

# 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 the new students that have started at Rotokauri School recently –

Room 1 – Zaylee van den Heever, Logan Beer and Carter Beer

Room 3 – Stefan Booyens

Room 4 – Jacques Booyens

Room 5 – Lorenzo Maresca-Allison

Room 8 – Thinus Booyens

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

Ngaa mihi nui.

## **PRINCIPAL'S PIECE**

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope that you all enjoyed some family time over Easter and the remainder of the holidays. It is great to be back and to hear all the excited voices out in the playground and the focused learning inside the classes. The Board of Trustees would like to thank and acknowledge the resilience and adaptability of the Room 7 & 8 students and teachers during our building project. It is much appreciated. We have a busy term ahead – please put these dates in your diary –

10 May	Lit Quiz Competition – good luck to our team
12 May	Yellow Day (Road Safety) – search those wardrobes for something yellow
16 May	BOT meeting
19 May	Junior Football Tournament – organized by Mr Brinkworth for our cluster – Years 1 – 4 teams
19 May	Pink Shirt Day (Bully Free) – how many shades of pink can you find?
24 May	PTA meeting
26 May	Spellathon testing – good luck
5 June	King's Birthday
13 June	BOT meeting
15 June	School Production
21 June	PTA meeting
22 June	Tough Guy & Gal – good luck to Rotokauri students
23 June	Ki-o-rahi Tournament at Horotiu
23 June	Disco (to be confirmed)
26 June	Parent Interviews (mid-year reports given out)
27 June	Parent Interviews (mid-year reports given out)
30 June	Strike Drum Group workshop
30 June	Term 2 finishes

Have a great fortnight everyone – stay dry!!

Ngaa mihi  
Desiree Smith

## PTA NEWS



# Doughraiser

Domino's Nawton

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May

**For every pizza sold between 4-9pm,  
\$1 per pizza will be donated to the  
Rotokauri School PTA.**

# Dinner Sorted

On Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup> of May at the Nawton branch of Domino's there is a fundraiser for Rotokauri School PTA.  
Buy your family pizza for dinner and support the PTA.

## **BOT NEWS**

### Property Update

The Board of Trustees are really pleased with the arrival of the classrooms and the moving of Rooms 7 & 8, along with the new concrete paths. Thankfully everything has run smoothly and the contractors are currently on track, with council approval due next Monday so that the school can take over possession of the building and classes will be able to move back in. Rooms 7 & 8 will both be going back into our old block for now.

The new building should be handed over to the school in early June, obviously this will be weather dependent as the final component of the project is the realignment of the bottom driveway. This will include a turning bay at the end by the new block.

There will be a new fenced off area where Rooms 7 & 8 were previously. This is the beginning of our next project – the development/installation of the Outdoor Learning Hub.

Thank you for your patience at this time – unfortunately most of the decision making, progress and availability of contractors and products is out of the Board's control.

Due to the high level of heavy vehicles on the field during the building process, there is some surface damage (e.g. dug up grass) which is muddy. If your child/children are likely to play on the field we suggest putting an extra set of clothes in their school bag.

The Enviro area, behind Rooms 2 & 5, has had a slight change around and tidy up during the holiday as well. Thank you to Brad Kells and Josh from Vivid Developments for all the mahi to make this area functional and more aesthetically pleasing.

## **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 there is 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).



## Spellathon

Students are preparing for our upcoming Spellathon. Students will bring home a list of words to learn to spell, an information sheet and a sponsorship form to collect sponsors. Fundraising continues to go towards the installation of an outdoor education hub (astro turf with shade cover) on the school grounds. We would like all students to participate in the Spellathon and practise spelling the words on their list as an opportunity to improve spelling knowledge. We appreciate the ongoing support of families in helping to fundraise. The testing day will be on Friday 26th May, teachers will mark and return results to students as soon as possible so sponsorship money can be collected by Friday 9th June.

## Learning to spell tricky words

When supporting children to learn to spell words with tricky spelling parts, begin with the syllables (claps) in a word, then the sounds, then look at how each sound is represented with letters.

For example the word although

1. although has 2 syllables al/though (2 claps)
2. although has 4 sounds a/l/th/ough (the mouth makes 4 different shapes to create these sounds.



3. For each sound, look at the letter or letters used to represent them.  
In the word although;
  - the 'or' sound is written with the letter a
  - the 'l' sound is written with the letter l
  - the 'th' sound is written with two letters- t h
  - the long 'o' sound is written with 4 letters- o u g h
4. Which parts are the tricky parts that need to be learnt by heart? Probably the first and last part of the word for a Year 5 student. It can be helpful to draw a little heart above each tricky part that needs to be learnt off by heart.

  
although

## School Stream

This has been one of the means of communication that Rotokauri School has used for a few years now. Unfortunately this will be discontinued, effective from 1st June 2023. This has come about due to the doubling of fees by the provider. We are investigating other avenues of communication and will keep you updated when we find one that is suitable for the school.

## CELEBRATIONS

# Years 5-8 EPro8 Competition 2023



Term 1 was an exciting time for our EPro8 teams as we kick started the competition with our first ever in-school event. Teams worked together and earned points as they built wells, a bridge and a firetruck. The top two teams then went on to compete in the first heat of the interschool competition.

Both teams had their skills in problems solving and using electronics put to the test as they built a moving car wash. Our intermediate team lost out in the final minutes by 10 points but our Year 5 & 6 team placed second and made it into the semi-finals. In this round they did a great job of making a moving dance floor with flashing lights.

Congratulations to everyone who took part in this tough competition and a big thank you to everyone who supported the teams.



## Assembly Certificates

### Term 2 Week 1

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1	Link Doody	For showing active learning by listening, thinking and following instructions.
Room 1	Amar Mann	For showing active learning by listening, thinking and following instructions.
Room 2	Murphy Cairns-Eade	For your efforts in literacy this term already. What a great start.
Room 2	Monik Prajapati	For a great start to Term 2. You have showed good confidence.
Room 3	Max Green	For making great progress in your reading and writing. Ka Pai!
Room 3	Carys Land	For showing empathy to all our children in Room 3. Keep it up!
Room 4	Khloe Bennett	For using good strategies in her math test. Well done.
Room 4	Carter Cowley	For using good strategies in his math test. Well done.
Room 5	Jayden Day	Keeping focused so well this week.
Room 5	Mahi Sharma	Your super hard work in class this week.
Room 6	Asa Robinson	Working hard in maths and reading and sharing his thinking with the class.
Room 6	Shaan Judge	Being an active learner by staying focused and participating in her group.
Room 7	Olivia Thorpe	For using a variety of strategies to solve difficult maths problems.
Room 7	Hugo Spencer	For using a variety of strategies to solve difficult maths problems.
Room 8	Cooper Hobbs	For being an active learner and working hard in your writing - congratulations!
Room 8	Ryan Keightley	For being an active learner and making excellent progress in your math and writing - congratulations!


## Easter Colouring Competition

Age Group	First	Second	Third
5 year olds	Monik Prajapati Ayaan Kotte Godage	Isla Cowley Amar Mann	Murphy Cairns-Eade Nirmann Pannu
6 year olds	Colette Griffin Sophie Swain	Cleo Mackrell Dot Warbrick	Paige Davison Archer Crellin

7 year olds	Tessa Spencer	Evie Hodgson	Ruby Wilson Paige Robinson-Hastings
8 year olds	Hannah-Leah Warbrick	Indiana Payne	Teagan Mancer Madison Beets
9 year olds	Esme Gyde	Mackenzie Moroney- Pearson Darcy-Sky Smith	Cody Wade Elsie van Rooij
10 year olds	Kade Calnan	Rhythm Bhagat	Chloe Gyde
11 year olds	Brianna Donny	Ellie Fairclough	Callista John
12 year olds	Jordyn Harihari	Holly Hoebergen	Leela Harris

## Hope Rising Farm Charitable Trust

We run wellbeing programmes in a farm environment, using horses, farm experience and mentoring. We work out of a small farm near the Hakarimata ranges, and work in groups and individually. Each term we run After School Programmes and in the holidays, we run a Holiday Programme.







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**Every Monday, 3:30-5:00pm - ages 9-12**

- Group 1 - 24th April – 22nd May 2023 - \$150
- Group 2 - 29th May – 26th June 2023 - \$150
- Group 3 - 24th April – 26th June 2023 - \$300

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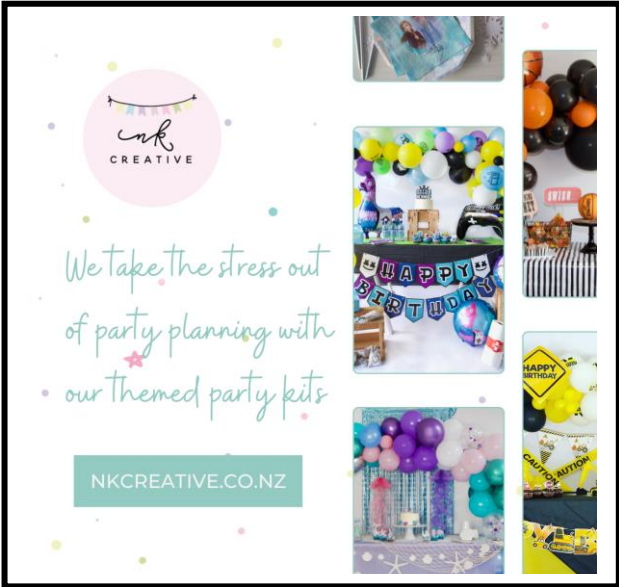
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Former Rotokauri student

16 years old





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