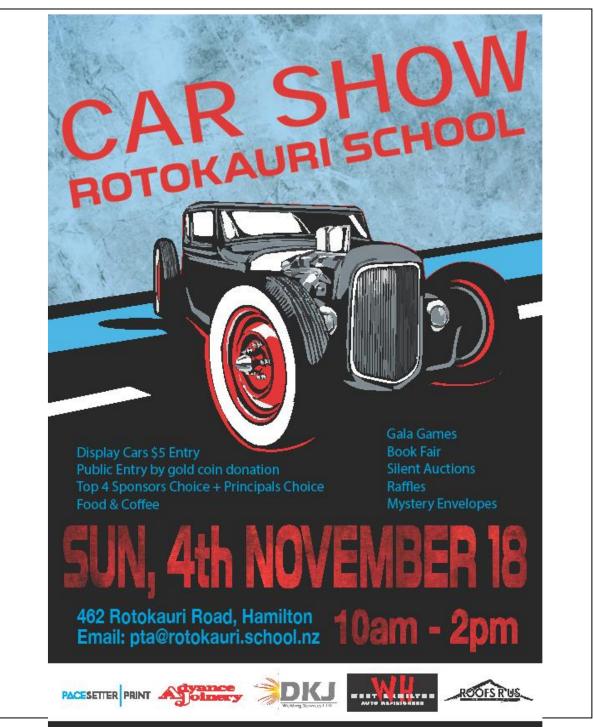
# Rotokauri School Newsletter



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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 us all in learning.

## **ROTOKAURI SCHOOL VISION**

**Together We Grow** 

- Unity (Kotahitanga)
- Inclusive (Manaakitanga)
- Guardianship (Kaitiakitanga)

Together We Learn

- Innovative (Auahatanga)
- Happy (Uruhau)
- Responsible (Tuutika)

# **ROTOKAURI SCHOOL VALUES**

Persistence	Resilience	Integrity	Diversity	Excellence

#### WELCOME

Nau mai, haere mai ki te kura o Rotokauri.

Welcome to Amelia Redding, Hugo Hodgson, Cameron Emslie and Kaylee Quinlan to Room 1. We hope you and your whaanau/family enjoy your learning journey at Rotokauri School.

Ngaa mihi nui.

# PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays. The children have come back smiling and enthusiastic which is a positive start to the term. It has also been a very busy first week with Agricultural Day on Wednesday. Congratulations to all the students.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank a number of people that make Agricultural Day such a success –

- Our sponsors Greater Waikato Veterinary Services Trust
  - AllTech
- Our judges Chickens Avril McBeth and Peter O'Brien
  - Calves Sharne McLachlan Goats – Elaine Weston Lambs – Dennis Wells and Susan Woolerton

Indoor Activities – Kara Dawson and 3 other ladies

- Our scribes Amy Fuller, Sarah Dyer, Raewyn O'Brien and Karen Hollingsworth
- Fiona Teale for organising the morning tea and lunch for our visitors.

- Our stewards Toni Rae and Jo Campbell
- Our ring runners Ella Burt, Karenza Curtis and Ella Caulfield
- Room 7 for the BBQ.
- Rotokauri School staff and students for the great job they did with presenting all the activities in the classrooms.
- Parents, caregivers and competitors for their dedication to raising and training their animals.
- Sharon Verstraten and Raewyn O'Brien for all the 'behind the scenes' organisation to ensure our day ran smoothly.
- Hans Verberne, Andrea O'Rourke, Jacqualine Hill and Peter O'Brien for preparing the rings.
- Emma Hamilton and Molly Fletcher for attending all the committee meetings on behalf of the school.

Days like these highlight for me the true spirit of a school and the TEAM philosophy that we pride ourselves on is definitely at the forefront. Well done everyone. Five students will now move on to Group Day with their animals and we wish them the very best of luck – we look forward to hearing about your experiences and successes. During the holidays the cobblestone footpath that the senior students had approached the BOT about many months ago, finally came to fruition. It looks fantastic and will certainly ensure that there will be no chance of anyone slipping down the hill. With the warmer weather we need to start preparing to open our school pool. This year we have kept it chlorinated and the BOT have invested in a new filter system so already it is looking very inviting (but very cold!!!). The BOT have decided to open the pool to school families over the summer season. This is dependent on the way that the community respects the pool and surrounding area, as well as the dedicated pool volunteers. If you would like to put your name down to be a pool volunteer (and get a free key – limited to 10 people) please talk to Sharon in the school office before 16<sup>th</sup> November and she will give you further information. Ngaa mihi

Desiree Smith

# **BOT NEWS**

At last month's committee meeting the BOT accepted Kylie Christian's maternity leave from Week 5 this term and throughout the 2019 year. We wish Kylie, Steve and their 3 children all the best for the new arrival to their family due in November. Kylie will be missed by the students and staff. The BOT have also accepted Mary Evans's study leave request for 2019. We would like to congratulate Mary and wish her the best with her further University study.

Mrs Janet Scantlebury has been appointed in the fixed term position to cover Room 4 in Kylie's absence for the remainder of the year.

Start date for 2019 has been confirmed as Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

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## **GENERAL MATTERS**

### <u>SPCA</u>

During the holidays I received a letter from the SPCA that I would like to share with you. Your donation of \$369.70 to the SPCA will immediately be put to work to help the animals in our care. Thank you so very much. Behind every lost, abandoned, and mistreated animal that is rescued by the SPCA, there are special people like you dedicated to helping them.

Well done to the students and staff that organized this opportunity and to everyone that showed their support by purchasing the wonderful variety of cupcakes.

#### Trophy Return

It is the time of year that we need to gather in all Rotokauri School cups and shields so they can be engraved. If you have any trophies at home i.e. speech, Agricultural Day and end of year awards from 2017 please return them to the school office asap.

#### **Medication at School**

If your child has any medication at school it is the responsibility of you, the parent / caregiver, to check that it is not out of date and that the medication form is up to date with any changes that have occurred since it was first filled in. Please take the time to check this.

#### **Change of Contact Details**

Please remember to notify the office if any contact details change i.e. address, phone number, email addresses, work numbers, emergency contact numbers etc.

### **CELEBRATIONS**

#### Lamb, Goat, Calf and Chicken Results - 2018

#### Lamb

Lamb Points Trophy – **Bianca Wallis – 38 points** Most Obvious Pet Trophy – **Liam Surgenor** Lamb Leading Trophy – **Bailey Lochore-Halpin** Lamb Rearing Shield – **Lewis Surgenor** 

#### Goat

Doug McFarlane Shield – Point Trophy – **Reece Calnan – 42 points** Goat Most Obvious Pet Trophy – **Jaxson Williams** Goat Leading Trophy – **Molly Fletcher** Goat Rearing Trophy – **Molly Fletcher** 

#### Calf

Calf Points Trophy – **Molly Fletcher – 42 points** Calf Leading Trophy – **Molly Fletcher** Calf Rearing Shield - **Molly Fletcher** Dairy Type Trophy – **Molly Fletcher** Beef Type Trophy - **Oliver Campbell** 

#### Chicken

Event	Placing	Student's Name
Junior Most Obvious Pet	1 <sup>st</sup>	Rebecca Cameron
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nicky-Rose Hoebe
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tommy Selwyn
Intermediate Most	1 <sup>st</sup>	Archie Cameron
Obvious Pet		
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Oliver Selwyn
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Ernie Young
Senior Most Obvious Pet	1 <sup>st</sup>	Aditya Raju
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Savannah Smith
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Anya Fuller
Junior Rearing	1 st	Rebecca Cameron
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Alex Dombroski
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Orlando Smith
Intermediate Rearing	1 <sup>st</sup>	Lily Young
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Flint Coyle
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Archie Cameron
Senior Rearing	1 st	Paige Moka
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Anya Fuller
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Keira Cowley

Junior Champion – **Rebecca Cameron** Intermediate Champion – **Lily Young** Senior Champion – **Anya Fuller** Rearing Champion – **Rebecca Cameron** Rearing Reserve Champion – **Lily Young** Most Obvious Pet Champion – **Archie Cameron** Most Obvious Pet Reserve Champion – **Aditya Raju** Overall Champion Chicken – **Lily Young** Overall Reserve Champion Chicken – **Anya Fuller** 

#### **Basketball Reps**

Congratulations to Cole Viljoen and Carter Jackways for representing Waikato teams in the U13 years Northern Regional Basketball competition held in Auckland during the holidays. Carter plays for Waikato Country and his team placed third in the C Grade division and Carter received the team award for sportsmanship.

Cole plays in the Waikato Team who came 4<sup>th</sup> in the B Grade division.

Well done boys, it is a great accomplishment to represent your province at this level.



At our assemblies the following children received certificates.

# Assembly Awards Week 10

Room 1	Jaide Zillwood - For making good choices in maths and demonstrating clever thinking with her questions.
Room 1	Jaxon Williams - For working consistently and quickly during maths, and being willing to explain your
	thinking.
Room 2	Aja Jessop - For your descriptive information reports which include detailed diagrams. Keep up your high
	standard of writing.
Room 2	Chloe Inglis - For your wonderfully imaginative writing. You have a beautiful way with words. I enjoy your
	stories
Room 3	Clarke Robinson - For working hard to improve his reading and moving up two levels! Keep up the good
	work.
Room 3	Grayson Wallace - For working hard to improve his reading and moving up a level. Keep up the good work.
Room 4	Hannah Jones - For your creativity and pride during art activities.
Room 4	Hannah Milne - For always putting a high level of focus into all that you do.
Room 5	Jay Williams - For putting in extra effort with your Wearable Arts costume.
Room 5	Neve Townsend - For amazing ideas and persistence with your Wearable Arts costume.
Room 6	Quinlen Dixon - For his high level of effort and focus on his learning throughout all of Term 3. Keep it up
	Quinlen.
Room 6	Savannah Smith - For her high level of effort and focus on her learning throughout all of Term 3. You are
	doing great Savvy!
Room 7	Finley O'Rourke - Excellence - doing a fantastic job with his speech
Room 7	Aamira Ali - Excellence - in her reading programme and class leadership.
Room 8	Jakin Warnock - For achieving personal excellence. You have consistently completed your homework tasks
	to a very high standard - well done!
Room 8	Sarah Teale - For achieving personal excellence. You designed, planned, made, and evaluated on a
	technology initiative - turning trash into treasure.

#### Week 1

Room 1	Mackenzie O'Rourke - For settling quickly to tasks and being a reliable role model to our new class		
	members.		
Room 1	Mahi Sharma - For putting a lot of effort into remembering new skills in reading and writing.		
Room 2	Luca Rogers - For your 'can do' attitude this week. Great start to the term.		
Room 2	Chloe Gyde - For your fantastic attitude in all your learning. Great start to the term.		
Room 3	Hannah Towl - For demonstrating amazing creativity while doing her Ag. Day activities.		
Room 3	Grayson Wallace - For working hard during Ag.day activities to create work he is proud of.		
Room 4	James Ward - For your fantastic effort and creativity during Agricultural Day activities.		
Room 4	Sari Tangiora - For putting a high level of focus into improving your maths.		
Room 5	Riley Dempsey-Irvine - For being a respectful and helpful member of Room 5.		
Room 5	Neve Townsend - For an interesting and well written "who am I" on unicorns.		
Room 6	Keira Cowley - For being motivated and focused on her learning and also being willing to help me when I		
	need it - thanks Keira!		
Room 6	Paige Moka - For working hard in class to do her best and making some great progress because of it. Keep		
	it up Paige.		
Room 7	Alaura Pickles - For working independently and creatively on Ag Day projects.		
Room 7	Ella Prangnell - For working independently and creatively on Ag Day projects.		
Room 8	Heidi Perring - For showing persistence in all that you do. You are a student who never gives up, even when		
	the learning is challenging.		
Room 8	Ella Kells - For aiming for and achieving personal excellence in all areas of school life. You serve as a		
	positive role model.		
Room 9	Brayden Ridley - For a wonderful start to Term 4 and thoughtful writing about Ag Day.		
Room 9	Aniket Raju – For demonstrating leadership and thoughtfulness. A super start to Term 4. Be proud Aniket.		

#### Maths Whizz

At the end of each term Maths Whizz share with us the students that are showing Accelerated Learning – these are the students with 3 or more learning progressions per week. Congratulations to the following students that fit into this category -Corey Molloy, Jayden Ward, Melisa Soltanizand, Bridgette Donny, Mercedes Barber, Lewis Surgenor, Bella'Capri Nelson, Hannah Hobbs, Rhys Jorgensen, Tamsin Rose, Nirav Maharaj, Hazel Rodney, Isaac Collinson, Angus Elliott, Georgia Westgate, Danny Caulfield, Daksh Prajapati, Ella Kells, Jaycob Elliott-Daysh, Liam Surgenor, Mya Aitchison, Isla Kahaki, Ella Sumner, Lachlan Emslie, Brooklyn Snelgrove, Grace Cox, Sophie Elliott, Bella Wilson, Seth Westgate, Heidi Perring, Vinnie Gibson, Chloe Inglis, Rylee Barber-Smith, Brianna Donny, Kaeleb Beets, Aidah Ali, Adam Towl, Molly Fletcher, Sarah Teale, Koen McCurdy, Jakin Warnock, Jessica Cuff, Tommy Selwyn, Nate Turney, Ciaran Williams-Thomas, Lily Allen and Daniel Cameron.

#### **Hiwi The Kiwi Competition**

Thank you to all the students that participated in the story writing competition to win the fishing rod donated by Hiwi the Kiwi at his show last term.

Congratulations to our winners -

1<sup>st</sup> – Lily Allen (won a fishing rod)

2<sup>nd</sup> – Jesse Zillwood (won a book and music CD)

3<sup>rd</sup> – Nate Westgate (won a book and music CD)

Here are their stories -

#### Lessons from Hiwi the Kiwi

"Hurry up!" Dad yelled. "We are going to be late for the trip". "Did you grab the ruler, salt ice, wet rag and life jackets?"

"Yes, now hurry!" replied Dad.

Before we got on the boat my Dad reminded me to put a life jacket on, so I did and then I realized that he wasn't wearing one. So I asked him "Where is yours?" But he said it is a nice day, nothing will happen, I will just put it on the front of the boat. But then I told him this story . . One day another Dad put his life jacket at the front of the boat and he and his daughter fell out of the boat into the water. The Dad didn't get a chance to grab it from the front of the boat (which was driving away). But the girl already had her life jacket on. Then they waited around 2 hours for them to get rescued. But sadly, the Dad didn't make it because he wasn't wearing a life jacket.

After I told him the story he went and put his life jacket on. After that he caught a fish and I saw him about to grab the fish off the hook with his hands. I stopped him and said "you need to grab it with a wet towel or if you pick it up with hands this stuff on their scales comes off". That will be bad because if it is not the right length and then you have to put it back then it will get burnt because that stuff is like sunscreen and if they got burnt they would die and there will be hardly any fish left in the future. So Dad quickly ran and got the wet towel and grabbed the fish off the hook and then I had to quickly run and grab the fish ruler and that was lucky because it was too short.

We caught some more fish and put it in the salt ice and we ended up with fish for the whole week's dinner. That night when we finished Dad gave me a 'good job Lily' symbol when we were eating it. And if it wasn't for me then some fish would have died.

Now remember all these things when you go fishing so you don't kill an innocent fish.

Written by: Lily Allen - Age: 9 years

#### Hiwi The Kiwi – A story with the lessons I learned

"Come on Dad, let's go if we want to catch a big one!" "I'm just fetching my lucky fishing rod" Dad says. "I'll be there in a moment". I run inside. "Can't forget the salt ice can we Dad", I say. "No we can't" replied Dad, "good thinking!" "Dad. I feel like we forgot something", I shout. "It doesn't matter", answered Dad. "Leave it if you can't remember". "Okay Dad" I reply. "Let's just get on the water now". "I'm coming, I'm coming", Dad sighed happily. Me and my Dad get onto our boat and set off into the bay and stop where there are plenty of fish. We attach our hooks onto the end of our fish rods. "Wait Dad!" I shout. "We need to put on our life jackets". "Okay", Dad replied. Me and my Dad threw our lines into the water and what do you know I caught a snapper in a split second! "Wow!" I shout. "Let's get our wet towel, oh no, we forgot our wet towel". "You forgot" Dad said. "Well anyway we can use our emergency towel in the cabin, I'll just go and get it, and I need to wet it". Dad gave the wet towel to me and I took it. I picked my snapper up and measured it, it was thirty centimetres on the dot. "Yay" I shouted in amazement. "I can have it for dinner tonight!" "Let's go home" Dad says. "Just promise you'll share with me".

Written by: Jesse Zillwood - Age: 9 years

#### Life as a Fish

Have you ever wondered about being a little baby fish? Well I am one. Ha ha! You can't catch me because I'm only nine centimetres.

Listen up here kids. You can only catch snapper that are 36cm long.

Hey kids tell your Dad to put on his life jacket because most of them just put it in the front of the boat.

Here's a story Hiwi the Kiwi told me. Listen because this is true.

A little girl and her Dad were going fishing. The Dad told the girl to put her life jacket on. But he didn't. He was riding along and there was a piece of wood in the Wellington Harbour. The boat hit it.

Luckily the girl had her life jacket on and she was floating and got rescued, but unfortunately the Dad died.

Written by: Nate Westgate - Age: 8 years

# REMINDERS

#### **Bottom Carpark**

With the finer weather we have been able to open the bottom carpark for the term. Please make sure your child/ren know if you will be picking them up from this entrance.

### Sunhats

Thank you to the families that ensured sunhats were brought along to school. Sunhats are available for purchasing from the school office. Our school policy is that students and staff wear the Rotokauri School sunhats during Term 1 and Term 4. It is pleasing to see that the sunhats do not have embellishments and/or graffiti – well done. If students are not wearing sunhats they will need to play in the shade.

#### **Swimming Pool Keys**

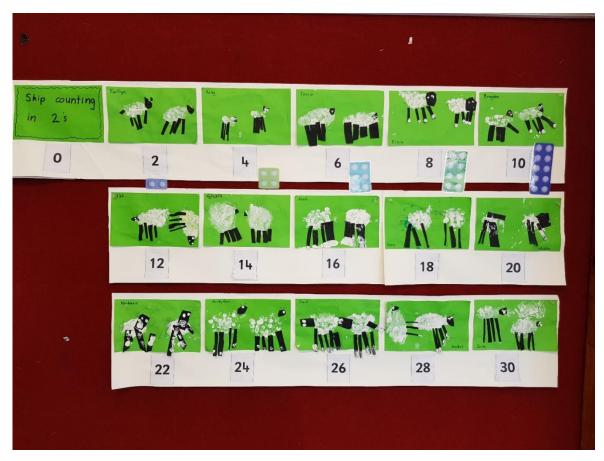
These will be available from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November at a cost of \$85.00 for the entire season which is 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018 to 1 April 2019.

#### **Class Sharing**

#### <u>Room 1</u>

Maths/Art

We made a template for the shape of our goats, and then finger printed inside the template window. Our goats are in pairs so we can learn to count in 2's.





#### <u>Marrzipan</u>

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# **CHICKENS WANTED**

We have one lonely chicken who needs some friends. If anyone can't care for their Ag Day chicken we have a large aviary (4x4m) to fit them all and would love to take them. They will only be pets, not for consuming. Phone Amy 0273497818



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