Rotokauri School Newsletter



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Lunch Time Disco

Date: Friday 8th December 2023

Venue: Rotokauri School Multi Purpose Room

Cost: \$2.00 per student

Times: Years 1-4 12.00 noon — 12.45 pm

Years 5-8 1.00 pm —2.00 pm

Theme: Christmas time - Dressing up is optional but lots of fun.

Food: Available to purchase

As this is an in-school disco, the usual permission slip will not be required.



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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 students that have started at Rotokauri School recently –

Room 1a: Psalm Rhind

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

Ngaa mihi nui.

PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

The countdown to the end of the year has begun. Stationery and class lists have been finalized for 2024, and school reports are being checked before printing. If you would like to know your child/children's classes for next year please email their classroom teacher, otherwise these will be announced on Tuesday 12th December when reports come home.

The BOT have appointed a new staff member Mrs Julie Bradshaw and we will welcome her to Rotokauri School in the new year.

Classes for 2024

Room 1	Year 1	Suz Brosnan	Will move back to old Room 1 building
Room 2	Year 1 & 2	Andrea O'Rourke	Will move back to old Room 2 building
Room 3	Year 2 & 3	Julie Bradshaw	Remain in Room 3
Room 4	Year 3	Claire Walker	Remain in Room 4
Room 5	Year 4	Diana Donovan	Will move to Room 6 building
Room 6	Year 5	Kyle Park	Will move to Room 7 building
Room 7	Year 6 & 7	Sam Brinkworth	Will move to Room 8 building
Room 8	Year 7 & 8	Jane Rickman	Remain in Room 9

This will mean that Room 5 will be vacant, due to some property improvements scheduled to begin in 2024 e.g. toilet block upgrade, deck upgrade. The staff are also investigating possible changes to names of classrooms, rather than the traditional numbers.

What's coming up -

Thursday 7 th December	Year 8 Leavers Dinner
Monday 11 th December	Prizegiving
Tuesday 12 th December	BOT meeting
Thursday 14 th December	Last day of term

Don't forget that the swimming pool opens on Monday 4th December and the expectation is that students will be swimming on a daily basis. Thank you to the parents that have volunteered to run the swimming pool throughout the holidays. We appreciate your support with this. Swimming pool keys are available for sale from the school office. Keys are \$100 for the season, with a \$10 bond also payable.

A reminder that this Friday we have a fundraising barbeque to support Ella Burt with her competing at the Australian Youth Water Polo Championships and we are accepting orders for our school yearbook.

Last week I had the privilege of accepting the donation of a beautiful korowai on behalf of the school. This korowai was handcrafted by Granny Peg – Heidi Viljoen and Theo Winikerei's great grandma. The family has a long history with Rotokauri School and Granny Peg wanted to create this special gift for any student of Rotokauri School to use when a special occasion arises. Granny Peg has always been an amazing crafter, but it wasn't until the ripe age of 80 that she visited the Turangawaewae Marae to learn from an elder the art of korowai making. The korowai has been blessed by a special family friend, ably assisted by Heidi. (Thank you Brooklyn Winikerei (nee Smith) for the wonderful information)

The school will treasure this gift and stand proud when wearing it.



Have a great final fortnight everyone.

Ngaa mihi

Desiree Smith

PTA NEWS

Another successful Car Show and Gala has come to an end and it wouldn't have been the success it was without the support of our Rotokauri whānau. Thank you so much for all your efforts and continuous support in helping make this fundraiser a success. With your help, we raised \$15,315! As a community we should be extremely proud of these efforts.

Again, we are truly grateful for all your support, and look forward to another successful car show and gala for 2024!

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou,

The Rotokauri School PTA



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THANK YOU

A huge **Thank You** to the members of the PTA, Rotokauri Staff, Rotokauri Families, The Community and all our wonderful sponsors. This event wouldn't be possible if it wasn't for your help and support.

BOT NEWS

- Thank you to everyone for adapting so quickly to the new parking schedule, with the opening of the second driveway (Gate 2). We hope that the pressure in the carpark when picking up your child/children has eased somewhat.
- Next week the BOT will be sending home a parent survey to gather parent voice as part of our annual strategic planning. This will come via a Google Form so keep an eye out for it in your emails.
- Thank you to Sue Esselbrugge for all her hard work upgrading the school website. We are hoping to make this active in the new year. Sue has also organized for a modernization of our school logo, this is part of our school survey so let us know which one you prefer.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Stationery Lists

Once again the school has organized for the purchase of stationery through OfficeMax. This is an online process and stationery is delivered to your homes.

CELEBRATIONS

Values

Term 4

Week 6		
Charlie Fenn	Room 1a	For demonstrating the value of respect .
Leo Ruston	Room 1	For demonstrating the value of courage .
Shia Paterson	Room 2	For demonstrating the value of respect.
Violet Short	Room 3	For demonstrating the value of empathy .
Ruby Wilson	Room 4	For demonstrating the value of respect .
Talia Hefferon	Room 5	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Koby Rose	Room 6	For demonstrating the value of empathy .
Nate Turney	Room 7	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Guy Johnstone	Room 8	For demonstrating the value of active learning.

Week 7		
Harry Martin	Room 1a	For demonstrating the value of respect .
Cole Dutton	Room 1	For demonstrating the value of empathy .
Te Aria Kingi	Room 2	For demonstrating the value of respect .
Eason Lu	Room 3	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Jacques Booyens	Room 4	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Anna Haldane	Room 5	For demonstrating the value of respect .
Esme Gyde	Room 6	For demonstrating the value of empathy .
Nature Aitchison	Room 7	For demonstrating the value of respect .
Holly Hoebergen	Room 8	For demonstrating the value of courage .

Assembly Certificates

Term 4 Week 6

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1A	Emilynn Viji George	For working hard to learn all the letters of the alphabet. Well done Emilynn!
Room 1A	Bray Corlett	For working hard to learn the class routines. Well done Bray!
Room 1	Amaia Matenga	For showing the value of courage in the mornings and when you're class leader.
Room 1	Cole Dutton	For showing more independence in the morning and during learning time.
Room 2	Aedenn Tan	For your participation in athletics, you are good at throwing the vortex.
Room 2	Cooper Wiseman	For showing courage in reading and having a go at a tricky story.
Room 4	Corban Stratford	For being an awesome member of Room 4.
Room 4	Druvi Patel	For being an awesome member and bringing food for Diwali to Room 4.
Room 5	Hannah-Leah Warbrick	Your amazing photography this week.
Room 5	Keani Kingi	For learning all of your times tables.
Room 8	Maddix Anniss	For brilliant understanding of the symbolism in our reading task today.
Room 8	Archie Cameron	For your great Manhunt Camp Comic - very entertaining!

Term 4 Week 7

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Room 1A	Devyn Sharma	For working hard to sound out words and read sentences. Well done!
Room 1A	Karish Bhagat	For working hard to improve his writing. Well done Karish!
Room 1	Atlas Williams	For being an active learner by making great progress with your spelling and reading. Super job!
Room 1	Link Doody	For being an Active Learner by working hard to focus on your work. Keep it up!
Room 2	Te Aria Kingi	For having a go at "Big Maths" and being a risk taker.
Room 2	Cody Calnan	For your great effort in reading this week.
Room 3	Louie Baker	For always showing respect by actively listening on the mat.
Room 3	Shepard Cairns-Eade	For showing empathy to her fellow classmates. Ka Pai Shepard!
Room 4	Theo Winikerei	For showing enthusiasm for his passion project.
Room 4	Sophie Quinlan	For just being an awesome helper in Room 4.
Room 5	Jace McLean	Showing Empathy and patience as you taught younger kids some new skills, Ka Pai.
Room 5	Mahi Sharma	Demonstrating Rotokauri School value of empathy within our classroom, Well done:)
Room 8	Lachie Anderson	Supporting others to learn their Word Lab spelling words and knowing your own really well.
Room 8	Nirav Maharaj	Your excellent Camp Comic strip - congratulations!



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