

# Rotokauri School Newsletter



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# REMINDER:

## Teacher Only Day

## Next Wednesday, 4 September 2024

## SCHOOL CLOSED FOR THE 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**

### **WELCOME**

Nau mai, haere mai ki te kura o Rotokauri. Welcome to the new students that have started at Rotokauri School recently –

Room 5 – Theo Tipene and Kabir Hari

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

Ngaa mihi nui.

## **PRINCIPAL'S PIECE**

Kia ora e te whānau,

We are mid-way through the winter term and the illnesses are definitely impacting students and whānau. Please take care of yourselves – it's always a challenging time. Sickness is also impacting our staff. This is not ideal and we do our best to get relievers to support us when staff are ill, but the pool of relievers in our region is incredibly low and sometimes we put teachers who are supposed to be on release back in classrooms, non-teaching staff change their responsibilities and go into classes or we share students with other classes. I think it is important our whānau know that we do the best we can with these disruptions. We put experienced professionals into classrooms and when students are split across the school they are provided with appropriate learning material for the day. Just last week a local school asked two classes of

students to stay home because they didn't have enough staff to cover the number of students on site – so it isn't just Rotokauri School being affected.

It has been noted recently that some students have forgotten the rules regarding the wearing of makeup at school. We would appreciate support from parents to ensure that their children are leaving home makeup free. Bringing makeup, nail polish, hair products etc to school is not necessary. We also have students wearing sunglasses at school – these are also not necessary, unless they are prescription glasses.

Last week, we had two near misses with young children at our entrance gate.

Unfortunately, in both incidents the driver of the vehicles was at fault due to the speed at which they entered the school grounds. The speed hump and pedestrian crossing have been removed, but this does not mean that vehicles entering the school can come in faster, especially when students are running late for school. We ask that all drivers are mindful of their speed and take extra care checking for students in and around the carpark.

Good luck to our Year 5 & 6 speech winners as they compete at the Cluster Speech Competition being held at Te Uku School today.

Don't forget to put Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September in your diaries as this is our TEACHER ONLY DAY and school is closed.

Ngaa mihi

Desiree Smith

## PTA NEWS

Organisation of our annual Car Show and Gala is underway and the PTA will be sending out some information next week about how families can assist them to make this another successful day.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### **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, 20 September.** This is the date we need to get numbers to the judge co-ordinator. **Sorry, no late entries will be accepted.**

### **Team / Group Photographs**

- Team Photographs will be taken next Thursday, 5 September. We will be using the on-line ordering system so payment details will come home at a later date.
- **Remember to send your child with their sports uniform on the day of the photo and if necessary, to have black leggings or shorts and white socks so that the photographs look tidy with everyone looking like a team.**
- Team coaches and managers are welcome to come along to school and be in the photo. For an idea of the timetable on the day, please contact Sharon in the school office.

- Teams / Groups to be photographed are: Room 5, Netball, Hockey, Miniball (2023), Waterpolo, Futsal (term 4 2023 and term 1 2024), Touch (term 4 2023 and term 1 2024) Ki-o-rahi, Student Council, Peer Mediators, Cultural Ambassadors, House Captains, Kapahaka Performance Group and Interschool Cross Country and Swimming teams, Enviro Group and Enviro Vision Group.

## CELEBRATIONS

### Year 5/6 Cluster Rippa Rugby

On Friday, 16th August, 11 excited Rotokauri School students travelled to Raglan to compete in the annual Cluster Rippa Rugby tournament. It was the first time in many years that our school had attended this event.

The students played 4 games throughout the day. Firstly, our students had a convincing win against Te Uku School. However, the team narrowly lost their last three games against Raglan Area School, Whatawhata and Te Mata.

Our students showed great sportsmanship and teamwork during the day. Thank you Le and Kylie for helping transport and manage the students during the day.



## Cluster Cross Country

On Thursday, 22nd August, over 40 Rotokauri students travelled to Waitetuna School to compete in the Cluster Cross Country competition.

Students had to run through waist high grass, jump over hay bales and run through lots of mud.

Overall, we had five students finish on the podium for their races. Thank you to all of the parents and staff who helped transport our students on the day, we really appreciate the support. Below is a list of students who placed in their races:

### 7 Year Old Boys

2nd Place Vincent Warner

### 8 Year Old Boys

2nd Place Luke Vann

### 9 Year Old Girls

2nd Place Heidi Viljoen

### 9 Year Old Boys

1st Place Jayden Day

2nd Place Thomas Warner



## Assembly Certificates

### Term 3, Week 4

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1	Bray Corlett	For coming into the classroom in the morning by yourself so easily. Well done!
Room 1	Addison Harris	For showing great focus on the mat. Keep it up!
Room 2	Kit DeZoete	For showing the values from the NED show and encouraging others.
Room 2	Mia Storer	For excellent work in reading and writing this week.
Room 3	Aroha Bhagat	For showing empathy towards others.
Room 3	Chloe Moka	For being so helpful to the children in Room 5.
Room 5	Ivey Griffin	For being an Active Learner and always trying her very best. Well done!
Room 5	Pippa Cloete	For being an Active Learner and always trying her very best in everything she does. Keep it up!
Room 6	Blake Oulton-Hewitt	Being a respectful listener and learner.
Room 6	Van Macdonald-Hooper	Your interesting comments in our class discussions.
Room 7	Lucas Birchall	For always showing kindness to all classmates and school staff.
Room 7	Billie-May Murphy	For settling in well to Room 7 and showing courage to complete a speech in her first week.
Room 9	Jiya Prajapati	For working hard and doing your best in all areas of your learning.
Room 9	Jared Hippolite	For being an active learner and writing a great Ocean Bio Poem.
Room 9	Elsie van Rooij	For being proactive and always giving your best in all that you do.
Room 9	Mya Hoebergen	For being proactive and always giving your best in all that you do.

## Term 3 Week 5

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1	Kaylee Wen	For being an Active Learner by enthusiastically joining in with mat activities. Keep it up!
Room 1	Reign Makuch	For being an Active learning by enthusiastically joining in with group activities. Well done!
Room 2	Shay Gill	For extending your thinking in maths by proving your ideas.
Room 2	Amaia Matenga	For excellent effort reading challenging books this week.
Room 3	Dánilo Standing	For being an Active Learner and making good progress with his writing.
Room 3	Isla Cowley	For always showing kindness to all classmates and school staff.
Room 4	Ada Westgate	For working hard in all areas of her learning. Well done.
Room 4	Cleo Mackrell	For working hard in all areas of her learning. Well done.
Room 5	Avitaj Sangha	For being an Active Learner and making good progress with his writing.
Room 5	Ameera Stevenson	For being an Active Learner and always trying her very best. Keep it up!
Room 8	Cameron Emslie	For displaying leadership and empathy within our school.
Room 8	Archer McFall	For displaying leadership and empathy within our school.
Room 9	Cooper-Love Buckle	For being an active learner in your writing and math - congratulations!
Room 9	Nature Aitchison	For adding your thoughts to our class discussion during our poetry lesson.

## Values

### Term 3

<b>Week 3</b>		
Lisa Jiang	Room 1	For demonstrating the value of <b>active learning</b> .
Penny Clarke-Gray	Room 2	For demonstrating the value of <b>respect</b> .
Chloe Moka	Room 3	For demonstrating the value of <b>courage</b> .
Cooper Wiseman	Room 4	For demonstrating the value of <b>empathy</b> .
Pippa Cloete	Room 5	For demonstrating the value of <b>empathy</b> .

Sophie Quinlan	Room 6	For demonstrating the value of <b>active learning</b> .
Billie-May Murphy	Room 7	For demonstrating the value of <b>active learning</b> .
Carter Moka	Room 8	For demonstrating the value of <b>courage</b> .
Nature Aitchison	Room 9	For demonstrating the value of <b>courage</b> .

<b>Week 4</b>		
Ryan Mackrell	Room 1	For demonstrating the value of <b>courage</b> .
Atlas Williams	Room 2	For demonstrating the value of <b>respect</b> .
Ayaan Kotte Godage	Room 3	For demonstrating the value of <b>courage</b> .
Jeffrey Lee	Room 4	For demonstrating the value of <b>active learning</b> .
Jordy McKinnon	Room 5	For demonstrating the value of <b>empathy</b> .
Conor Emerson	Room 6	For demonstrating the value of <b>courage</b> .
Hannah-Leah Warbrick	Room 7	For demonstrating the value of <b>active learning</b> .
Maddox Stratford	Room 8	For demonstrating the value of <b>active learning</b> .
Rhythm Bhagat	Room 9	For demonstrating the value of <b>respect</b> .

<b>Week 5</b>		
Caleb Hippolite	Room 1	For demonstrating the value of <b>active learning</b> .
Karlo Devcich	Room 2	For demonstrating the value of <b>active learning</b> .
Maia Langdon	Room 3	For demonstrating the value of <b>respect</b> .
Colette Griffin	Room 4	For demonstrating the value of <b>active learning</b> .
Ivey Griffin	Room 5	For demonstrating the value of <b>honesty</b> .
Alwina Ann Shijo	Room 6	For demonstrating the value of <b>empathy</b> .
Corban Stratford	Room 7	For demonstrating the value of <b>active learning</b> .
Mackenzie O'Rourke	Room 8	For demonstrating the value of <b>courage</b> .
Coco Doody	Room 9	For demonstrating the value of <b>active learning</b> .



Reach Acknowledgments

# Reach Achievers Term 3 Weeks 3-5



Congratulations to all our students who have earned all of the REACH Values in Weeks 3-5 of Term 3



ABSENT  
Mia-Rose Storer, Leo Hefferon  
Penny Clarke-Gray, Sean Parkes,  
Ella Boswell, Aston Burt,  
Evie Hodgson, Jace McLean



**R**

Respect

**E**

Empathy

**A**

Active Learning

**C**

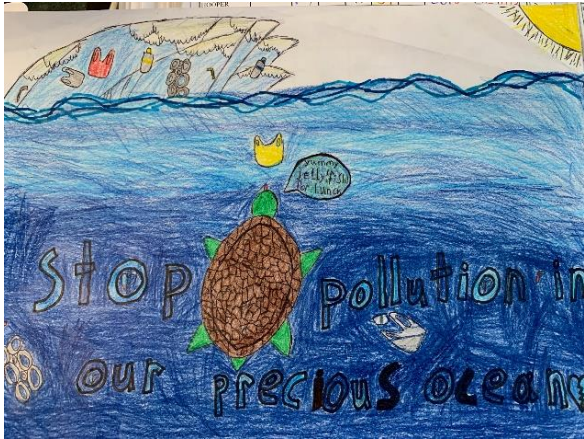
Courage

**H**

Honesty

## Class Sharing – Room 6

We have been learning about ocean pollution that kills our sea animals. Here is some artwork around that topic. Enjoy!!!!



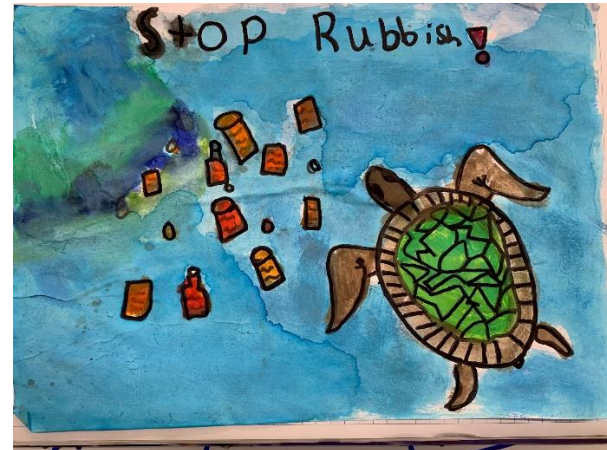
Sophie



Kairo



Evie



Zac



Ruby



Alwina



Paige

### **How to wash your Lion**

How long is it since you washed your Lion. Was it a day, was it a week or a month? You need to wash your Lion so there is not a speck of dirt in sight.

#### **You will need**

A long hose  
A soft brush  
Lion shampoo  
Lion body wash  
A stool to sit on  
Sissors



#### **Method**

1. Firstly, turn your Lion on its back. Do this gently so you can't hear a thump. Softly scratch your Lion on the tummy. The reason you do this is to relax your pet.
2. Next squeeze some body wash on the lion's tummy and spread it all over between the two front legs. Rub it in but not too hard because it will get stressed.
3. After that, pour the shampoo all over the mane of the lion. Spread it all over and around its ears and also behind its neck.
4. Now, with all of that shampoo and body wash on your lion, you need a long hose to hose it down. Turn the hose on halfway then soak your lion from head to toe.
5. Afterwards, brush out all of the knots in its mane. The lion's hair is really delicate when wet.
6. Finally, trim the ends of the lion's mane.

Listen to these instructions so your lion is nice and clean.

by Tessa

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Venue: Hamilton City Netball Centre  
Cost: \$50.00 per player/per day



<https://netballhamilton.org.nz/poipoia-te-manawa/year-3-6-skill-camp>



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## Term 4 2024 and Term 1 2025 Cricket



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Good afternoon, my name is Rupert Hodgson, I am the Junior Manager for Hamilton Old Boys Cricket Club. It has been 23 years since our club first offered junior membership with the aim of supporting schools that either do not offer cricket or have insufficient numbers to form their own teams. Over the years our club has expanded from primary and Intermediate students to year 9 secondary school students. We are also proud to have established a young women's team that competes in a senior competition, we have always been strong advocates for female participation in cricket. My role with the club is to ensure that our teams are properly represented, managed and coached (with the help of parent volunteers). For a small fee the club provides uniforms, cricket balls, playing equipment and weekly training sessions for our Saturday hardball teams.

Parents are invited to contact me for information or to sign up by emailing us at [info@hamiltonoldboyscc.com](mailto:info@hamiltonoldboyscc.com) or by calling me directly at 027 444 6631.

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**DAY 2: Wednesday 2 October**  
**DAY 3: Thursday 3 October**  
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Register before Sunday 29 September at [tinyurl.com/WaikatoMultiSport](http://tinyurl.com/WaikatoMultiSport)



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# HOOKED ON HOCKEY




**Week 1 - 30th September & 1st October**  
**Week 2 - 9th - 11th October**  
**FOR AGES: 5-13 FROM 7:30AM TO 4:30PM**  
 COST: \$60 PER DAY Gallagher Hockey Centre,  
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As a parent and teacher in my local community I know what school holidays can be like. We are keen to provide caregivers with a break whilst giving their kids a great time, keeping them active and engaged during the October school holidays.

Who are we: We are a group of Secondary School PE teachers who wish to support the great work you do in schools and try to make a difference to the kids we all teach. We are looking to do this by offering the following:

### 1. Multi-Sport Camps:

Multi-Sport Camp's are designed to give children a chance to explore a variety of sports in a fun and supportive environment. Our camps feature activities such as Football, Netball, Volleyball, team building games and fun activities designed to introduce students to different sports, help them develop their physical skills, and promote teamwork and sportsmanship. Whether your child is a budding athlete or just looking to try new sports this camp offers something for everyone.

### 2. Rugby Camps:

Additionally, we offer Rugby specific camps for those who have a keen interest in this sport. The Rugby Camps focus on fundamental skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship, with sessions tailored to different skill levels. It's a fantastic way for children to develop their physical fitness, improve coordination, and learn the values of discipline and respect that rugby embodies.

These programs are delivered by qualified, practising Secondary School PE teachers who will encourage and support each child and their own unique needs.

For further details or to register, please visit our website [www.sportsamps4kids.co.nz](http://www.sportsamps4kids.co.nz) for more information. Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community.

Kind regards Andy, Rachel, Brann and the RC4kids team.