi

This means that we are brave as we face new experiences and difficult situations.

We know that we value this when we:

Are willing to try new experiences.

Face things that are difficult or scary.

Make the right choice, even if it is hard for us.

Take risks in our learning.



Booster Wine Group Fundraiser - Sileni Wines

The Senior School are raising funds for their upcoming camps through the Booster Wine Group Wine Fundraiser. Booster Wine Group will donate \$40 per case of wine sold towards the costs of the Year 5-8 camps. Wine can be ordered individually by the bottle or in mixed dozen case lots. **Order forms were emailed out to all families on Monday.** Please print off and distribute to your friends and family who might like to stock up in wine at great prices for Christmas. Order forms will also be available at the school office, however, these must be collected by an adult given that fundraisers involving alcohol are for 18 years and over. **Orders are open until the end of November with the wine being delivered to Rotokauri School in early December.** If you have any questions around the wine fundraiser, please email Jaimee Carter at jcarter@rotokauri.school.nz

Round The Bridges

Best of luck to those students who have registered for Round the Bridges next Sunday 17th November either with their family or through the school. Last chance to enter online this week. Please email jcarter@rotokauri.school.nz for the entry code.

Sharing The Road With Cyclists

Earlier this week there was a near miss incident with three Rotokauri students riding to school, therefore I would like to encourage drivers to be extremely careful when passing our children. Cyclists can be quite vulnerable on the road as they are less visible and less well protected than other road users. For these reasons, be alert for cyclists on the road and drive carefully when near them.

Safe driving around cyclists –

- Hazards like parked cars, potholes, glass, litter, strong wind and opening car doors may cause cyclists to veer off-line and move into your path. Because of this, give cyclists plenty of room when passing them. Ideally, allow at least 1.5 metres between you and the cyclist.
- Wait for a clear space before passing a cyclist on a narrow road.
- At intersections, apply the same rules to cyclists that you would to any other vehicle on the road. Take care to indicate turns.
- If you are crossing a cycle lane, give way to cyclists before you cross.
- Take extra care around young cyclists.
- You must not drive in or cross a cycle lane except for a maximum of 50 metres when entering or leaving side roads, driveways or parking spaces.
- You must not stop, stand or park in a cycle lane.

Cyclists Responsibilities – before cycling on the road you must know the road rules. They apply to cyclists as well as those using motor vehicles. The rules help to prevent crashes and reduce risk of injury.

- Cycle helmets must be worn, must meet an approved standard and be securely fastened.
- Cycles must have brakes and reflectors.
- Cycle lights must be on when it is dim or dark.
- Doubling is not allowed unless there is a special pillion seat fitted.
- Cyclists must always ride as near as they can to the left side of the road. If they are holding back traffic they must move as far as possible to the left side of the

road to allow traffic to pass. However, they need to cycle in a sensible position on the road to keep themselves safe.

- Two cyclists can ride next to each other but should take into account the keep left rule and not hold back traffic. Three or more people cycling next to each other is illegal, except in the case of a road race that has been given traffic management approval from a road controlling authority.
- Ride in single file when passing vehicles.
- Use hand signals to show other road users what you are doing.

CELEBRATIONS

Values Awards

The following students received Values Awards in Week 2:

Riley Boswell	Room 5	For being an Active Learner.
Isaac Hapi	Room 3	For demonstrating the value of Courage.
Olivia Moroney-Pearson	Room 7	For demonstrating the value of Empathy.
Tommy Selwyn	Room 3	For being an Active Learner.
Aamira Ali	Room 8	For being an Active Learner.
Kayla Westgate	Room 8	For demonstrating the value of Respect.
Vinnie Gibson	Room 7	For demonstrating the value of Respect.
Tommy Selwyn	Room 3	For demonstrating the value of Respect.

At our assemblies the following children received certificates.

Assembly Awards

Week 2

Room 1	Franco McQueen - For concentrating, persevering and using his imagination.
Room 1	Hannah-Leah Warbrick - For thinking creatively and using your wonderful imagination.
Room 2	Leelyn Clark - For having the courage to give things a go. You are a superstar!
Room 2	Mahi Sharma - For having the courage to ask questions to help your learning, well done you are doing a great job!
Room 3	Mya Hoebergen - For your contributions to our maths community this week. Your high level of active learning has been outstanding. Keep it up.
Room 3	Nate Turney - For your contributions to our maths community this week. Your high level of active learning has been outstanding. Keep it up.
Room 4	Caitlin Furlonger - For working hard in maths and being an active learner.
Room 4	Regan Bennett - For working hard in maths and being an active learner.
Room 5	Sari Tangiora - For your lovely courage artwork.
Room 5	Charlotte Frew - For being helpful to others in class.
Room 6	Jay Williams - For having a positive week and completing set tasks. Ka pai Jay!
Room 6	Tamsin Rose - For giving long division a go, and not giving up. Well done!
Room 7	Corbyn Ridley - For the focus you have understanding fractions this week.
Room 7	Bella'Capri Nelson - For the detail within your writing for a character description.
Room 8	Connor Williams-Thomas - For your positive attitude to learning. You have a quiet and thoughtful way in the classroom.
Room 8	Kayla Westgate - For your thorough and focused attitude to your learning. You are respectful class member.

Week 3

Room 1	Samantha Towl - For showing courage by joining in with singing and dancing at school. You are growing in confidence.
Room 1	Archer McFall - For demonstrating being an active learner at school and at home. You are smashing your sight words!
Room 2	Esme Gyde - For all the hard work and dedication you have been putting into all your work that you do.
Room 2	Asa Robinson - For demonstrating the value of being an active learner during Maths! Keep it up.
Room 3	Chloe Inglis - For all your hard work this week, you have demonstrated all the Rotokauri REACH values in all you do. Keep it up.
Room 3	Chloe Gyde - For stretching and growing your brain in maths this week. You are a hard working mathematician.
Room 4	Ellie Fairclough - For using the value of being an active learner by reading over 200 nights!!
Room 4	Evie Wilson - For using the value of being an active learner by reading over 200 nights!!
Room 5	Riley Boswell – For the progress you have made in your maths learning on Prodigy
Room 5	Bella Moroney-Pearson – For the progress you have made in your maths learning on Prodigy
Room 6	Oliver Selwyn - For showing the value of being an active learner. Your 2 poems were wonderful and you took your time.
Room 6	Carter Jessop - For showing the value of being an active learner. Your 2 poems were wonderful and you took your time.
Room 7	Seth Westgate - For his positive and mature attitude to complete his work.
Room 7	Room 7 - For fantastic collaborative work with Miss Smith today.
Room 8	Elias Barber - For being a respectful role model in Room 8 and working consistently in all areas.
Room 8	Karenza Curtis - For your thorough and prolific report writing on a range of topics. You are an honest and helpful member of Room 8.

ICAS Results

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) are a series of competitions designed specifically for primary and secondary students. ICAS exams are conducted annually in Australia and in over 20 countries in Asia, Africa, Europe, Pacific countries, and America. Our first set of results are in - see below for those who achieved within the top 46%.

High Distinction	Awarded to top 1% of participants
Distinction	Awarded to next 10% of participants
Credit	Awarded to next 25% of participants
Merit	Awarded to next 10% of participants
Participation	Received by all remaining participants

Science

Student Name	Year	Award
Jesse Zillwood	6	Credit
Lewis Surgenor	6	Distinction
Jayden Ward	6	Participation
Hayley Jorgensen	7	Distinction

Spelling Bee

Student Name	Year	Award
Nirav Maharaj	4	Distinction
Lachlan Anderson	4	Participation
Jesse Zillwood	6	Credit
Hannah Hobbs	6	Participation
Bella'Capri Nelson	6	Participation
Hayley Jorgensen	7	Distinction

Digital Technologies

Student Name	Year	Award
Nirav Maharaj	4	Merit
Matthew Webber	6	Participation
Lily Allen	6	Credit
Lewis Surgenor	6	Credit
Daksh Prajapati	7	Participation

Rotokauri Learners in Action

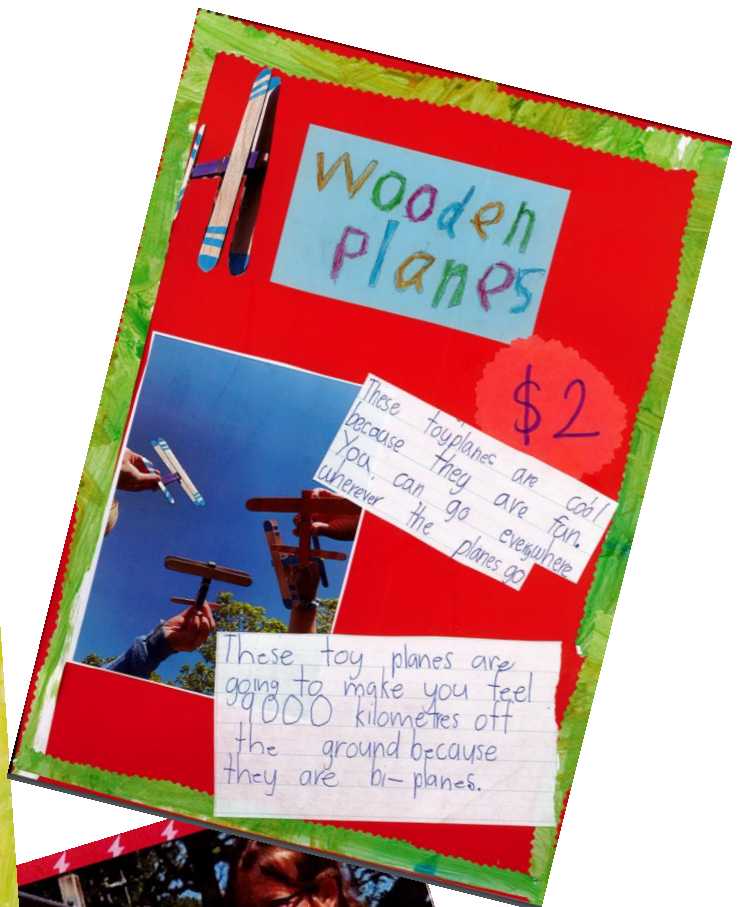
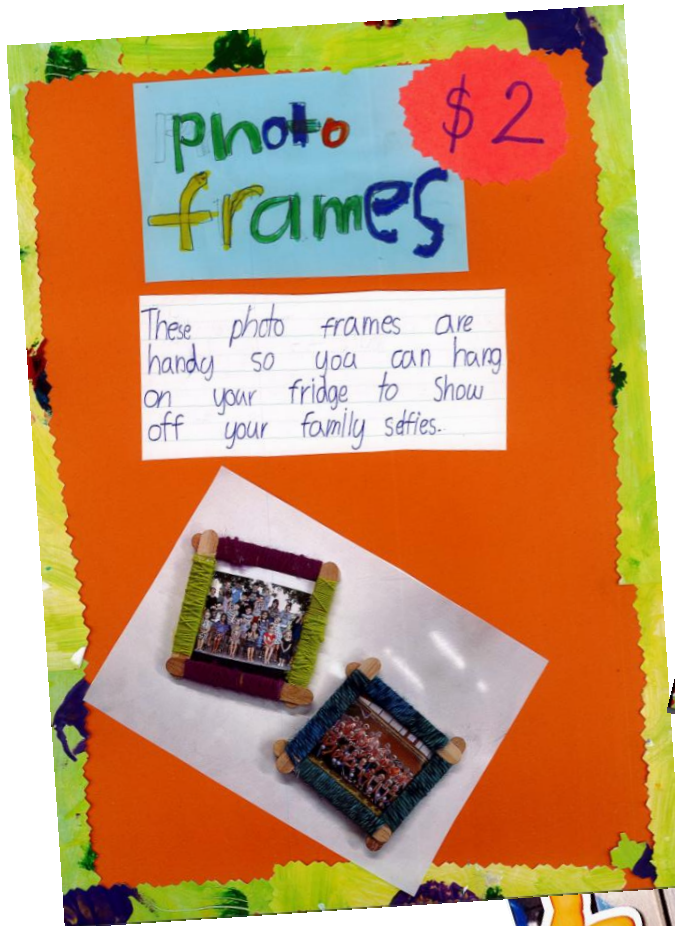
Room 4

In Room 4, we have been working hard on our market day reusable bags. These will be for sale at our stall.



Room 3

The first Rotokauri Kids Market Day is coming soon. These products are created by Room 3 and are ready to sell at our very own stall. This week we have created advertising posters for our products.



Lorax Bookmarks

These lorax bookmarks are for making your page when you're in the middle of a book. You have to buy them because they are awesome!

\$1

STUART LITTLE
J. D. WHITE






Please buy me!

\$1

These are our amazing pencil bugs.

It's a bargain!

These pencil bugs are so much fun they are the best and you can draw with it.

Pencil bugs

These pencil bugs will make your brain explode with ideas.




Ornament Painting

\$2

You can choose your own colours. Come and create one on Kids Market Day.

honeybees
butterflies
boats
cars
motorbikes
robots
Sea animals

Come and create me!





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www.kidslink.co.nz

This year's **Lugton's Round the Bridges** is on Sunday 17 November. Enter a school team of at least 10 runners and be in to win one of 5 \$200 sports vouchers.

Register online at www.roundthebridges.co.nz for the Grassroots Kids Challenge and also download your training programme.



Kiwi Pie



Ingredients:

- 500g mince
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 tsp oil
- 1 can baked beans
- 1 can tomatoes
- 2 c frozen mixed veges
- 4 medium potatoes
- 1/4 c low fat milk
- 1/2 c edam cheese, grated
- chopped parsley

Preheat oven to 190°C. Brown onion and mince in pan with oil. Add baked beans, tomatoes and frozen veges, and heat until thawed. Cook potatoes in boiling water until tender, drain well and mash with milk, cheese and chopped parsley. Spoon mixture into individual dishes or a large pie dish and top with mashed potato. Bake for 25mins until golden.



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MAAORI BOIL UP



Ingredients:

- 1kg beef brisket
- 1 big bunch puha or spinach
- 1 big bunch watercress
- 6 small kumara – scrubbed
- 3 onions, chopped



Trim fat off meat. Put into pot, cover with water and bring to boil. After approx 1hr change water and re-boil. Add veges, onions and seasoning. Continue to simmer until veges are cooked. Season to taste. Serve immediately.

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EASY INDIAN VEGETABLE BIRYANI



Ingredients:

- 1 c basmati rice
- 2 c mixed frozen veges
- 1 vegetable stock cube
- 600ml boiling water
- 2 Tbsp korma curry paste
- handful raisins
- handful nuts

In a large microwavable bowl put rice, veges and raisins. Add boiling water, crumbled stock cube and curry paste. Cover bowl and cook for 12mins. Keep covered for 5mins, then fluff with a fork and scatter with nuts. Serve.



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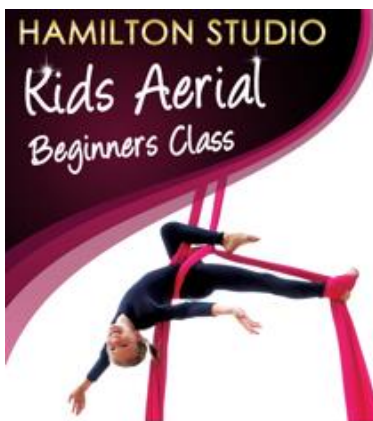
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TERM 4 KIDS AERIAL CLASSES

Term 4 Class times at Hamilton:

Tuesday 6-9yrs 3.30-4.30pm

Tuesday 10-12yrs 4.30-5.30pm

Wednesday 6-9yrs 3.30-4.30pm

Wednesday 10-12yrs 4.30-5.30pm

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