

Rotokauri School Newsletter



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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 1a: Shay Gill, Arlo Hewitt and Emily Viji George

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

Ngaa mihi nui.

PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

Well, we have almost made it to the end of Term 3 and we are so grateful for the beautiful weather. Time to review what we have accomplished this term – Keeping Ourselves Safe, visit from an Olympian to the intermediate classes, Firewise visit to the junior classes, our awesome whole school production of The Amazing Race, school and cluster cross country, Daffodil Day, school and cluster speeches, Maori Language Week, Keep NZ Beautiful, student led conferences, Book Week, cricket workshops and a hockey tournament for Year 7 & 8.

Thank you to the PTA for all their fundraising this term – Oxford Pies and Gumdrops Desserts and thank you to everyone that supports the fundraising.

Thank you to the BOT for continuing to make progress with beautifying our school and for working with the Ministry of Education and contractors to complete our building project. So many opportunities and so many successes.

Good luck to the students that are caring for and training lambs, calves or kids for Agricultural Day which will be held in Week 1 next term.
Have a great holiday everyone and we will see you all on the first day of Term 4, Monday 9th October.

Ngaa mihi
Desiree Smith

BOT NEWS

- The Board would like to acknowledge and thank Whaea Jojo for all her efforts and commitment to Kapa Haka this year. The Kapa Haka Festival last Friday showed how far the group have come since this time last year. They have improved their skills and look amazing in their new uniforms.
- During the holidays our bottom carpark will be undergoing a facelift. The entrance will be widened, new fencing erected, driveway widened and sealed, and a turning bay by Room 10 will be completed. The building company would like to notify Rotokauri residents that there may need to be some traffic management on Rotokauri Road whilst this project is underway.
- Painting of the MPR will be completed.
- **A stern reminder – we are getting complaints about school parents/caregivers doing dangerous u-turns outside Rotokauri School. There have been a number of near misses. Please show respect and think about your driving behaviours before executing such manoeuvres. We also constantly hear about parents blocking the busbay by getting out or parking on yellow lines or in carparks that obscure vision when departing the school. Parents please note the number plate and share the incident with the Principal – we do have cameras that record the carpark behaviours.**



GENERAL INFORMATION

Sunhats

Term 4 is the time we need to wear our school sunhats. Please take the time before the start of Term 4 to check that there is no graffiti or embellishments on hats, that they are not damaged (e.g. rolled rim) or have missing toggles. If needed, new hats can be purchased at the school office for \$18.00.

Student Led Conferences

Thank you to all the parents/caregivers that were able to attend the Student Led Conferences on Monday and Tuesday this week. We hope that you enjoyed learning about your child's education and progress.

Bookweek Activities

A busy week in the MPR with the Scholastic Book Fair running from Monday – Thursday. Thank you to everyone that has come in to purchase books for their children. On Friday we have the Book Character Dress Up Day.

Students Leaving/Students Attending – IMPORTANT INFORMATION NEEDED A.S.A.P

This is the third time that this has been published in our newsletters. Please help the school by communicating with us about your child's position at Rotokauri School for 2024. We need to know how many students (other than Year 8s) will be leaving to attend other primary schools or intermediates. We are also hearing rumours of new students that are in zone that are hoping to enrol next year. Could you please email the Principal (dsmith@rotokauri.school.nz) with a notification of non-attendance or a new enrolment for 2024. Thank you.

Summer Sports – Term 4

All fees must be paid before the first game of your child's chosen sport.

If you have any questions about a specific sporting code, please get in contact with one of the following teachers in charge of a summer sport:

- Touch - Mr Brinkworth sbrinkworth@rotokauri.school.nz
- Futsal - Mr Park kpark@rotokauri.school.nz
- Mini ball/Basketball - Mr Brinkworth sbrinkworth@rotokauri.school.nz
- Water Polo - Mr Brinkworth sbrinkworth@rotokauri.school.nz

Getting Nate to Spain

Thank you to all the students that supported Nate last week by attending the lunchtime disco. \$700 was fundraised. This week we have the Bake Sale.

CELEBRATIONS

Waikato Full Primary School Speeches

Congratulations to Jordyn Harihari for her 2nd placing in the Year 8 girls competition.

Year 8 Girls

	Student	Topic	School
1	Brooklyn Bayliss	Lucid dreaming	Te Uku
2	Jordyn Harihari	Women who have helped the revival of Māori tikanga	Rotokauri
3	Daniela Jacome	The Truth Behind Disney Characters	Southwell School
4	Cassidy Ripley	New Zealand Land Wars	Gordonton School
5	Ella Dela Cruz	Words	Ōhaupō School
6	Isabella Bond	Self Love	Hautapu School

Cheerleading Success

I always feel a great swell of pride when students share their success outside of school. Congratulations to Paige Robinson Hastings for her recent success. We are all so proud of you!!!

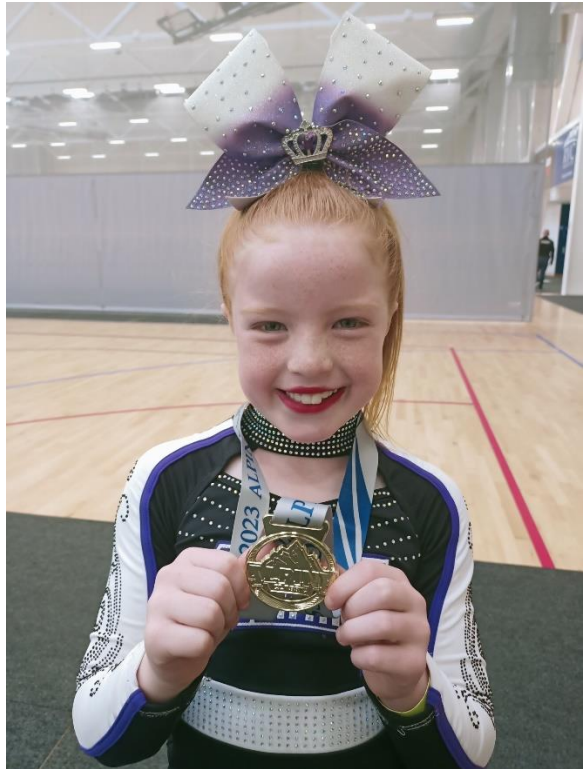
Paige competed in Rangiora, Christchurch at the Alpine Classic Cheerleading Competition last weekend. She was very nervous but excited, her first time on a plane too.

Paige competes at a Junior Level 2 division, which is a big step up for her. Being in a big girl team has really inspired Paige to dream big and have all these goals.

Paige's team had a successful weekend in Christchurch and they came home with the gold!!



They were incredible to watch but a bit scary for Mum and Dad as Paige gets thrown in the air.



Values

Week 8		
Teagan Russell	Room 1A	For demonstrating the value of active learning .
Poppy Sadler-Singh	Room 1	For demonstrating the value of empathy .
Monik Prajapati	Room 2	For demonstrating the value of active learning .
Ruby Wilson	Room 4	For demonstrating the value of active learning .
Turner Wallace	Room 5	For demonstrating the value of active learning .
Ella Wen	Room 6	For demonstrating the value of respect .
Liam Surgenor	Room 7	For demonstrating the value of active learning .
Flint Coyle	Room 8	For demonstrating the value of active learning .

Assembly Certificates

Term 3 Week 8

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1A	Penny Clarke-Gray	For her amazing knowledge of letters names and sounds and being an active learner.
Room 1	Maia Langdon	For showing great improvement in your reading. Fantastic!
Room 1	Oscar Hapi	For working hard to focus when sitting on the mat. Keep it up!
Room 2	Grayson Ireton	For being organised and following routines at the end of each day independently.
Room 2	Isla Cowley	For staying on task and getting lots of learning completed. Well done.
Room 3	Ryan Bhagat	Focussing on his work and making sure it is finished.
Room 3	Violet Short	Always showing our school REACH values in all that she does.
Room 4	Marley Toia	For working hard in his writing by adding descriptive words.
Room 4	Luke Vann	For working hard on his artwork by taking his time.
Room 5	Lais Harihari	For excellent critical thinking when solving algebra problems.
Room 5	Ella Boswell	For excellent team work to solve algebra problems.
Room 6	Leelyn Clark	For being an active learner, focused on completing his project.
Room 6	Kade Calnan	For being an active learner, working with creativity and independence.
Room 8	Acacia Barham	For being an active learner and making great progress in your reading.
Room 8	Kaeleb Beets	For being an active learner and making great progress in your reading.

Term 3 Week 9

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1A	Karish Bhagat	For always being a super helper in the class. Well done Karish!
Room 1A	Isabelle Ryan	For always being kind and friendly to class members. Keep it up Izzy!
Room 1	Logan Beer	For doing a great job of his Yearbook title page. Amazing!
Room 1	Seán Parkes	For showing great improvement in his reading. Fantastic!
Room 2	Evie Hippolite	For demonstrating great understanding of patterns in maths.
Room 2	Murphy Cairns-Eade	For excellent progress in reading this term.
Room 7	Jared Hippolite	For working hard in class, especially on his traditional Maori games inquiry.
Room 8	Samuel Watkins	For consistently showing our school REACH values.
Room 8	Maddix Anniss	For working hard and showing great problem solving skills in maths.

SOLAR PARTNERS



FUNDRAISING FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE

SOLAR KITS SEPTEMBER 1ST 2023 - OCTOBER 31ST 2023

Solar PV kits available to Parents, Teachers along with Friends and Family of Rotokauri School.

All kits will be installed by the team at Ace Electrical who installed earlier in the year on Rotokauri school as pictured below.

A Donation will be made to Rotokauri school for every kit installed.

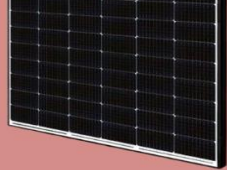


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- 1 x FIMER UNO 3.0kW single-phase DC Inverter
- Black Racking

\$350 donated to Rotokauri School from each system sold



4.98kW DC kit
Designed for 2-3 bedroom homes.

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- 12 x Canadian Solar 415W Solar Panels
- 1 x Canadian Solar 5kW single-phase DC Inverter
- Black Racking

\$500 donated to Rotokauri School from each system sold



Solar system installed by Ace Electrical on Rotokauri school | Installed Canadian Solar 550W Solar Panels with FIMER PVS 15kW inverter

Terms and Conditions

- All jobs subject to electrical and mechanical scoping prior to installation.
- Systems installed by Ace Electrical.
- Payment terms: 30% Payment up front, 70% balance on completion of electrical mechanical install
- Donation to the school will be made when the account is paid in full.



Email: info@solarpartnersnz.co.nz for further details.

Thank you Solar Partners & Bernie Dombroski for the installation of our solar panels on the MPR.

TOTS TO TEENS

CHILDHOOD IN AOTEAROA

Spring time is upon us, and our latest issue is jam-packed with content to help Kiwi parents <https://issue2309.totstoteens.co.nz>

What's in this issue for parents?

- » Calm, cool, co-regulation tips
- » How tamariki learn to read
- » Is your kid ready for sleepovers?
- » Adorable and tasty slice recipes
- » What's on near you
- » Going outside for healthier eyes
- » Itchy, scratchy spring time support
- » Molluscum contagiosum... what is it?!
- » Slimy spooky craft

A vibrant advertisement for 'SUPER SMASH HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES'. The background is a mix of orange, pink, and purple with diagonal stripes. On the left, a cartoon character of a baseball bat wearing a cap and holding a bat is shown. A speech bubble from the character says 'Join the fun and games with friends.' In the center, a large circular logo contains the text 'SUPER SMASH HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES'. On the right, two children are shown: a girl in a 'SUPER SMASH' jersey holding a bat, and a boy in a 'Phillips' jersey with his hands raised in surprise. At the bottom, the text reads 'HAMILTON WAIKATO UNIVERSITY YR 1-4 SOFTBALL- 2nd & 3rd Oct YR 5-8 HARDBALL- 4th & 5th Oct'.

Visit ndcricket.co.nz/programmes to register.
For more information contact programmes@ndca.co.nz



Kia ora,

We have teamed up with some local sporting codes to bring you the Multi Sport Give it a Go! Holiday Programme.

We are excited to offer Softball, Touch, Football, Fencing, Rugby, Squash, Cricket, Ultimate Frisbee, Volleyball, Netball, Trikes, Fencing, and Yoga!

When: Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th of September

Where: Fraser High School

Time: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Price: \$20 per day

This programme is open to boys and girls who are Year 5-8 and is suitable for all abilities. Please click the following link for more information: <https://netballhamilton.org.nz/multi-sport-give-it-a-go>

To register, click the following link: <https://netballhamilton.org.nz/holiday-programme>

Any issues or queries, please contact Aoife at junior@netballhamilton.org.nz ph 07 847 4007

School Holiday Activity Ideas

We have listings for [all regions of New Zealand](#) but *if you specifically wanted to link to Hamilton holiday fun* you can check out and link by [CLICKING HERE](#) or we have a number of [other Waikato pages](#) too.

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