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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 Katie Clark who has started at Rotokauri School in Room 8.

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

Ngaa mihi nui.

PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

Kia Ora Parents and Whānau

This is our last newsletter for the term and tomorrow is Teacher Only Day. Staff will be working with our Maths facilitator, planning for Term 2 and working with guest speakers on cultural responsiveness.

Student Council Update

The Student Council would like to thank all the classes and students that participated in the Easter Egg colouring competition. The quality of the artwork was impressive and the students should be proud of their efforts. The winners are –

Creating own Easter Egg design

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
5 year olds	Evie Hodgson	Zac Hoebergen	Druvi Patel

6 year olds	Hannah-Leah Warbrick Jayden Day	Harry Gyde	Aston Burt
7 year olds	Scarlett Swain	Shaan Judge	Elsie Van Rooij
8 year olds	Jaxson Williams	Leon Watkins	Kade Calnan
9 year olds	Luca Haldane	Evie Wilson	Noah Rose Grayson Wallace
10 year olds	Mia Van Elzaker	Grace Petley	Hannah Jones
11 year olds	Imogen Jennings	Maya Sharma	
12 year olds	Isla Kahaki	Lily Allen	

Colouring Easter Egg template design

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
5 year olds	Talia Hefferon	Paige Robinson-Hastings	Kairo Sharma Noxx Rogers
6 year olds	Kayden John	Thomas Warner	Madison Beets
7 year olds	Koby Rose	Kaylee Quinlan Mahi Sharma	Jackson Connolly
8 year olds	Chloe Gyde	Nature Aitchison Aja Jessop	Rhythm Bhagat
9 year olds	Callista John	Ryan Russell	Ernie Young
10 year olds	Jordyn Harihari	Mercedes Barber	Kees Rogers
11 year olds	Addison Jennings		
12 year olds	Ashtyn Gyde	Hannah Hobbs	Mia Walker

The Student Council would like to thank the PTA for discussing their applications and approving the following –

- Purchasing of tissues for classes
- Contributing \$1,000 towards purchasing of EPRo8 kits
- Contributing \$1,200 towards upgrading Kapa Haka uniforms

The Student Council are investigating a number of projects at the moment and hope that some of these will come to fruition –

- School values signage and sculpture
- School beanies for winter
- House t-shirts with House logos (logos designed by school students)

At the end of the term it is always good to reflect on what we have achieved over the last ten weeks. The students have participated in – music workshops with Mrs Schmits, PAT testing, House Captain, Student Council and Peer Mediator voting, School Picnic, Maths workshops, school bi/triathlon, Year 8 Leadership Camp at Finlay Park, schoolwide singing and Kapa Haka, school swimming sports, cluster swimming sports and Waikato Full Primary School swimming competition. As well, there have been many sports teams participating in summer sports competitions. Congratulations to everyone that has shown our value of Active Learning and participated in the many opportunities that are on offer.

I hope that you all have an enjoyable two weeks holiday – safe travels and take time to relax, refresh and spend time with family and friends. We will see all students back at school for the start of Term 2 on Monday 3rd May.

Ngaa mihi

Desiree Smith

PTA NEWS

Easter Disco

Thank you to the PTA, staff, students and parent volunteers that worked hard to organise and run the disco last week. The students had a great time and appreciate your efforts.

We would also like to thank the families that abided by the rules and did not bring pre-schoolers in to the disco as requested.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Swimming Pool Closure

The school swimming pool is officially closed from Friday, 16th April. All keys need to be returned to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you to the parent volunteers that have maintained the pool over the season, ensuring that it is kept clean for all swimmers – Hans Verberne, Tanzey Dombroski, Carie Aitchison, Rhianna Moka and Anna Hapi.

Online Lunches

We have been notified by the company that provides our online lunch ordering on Wednesdays that this service will no longer be provided to Rotokauri School, effective from the end of Term 1. Thank you to all the families that have used this service in the past. The Student Council are currently investigating other options.

Tough Guy / Gal

There are only 14 spots left to enter the now SOLD OUT Junior Tough Guy/Gal competition. You will now need a pin to register your child and the pin is HAM21.

Please enter by this THURSDAY 16 APRIL

at <https://eventdesq.sportstg.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=RegisterAdd1&EventDesqID=36907&OrgID=20511>

Summer Sports

There are still some outstanding gear bags and equipment. Please return touch gear to Room 7 by Thursday, 16 April - Thank you.

Payments to School

When you pay money to Rotokauri School by internet banking can you please make sure you have the correct bank account as we have had several payments into the PTA account or the ASB account we only use for the wine fundraising (01). The correct account is:

Rotokauri School – ASB 123152 0116129 00

(PTA – Westpac – 030314 0189862 00 is only used for their fundraising i.e. pies, car show etc)

CELEBRATIONS

THE WINNERS OF THIS TERM'S HOT CHIP LUNCH IS **KOWHAI**

Values Awards

Week 10

Hannah-Leah Warbrick	Room 3	For showing the school value of Active Learning.
Esme Gyde	Room 3	For showing the school value of Active Learning.
Hannah Milne	Room 6	For showing the school value of Respect.
Khloe Woodward	Room 5	For showing the school value of Respect.

At our assemblies the following children received certificates.

Assembly Awards

No assembly held in Week 9 due to Easter

Week 10

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1	Violet Short	For always trying your best even when things get tricky
Room 1	Anthony Williams	For always having a happy and positive attitude to learning at school
Room 2	Rydge Shortland	For your effort and achievement when attempting challenging maths
Room 2	Kayla Van Rooij	For showing the value of courage this week. Well done.
Room 3	Scarlett Swain	For consistently being an active learner. You are showing courage to ask for help and continue with all your work.
Room 3	Maia O'Loughlin	For always being so kind and empathic towards your peers. You have a lovely manner about you and we love having you in our class.
Room 4	Cairo Nelson	For using powerful words in his writing that made a strong message.
Room 4	Nicky-Rose Hoebe	For being an active learner and showing gentle kindness to others.
Room 5	Ryan Keightley	For your out of the box thinking in our maths problem solving.
Room 5	Aja Jessop	The time and effort you are putting into our spelling programme.
Room 6	Jordyn Harihari	For an awesome job caring for our birds over Easter
Room 6	Room 6	For your joint patience during our long testing process.
Room 7	Vedhikah Goundar	For showing great courage when presenting your wearable arts costume. You and your team did a fantastic job working on it. Well done.
Room 7	Hannah Jones	You have done an amazing job being an active learner when learning about statistics. You have been focused and really valued all the information you have taken in. I am very proud of you.
Room 8	Daisy Sercombe	For being an active learner in math and writing and for showing courage when presenting your wearable arts project.
Room 8	Alex Porter	For being an active learner when researching about the effects of McDonalds on the Earth's resources.

Class Sharing

Wearable Arts

In Term 1 all the year seven and eight students did an inquiry on global problems e.g. ocean pollution, overfishing and deforestation. They then read it out as a speech. Along with that they made an amazing wearable art costume. They built their wearable art costume over the course of 6 weeks. Then in week 11 we had a wearable arts catwalk and show. Here are some photos of the catwalk.



Timothy and Ryan – Pirate Ship Costume



Lachlan and Ashtyn - Ocean Rubbish costume



Olly, Cooper and Cory – Deforestation Costume



Jesse – Overfishing costume

By Lachlan

Are you getting enough sleep? Room 8's shocking discovery!

Did you know that the Ministry of Health recommends that school age children should sleep between 9 - 11 hours each night? This is to help us to grow and develop. Not having enough sleep can have a negative effect on our learning and health.

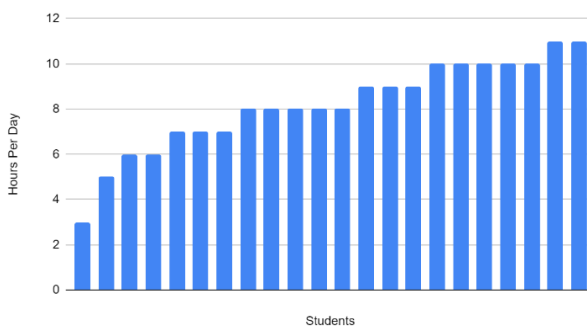
In Room 8 we decided to complete a statistical investigation to see if we get enough sleep. 24 students shared how many hours they had slept the night before.

Our Results

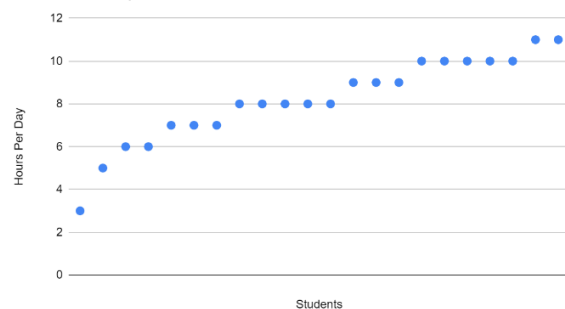
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Jayden created a bar chart and a scatter plot graph to record our results.

Room 8 Sleep Hours



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Our mean average of sleep was 8.25 hours

Our median average of sleep was 8 hours

Our mode average of sleep was 8 hours and 10 hours.

Our range average was 8 hours

Conclusion

We were shocked to find that our class average was 8 hours and that over half of the 24 students surveyed were not getting the 9-11 hours of sleep recommended by the Ministry of Health. It's time for us to get some more zzzzz's!

Are you getting enough sleep?

Check out: <https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/healthy-living/food-activity-and-sleep/sleeping/helping-young-children-sleep-better> for more information.

The importance of sleep



Sleep is essential for children's growth, development and for restoring energy. It helps promote good behaviour, learning, wellbeing and a healthy weight.

Tips:

- ✓ Have a regular bedtime and wake up time
- ✓ Have a consistent bedtime routine to help the brain wind down
- ✓ Ensure the sleep environment is comfortable, warm, quiet and dark
- ✓ Keep distractions (digital screens, devices and phones) away from wind down time and bedrooms
- ✓ Avoid food and drinks containing caffeine
- ✓ Ensure children are active and outside throughout the day

Recommended total amount of uninterrupted sleep:

5-13 years: 9-11 hours each night

14-17 years: 8-10 hours each night

For more information, visit sleephealthfoundation.org.au



Te Rapa Junior Rugby

We are needing players for the 12th grade this season.

Players need to be under 12 years of age before the 31st of December 2021, and weigh under 55 kilos.

Training starts after the school holidays.

Please call Rochelle Nolan after 3:30 pm on (027) 295-6027 if your child is interested.



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