Rotokauri School Newsletter

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Drive In Movie



Tickets selling fast, spaces are limited, grab your tickets from the school office today.

\$40 a car load \$5 walk in Saturday, 14 November 2015

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Dear Parents

Nga mihi o te wa kia koe me to whanau.

ROTOKAURI SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

Our positive environment will actively engage our students in learning.

ROTOKAURI SCHOOL VISION

We are responsible, confident learners and communicators.

ROTOKAURI SCHOOL VALUES

Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Persistence and Excellence.

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

This newsletter is full of children's successes and celebrations. In the last fortnight many classes have ventured off-site on visits and as teachers we are extremely proud of the way that they conduct themselves. It always gives us a sense of pride when we hear positive feedback from parents, community members, teachers from other schools and the public congratulating our school on the student's fantastic behaviour. This is when we see our Rotokauri School values in ACTION.

Over the next few weeks there is a lot happening at school and it is important that parents/caregivers keep checking the newsletter/website/noticeboard for dates and times.

GROUP DAY

Congratulations to the following students and their animals that competed at Group Day held at Gordonton School on 19th October – Bailey Brooks, Jessica Cuff, Bailey Lochore-Halpin, Tyla Brooks, Rylee Carlson, Molly Fletcher, Thomas Perham, Jaimee Carlson, Tayne Matheson, Hayley Monaghan and Cassie Hayde.



SHOW DAY

Well done to the students that competed with their animals at the A and P Show Day on 30th October at the Claudelands Showgrounds – Bailey Brooks, Rylee Carlson, Tyla Brooks, Molly Fletcher, Cassie Hayde, Jaimee Carlson, Tayne Matheson, Hayley Monaghan and Thomas Perham.

The students that competed at all three days – Agricultural Day, Group Day and Show Day – went into a draw for a \$40 voucher and the winner of this was Thomas Perham.

DRIVE IN MOVIE / CAR SHOW AND GALA

Our big fundraising weekend (14th and 15th November) is fast approaching. The PTA have been busy collecting sponsorship, getting prizes donated, ordering food, organising parking and the list goes on. The staff and students are now working on their stalls – making posters, preparing games, making lolly bags etc. Now we need the school community to show their support by purchasing tickets for the drive in movie, advertising to family and friends about both these events (Facebook or verbally), sending along jars full of goodies for the Jar Toss or volunteering their time to assist on the class stalls or any of the numerous jobs that the PTA have e.g. parking attendants, selling on stalls. Thank you to those parents that have kindly offered to help already – we really appreciate your support. Please let Sharon know if you can help in any way and she will add your name to the list.



LAST CALL FOR BOOKS!!! Book fair is in one week

Thank You!

Thank you to the many people who have donated to the book fair. We have plenty of books to suit a wide variety of readers. There are some bargains to be had, so please come and stock your shelves again ready for Christmas reading.

Still collecting

I am still lacking short chapter books for the kids. e.g. Zac Power, Storey Tree House, Goosebumps, Captain Underpants, Percy Jackson, Harry Potters etc. We are still keen to up the numbers of books. Don't forget to tell your friends as they may have books their kids have outgrown or they have finished with.

Books may be dropped off on the **table in the MPR** or please contact me.

Book Fair co-ordinator: Miranda Collinson ph 849-7623, email: collinsons@hotmail



Presents the Rotokauri School Drive in Movie

Date: 14th November 2015

Location: Rotokauri School field, Rotokauri Road (only 2 minutes from Hamilton Zoo)

Movie: Herbie goes to Monte Carlo Rating: G running time 100 minutes



CAR TICKETS - \$40.00 (as many people as you can fit in your car)
WALK IN TICKETS - \$5.00 (bring a blanket or chair)

GATES OPEN 6.30pm Gates Close 8.00pm Movie starts at 8.30pm

<u>Tickets available from:</u> Rotokauri School office, Rotokauri Road, Florist ilene, 129 Commerce Street, Frankton or email marie.carlson@outlook.co.nz

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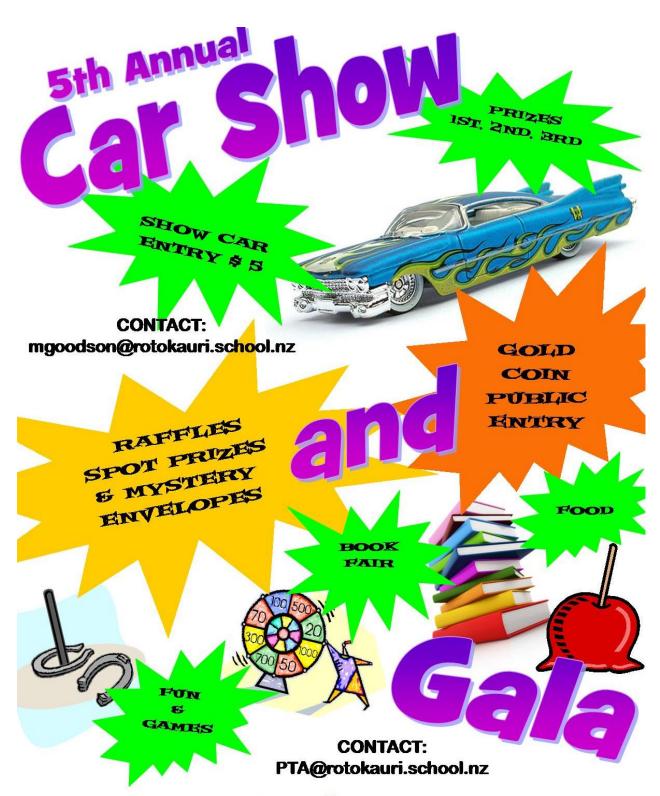
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Sunday 15th November

IOam - 2pm

Rotokauri School - 462 Rotokauri Road, Hamilton.

Sponsors for Car Show & Gala 2015

The following businesses have kindly supported Rotokauri School































































BIKE WEEK

What an exciting week we have had with all the bikes at school. The students have enjoyed showcasing their biking skills throughout the week. Thank you to the parents for supporting the school by bringing the children's bikes and helmets along.





TUIS CONCERT

Well done to the Tuis choir who put on a wonderful concert for their families on Tuesday 27th October. If you were unable to attend and would like to hear some lovely singing by our brave and talented students visit our school website. Thank you to Mrs Schmits and Miss Kempthorne for all the time and effort they have put into the choir this year. To all the students from the choir thank you for your commitment to attending practises once a week, learning all the words and standing and singing proudly in front of an audience.

ACTS OF KINDNESS

Our colourful box is filling up rapidly with notes about our students displaying Acts of Kindness in the classroom, in the playground and on trips. Parents, if you see an Act of Kindness shown by one of our students please let a teacher know. In a few weeks time some names will be pulled out of the box and those winners will receive a ride in a hot rod car.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Two important points for those families that use the Before and After School service.

- At the end of this term <u>all</u> children currently attending will need to re-enrol for 2016.
 The enrolment forms will be available in the foyer or from one of the After School carers. It will be on a first in first served basis for fulltime hours, with preference being given to fulltime over casual care.
- 2. There will be <u>no</u> After School Care available on Teacher Only Day on Monday, 16th November and there will be <u>no</u> After School Care available on the last day of term Friday, 18th December. On both these days students will need to be picked up at 12.30 p.m.

VICTORIA COOPER

This week we received Victoria Cooper's resignation from her teaching position in Room 5. Victoria has won a new job at Te Uku School, which is closer to her hometown of Raglan. We would like to wish Victoria all the best for her new position and thank her for the wonderful work that she has done at Rotokauri School. The staff and students are going to miss her. Victoria will finish at Rotokauri School on the last day of the term, 18th December.

JUNIOR TABLOIDS

On Friday, 30th October students from Rooms 1, 2 and 3 attended the Junior Tabloids Day at Te Uku School. It was a fun day full of wonderful activities. Thank you to all the students that attended for showing our Rotokauri values, showing Fair Play, for using your listening skills and for always using your manners. Also, thank you to Miss Kempthorne for attending the day and the wonderful parents that helped to supervise the teams.













HAMILTON GARDENS

On Wednesday, 28th October Rooms 4, 5, 6 and 7 visited the Hamilton Gardens as part of our unit on "Growing Our Ideas." We had such a special day; the weather worked in our favour, our children got to explore a variety of gardens while finding out clues to complete the very challenging Scavenger Hunt and we had such a wonderful group of parents who helped out on the day. We'd like to extend a **huge thank you** to those parents who did assist on the day; without parent helpers, trips like this would not be able to go ahead – so thank you again, you did a fantastic job!









CARPARK

Whilst the car parking situation can be frustrating at times for staff it also shows how sensible even our youngest students can be. We have witnessed students modelling to their parents/caregivers/grandparents where the correct place is to get into the vehicles (in the bus bay parking or in a designated carpark), where adults and children are meant to be walking (across the pedestrian crossings <u>not</u> the carpark) and how to cross the road sensibly. So a big WELL DONE to the students and we hope that the parents are learning from you so that we can all be safe in our school carpark.

POOL OPENING SOON - POOL HELPERS REQUIRED

Hi folks. The pool will be opening soon and we'll be needing helpers to keep the water clean and clear for our little (and not so little) swimmers. Without helpers the pool can't open and if you sign up you get a free key with access to the pool and tennis courts. Maintaining the pool is generally a 10-15 minute task but can stretch out to 45 minutes when vacuuming is required, typically once or twice a week. Otherwise it involves water testing which MUST be carried out twice daily, once in the morning and once in the afternoon. We've normally run the pool maintenance roster on 7 day shifts and there is generally plenty of flexibility if you need cover for a day. No previous knowledge required and training is provided so don't be nervous if you've not done it before. So if you are keen or would just like to know a bit more about what is involved just leave your contact details with Sharon at the office and I'll be in touch.

Thanks - Nick Spiers, BOT

ANYONE FOR TENNIS?

Rotokauri School would like to offer students and their families the opportunity to access the tennis courts <u>without</u> pool access. The cost of a key would be \$35 with \$10 being refunded on return of the key. If interested please see Sharon at the office.

STUDENT SUCCESSES

It is always lovely to hear what students get up to outside of school hours. Congratulations to the Westgate boys for their success at Motocross last weekend. Below are some photos and a paragraph written by the boys.

In the weekend Dylan, Nick and Seth Westgate went to the mini Motocross Nationals in New Plymouth, Taranaki. Dylan and Nick competed in the 9–11 years 65cc class and Seth competed in the 4–7 years 50cc class. At the end of the weekend they came away with a 1st (Nick), 3rd (Dylan) and 5th (Seth) in their age groups.







Nick Dylan Seth

HEARING AND VISION TESTING

The Hearing and Vision Technician will be at Rotokauri School on 23rd November 2015. Not all children will be tested. New Entrants, Year 7 and any other child that needs follow up checks could be seen on the day. If you <u>do not</u> want your child tested, please contact the school office. Please read the following information sheet.



Information sheet on hearing and vision checks in school

Vision Hearing Technicians from Rural and Community Services will be visiting our school.

The objective of the vision is to identify previously undetected hearing and vision defects.

Which children are routinely checked?

catch up screening for children who have not completed hearing and vision checks as part of their B4 school check children absent from previous visit, require re-tests or follow up

in special circumstances, parents, teachers or others may request a hearing or vision check new immigrants

What tests are carried out?

Ears

audiometry – hearing test

tympanometry – middle ear function test (only carried out when hearing test is not within a normal range)

Eyes

long distance vision tests – not a complete visual examination, but a simple screening test colour vision tests (Year 7 boys only)

NB All these checks are non-invasive, safe and should cause no discomfort.

The Vision Hearing Technician will:

notify parents of all test results enter results on ministry of education data base (ENROL)

The vision hearing technician will obtain personal details from the school i.e names, dates of birth, ethnicity.

If the technician needs to contact parents or caregivers following the visit, addresses and phone numbers will also be required.

Community services may share this information with other health professionals involved in the children's care.

If any parent or caregiver does not want their child to be checked, or their child is currently under specialist care for a hearing or vision defect, they should let the technician know by leaving a message with the school.



Garage Sale

Brylyn Rest Home

200 Te Kowhai Road 22nd November 2015 Time 8.00 am till 1.00pm.

PRIVATE SWIMMING LESSONS WITH EXPERIENCED TEACHER

Fun, flexible lessons (group or individual) for pre-schoolers, children and adults. Lessons either at your own home or in a private pool on the intersection of Tuhikaramea and Koromatua Roads. Great summer activity to improve technique, fitness and teach safety in the water. Contact Erin Becht on becht.erin@gmail.com :)



LOST CAT

Pet's Name:

Willow

Microchip Number: 98200035670****

Breed:

Burmese Cat

Colour:

Seal Brown

Sex

Female



Further Information:

Our much loved family cat has gone missing on 3 November from the Fullerton Road and likely be in the Te Kowhai, Rotokauri area.

Willow is 18 months old, microchipped and desexed.

We really want her home and will really appreciate a call if you may have seen her.

If you find this cat, please call immediately:

Helen and Grant Black

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