

Rotokauri School Newsletter



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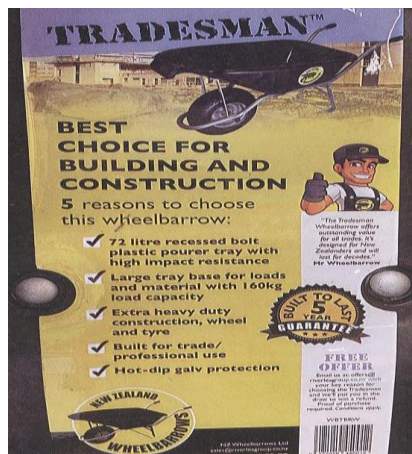
Easter Raffle

- 1st prize - a 72 litre Tradesman wheelbarrow with some Easter goodies.

Other draws will be done with some amazing prizes.

These include:

- \$50.00 Lookout restaurant voucher and Easter treats.
- Jitterbugs dance lesson voucher and Easter treats.
- Woodlands Wanderer Scavenger Hunt voucher and Easter treats.
- Oxford pie vouchers and Easter treats.
- Classic museum entry vouchers and Easter treats.
- Lots of individual Easter packages.



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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 – Georgia Esselbrugge

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

Ngaa mihi nui.

PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

As a Principal it is always great to receive feedback about your school and the staff or students. The negative feedback becomes something to review and learn from, while the positive feedback reaffirms that Rotokauri is a great place and we are all committed to making it even better. At the end of last year I heard from former student's parents about how well their children had done at end of year prizegivings (e.g. achieving high marks, being a dux of the school, winning trophies for academic and sporting achievement) or that their children were now moving onto higher education. This year I heard about how well our Year 8's have transitioned into high schools and for many they have been rewarded for their hard work at primary school by being placed in classes for talented students. Congratulations to you all. We know that Rotokauri School has made a contribution to these student's lives. This week I received feedback from Hamilton Junior High School and the bus driver that transports our students to Tech – they are so impressed with the behaviour, manners and respect that our

students show that they needed to tell me that Rotokauri Year 7 & 8 students are some of the best they have worked with. Great news – congratulations!!

As COVID ramps up nationally and in our own school community can I please urge parents/caregivers to keep the lines of communication open – especially with myself as the first point of call for anything related to COVID. We are tracking the cases within our school and need to know if our students or family members are POSITIVE CASES or HOUSEHOLD CONTACTS, as well as dates of positive results/symptoms to determine when children can return to school after a 10 day isolation period. I am very conscious of people's privacy and the confidential way that this information needs to be recorded.

Thank you for your ongoing support and understanding. We do have a number of staff absent due to illness (non-COVID related), supporting family members or being household contact/positive COVID cases. It is very unsettling at times to have a number of relievers, but we are attempting to keep the school operational for as long as possible.

Have a great fortnight everyone.

Ngaa mihi

Desiree Smith

BOT NEWS

Casual Vacancy for a Parent Representative

A casual vacancy has occurred on the school board for an elected parent representative.

The board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection.

If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Request for a by-election should be sent to:

Paul Burt Presiding member (Chair)
Rotokauri School Board
462 Rotokauri Road
RD 9
Hamilton 3289

PTA NEWS

Easter Raffle Fundraising

Easter raffle cards came home with the students on Tuesday. Please check school bags as it is important to get these all accounted for.

Cards are due back on 25th March and the raffle will be drawn on 8th April.

More cards are available at the school office.

PTA Annual General Meeting – all welcome

23rd March

6.30 p.m.

Staffroom

GENERAL INFORMATION

Leadership

At Rotokauri we strive to provide students with many opportunities to develop their leadership skills. Congratulations to the following students that will be some of our leaders this year –

Student Council

Carter Jessop, Cooper McLean, Matthew Webber, Cole Turney, Maya Sharma, Ellie Fairclough

House Captains

Kowhai

Vedhikah Goundar, James Ward, Grace Petley, Lachie Anderson

Kakariki

Ava Viljoen-Thomson, Blake Robinson-Hastings, Hannah Jones, Charlie Jones

Whero

Penelope Simpson, Jett McFall, Lily Young, Reece Calnan

Kikorangi

Sophie Fairclough, Bianca Wallis, Jordyn Harihari, Jamie Haldane

Peer Mediators – to be announced at a later date

Before and After School Care

We have vacancies for Before and After School carers at Rotokauri School. This is a service that the Board of Trustees provide for our parents/caregivers. However, we have limited staff at the moment. If you know of someone over the age of 18 that may be interested in working from 7.00 – 8.30 a.m. and/or 2.45 – 5.30 p.m. please get them to ring the school office or email dsmith@rotokauri.school.nz

Swimming Pool

What an amazing season of swimming we have had. It has been great to hear and see the enthusiasm of the children in the water and to watch their developing skills.

Unfortunately, the weather is now becoming cooler and many children are choosing not to swim. Therefore, from next Monday it will be the individual class teacher's decision as to whether swimming continues and this will be guided by the amount of swimmers. Our school pool usually closes for the season on 1st April.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Junior Tough Guy and Girl

Rotokauri School has booked **50 places** for this popular event to be held at **Ngaruawahia Christian Camp on THURSDAY, 30 June 2022**. **Students in Years 3-8** can be entered as part of our school team. **Entries close THURSDAY, 14 APRIL (Last day of Term 1)** and are on a first in, first served basis. **No unpaid entries will**

be accepted. Please click on the link below for more information and to register your child.

<https://eventpromotions.co.nz/junior-tough-guy-and-gal-challenge/>

1. Select Hamilton, Thursday 30 June and the year group of your child e.g. Y3
2. No pin code is required at the moment.
3. Tick the terms and conditions box.
4. Click next to continue with your entry and entering personal details.
5. Tick Teacher for Bib Collection and write Rotokauri School in FULL.
6. Remember to pay for your child's entry online.

Winter Sports

It's hard to believe that the winter sports season is rolling around so soon. Winter sports on offer at Rotokauri School include hockey, netball, waterpolo and miniball. For further information around each code and to register your child please click the link to the Google form. Entries close Friday, 1 April.

<https://forms.gle/vAczE17v8VfjGnZR8>

Coaches and Managers - as always we are unable to enter teams without coaches and managers. We really value the commitment of time, knowledge and skills of our coaches and managers. Current COVID guidelines mean that coaches and managers must have a current My Vaccine Pass.

For further information please contact:

Jaimee Carter - Sports Coordinator and Teacher In Charge of Mini Ball and Waterpolo
jcarter@rotokauri.school.nz

Jane Rickman - Teacher in charge of Hockey – jrickman@rotokauri.school.nz

Claire Walker - Teacher in charge of Netball – cwalker@rotokauri.school.nz

CELEBRATIONS

Rotokauri Biathlon/Triathlon 2022

On Friday 25 February, the awesome staff at Rotokauri School were able to keep our annual Biathlon/Triathlon event running with just a few modifications. Instead of one event, we ran two mini Biathlon/Triathlon events. We are so very proud of all of our students who took part – it was very hot and wasn't easy!

Thanks to our support staff who helped out for both events and to our senior students who helped on the day; running with their buddies, supporting other competitors and collecting bikes and helmets at the end of the bike leg. We always encourage our older students to help as much as possible, as a result, they are able to show their leadership skills and initiative.

Biathlon/Triathlon Results 2022

5 year old boys

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Vincent Warner	Cody Calnan	Eason Lu
Triathlon	Theo Winikerei	Casey Mancer	Cohen O'Brien

5 year old girls

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Ada Westgate	Rayya Nadan	Sophie Swain
Triathlon	Layla Day	Harper Moka	Chloe Moka

6 year old boys

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Zac Hoeborgen	Blake Oulton-Hewitt	Kairo Sharma
Triathlon	Luke Vann	Carter Cowley	Marley Toia

6 year old girls

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Paige Robinson-Hastings	Sophie Quinlan	Mya Allen
Triathlon	Kayla Van Rooij	Talia Hefferon	

7 year old boys

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Thomas Warner	Lucas Birchall	
Triathlon	Jayden Day	Corban Stratford	Noxx Rogers

7 year old girls

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Heidi Viljoen	Hannah-Leah Warbrick	Ella Boswell
Triathlon	Ellie-Rose Anderson	Keani Kingi	Teagan Mancer

8 year old boys

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Archer McFall	Cody Wade	Korbyn Fergus
Triathlon	Hugo Spencer	Cameron Emslie	Carter Moka

8 year old girls

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Kaylee Quinlan	Elsie Van Rooij	Shaan Judge
Triathlon	Esme Gyde	Mackenzie Moroney-Pearson	Maia O'Loughlin

9 year old boys

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Nate Turney	Luca Rogers	Brayden Ridley
Triathlon	Liam Surgenor	Leon Watkins	Israel Warbrick

9 year old girls

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Ava Esselbrugge	Jaide Zillwood	Nature Aitchison
Triathlon	Cavalier Kingi	Bella Gyde	

10 year old boys

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Reece Calnan	Isaac Hapi	Ernie Young
Triathlon	Ryan Keightley	Alex Dombroski	Grayson Wallace Regan Bennett

10 year old girls

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Jiya Prajapati		
Triathlon	Evie Wilson	Ellie Fairclough	

11 year old boys

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Flint Coyle	Kees Rogers	Cooper Hobbs
Triathlon	Nate Westgate	Samuel Watkins	Elijah Esselbrugge

11 year old girls

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Acacia Barham	Vedhikah Goundar	Grace Petley
Triathlon	Mercedes Barber	Caitlin Furlonger	Holly Hoebergen

12 year old boys

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Biathlon	Cole Turney	Matthew Webber	Blake Robinson-Hastings
Triathlon	Isaac Stratford	Cory Burt	Timothy Sumner

12 year old girls

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd =
Biathlon	Lily Young	Maya Sharma	Penelope Simpson Zephyr Rhind
Triathlon	Deanna Smith	Sophie Fairclough	Carter Jessop

Assembly Certificates

Week 4

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1	Harper Moka	For having a great result in the triathlon.
Room 1	Cody Calnan	For giving it his all in the biathlon.
Room 2	Alex Oldham	For showing respect and always having beautiful manners.
Room 2	Kayla Van Rooij	For showing empathy for others in the class when helping out and being a leader.
Room 3	Jayden Day	For demonstrating kindness and leadership, supporting a classmate.
Room 3	Evie Hodgson	For her perseverance and amazing positive attitude during the biathlon.
Room 4	Kayden John	For showing determination in the triathlon. Well done.
Room 4	Mackenzie O'Rourke	For working super hard in all areas of his learning this week. Well done.
Room 6	Luca Haldane	For an amazing job with your writing this week!
Room 6	Aja Jessop	For the positivity you bring to your learning every day this week.
Room 8	Matthew Webber	For showing courage and placing 2nd in the biathlon today.
Room 8	Cooper Mclean	For always having a positive attitude and supporting the juniors in the bi / tri today.

Week 5

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1	Te Aria Kingi	For being an active learner and showing empathy.
Room 1	Chloe Moka	For showing courage and persistence in the pool.
Room 2	Taj Judge	For showing all the Rotokauri School values and being a role model.
Room 2	Violet Short	For showing empathy towards others and playing kindly with others.
Room 3	Blake Oulton-Hewitt	For showing the value of empathy and helping out his classmates. I am so proud of you Blake, what an awesome classmate you are.
Room 3	Archie Hibbert	For showing excellent writing skills and using capital letters and full stops correctly.
Room 4	Mahi Sharma	For breaking down unknown words correctly
Room 4	Turner Wallace	For being an awesome, happy member of Room 4.
Room 5	Nihil Maharaj	For fantastic improvement in swimming - well done for persevering
Room 5	Tommy Selwyn	For working conscientiously all day and showing the value of Active Learning
Room 6	Noah Rose	For your positive attitude to learning in the classroom.
Room 6	Rhythm Bhagat	For staying on task with all your classroom work this week.
Room 7	Elijah Esselbrugge	For demonstrating a high level of engagement in his learning activities.
Room 7	Kees Rogers	For well expressed, pertinent and thoughtful contributions during discussions.
Room 8	Cory Burt	For working hard in your math and writing this week - congratulations!
Room 8	Jett McFall	For outstanding hard work in math and writing this week - congratulations!

Values Vouchers

Week 4

Cooper Wiseman	Room 1	Demonstrating the school value of courage.
Te Aria Kingi	Room 1	Demonstrating the school value of empathy.
Blake Robinson-Hastings	Room 8	Demonstrating the school value of respect.
Timothy Sumner	Room 8	Demonstrating the school value of empathy.

Week 5

Kayla Van Rooij	Room 2	Demonstrating the school value of respect.
Wilson Fisher-Murray	Room 2	Demonstrating the school value of respect.
Blake Robinson-Hastings	Room 8	Demonstrating the school value of honesty.
Vedhikah Goundar	Room 8	Demonstrating the school value of active learning.

Room 4 Week 5



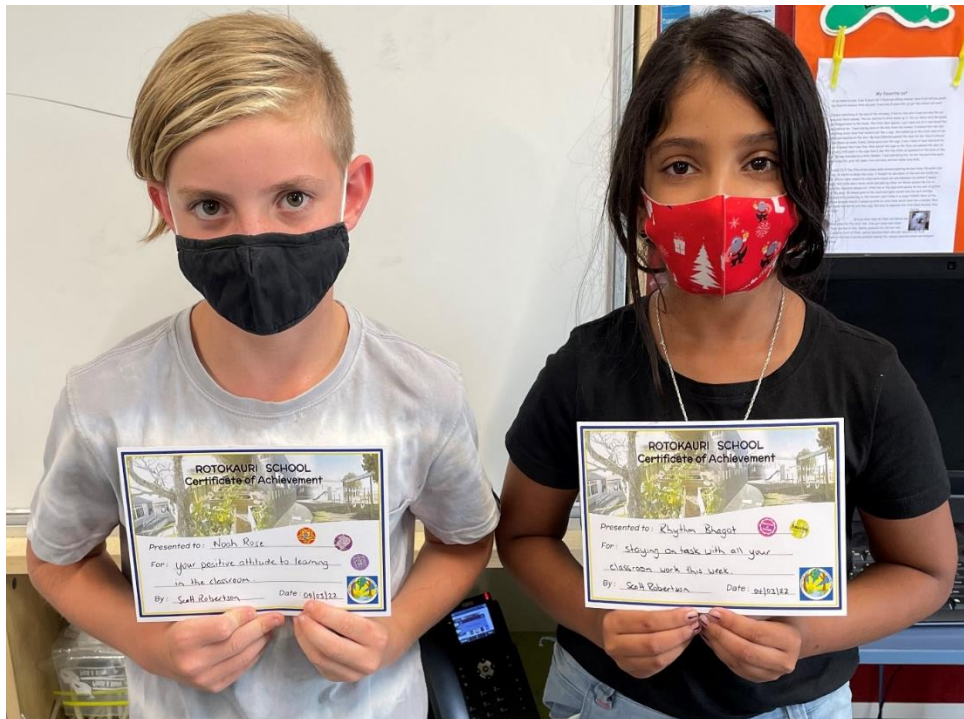
Room 8 Week 5



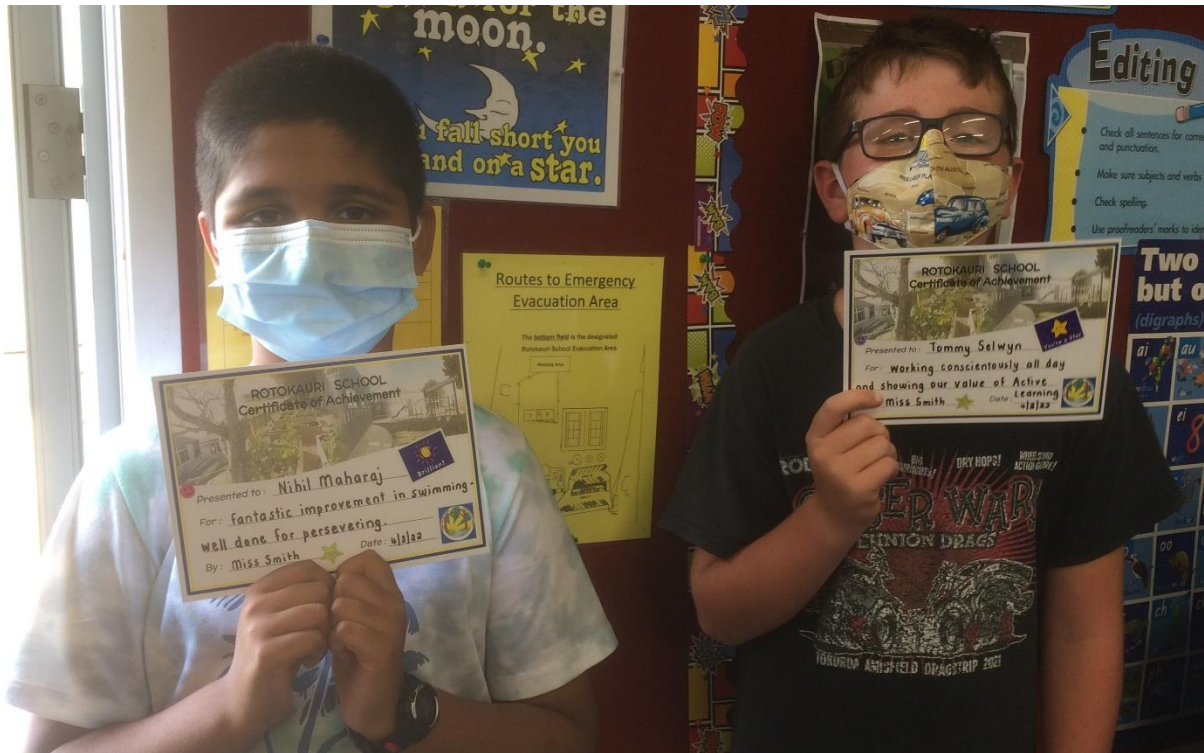
Room 2 Week 5



Room 6 Week 5



Room 5 Week 5



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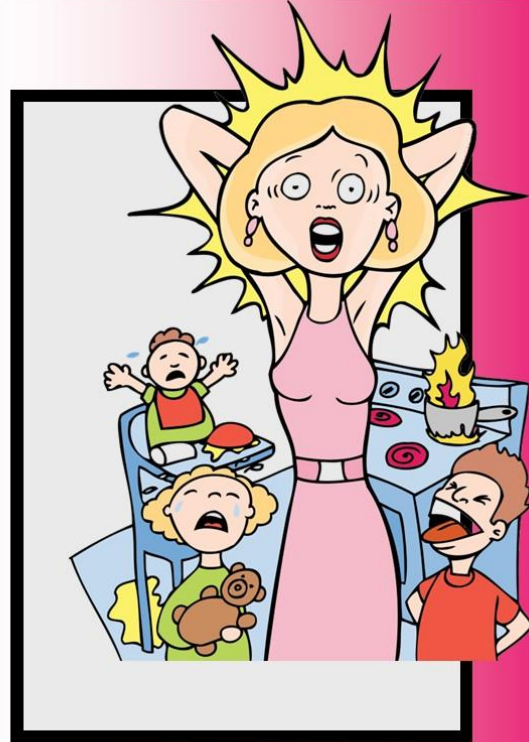
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- *Do you find yourself yelling at your child more often than laughing with your child*
- *Do you feel you have lost touch with your child*
- *Do you feel frustrated and find yourself saying the same things over and over again with no result*

TOPICS COVERED

COMMUNICATION	CHOICES/CONSEQUENCES	COMPLIANCE
EMPATHY	SIBLING RIVALRY	TEENAGERS AND BOUNDARIES
SETTING LIMITS	PAUSE TIME IN	ARE YOU DOING TOO MUCH
PERSONALITY TYPES	PRAISE VS ENCOURAGEMENT	QUALITY TIME



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RYLEE CARLSON

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Past Rotokauri school student

14 years old (15 in August)

\$10.00 an hour or can discuss



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