# Rotokauri School Newsletter



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# **PTA Fundraiser**

Ingham Hyundai have generously donated some discounted Warrant of Fitness vouchers to Rotokauri School PTA.

We still have a few available at the Rotokauri School office which can be purchased for \$30 (valued at \$75) and <u>all</u> proceeds go to the PTA.

Get in quick. Vouchers are valid until 14 December 2023.



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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**

Respect	Empathy	Active Learning	Courage	Honesty
WELCOME Nau mai, haere mai ki te kura o Rotokauri. Welcome to the new student that has started at Rotokauri School recently –				
Link Doody – Room 1				
We hope yo School. Ngaa mihi r	,	nau/family enjoy your le	arning journey at	Rotokauri

# **PRINCIPAL'S PIECE**

Rotokauri School prides itself on providing opportunities for leadership in our senior school.

Our leaders for 2023 are –

Student Council – Reed Kahaki, James Ward, Jordyn Harihari, Ellie Fairclough, Samuel Watkins, Nate Westgate, Caitlin Furlonger and Holly Hoebergen.

Cultural Ambassadors – Cooper Love Buckle and Jiya Prajapati House Captains –

Kowhai – Grace Petley, Lachie Anderson, Archie Cameron, Pyper Gill Whero – Hugo Spencer, Ernie Young, Reece Calnan, Liam Buckle Kakariki – Kees Rogers, Liam Surgenor, Evie Wilson, Brianna Donny

Kikorangi – Nature Aitchison, Elijah Esselbrugge, Tommy Selwyn, Maddix Anniss

**Peer Mediators** – Guy Johnstone, Nirav Maharaj, Chloe Gyde, Bella Gyde, Mackenzie Moroney-Pearson, Mya Hoebergen, Rebecca Cameron, Regan Bennett, Aja Jessop, Coco Doody and Callista John

Congratulations to each and every one of you – we hope that you enjoy this opportunity.

Rotokauri School sustained little damage during Cyclone Gabrielle other than some branches down. However, we did have some large branches that were causing concern so we needed some help to ensure children's safety. Thank you to Mike Turney from Industry Hire for assisting us with removing these branches.

Ngaa mihi Desiree Smith

## **BOT NEWS**

#### Paid Union Meeting

The teaching staff have a Paid Union Meeting on Wednesday  $1^{st}$  March from 1.30 - 2.30 p.m. Rotokauri School will remain open on this afternoon but with limited staff available for supervision. If you would like to pick up your child/children at 12.30 p.m. please let the office know.

#### Teacher Only Day

The BOT have approved a Teacher Only Day for Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April. This means that school will resume for Term 2 on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April.

#### **Working Bee**

One of the BOT's goals this year is to improve the environment of Rotokauri School. We have a number of jobs that require some extra assistance e.g. gardening, painting, pruning, bark aeration, general cleanup under buildings and in the Enviro area. We will be holding a Working Bee for any parents/caregivers/extended whaanau on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March, starting at 9.00 a.m. The BOT will provide morning tea and a sausage sizzle for the wonderful helpers. We would need helpers to bring along – wheelbarrows, rakes, spades, chainsaw, paintbrushes, hammers and other gardening equipment. Please let me know if you are available to help <u>dsmith@rotokauri.school.nz</u>

#### Property Update

Unfortunately limited progress has been made with our Outdoor Learning Hub and new classroom projects. This is frustrating for all parties and we appreciate your patience. Over the holidays we were notified that the council has granted consent for our new classroom project to go forward. We are now awaiting contractors and Ministry timelines. The likely process will be – installing new sewer system, moving Rooms 7 & 8 to new position, delivery of two new classes with toilets, footpaths, and landscaping to complete the project. They will also be redeveloping (widening and sealing) the bottom driveway to include a turning bay.

The Outdoor Learning Hub is also moving slowly as we await the contractor & Ministry updates. Due to materials being difficult to source and an increase in costs an extension time period has been applied for by the contractor. However, this does not mean that we have stopped fundraising.

# **Outdoor Learning Hub Project Breakdown**

FUNDRAISING	MONEY RAISED (so far)	PROJECT WORK
Student Fundraising e.g.	\$13,000	Stage One
Skipathon, Basic Factathon		<ul> <li>Site preparation</li> </ul>
(turf)		(excavate, concrete
		base)
		<ul> <li>Re-establishment of concrete pad and wall</li> </ul>
		for students
Grants & Donations		Stage Two
PTA (turf)	\$25,000	<ul> <li>Canopy installation</li> </ul>
BOT Property Plan (MOE)	\$202,000	Stage Three
(shade)		Turf installation
		Stage Four
		<ul> <li>Installation of extras as</li> </ul>
		funds are available,
		could include:
		- Walls
		- Lighting
		- Sound
		- Seating

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### Term 1 dates – for your diary

Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	Get Set Go – Horotiu School
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Paid Union Meeting
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Junior Swimming Sports (5–8 year olds) – Rotokauri School
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Senior Swimming Sports (9 – 12 year olds) – Huntly Pools
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Hockey workshops (Years 3 – 8)
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	BOT meeting
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Hockey workshops (Years 3 – 8)
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Interschool swimming competition – Ngaruawahia Pools
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Hockey workshops (Years 3 – 8)
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	PTA AGM
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Hockey workshops (Years 3 – 8)
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Working Bee
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Waikato Full Primary School Swimming Competition –
	St Peters
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of Term 1

#### Senior Swimming Sports

The Senior School Swimming Sports (for children aged 9 -12 years) will be held on Friday 10 March at the Huntly Pools. We will be departing school just before 9.00 a.m. and returning to school by 2.55 p.m. A letter and permission slip will be sent home later this week. There will be a small cost to cover the cost for transport and hiring the pool.

We hope to start races around 9.45 a.m. and have changed the format for the day as we are now offering widths as well as lengths. Your child will select their races in class

with their teacher. If you are able to help as a marshal on the day, please email Sam Brinkworth at <u>sbrinkworth@rotokauri.school.nz</u>

#### **Cyclone Gabrielle Appeal**

Thank you to everyone that donated to the Cyclone Gabrielle Appeal held at Rotokauri School. We know that your contributions will be appreciated.



# **EVENTS**

#### Meet the Teacher

Thank you to all the parents that attended the Meet the Teacher evening on Monday. It was lovely to see families socialising and students enjoying the playgrounds and swimming pool. We hope that you found this evening helpful. Remember you can contact your child's classroom teacher by email or pop in if you have a question or concern.

#### **Bi/Triathlon**

On Friday 9th February the awesome staff at Rotokauri School ran our annual Biathlon/Triathlon event. We are so very proud of all of our students who took part in this event – it was very hot and wasn't easy!

Thanks to our support staff who helped out during the event 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 2023**

5 year old boys				
	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	
Biathlon	Sean Nadan	Vivaan Patel	Liam Lester	
Triathlon	Archer Crellin	Nirmann Paanu	Seān Parkes	

#### 5 year old girls

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Harper-Rose Beets	Georgia Esselbrugge	Murphy Cairns-Eade
Triathlon	Isla Cowley	-	-

#### 6 year old boys

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Marley Toia	Theo Cowley	Cody Calnan
Triathlon	Wilson Fisher-Murray	Casey Mancer	Cohen O'Brien

#### 6 year old girls

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Ada Westgate	Sophie Swain	Carys Land
Triathlon	Layla Day	Dot Warbrick	Harper Moka

#### 7 year old boys

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Tyler Akania	Blake Oulton-Hewitt	Kairo Sharma
Triathlon	Luke Vann	Zac Hoebergen	Carter Cowley

#### 7 year old girls

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Heidi Viljoen	Ruby Wilson	Tessa Spencer
Triathlon	Kayla van Rooij	Teagan Mancer	-

#### 8 year old boys

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Thomas Warner	Aston Burt	Kayden John
Triathlon	Jayden Day	Noxx Rogers	Corban Stratford

#### 8 year old girls

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Hannah-Leah Warbrick	Scarlett Swain	Lais Harihari
Triathlon	Indi Payne	Ellie-Rose Anderson	Keani Kingi

#### 9 year old boys

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2nd	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Koby Rose	Asa Robinson	Leelyn Clark
Triathlon	Carter Moka	Hugo Spencer	Jackson Connolly

#### 9 year old girls

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Elsie van Rooij	Shaan Judge	Ella Wen
Triathlon	Esme Gyde	-	-

#### 10 year old boys

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Cairo Nelson	Luca Rogers	Rhys Jorgensen
Triathlon	Leon Watkins	Liam Surgenor	Israel Warbrick

#### 10 year old girls

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Cavalier Kingi	Ava Esselbrugge	Coco Doody
Triathlon	Aja Jessop	Chloe Gyde	Rebecca Cameron

#### 11 year old boys

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Noah Rose	Reece Calnan	Flint Coyle
Triathlon	Ryan Keightley	Alex Dombroski	-

#### 11 year old girls

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Jiya Prajapati	Callista John	-
Triathlon	Pyper Gill	Ellie Fairclough	-

#### 12 year old boys

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Biathlon	Elijah Esselbrugge	Kees Rogers	Cooper Hobbs
Triathlon	Nate Westgate	Archie Cameron	Samuel Watkins

#### 12 year old girls

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd =</sup>
Biathlon	Acacia Barham	Leela Harris	-
Triathlon	Caitlin Furlonger	Holly Hoebergen	Jordyn Harihari

# CELEBRATIONS

#### <u>Values</u>

### <u>Week 3</u>

Oscar Hapi	Room 1	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
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Sean Nadan	Room 1	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Seān Parkes	Room 1	For demonstrating the value of respect.
Jace McLean	Room 5	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Elsie van Rooij	Room 6	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Jaide Zillwood	Room 6	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Cooper-Love Buckle	Room 6	For demonstrating the value of active learning.

#### Weeks 1 & 2

Seān Parkes	Room 1	For demonstrating the value of <b>respect</b> .
Nirmann Pannu	Room 1	For demonstrating the value of <b>courage.</b>
Cleo Mackrell	Room 2	For demonstrating the value of <b>courage.</b>
Kayla van Rooij	Room 4	For demonstrating the value of <b>courage.</b>
Koby Rose	Room 6	For demonstrating the value of <b>respect</b> .
Tommy Selwyn	Room 7	For demonstrating the value of <b>courage.</b>
James Ward	Room 8	For demonstrating the value of <b>empathy.</b>
Flint Coyle	Room 8	For demonstrating the value of <b>empathy.</b>

# Assembly Certificates Week 3

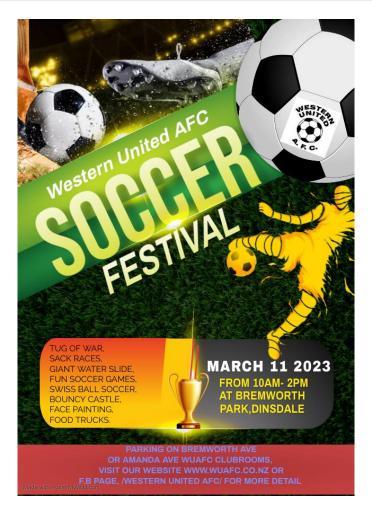
Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1	Oscar Hapi	For working hard to sit still on the mat and focus on his work.
Room 1	Sean Nadan	For being such a super helper in Room 1.
Room 2	Tyler Lester	For learning all about a part of the brain called the amygdala.
Room 2	Liam Lester	For learning all about a part of the brain called the amygdala.
Room 3	Louie Baker	For excellent work and helping others.
Room 3	Taj Judge	For working hard in class.
Room 4	Blake Oulton- Hewitt	Locating the correct information during our reading comprehension activity.
Room 4	Sophie Quinlan	Creating an effective and beautiful art project.
Room 5	Room 5	For showing empathy
Room 5	Carter Moka	For demonstrating active learning across the week.
Room 6	Isaac Steger	For being an active learner by always being prepared with the right gear.
Room 6	Kade Calnan	For being an active learner and showing courage by asking clarifying questions.

Room 7	Tommy Selwyn	For being an active learner by sharing insightful ideas
Room 7	Nature Aitchison	Showing kindness and respect towards her peers.
Room 8	Reece Calnan	For being an active learner and working hard in all areas of your learning.
Room 8	Kees Rogers	For being an active learner and working hard in all areas of your learning.

#### Week 2

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1	Seān Parkes	For showing the values of empathy and kindness to others in Room 1.
Room 1	Nirmaan Pannu	For his amazing energy and effort at our biathlon and triathlon.
Room 2	Cooper Wiseman	For your excellent start in Room 2 this year, you are showing the school values. Keep it up.
Room 2	Aroha Bhagat	For your determination in the biathlon. Be proud of your efforts.
Room 3	Casey Mancer	For always listening carefully and following instructions.
Room 3	Sophie Swain	For always enjoying school and for demonstrating the correct way to behave in all situations.
Room 4	Archie Hibbert	For showing the value of courage in the pool by holding his breath under the water. Well done.
Room 4	Corban Stratford	For coming up with some great ideas for our shared writing. Well done.
Room 5	Scarlett Swain	For perseverance in completing the Nature Scavenger Hunt.
Room 5	Indi Payne	For writing an amazing story, using only 20 chosen words.
Room 6	Nihil Maharaj	For being an awesome big buddy and showing all of our school values on the zoo trip.
Room 6	Koby Payne	For showing courage by speaking up more in class discussions.
Room 7	Cairo Nelson	For showing empathy towards his peers and being an active learner.
Room 7	Pyper Gill	For being a positive member of our intermediate team.
Room 8	Acacia Barham	For always showing courage and doing your best in all that you do.
Room 8	Regan Bennett	For being a valuable member of the peer mediator team and showing empathy.





# WESTERN UNITED AFC PRESENTS:

# CLUB DAY

Kids keen to try soccer?

The info days are a chance to have a kick around where children, aged four years and above, have the opportunity to experience football first hand. Parents/ caregivers can ask committee members & other parents questions about the First Kicks, Football Fun, & Mini Football programmes.

Western United AFC Committee invite all families to join us down at the park on Saturday 11th March 10-2pm for our Club Day of fun for some fun,

# BREMWORTH PARK, MARCH 11TH 10-2PM

HERE'S WHATS AVAILABLE AT WESTERN UNITED AFC: First Kicks 4 -6 year olds: Games are 1 hour skills sessions, every game is held at Bremworth Park on Saturday mornings from 8.30 till 10am. One practice during the week (Wed or Thurs evening). The focus is individual ball skills, having fun & making new friends.

Fun Football 7 - 8 year olds: Played in Hamilton and surrounding Waikato towns. Games last 1 hour, played each Saturday. Practice is held at Bremwort Park (Wed or Thurs evening). The focus is individual ball skills, having fun with your friends and making new ones.

Mini Football 9 - 10 year olds: Played in Hamilton and surrounding towns. These games last 50 mins for 9th & 10th Grade, 60 mins for 11th and up. Practice held at Bremworth park (Wed or Thurs evening). Games starts the first weekend of Term 2 . With no games held during school

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16 years old



