

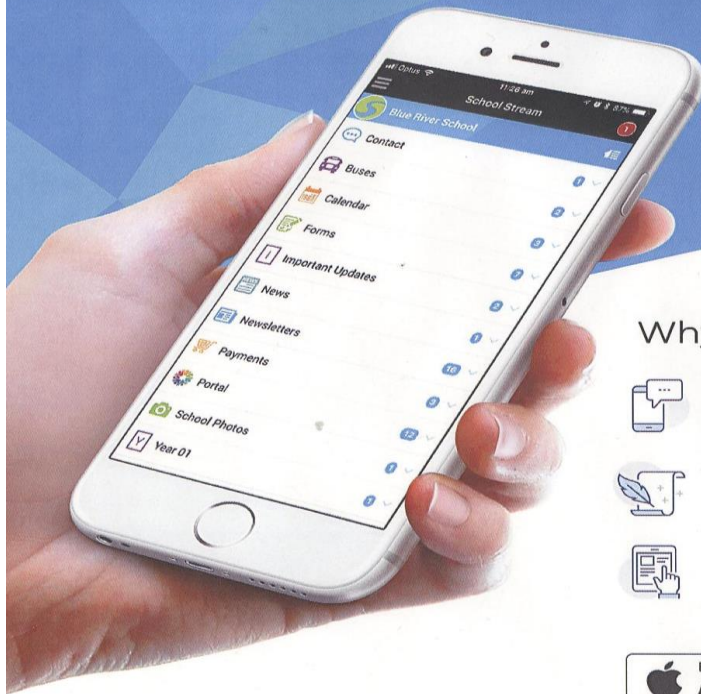
# Rotokauri School Newsletter






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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**

Respect

Empathy

Active Learning

Courage

Honesty

### **WELCOME**

Nau mai, haere mai ki te kura o Rotokauri.

Welcome to all our new students:

Room 1 - Shagunpreet Kaur, Theo Winikerei, Isla Nelson, Eason Lu, Marley Toia, Shepard Cairns-Eade, Arohi Rajesh, Taj Judge and Ada Westgate

Room 4 – Olivia Thorpe

Room 5 – Carlos Marks

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

Welcome back to school for Term 2. I trust everyone had an enjoyable break and our tamariki are rested, refreshed and ready to learn. Also, a warm welcome to those whaanau who have joined our Rotokauri School community this term. As always, there is a lot going on this term so I would encourage you to keep informed through the various communication avenues we use at Rotokauri School e.g. newsletters, noticeboard, SchoolStream, Facebook and emails. Class newsletters will have gone home last week so please check these as they outline the term's learning and planned activities that may be happening.

With winter sports starting this term there has been a great amount of organisation going on behind the scenes, so thank you to the staff that are sorting out teams, uniforms etc. I hope that you all enjoy the season ahead.

#### Reminders

- Please ensure all clothing is named so we can return them to their owners.
- Rotokauri School sunhats stay at home during Term 2 & 3.
- Children riding to school must be 10 years old. If you wish your younger children to ride to school then a letter giving permission must be sent to the Principal. All students riding to school must wear an approved helmet. It is a parent's responsibility to ensure that their children know the road rules and show them the safest way to get to school. We have had a number of close calls due to children weaving on the road and/or crossing the road in unsafe places.
- It is also a parent's responsibility to ensure that any children walking to school know the road rules and they have been shown the safest way to get to school. Children need to know where to walk when there is no footpath and how/when to cross the road.
- Drop off/Pick up zone (in the busbay) – please be aware that this is not a space for parents to get out of the car to help students get in or out of cars. If you are using this area then you are expecting your child/children to get out/in by themselves. If you are using this area then your child/children are ready and waiting to get into your car. In other circumstances we request that you find a carpark in or outside the school grounds.
- Thank you to the parents that have been using the bottom gate for picking up their children. Usually we would have closed this gate permanently for the term, however for as long as possible we will be leaving this gate open as an option for picking up students.

This week we farewelled Melissa from Atmosphere as she has taken one year's maternity leave. We all wish her and her husband the best of luck for their new arrival this month.

Enjoy your fortnight.

Ngaa mihi

Desiree Smith

#### **Important Dates for your Calendar**

Week 3	17 <sup>th</sup> May	BOT meeting
	18 <sup>th</sup> May	Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent Meeting
	19 <sup>th</sup> May	Lit Quiz Competition
	21 <sup>st</sup> May	Junior Football Tournament (Years 1 – 4)
Week 5	31 <sup>st</sup> May – 4 <sup>th</sup> June	School Garden Week
	2 <sup>nd</sup> June	PTA meeting
	4 <sup>th</sup> June	Arbor Day
Week 6	7 <sup>th</sup> June	Queen's Birthday – No School

Week 7	16 <sup>th</sup> June	National Young Leaders Day (Year 8)
	16 <sup>th</sup> June	BOT meeting
Week 8	24 <sup>th</sup> June	Tough Guy Tough Gal
Week 9	28 <sup>th</sup> June – 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Matariki Celebrations
	29 <sup>th</sup> June	Parent interviews
	30 <sup>th</sup> June	Parent interviews
	2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Ki-o-rahi Tournament (Years 7 & 8)
Week 10	5 <sup>th</sup> July – 9 <sup>th</sup> July	School Garden Week
	7 <sup>th</sup> July	PTA meeting
	8 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School Sleepover
	9 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day – Term 2

## Keeping Ourselves Safe

### You Are Invited To . . .



### **Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent Information Meeting**

**Date: Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

**Time: 2.30 p.m.**

**Venue: Multipurpose Room**

Information meeting to discuss any questions you may have about the Keeping Ourselves Programme to be taught in classrooms this term.

Meeting to be run by: Constables Tom & Mario

The Keeping Ourselves Safe programme will be taught in all the classrooms (Rooms 1 – 8). The parents' role in this programme is to support their child with the home-based activities that are included in the Keeping Ourselves Safe programme.

#### What students will learn?

Years 1 – 3 resources will help students to learn:

- A range of safety skills that they can use when interacting with others.
- What they can do if they have been or are being abused.

Years 4 – 8 resources will help students to learn:

- A range of safe practices that they can use when interacting with others.
- What they can do if they have been or are being abused.
- What happens when abuse is reported.

## BOT NEWS

During the holidays the BOT arranged for some building maintenance work to be completed in the staffroom and on the steps to a number of classrooms.

During the holidays I have analysed our Term 1 attendance data and this will be presented to the BOT at our May meeting.

- 32 students = 100% attendance for Term 1
- The Ministry of Education has an expectation that students attend school for 90% or more – at Rotokauri School we have only 13% of our students under this rate, for a variety of reasons. So well done and keep it up.

## STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

- The Student Council successfully ran and judged the Easter themed colouring competition at the end of Term 1.
- The Student Council have organised Rotokauri School beanies, which can be worn outside the classroom during Terms 2 and 3. The beanies are black and have the Rotokauri School logo on the front. Order forms have gone out today if you would like to put in an order. The beanies are being sold for \$15 each, one size fits all, and are not compulsory.



## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Online Lunches

Just a reminder that the company providing online lunch ordering on a Wednesday is no longer providing this service to Rotokauri School.

### Agricultural Day Interest

It is that time of year when the organisation of our Agricultural Day gets underway for our school and the cluster. A date for our school's annual event has not been set yet but we would be like to know the amount of interest expressed by families for students participating with chickens, lambs, kids (goats) and calves. Please fill in the form below and return it to the Rotokauri School office by Friday, 21 May 2021.

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## Return Slip

### Rotokauri School Agricultural Day 2021

My child/ren will be bringing an animal – calf / lamb / goat / chicken - to Agricultural Day.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Room: \_\_\_\_\_ Animal: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Medical Requirements

Please ensure that you come to the school office to fill out a medical form if your child requires medication during school hours. If your child needs to use an inhaler please ensure that they are brought to school, named and in a sealed plastic bag. No medications can be administered without written permission. **If medication is held at school please take the time to check expiry dates during the year so that, if needed, the medication will work correctly when administered.**

## Tech Fees

Term Two tech fees are due for families who have chosen to pay per term. Please pay \$25.00 to the Rotokauri School Office asap or if you would like to pay for the rest of the year the cost is \$75.00.

## Sports Notices

The winning House in Term 1 was Kowhai – we hope you enjoyed your hot chip lunch last term.

## Waterpolo

Congratulations to the Rotokauri Orca who placed second in the final against Southwell on Sunday at Waterworld. It was a nail biting game with the team narrowly losing 4-5.

## Football

Congratulations to our Rotokauri students playing for Western United in the Federation Team on Sundays - Cory Burt, Olly Kells, Cooper McLean, Blake Robinson-Hastings, Matthew Webber, Nate Westgate and Seth Westgate.

## **Winter Sports**

Our Winter Sports commence this weekend.

This year, we have 5 netball teams and an intermediate hockey team representing Rotokauri School. A big thank you to our volunteer coaches, managers and referees who are involved with a school team this season.

**Please make sure fees are paid by FRIDAY, 21 MAY to the school office.**

**Netball fees \$50.00**

**Hockey fees \$105.00**

## **CELEBRATIONS**

### **Values Awards**

The following students had their names drawn out for an end of term prize from the treasure box -

Cory Burt, Jett McFall, Riley Boswell, Liam Walker, Zach Williams, Israel Warbrick, Mya Hoebergen, Heidi Viljoen

#### **Week 1**

The following students had their names drawn out –

Anthony Williams	Room 1	For showing the school value of Active Learning.
Brayden Ridley	Room 4	For showing the school value of Active Learning.
Charlie Jones	Room 7	For showing the school value of Respect.
Grayson Wallace	Room 5	For showing the school value of Respect.

At our Week 1 assembly the following children received certificates.

### **Assembly Awards**

#### **Week 1**

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1	Archie Hibbert	For showing our school value of honesty and courage. You were brave to own up for your actions.
Room 1	Violet Short	For showing our school value of honesty and courage. You were brave to own up for your actions.
Room 2	Jayden Day	For all your help in the classroom. You see a problem and jump in and solve it. Thank you
Room 2	Teagan Mancer	For being an active learner and trying your best in your printing and writing.

Room 3	Ivy Lu	For showing courage and honesty in difficult situations. Well done!
Room 3	Hannah-Leah Warbrick	For consistently demonstrating the value of active learning! You are doing really well with your learning.
Room 4	Isaac Steger	For working hard on his times tables.
Room 4	Nihil Maharaj	For his deep thinking working out problems in maths.
Room 5	Carlos Marks	Welcome to our kura. You have worked really hard this week, particularly in writing.
Room 5	Chloe Gyde	For your super work in topic this week.
Room 6	Flint Coyle	For your fantastic attitude and focus in Room 6, You are an amazing learner!
Room 6	Kees Rogers	For your passion for learning and always wanting to know more, through questioning.
Room 7	Archie Cameron	You have shown great resilience this week with your learning. You have kept going even when you may have found it a bit challenging. I am very proud of you.
Room 7	Bianca Wallis	You have shown great resilience this week with your learning. You have kept going even when you may have found it a bit challenging. I am very proud of you.
Room 8	Carter Jessop	Being an active learner and always completing your work to a high standard.
Room 8	Lily Allen	Always being reliable and supporting myself and other students. Thank you!



## Class Sharing

### Room 1

Room 1 took a trip down to our beautiful SCENT garden this week. They went down to learn about how to behave and respect our wonderful space. They absolutely loved being able to walk on the paths and play with the big ropes at playtimes and have said they will keep this space safe so that they can enjoy it for their entire duration at Rotokauri School.

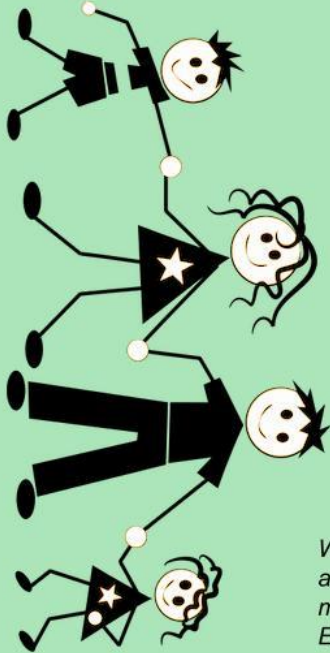


## Room 2

### Fire Officer Visit to Years 2-4

We had the pleasure of Steve Lambert and Robin Joyce come and visit some junior classes to follow up from the Fire Wise topic late last year. It is also part of our Healthy Communities and Environments topic this term. They spoke to the children about their role and how to be safe. **The fire fighters have asked that families check to make sure they have at least 2 working smoke alarms at home.**





## ***We're Back!***

Toughlove Parent Support Group  
Waimarie Community House  
Wellington St  
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Tuesday 7pm - 9pm

**Reopening Tuesday 4th May 2021**

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Email: [waikatopsg@gmail.com](mailto:waikatopsg@gmail.com) for more information or see you on the night!*

## **Saturday Morning Music Classes**

Enrolments are now open for Term Two 2021 at the Waikato Community School of Music. The first session is on Saturday 8th May. The school caters for all ages (3 to retired) and ability levels, offering group-format and one-to-one music tuition in a range of instruments. Group-format class fees range from \$39 to \$105 per term (on average 8 lessons) depending on student age and instrument. The enrolment fee for an instrument class includes participation in as many of our ensembles as the student wishes. One-to-one classes can aid in preparing for exams and earning NCEA credits.

### **New in Term Two:**

- **Free music theory classes**
- **Viola classes**
- **Adult singing**

Class times are between 8.00 am and 1.00pm on Saturdays during primary school terms. WCSM is located on the University of Waikato campus in Hillcrest.

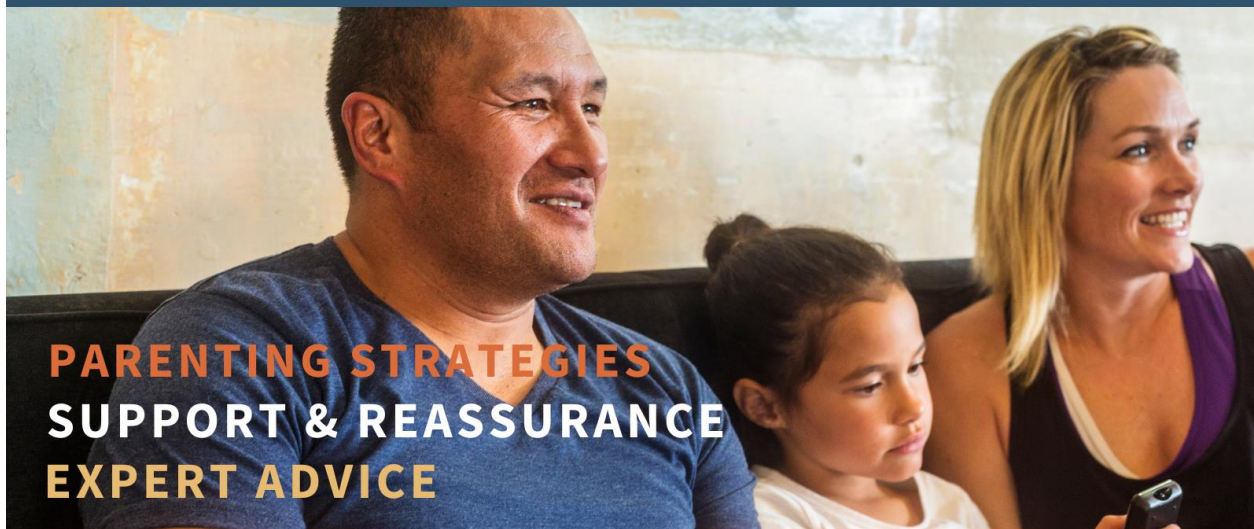
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