

Rotokauri School Newsletter



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Fishing Tournament



14 March 2015 at Coromandel

Entry Fee: Adult \$40.00 Child \$10.00

**Information and registration
at Rotokauri School Office**

Prizes:

Adults' Section:

Snapper 1 st prize	\$300.00
Snapper 2 nd prize	\$150.00
Snapper 3 rd prize	\$100.00
Largest other species	\$150.00

(excluding sharks, rays and eels)

Children's Section:

Snapper 1 st prize	\$100.00
Snapper 2 nd prize	\$ 60.00
Snapper 3 rd prize	\$ 40.00
Average snapper	\$ 50.00
Largest other species	\$ 50.00

(excluding sharks, rays and eels)

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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 our students in learning.

ROKOKAURI SCHOOL VISION

We are responsible, confident learners and communicators.

ROKOKAURI SCHOOL VALUES

Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Persistence and Excellence.

YEAR 8 LEADERSHIP CAMP

Last week we took 19 Year 8 students on a leadership camp to Coromandel for three days. The intention was to give them a series of experiences that in some cases may have put them out of their comfort zones. Our students handled the walk into the Coromandel Hills, the estuary mud walk and canoeing out to an island extremely well. They developed a sense of comradeship and were very encouraging to one another when the going got tough. I have no doubt that the three days away cemented some life-long friendships along with marvellous memories. It was an absolute pleasure to be with those students and parents. Our students are a real credit to the school and a joy to be around. Thank you Mrs Sanders, Mr Watkins, Mr Wallbank, Mr Matheson, Mr Campbell and Mrs Hayde for your support.





JANICE SKIFFINGTON

Late last year Janice took time off to be with her terminally ill mother. For those of you who didn't know, Janice's mother passed away during the school holidays after a very long illness with cancer. Janice has decided that she would like a lifestyle change and will no longer be teaching at Rotokauri School. We, as a community, will miss working with an incredible person and a very gifted teacher, who always managed to get the best out of her students. She spent 16 years at our school and is one of the reasons that we have had so much success in supporting the needs of our children. You would have to go a long way in this world to find a more thoughtful, kind hearted person. We look forward to staying in touch with Janice as she moves on to a new life beyond teaching. All the best Janice.

ROOM 4 TEACHER

Over the years we have had a number of our staff go on maternity leave. It is lovely when they come back to Rotokauri and continue this relationship. We can consider ourselves lucky that we have the services of Kylie Christian at Rotokauri School again. Room 4 students will enjoy Kylie's teaching techniques and wonderful warm personality.

CLASSROOM RELEASE TIME

Secondary teachers have been getting release time for many years but it's only been in the last 7 years that Primary Teachers have had the same right as part of the NZEI collective contract. For many parents it is hard to get their head around because many of us were taught in a primary system whereby you had the same teacher 5 days a week for forty weeks of the year.

Every classroom teacher is required to be given two days a term of Classroom Release Time (CRT). If they are a unit holder (eg in charge of sport) they are given an extra two days per term. People in management positions who obviously have more school wide responsibilities require additional time. The time that is required to give staff for CRT is built into the school staffing component by the Ministry of Education

Classroom release time is used by our teachers to take groups of children out for testing or giving them additional support. Teachers also use this time for planning the future needs of their children or reporting to management.

Rather than just use a reliever to come in and work with our students we have contracted 2 teachers Shane Wallbank and Win Schmits. Both of these teachers know our children and the systems we use to run our school. When a teacher is on CRT a plan of what is required is always left for Shane and Win. As the teacher who is released is often in the school they obviously discuss the outcomes of the day as part of a debrief.

BALLOT FOR ROTOKAURI SCHOOL

We have a number of people who are currently out of zone but would like to attend our school in 2015 as their child turns 5. Any ballot that is run by a school needs to stipulate the number of children that are required and the dates in which they have to turn 5 by. This year we will be seeking 10 children turning 5 between February 28th and August 21st 2015. If you have friends with children that fit the above requirements tell them to come in and get a ballot form at the school office from Monday morning.

Mrs Hill will be taking the new students in Room 8. The class will open on April 20th which is the first day of Term 2.

POSITIVE STATEMENT

Kelly Sports work with our students after school. They are in a number of Waikato schools but it was pleasing to receive an email from the manager saying that our students had some of the best listening skills that he had ever come across.

MONAGHAN FAMILY NEWS

Tuesday, February 10, 2015

Te Awamutu Courier 19

TE AWAMUTU COURIER entertainment

Award winning guests

Te Awamutu RSA Country Music Club welcomes Country Music Award winners Ryan and Hayley Monaghan as special guests this Sunday.

Ryan (15) has been playing the guitar since he was nine.

Initially taught by his school teacher, Ryan now has another amazing guitar teacher, Jeff Wragg, who has embraced Ryan's interest in country music and also taught him many other genres.

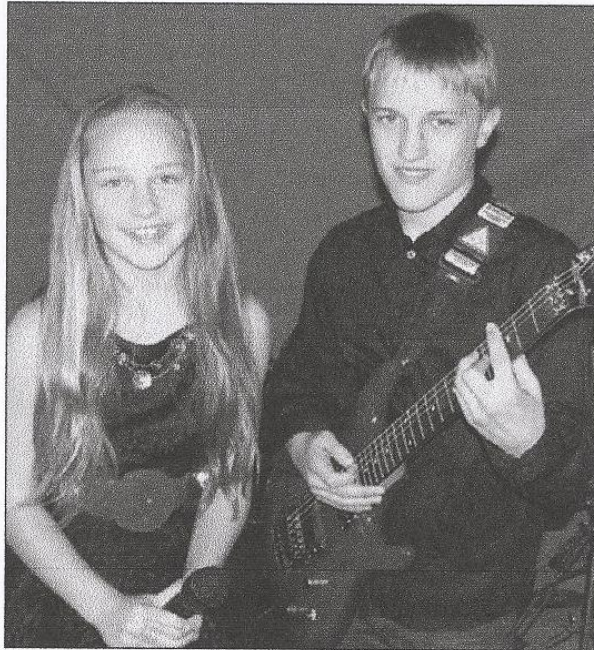
His musical influences include Joe Satriani, Dan Cosgrove, Renny Hantler and Brad Paisley.

Ryan and his family have been members of the Morrinsville Country Music Club for 18 months and in that time he has performed by himself and with his sister Hayley at many other clubs and concerts in the North Island.

Recently he won the under 18 instrumental section at the 2014 Tauranga star awards.

Performing in Gore would be a future goal, along with meeting Phil Doublet.

Hayley (12) popped up in country music in 2013 when she won



SIBLINGS Ryan and Hayley Monaghan will be entertaining at Te Awamutu RSA Country Music Club.

the overall junior section of the Tauranga Star awards.

The Opotiki committee asked her to come to the 2014 Charity Concert.

She won the peoples' choice award there and since then has been asked to perform at many other charity concerts.

She was the Waikato 2014 Junior Overall winner and gained entry to the 2014 New Zealand Entertainer Of The Year awards.

Hayley was junior runner up at Entertainer Of The Year and had a great experience in the awards singing with some truly amazing musicians.

She has also achieved success in the under 18 age group being named runner up

under 18 at Waikato awards 2014, Te Puke awards 2014 and winning the under 18 country rock section at Tauranga Star awards 2014.

She is teaching herself to play guitar and has recently written her first song. She also loves ballet, netball and her sheep.

The Monaghan's would like to thank Te Awamutu RSA Country Music Club for the opportunity to show you their talent, and they hope you enjoy their song choices.

Members of the public are most welcome to join in or just enjoy an afternoon of Country Music on Sunday (February 15) at the Te Awamutu RSA (1pm - 4.30pm).

Contact Celia Baker (ph 871 6045).

SCHOOL RULES

We often reflect as a staff on our student culture here at Rotokauri School. Culture must be continually promoted. We always try and look for the positive things that our students are doing so that we can celebrate success with them. Student management and the setting of rules has a big part to play in how students behave within a school environment. We have tried to make our rules as simple as possible. Having twenty rules tends to just confuse students so we just use 6 rules to help support the tone of the school. Our students have bought into our rules because they are short and have been discussed with them. The rules are also supported by our values of which the students helped to develop some years back.

1. Show respect to teachers, visitors and other children.
2. Do as you are told the first time.
3. Keep your hands, feet and objects to yourself.
4. Use appropriate language.
5. Care from the school grounds and equipment.
6. Keep within the school grounds.

ANYMORE COMPUTERS OUT THERE?

I mentioned in the last newsletter that we are trying to get more computers in the school. Last year Fonterra were amazingly generous in that they supplied over 20 computers, which enabled us to provide everyone in Room 7 with a computer.

We have since contacted a couple of other large organisations eg University and Hospital but to no avail. Does anyone else out there have a contact that we could approach for further IT devices? mgoodson@rotokauri.school.nz

SCHOOL HOURS

Our school is officially open from 8.30 am to 3.30 pm. To support the needs of our working parents we have set up Before and After School Care, which is run from the Multipurpose room.

Please use this facility, as it has become noticeable that students are being dropped off as early as 8.00 am or before, and are just left to their own devices. Our staff are busy with preparing for the days teaching and is not their job to look after children until 8.30am. If you wish to enrol your child/children in Before or After School Care please look in the yellow folder in the school office foyer.

NATIONAL STANDARDS INFORMATION

Last year we targeted Maths as an area that we wanted to improve within the school. This followed two years of professional development and the employment of an additional staff member to work with our students.

We put together a strategic plan to support the staff and students. The results were pleasing. The number of students in November working At or Above the Mathematics National Standard is 70.2%.

In Reading, we have 69.6% of our students At the national standard.

In Writing, we have 67.3 % of our students At the national standard.

What is very satisfying is that we have very few children who are well below the standard in any of the three National Standard areas.

MATHSWHIZZ

It's good to see so many students becoming involved in Math Whizz. Remember that this is being financially supported by the school because we believe it will make a difference. The feedback from the students in 2014 (the Room 5 trial group) was very supportive of the individual learning approach. This programme costs \$30.00 per child and can be paid for at the Rotokauri School Office.

BEACH TRIP

A separate letter will come out tomorrow in relation to the school wide Raglan Beach Trip on Friday 13th March. Some of our seniors, who will act as leaders on the day, have already put together a file full of sand sculpture and sandcastle plans.

The cost of this trip is \$10.50 per child. All payments should be paid before Wednesday, 11th March. This is a special experience that we are all looking forward to.

HEADLICE

These seem to be more prevalent at this time of year. Some cases of headlice have been reported in classes at Rotokauri School. Please take the time to regularly check your children's hair and treat and re-treat as necessary.

SWIMMING SPORTS – YEARS 4 – 8 – BUS FARE OWING

Rotokauri Swimming Sports will be held on 6th March at Te Rapa Waterworld. This year we will only be taking students from Years 4 - 8. This is because we could not get the warm shallow pool for the junior students. There will be a separate junior swimming day on Wednesday, 4th March at school. A note will come home tomorrow for Years 1-3. The seniors will make their selections at school this year so please talk to them about what they want to do. We will need at least 8-10 parent helpers for this day. If you can help please email mwatkins@rotokauri.school.nz **There will be a fee of \$5 per child to pay for buses and to hire the pool. Please send this money to the office in a named envelope.** Parents are encouraged to come down to support their children, but there is a spectator fee of \$2, which you just bring on the day and pay at the counter at Waterworld.

TECH FEES

Thank you to the parents who have paid for their Year 7 and 8 children to attend Technicraft on Wednesdays at Hamilton Junior High School. If you have not paid can you do so as soon as possible (\$100.00) as the Junior High has already sent their account to us to pay.

CLASS GROUP AND PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHS

Class group and portrait photographs will take place on Monday, 16th March. Order forms will be sent home over the next few weeks. If you would like to purchase a photograph the order forms and payment will need to be back at school by the 16th March.

PHOTOCOPY PAPER

This year we changed the stationery list to include one ream of photocopy paper per child to be brought to the school office to be used for the classroom photocopying. Thanks to those of you who have contributed so far. Please continue to bring the reams to the office.

BIATHLON / TRIATHLON RESULTS 2015

Biathlon Results

Age	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
5 year old boys	Cole Turney	Isaac Stratford	Lachlan Emslie
5 year old girls	Keira Cowley	Sari Tangiora	Kyah Duncan
6 year old boys	Marama Tangiora	Jayden Ward	Lewis Surgenor
6 year old girls	Ella Prangnell	Bailey Brooks	Lily Allen
7 year old boys	Lamayne Clark	Euan Aitchison	Layton Farrell
7 year old girls	Ella Caulfield	Darian Templeton	Nevaeh Grason
8 year old boys	Ethan Phillip	Kian McNamara	Riley Cornelissen
8 year old girls	Heidi Perring	Tyla Brooks	Jessica Munro
9 year old boys	Daniel Cameron	Seth Dixon	Liam Cornelissen
9 year old girls	Tegan Barham	Miya Tangiora	Tahlia Farrell
10 year old boys	Nicholas Westgate	Harrison Wells	Lee Panui
10 year old girls	Sophie Kells	Olivia Robinson	Ashley Vincent
11 year old boys	Ethan King	Tayne Matheson	Trey Wilson
11 year old girls	Aaliyah Ali	Lavinia Rouru	
12 year old boys	Braedyn Webber	Rihai Kahuroa	
12 year old girls	Cassie Hayde	Tigerlily Tangiora	Hayley Monaghan

Triathlon Results

Age	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
5 year old boys	Alex Porter	Jett McFall	Cory Burt
5 year old girls	Bella'Capri Nelson	Neve Townsend	Sophie Fairclough
6 year old boys	Seth Westgate	Angus Elliott	Corey Molloy
6 year old girls	Paige Moka	Hannah Hobbs	Kora Cameron
7 year old boys	Carter Jackways	Oscar Stratford	Oliver Campbell
7 year old girls	Jessica Cuff	Anah West	Kayla Westgate
8 year old boys	Isaac Collinson	Cole Viljoen-Thomson	James Ladbrook
8 year old girls	Georgia Westgate	Sophie Barris	Lilly Aitchison
9 year old boys	Cooper White	Jakin Warnock	Parsa Soltanizand
9 year old girls	Maddison Balck	Ella Kells	Lily Daniels
10 year old boys	Dylan Westgate	Julius Spiers	Liam Townsend
10 year old girls	Renee West	Mackenzie Hammond-Wood	
11 year old boys	Devon Collinson	Callum Cameron	Joshua McLaughlin
11 year old girls	Zahra Warnock	Summa Dixon	Emma Fryer
12 year old boys	Davin Barham	Thomas Perham	Joshua Prangnell
12 year old girls	Maia Campbell	Emma Clifton	

PEANUT FREE ZONE AT ROTOKAURI SCHOOL

We have been a peanut free zone for the last 3 years. This is a fairly common practice in Early Childhood Centres and Primary Schools and will continue at our school as we do have children who have allergic reactions to peanuts and peanut products.



Te Kowhai Junior Rugby

ATTENTION ALL PLAYERS, PRESENT AND NEW COMERS Junior Rugby Muster Grades 6-13

You don't have to be a Te Kowhai student to play, just aged between 4-12 years. ALL WELCOME!!!

2015 JUNIOR WEIGH IN DATE

Venue: Te Kowhai Primary School
Dates: Sunday - March 15th
Time: 10am Weigh-in
11.15 am Draft Team Announcements

New players: Please bring a copy of your birth certificate or passport for your player registration.

Uniform:

- Your child will need boots and mouthguard.
- Rugby Shorts, Shirt will be provided.
- Socks are \$15 and can also be purchased at muster.

Subs: \$45 per player and can be paid at muster

If you have any questions or are unable to make the above weigh in and would still like to play for our club please phone or email your interest. We will be able to reserve your place in a team and advise additional open weigh in times.

Please also let us know if you are able to assist with Coaching or Managing.

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Fraser Tech Junior Rugby

The FTJRC player weigh in will be held at the Fraser Tech Rugby Clubrooms on the corner of Norton Road and Mill Street, Sunday 8th March, 9am until midday. All returning players and any new players wanting to join, are asked to attend on this day. New players please bring a copy of your birth certificate. We are continuing this year with both a 6th and 7th grade "Pink" team just for the girls. Following on from our weigh in the Team Muster will be in the clubrooms on Sunday 22rd March starting at 10am sharp. If you have any queries please phone / txt Kerry on 0274432094.



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NUTRITION CLAIMS

REDUCED FAT



This means there is less fat than the regular version, whether it's 2% less or 40% less.

"Fat Free" products might still be high in sugar – check the label!



NUTRITION INFORMATION

SERVINGS PER PACK: 25 SERVING SIZE: 10 g

	QUANTITY PER SERVING	% DAILY INTAKE*	QUANTITY PER SERVING	% DAILY INTAKE*
ENERGY	240 kJ	3%	240 kJ	
PROTEIN	<1.0 g	0%	<1.0 g	
FAT, TOTAL	6.5 g	9%	65.0 g	
- saturated	1.7 g	7%	16.5 g	
- trans	0.05 g		0.5 g	
- polyunsaturated	1.6 g		16.2 g	
- omega-3	0.45 g		4.5 g	
- ALA	0.45 g		4.5 g	
- monounsaturated	3.2 g		31.8 g	
CHOLESTEROL	<0.3 mg		<3 mg	
CARBOHYDRATE	<1.0 g	0%	<1.0 g	
- sugars	<1.0 g	0%	<1.0 g	
SODIUM	36 mg	2%	355 mg	
VITAMIN A	100 µg (2000 IU)		1000 µg	
VITAMIN D	1.0 µg (20 IU)		10 µg	
POTASSIUM	19 mg		190 mg	

* All specified values are averages. † Percentage Daily Intakes are based on an average adult diet of 8700kJ. Your daily intakes may be higher or lower depending on your energy needs. ** Recommended Dietary Intake.



THE AVANTIDROME REV CYCLING FESTIVAL

28th February 2015 in Cambridge, 9.30am – 2pm

Cycling is a great way to be **active as a family**

Come down to **Tom Voyle Park** and take part in **free** bike challenges (10am-2pm) and the **free** kids Rev mini (9.30-10am), a fun ride for 12 and unders on a 2km circuit. Other categories available for adults.



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INGREDIENTS LIST

Ingredients are listed in order of quantity (most to least)

Watch out for fat or sugar in the top 3 ingredients



INGREDIENTS: OATS, INVERT SUGAR, SUGAR, RICE CRISPS (RICE FLOUR, SUGAR, MALT EXTRACT (FROM BARLEY), SALT, EMULSIFIER (471), COLOUR (150d)), WHEAT GLUCOSE SYRUP, MIXED BERRY FRUIT PIECES (FRUITS (STRAWBERRY (25%), RASPBERRY (25%), RED ELDERBERRY JUICE), SUGAR, DEXTROSE, HUMECTANT (422), PECTIN, FOOD ACID (330), FLAVOURS), BRAN (WHEAT BRAN, WHEAT FLOUR, RICE FLOUR,

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VIOLIN/KEYBOARD LESSONS



Clara Lange - Experienced music teacher - primary trained

Music teaching experience includes violin, piano and guitar privately and as an itinerant teacher in schools throughout New Plymouth for several years. Pupils range from pre-school age through to adults in one on one and group teaching roles.

Trained in classical violin, piano and contemporary singing. Music qualifications include Advanced Certificate Violin, Grade 7 Piano and Theory and a Diploma of Performance in vocals.

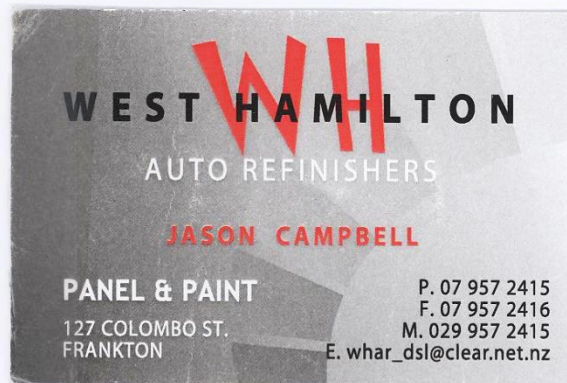
Teaching I include a range of styles in my teaching, having had wide experience and the enjoyment of playing and improvising in celtic, blues, rock and jazz bands over the years.

Individual lessons \$25.00 per 30 min lesson, paired lessons \$20.00 per lesson.

If your child is interested, please get them to collect a contract form from the office.



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