

# Rotokauri School Newsletter



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## **IMPORTANT DATE TO NOTE -** **TEACHER ONLY DAY**

Due to the outbreak of COVID earlier in the year our scheduled Teacher Only Day was postponed.

**We have now rescheduled our second Teacher Only Day for the year on Monday, 12 October – this means that Term 4 will start for students on Tuesday, 13 October.**

Staff will continue to review our curriculum.

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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 Khloe Bennett in Room 1.

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

Ngaa mihi nui.

## **PRINCIPAL'S PIECE**

Kia ora koutou

Welcome to Week 8 of Term 3, 2020.

Another busy fortnight has flown past as we gain momentum to the next set of holidays.

Thank you to all the students and staff that participated in Wig Wednesday this week. We joined thousands of other Kiwis who wore a wig, shaved their heads or styled a funky hairdo to raise money for children with cancer. We raised \$228.60 for the charity.

Just a reminder that if your child is sick, please keep them at home. With the risk of Covid-19 we must be more vigilant when it comes to controlling the spread of illness. If your child has been sent home from school we would appreciate them staying home for 24 hours before returning to school.

Last week the classes were busy working on their art projects so we can add some colour to our school grounds. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm and collaboration, as well as the high level of creativity. We look forward to sharing the final products with you. Thank you to the families and businesses that supported the classes by providing recycled materials, paint etc.

This week the students participated in the junior and senior speech finals. Congratulations to the finalists. The winners will be announced in our next newsletter.

A focus for staff this term has been on our Reading Logs and it is pleasing to hear that there has been an improvement in the completion of these logs, daily reading by students at home and bringing the reading logs regularly to school. Parents can take an active role with encouraging their child/ren to read regularly by –

- Having a ROUTINE established allowing for reading to take place e.g. before dinner, at bedtime, first thing in the morning.
- Finding a SUITABLE PLACE for reading e.g. in bed, on the couch.
- Being POSITIVELY INVOLVED with your child's reading e.g. ask questions, make it fun, provide encouragement and praise, give recognition of awards achieved

This year has seen many challenges for the school and many events postponed or changes made. Student Led Conferences are one of these such events. Due to Level 2 restrictions we will still be holding Student Led Conferences but in a modified way. Please check the instructions outlined later in this week's newsletter.

Last week the whole school completed a Fire Drill practice which went very successfully. The children remained calm and followed our procedure promptly and sensibly. Well done everyone.

This week we welcomed Miss Swindells back and next week we will welcome Mrs Schmits back. We are pleased that they have recovered well from their injuries.

As I began with, a busy two weeks gone, an extremely busy two weeks to come. Enjoy the sunshine everyone and Spring is here!

Ngaa mihi

Desiree Smith

# EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS



# AND EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

Try to get to school 10 minutes early, get settled and ready to learn!

## LOST MINUTES = LOST LEARNING



## PTA NEWS

### **Car Show & Gala**

The annual Car Show and Gala is planned for Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November at Rotokauri School.

Donations – The PTA would appreciate your help. If there is any businesses that could donate money or products for this event please let the PTA know

[pta@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:pta@rotokauri.school.nz)

Book Stall – This very popular stall is dependent on donations of quality novels, children's books and games (with no missing pieces please). If you have any donations these can be left in the multi-purpose room **from now on**.

Hoop Toss Game – Again this year we are asking that each child brings one or more filled jars for this popular game. These are to be taken to the classroom teacher **from next term onwards**. One house point will be awarded for each jar brought to school. Please do not use pickle jars as the smell lingers and if you are donating sweets these will need to be commercially wrapped for food hygiene reasons. Some ideas for the jars are – sweets, hair accessories, toys, lego etc. Use your imagination!

## STAFF NOTICES

### **PB4L**

Most of you are aware that Rotokauri School is a PB4L school. For those of you who are new to us, PB4L is short for Positive Behaviour for Learning. We have a variety of incentives that children receive when they are caught demonstrating positive behaviours or modelling our school values.

Inclass systems – these are determined by individual teachers and are adapted to the needs and developmental level of the class. These may include – stickers, stamps, class certificates, posy book, treasure box, group rewards (free time, computer time, passion projects, class game etc)

Schoolwide systems – we award House Points, give out Values vouchers, celebrate with Friday assembly certificates, children's names are included in the newsletter and some may even receive a special Principal's Award.

House Points - are given out freely and frequently for a variety of reasons e.g. returning permission slips on time, being in the right place at the right time doing the right thing.

Values vouchers – these are awarded by any staff member, parent, community member, peer mediators, student councillors and child nominated. These are given out for demonstrating our Rotokauri School values – Respect, Empathy, Active Learning, Courage and Honesty. When a student receives a Values voucher they put them into their class Values Box. On Fridays the senior students will collect these vouchers, collate the data and there is a draw at assembly for students to receive a juicy or ice block if their name is called out.

Weekly Certificates – these are given out by classroom teachers. Often they relate to the school values or a goal that the child has reached in their class. These are

presented at our weekly celebration assemblies and are included in the school newsletter.



The winning House each term will receive a hot chip lunch. At the end of the year there is a trophy awarded at the final prizegiving assembly.

This term we will be introducing an extra Values draw. This will be for all students that have received Values vouchers this term. Four students will receive a prize from the PB4L prize box.

Then at the end of the year, we will draw 8 students names out of all the Values vouchers for the year and these students will receive a pizza and drink lunch.

### **Student Led Conferences Online**

Due to the extension of Alert Level 2, the students are presenting their learning online through the platform of the Seesaw App. Students will post learning items in their Seesaw journal, sharing their current learning in reading, writing, maths plus another curriculum area. You will receive a notification in the app that an item has been posted. Allow some quality time to engage with your child about their learning.

To respond to your child's learning, click on the comment button  to type a response, or use the microphone  to record a message.

Some ideas to comment on:

- celebrate achievements and progress
- praise your child for what they have done well
- ask a question in which your child can talk further with you
  - tell me about what you are sharing?
  - what are you most proud of?
  - what did you find easy/hard?
  - what might you do next?
- make a goal together about some next steps in learning.

We look forward to the children sharing their learning with you and all parents engaging and responding in return.

### **Junior Tough Guy / Gal**

All the best to our 40 students participating in the Junior Tough Guy/Gal competition at Ngaruawahia Christian Camp tomorrow.

### **Summer Sports**

This season we would like to offer a few different summer sports for Term 4, depending on coach and player availability. If we have no coach, manager or insufficient players then teams will not be entered.

Please click on the link to complete the Google Form to enrol your child in a summer sport <https://forms.gle/jnG4y179zoyGsjgy5>

Please note at this stage we will not be asking for fees to be paid until Term 4 when teams are confirmed.

**Entries for summer sports close next Friday, 18 September**

### **Touch Rugby Years 1-8**

**Fees approx \$30**

Swarbrick Park - Monday afternoons for Year 7 and 8 and Thursdays for Years 1-6

### **Futsal 8-13 years**

**Fees approx \$50 per player**

The Peak, Rototuna - Friday evenings for Years 4-8

### **Cricket - More information to come**

Usually Friday evenings and Saturdays.

### **Flippaball / Waterpolo - Fees to be confirmed**

Waterworld or St Peters Cambridge - Sunday afternoons Years 5-8

COVID Alert Level 2 will have an impact on the way each code runs their competition and we will keep you updated as more information comes to hand. If you have any questions, please contact Jaimee Carter [jcarter@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:jcarter@rotokauri.school.nz) Ariana Matenga [amatenga@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:amatenga@rotokauri.school.nz) or Jaimee Swindells [jswindells@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:jswindells@rotokauri.school.nz)

## **GENERAL MATTERS**

### **Agricultural Day Helpers Needed – 14 October**

To make this day run smoothly we are totally reliant on volunteers. Below are jobs we need help with. If you can spare a few hours of your time it would be really appreciated. Please see Sharon in the school office if you can help.

- **Calf, goat and lamb stewards 1 x each section** - to assist the judge by organising the children with their animals, writing down the judges results and tying ribbons on the animals.

### **Agricultural Day Entry Form - Calf, Lamb and Goat**

The entry form is available on our website [www.rotokauri.school.nz](http://www.rotokauri.school.nz) under newsletter and newsletter attachments and notices. **The last day for entries is Friday, 18 September. Sorry, no late entries will be accepted.**

### **Group Day**

Pre entry is required again this year. Calves are returning to Group Day in 2020. Please consider if you will enter your children and their animal for Group Day as no late entries will be accepted. **The close off date to let the Rotokauri School office know you are attending Group Day is 15 October 2020.** It is better to enter your child, if you are considering going, and withdrawing closer to the time if you change your mind.

## CELEBRATIONS

### Values Awards

Aston Burt	Room 1	Demonstrating value of Active Learning
Druvi Patel	Room 1	Demonstrating value of Active Learning
Turner Wallace	Room 2	Demonstrating value of Active Learning
Heidi Viljoen	Room 1	Demonstrating value of Courage
Regan Bennett	Room 5	Demonstrating value of Courage
Samuel Watkins	Room 5	Demonstrating value of Empathy
Cole Turney	Room 7	Demonstrating value of Honesty

### Assembly Awards

At our assemblies the following students received certificates. Congratulations.

#### Week 6

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1	Kayla Van Rooij	For showing such courage by presenting your speech to Room 1.
Room 1	Rydge Shortland	For your amazing effort in learning and presenting your speech to Room 1.
Room 2	Maia O'Loughlin	For demonstrating the value of courage when presenting your speech. Tumeke!
Room 2	Turner Wallace	For the great effort in presenting your speech with confidence and a clear voice. Awesome job.
Room 3	Mackenzie O'Rourke	For presenting an interesting speech and working hard to make eye contact with the audience.
Room 3	Nihil Maharaj	For confidently presenting an informative speech and using his cue cards well.
Room 4	Tommy Selwyn	For using the value of active learning in maths. Well done
Room 4	Nate Turney	For using the value of active learning in maths. Well done
Room 4	Zach Williams	For using the value of active learning in maths. Well done
Room 5	Isabelle Steger	Courage shown for your speech
Room 5	Regan Bennett	Effort put into your work this week
Room 6	Charlotte Frew	For having the courage to get up in front of the class and say your speech. You did an amazing job. I am so proud of you.
Room 6	Chloe Russell	For having the courage to get up and deliver your first speech in front of the class. Ka pai Chloe, you did an amazing job.
Room 7	Ashtyn Gyde	For giving your all to the role of Class Captain this term.
Room 7	Alex Porter	For positively contributing to class discussions.
Room 7	Cory Burt	For your effort in creating and delivering your speech this week.



Room 8	McKay Robinson	For working hard on writing and delivering your speech this week.
Room 8	Ben Milne	For working hard and making excellent progress in your reading.

## **Week 7**

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1	Zac Hoeborgen	For settling so well into Room 1. We love having you with us Zac!
Room 1	Druvi Patel	For using sight words around the room to help write your sentences for story writing.
Room 2	Thomas Warner	For demonstrating the value of active learning. You are showing fast developing skills on the class iPads.
Room 2	Hannah-Leah Warbrick	For your creativity and artistic talent when designing Room 2s school beautification projects.
Room 3	Jackson Connolly	For demonstrating courage,by presenting his speech to Rooms 2 and 3.
Room 3	Toby Milne	For being an active learner, and working hard to improve his reading.
Room 4	Rhys Jorgensen	For using the value of active learning in art.
Room 4	Zeke Sia	For working hard in his art and listening to feedback.
Room 5	Nirav Maharaj	Entertaining us this week with your story writing
Room 5	Caitlin Furlonger	Learning all your tables
Room 6	Jamie Haldane	For upholding our Rotokauri value of being an active learner. You are showing a great understanding of decimals and fractions.
Room 6	Nalei Nelson	For your positive attitude towards your learning. You are always up for a challenge and always willing to give new things a go.
Room 7	Ryan Jorgensen	For great commitment to completing art activities and producing detailed pieces of art.
Room 7	Olly Kells	Fantastic work ethic, for always being on-task and for completing high quality work. Well done Olly.
Room 7	Blake Robinson Hastings	For working really hard to reach his goals this week.
Room 8	Mikayla Farrell	For showing courage and completing a brilliant presentation about climate change.
Room 8	Ella Sumner	For your excellent research about climate change and your presentation.
Room 8	Paul Davey	For outstanding focus on your artwork. You are so talented!

## **Principal's Award**

Room 1	Rydge Shortland	Reading for 125 nights. Well done Rydge.
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# WIG WEDNESDAY PHOTOS

## Room 1



## Room 2



**Room 3**



**Room 4**



**Room 5**



**Room 6**




**Room 7**



**Room 8**





# SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

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**Time:** 4.00 pm for juniors  
5.00 pm for seniors

**Where:** Rotokauri School Tennis Courts

**Tutor:** Alby Ellis, PE teacher at Hamilton Boys High School

**Cost:** \$10 per lesson – can be paid week to week to Alby the coach.

**Information:** Alby has a fun, friendly effective method for teaching the children tennis. He has been successfully teaching tennis at our school for a number of years and also teaches at other schools and St Peters tennis club.

**Tennis court access:** Rotokauri School Tennis Court keys can be hired from the school office for use out of hours - \$30.00 for season.

**Contact:** Sacha [sacha@photosacha.co.nz](mailto:sacha@photosacha.co.nz) with your child/rens name, age, experience or any questions.

**Beginners:** Beginners are welcome, just bring a racket.



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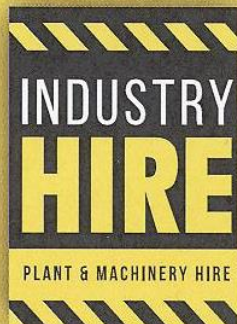
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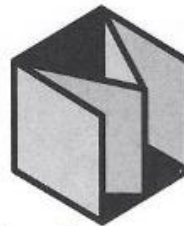
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