

# Rotokauri School Newsletter



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## Anzac Day



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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

## **PRINCIPAL'S PIECE**

Welcome back to Term 2 and some changes now that Rotokauri School is operating at Orange.

It was lovely welcoming everyone back on Monday and I appreciate parents and whanau following the guidelines that were outlined in the email sent out.

So those reminders are –

- Face masks at Orange are **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** to be worn by staff and Years 4 – 8 students when inside school buildings. Wearing a mask is a key health measure that slows the spread of COVID-19 in indoor settings. Students attending Tech will need to wear a face mask on school transport and students in Years 4 – 8 will need to wear face masks in assemblies.
- Families are welcome to come onto the school grounds before and after school to pick up and drop off children. However, we ask that a mask be worn and that visits are kept short. Parents must not enter the classroom.
- Unwell children need to remain at home until they are fully recovered.

Please keep notifying myself if and when your child becomes a household contact or positive case. This is the first notification – information will then be sent out to the teachers and online learning arranged. As we move into the cooler months we will need to be vigilant with handwashing etc to minimise the bugs that will be present.

Thank you to the Student Council for organising a Fun Day with tabloids on the last day of Term 1 – it was great to see all the students supporting each other and doing fun activities.

The students have come back relaxed, refreshed and ready for learning. There is a real buzz around the school, especially as the split morning tea and lunch breaks have been changed.

Ngaa mihi

Desiree Smith

## **BOT NEWS**

### **Appointments**

Thank you to the Appointments Committee for the time spent interviewing candidates for the three positions that were advertised for Term 2. Congratulations to Mr Sam Brinkworth for being appointed as a permanent staff member and teacher in Room 7. In Week 4 we will welcome Miss Josephine Brown (Whaea Jojo) to Room 6 as Mr Robertson leaves for his new school. In Week 6 we will welcome Mr Kyle Park in Room 3 as Whaea Ariana leaves to start her maternity leave.

## **PTA NEWS**

### **Easter Raffle**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Easter raffle in Term 1. The lucky winners were:

1	Mark O'Brien	16	Maria McWhannell
2	Nigel Connolly	17	Shaun Atkinson
3	Aedenn Tan	18	Russell
4	Rachel Turney	19	Finley O'Rourke
5	Felicity	20	Ian
6	Emslie	21	Ian Cameron
7	Cliff Bell	22	Nicki Bennett
8	Lisa Hastings	23	Khim Neha
9	Kupa Hippolite	24	Lisa Williams
10	Nicole Barham	25	Rhys Oldham
11	Win	26	T Dombroski
12	Jaimee Carter	27	Sarah Griffin
13	Riki Cowley	28	Tim Johnstone
14	Donna Watts	29	Memory
15	Acacia Barham		

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## Lunch Menu

### Monday Lunch Orders

Sushi & Subway are back on the menu (along with the current savoury pies). **Please note there have been some increases in prices.**

#### Sushi

4 pack - Salmon or Chicken - \$4.00 each

8 pack – Chicken & veges - \$7.50 each (new price)

#### Subway

Ham, beef or vege 6 inch sub & cookie (no drink) - \$6.50 each (new price)

#### Pie Options

Mince & Cheese - \$3.50

Mince - \$3.50

Butter Chicken - \$4.00 (new price)

Mini Mince \$2.50 (new price)

Sausage Roll - \$2.50 (new price)

Please use the **brown bags for pie orders** and the **plastic bags for Sushi & Subway** – there are plenty in the Student Foyer so please take some home, along with the new order forms.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### Medical Requirements

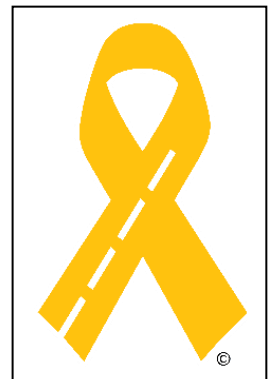
Please ensure that you come to the school office to fill out a medical form if your child requires medication during school hours. If your child needs to use an inhaler please ensure that they are brought to school, named and in a sealed plastic bag. No medications can be administered without written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

If your child has an allergy, is asthmatic or has other medical conditions that require a health plan please let the school office know so that these plans can be completed or updated (as per the Ministry of Health regulations).

### Road Safety Week

This is an annual event. The dates for this year are 9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May. This year's theme is ROAD SAFETY HEROES – celebrating the heroic work of road safety professionals and explaining how we can all play a part in making journeys safer for everyone.

The Yellow Ribbon Alliance supports Road Safety Week and aims to raise awareness of road safety through use of the colour yellow. An easy way to get involved in Road Safety Week is to Go Yellow! Dress up in yellow, wear a yellow ribbon pin or display a yellow ribbon.





The Student Council will be holding a Yellow Road Safety Awareness Day on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May. Students are encouraged to dress in yellow clothing, dress like a yellow character, wear yellow ribbons in your hair – GO YELLOW!!!

### **Bully Free Week**

Whether bullying is physical, verbal, or social (relational), four widely-accepted factors can be used to identify it:

- Bullying is deliberate - harming another person intentionally
- Bullying involves a misuse of power in a relationship
- Bullying is usually not a one-off - it is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated over time
- Bullying involves behaviour that can cause harm - it is not a normal part of growing up.

Bullying can happen anywhere, in person or online (cyberbullying), at any time, and can be verbal, physical or social (relational). It can be obvious or hidden.

Kids who bully use their power — such as physical strength, knowing something embarrassing, or popularity — to control or harm others. Bullying is when one student (or a group of students) keeps picking on another student again and again to make them feel bad. They say or do things to upset them, make fun of them, stop them from joining in, or keep hitting or punching them.

***“Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Tū, Mauri Ora – Speak Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!”***

Bullying is a word often used to describe behaviour that is not actually bullying — not all verbal or physical aggression is bullying. For example:

- a one-off fight or argument, or difference of opinion between friends where there is no power imbalance and they can sort it out between themselves
- not liking someone or a single act of social rejection
- one-off acts of meanness or spite
- isolated incidents of aggression, intimidation or violence
- using sexist or racist terms but doesn't mean to cause harm
- theft: taking someone else's things once is theft but not necessarily bullying.

These other behaviours may be just as upsetting and serious, but may need to be dealt with in a different way.

### **Photolife Key Codes – School Photos**

You should have received your key codes by email from Photolife over the last few days. If you have not received them please contact the school office.

## **Pink Shirt Day**

The Student Council will be holding a Pink Shirt Day fundraiser on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May. By fundraising for Pink Shirt Day the school is helping to end bullying, celebrating diversity and spreading aroha. So bring along your **gold coin donation** and dress in your best pink creations.

## **Road Safety at Rotokauri School**

It has come to the attention of staff that a number of parents are completing u-turns outside school as a means of heading towards Whatawhata and we wish to discourage this please. You are more than welcome to drive through the top carpark and turn right through our exit gate. We want to ensure that all families get home safely. There is a bigger volume of traffic using the road outside school now.

Just a reminder to parents of students that are walking – children need to walk on the footpath from the school and then down Bagust Road. They then need to cross the road by the zoo back entrance – this allows them to be seen by drivers. Unfortunately there have been some near misses when children try to cross at the intersection of O'Brien Road. The children need to be encouraged to stay well off the road and walk in the grass.

## **Sunhats / Beanies**

Sunhats are not required to be worn during Terms 2 & 3, so can be left at home. This is a good time to wash them and check their quality e.g. any rips, stitching coming undone.

We do have school beanies for sale, which can be worn. They are black with the Rotokauri School logo on the front. These are available for purchase from the school office at a cost of \$15.00.



## **Mobile Phones**

A reminder that if your child needs to bring a mobile phone to school it must be named, in a plastic bag and handed in to the office for the school day.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Junior Tough Guy and Girl**

There are **still a few spots available** for this popular event to be held at **Ngaruawahia Christian Camp on THURSDAY, 30 June 2022**. **Students in Years 3-8** can be entered as part of our school team. You will need to email Jaimee at [jcarter@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:jcarter@rotokauri.school.nz) if you would like to enter – get in quick!

### **Winter Sports**

Winter sports kick off next week with 2 hockey teams, 1 miniball team and 5 netball teams. A big thank you to our volunteer coaches, managers and umpires for offering your time and sharing your knowledge and skills with our students.

A reminder that fees are due to be paid as soon as possible – ASB 123152 0116129 00.

**Miniball \$40**

**Netball \$55**

**Hockey \$110**

If you have any questions or queries, please contact the correct coordinator:

Hockey - Jane Rickman [jrickman@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:jrickman@rotokauri.school.nz)

Miniball - Jaimee Carter [jcarter@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:jcarter@rotokauri.school.nz)

Netball - Claire Walker [cwalker@rotokauri.school.nz](mailto:cwalker@rotokauri.school.nz)

### **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 like to know the amount of interest expressed by families for students participating with lambs, kids (goats) and calves.

For this event to go ahead we would need at least 20 entries, as there is considerable organisation prior to the event. Please indicate your interest by 31 May 2022 at which time a final decision will be made.

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### **Return Slip**

#### **Rotokauri School Agricultural Day 2022**

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

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

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## **CELEBRATIONS**

### **Values Vouchers**

#### **Week 10**

Layla Day	Room 2	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Conor Emerson	Room 3	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Chloe Gyde	Room 5	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Cody Wade	Room 5	For demonstrating the value of active learning.

### **House Points for Term 1**

1st Kowhai - winners of the hot chip lunch

2nd Kakariki

3rd Whero

4th Kikorangi



## Assembly Certificates

### Week 10

Room 2	Arohi Rajesh	For your confidence and lovely smile, we love your positive energy.
Room 2	Sophie Quinlan	For your kindness and helpfulness in our classroom.
Room 3	Luke Vann	For your great attitude towards your learning. You are always up for a challenge.
Room 3	Anthony Williams	For your excellent story on Autumn. You have used some awesome vocabulary to make your story interesting.
Room 4	Archer McFall	For working hard in his maths. Well done
Room 4	Kayden John	For working super hard in his reading. Well done.
Room 6	Ryan Russell	For your fantastic progress through your Running Records/Probe testing this week.
Room 6	Leon Watkins	For your fantastic progress through your Running Records/Probe testing this week.
Room 7	Liam Buckle	Thinking outside the box to solve math problems and showing the school values.
Room 7	Jordyn Harihari	Being an active learner and always giving 100% effort in class.
Room 8	Lily Young	For being an active learner and making fantastic progress in all of your learning.
Room 8	Eli Bell	For making fantastic progress in math and working hard to learn your multiplication tables.
Room 8	Bianca Wallis	For being an active learner and making great progress in your reading - congratulations!

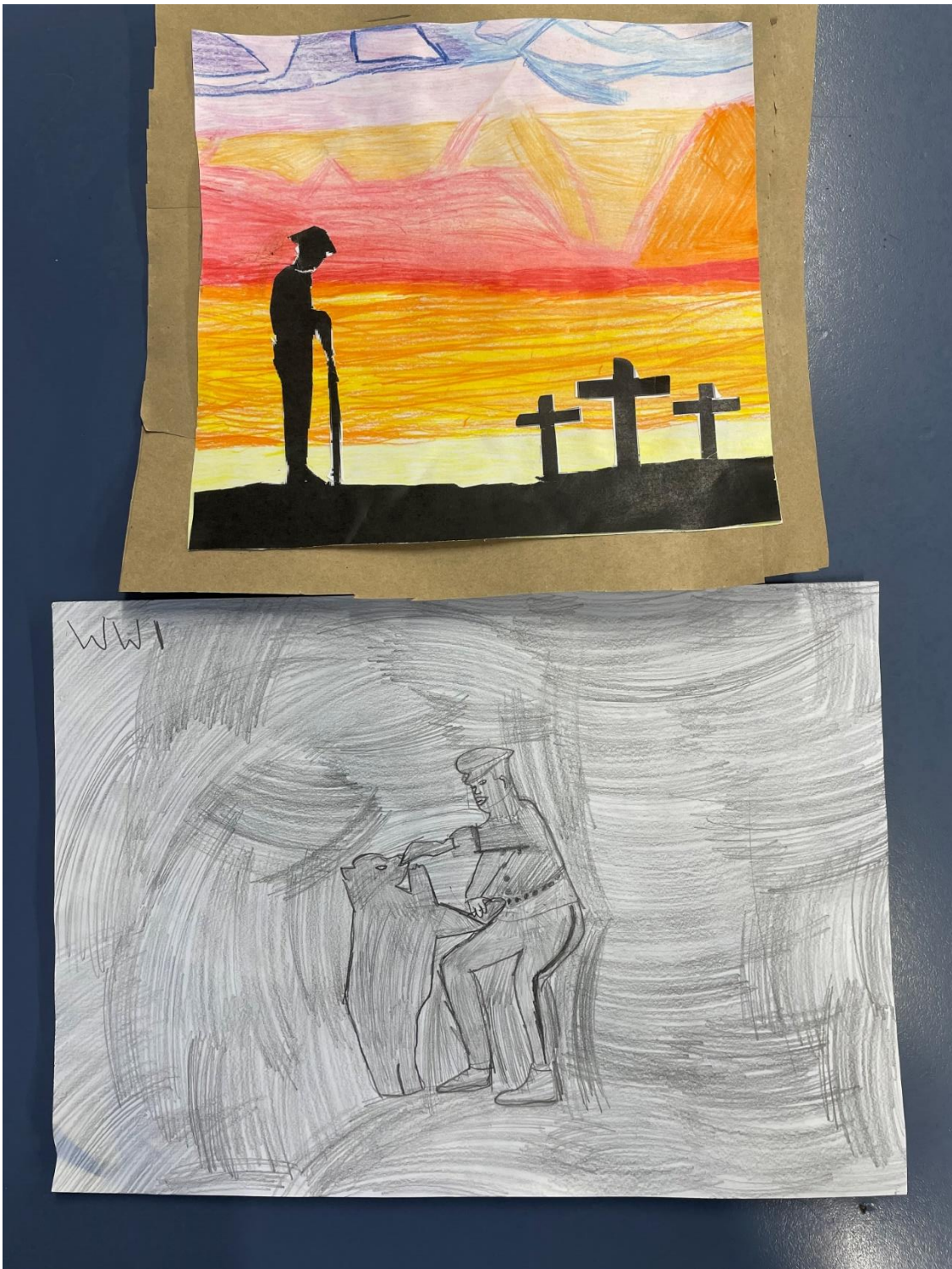
## End of Term Prizes

Shagunpreet Kaur, Colette Griffin, Archie Hibbert, Ruby Wilson, Timothy Sumner, Hannah Jones, Jamie Haldane and Cody Wade.



## Sharing Students' Anzac Work

Room 6



Produced by Ellie Fairclough





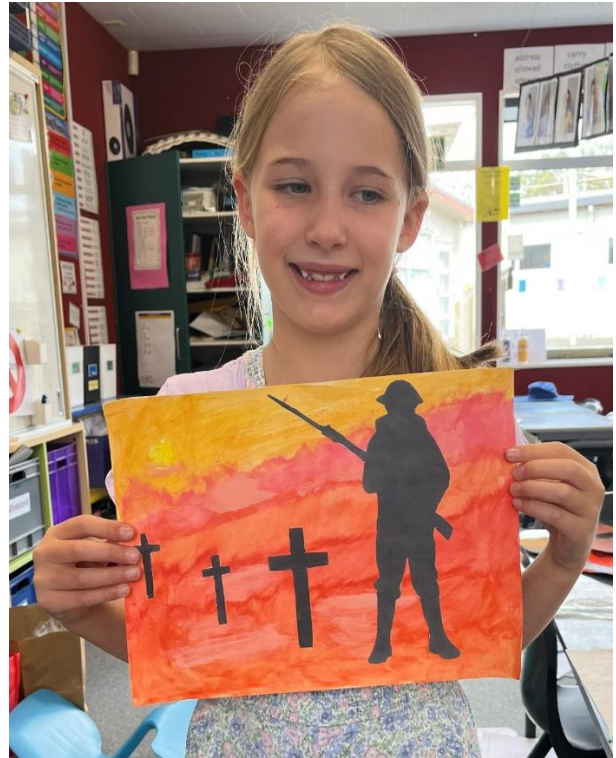
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**Room 4**



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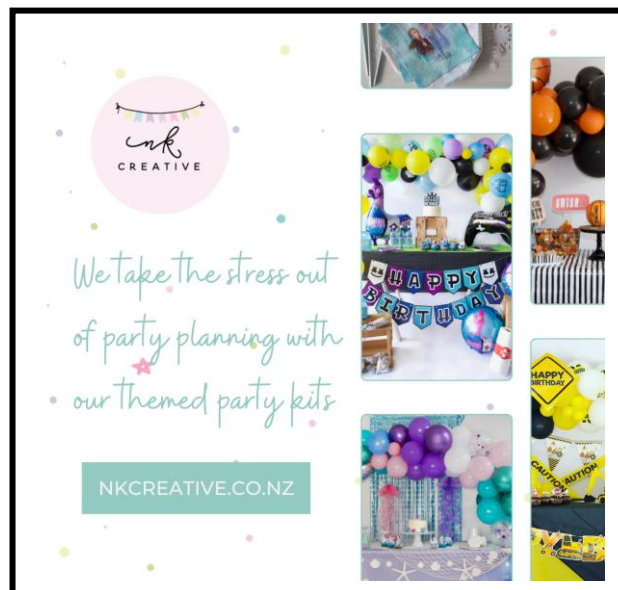
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