

School Newsletter

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MISSION STATEMENT

Our positive environment will actively engage us all in learning.



VALUES

Unity (Kotahitanga)
Inclusive (Manaakitanga)
Guardianship (Kaitiakitanga)
Innovative (Auahatanga)
Happy (Uruhau)
Responsible (Tuutika)



Respect - Whakaute

We show that we value ourselves, value others, our school and our environment.

Empathy - Ngākau Aroha

We are able to step into the shoes of another person and try to understand their thoughts and feelings.

Active Learning - Mātātoa

We don't give up, even when we are challenged.

Courage - Mārohirohi

We are brave as we face new experiences and difficult situations.

Honesty - Ngākau Pono

Speaking and acting truthfully.



PRINCIPAL'S PIECE

Kia ora Rotokauri School whaanau

I hope that you all enjoyed your long weekend with the King's Birthday last Monday. We are over half way through the term, due to the fact that it is scheduled for only 9 weeks. The weather has become colder and unfortunately that signifies the start of the flu season. As you may have seen in the news, New Zealand has a reliever teacher shortage. While we do everything possible to ensure a teacher for every classroom, sometimes the only option will be to split a class for the day. This will obviously be a last resort but unfortunately, an issue that all schools are currently dealing with.

We have also been notified by the Ministry of Education that COVID is within our local schools, so we ask that you are vigilant with hand sanitising and monitoring your child/children for symptoms of being unwell.

If you need to collect your child/children for an appointment during the school day or to attend open days at high schools, please contact the school in the morning. This allows teachers to adjust your child's learning programme if needed. It is often difficult to find children during the morning tea and lunch break times, so please be aware of this. If your child is attending an appointment it is not okay for your child to miss a whole day of school for a 30 minute appointment.

As we head into the potentially wet weather month, please be mindful of the conditions during school drop-off and pick-up times. Increased traffic and slippery surfaces can make these times busier and require extra caution. Please allow more time and consider alternative parking options if needed to ensure the safety of all our tamariki and whaanau.

Inevitably with the wet weather we have wet children. Can we please ask that you send a change of clothes with your child to school each day, especially if they are active students that will play on the field areas.

A reminder that we have a mandated Teacher Only Day on Thursday 19th June - school will be CLOSED on this day.

Keep dry everyone and stay safe on the roads.

Ngaa mihi Desiree Smith Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 9th June	Year 7 & 8 Tech
Tuesday 10th June	PTA meeting
Thursday 12th June	Junior Tough Guy and Gal
Friday 13th June	Ki-o-rahi Tournament at Horotiu School for Years 7 & 8
Monday 16th June	Year 7 & 8 Tech
Monday 16th June	Observatory visit 7.30 p.m
Tuesday 17th June	Observatory visit 7.30 p.m
Tuesday 17th June	BOT meeting
Tuesday 17th June	Matariki rotations
Wednesday 18th June	Matariki rotations
Thursday 19th June	Mandated Teacher Only Day - no school
Friday 20th June	Matariki - no school
Monday 23rd June	Year 7 & 8 Tech
Tuesday 24th June	Market Day (Rooms 7 - 10)
Thursday 26th June	Student Council Lunchtime Disco Theme: Pyjamas
Friday 27th June	Last day of Term 2
Monday 14th July	First day of Term 3

GENERAL INFORMATION

Agricultural Day Interest

It is that time of year when the organisation of our Agricultural Day gets underway for our school and cluster. Our annual event will be held on 15 October and we would like to know the amount of interest expressed by families for students participating with lambs, kids (goats) and calves. We have extended the time as we have only had 7 students show an interest so far.

For this event to go ahead we would need at least 20 entries, as there is considerable organisation prior to the event. Please indicate your interest by 13 June 2025, at which time a final decision will be made.

Reminder: Matariki at the Observatory

Don't miss our upcoming trip to the Hamilton Observatory. Families can book tickets via the Kindo app for one of the evening sessions on Monday, 16 June, or Tuesday, 17 June, from 7.30 pm to 10.30 pm. Spaces are limited and a minimum number is needed for the event to go ahead—get in quick to secure your spot! Adult ticket \$12.00, child \$6.00. The observatory is located next to the Hamilton Zoo, at 183 Brymer Road.

Matariki Rotation Workshops

As a school, we are planning to celebrate Matariki with student workshops on the 17th and 18th of June. Children will take part in a range of activities, including harakeke weaving, kite making, kapa haka and more. If you're available to help run a workshop or support teachers on those days, please email your child's classroom teacher—we'd love your involvement.

Rotokauri School Sports Hoodies - Orders - Still Open!

We're excited to launch our brand-new Rotokauri School Sports Hoodies – now available to order online for a limited time! These high-quality navy Cloke hoodies are perfect for school sports events or everyday wear, and come in a full range of sizes from kids through to adults. A sizing chart is available to help you get the right fit. **Orders will close on 15th June**, so don't miss out! All hoodies will be delivered to school for easy collection. Please note there is a minimum order of 20 hoodies required – if this isn't reached, all payments will be fully refunded. Get your order in today and show your Rotokauri pride in style!

https://logou2.com/product/rotokauri-school-hoodie/



CELEBRATIONS

Values Awards		Term 2 Week 3
Thomas Playford	Rātā Room 1	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Lukas Sims	Mānuka Room 2	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Psalm Rhind	Tōtara Room 3	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Vivaan Bhagat	Ponga Room 4	For demonstrating the value of honesty.
Harper Moka	Pūriri Room 6	For demonstrating the value of courage.
Marley Toia	Mataī Room 7	For demonstrating the value of empathy.
Sophie Quinlan	Nīkau Room 8	For demonstrating the value of courage.
Mackenzie O'Rourke	Kauri Room 9	For demonstrating the value of courage.
Scarlett Swain	Kahikatea Room 10	For demonstrating the value of empathy.

Values Awards		Term 2 Week 4
Asees Kaur	Rātā Room 1	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Ivey Griffin	Mānuka Room 2	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Reign Makuch	Tōtara Room 3	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Liam Lester	Ponga Room 4	For demonstrating the value of empathy.
Shia Paterson	Pūriri Room 6	For demonstrating the value of courage.
Corban Stratford	Mataī Room 7	For demonstrating the value of honesty.
Khloe Bennett	Nīkau Room 8	For demonstrating the value of honesty.
Ariesha Nand	Kauri Room 9	For demonstrating the value of active learning.
Cooper-Love Buckle	Kahikatea Room 10	For demonstrating the value of active learning.

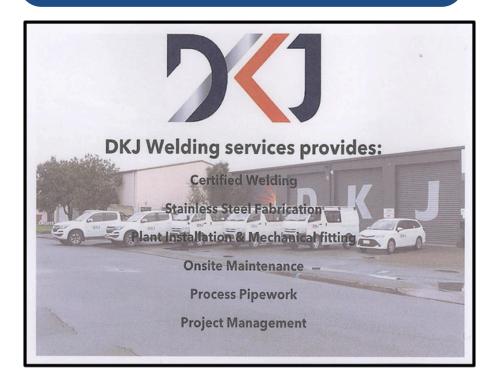
Week 4 Term 2

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Rātā Room 1	Jackson McConnell	For being an Active Learner and trying his best in all areas of school. Keep it up Jackson!
Rātā Room 1	Hudson Gibbison	For being an Active Learner and trying his best in all areas of school. Keep it up Hudson!
Mānuka Room 2	Kabir Hari	For sharing your thinking about shapes.
Mānuka Room 2	Avitaj Sangha	For having an outstanding week, you should be very proud of what you have achieved.
Tōtara Room 3	Leighton Gibbison	For working super hard in maths and doing an awesome job. Keep it up.
Tōtara Room 3	Lexi Viljoen	For doing great writing and trying her best. Well done!
Ponga Room 4	Leo Hefferon	For being an active learner with his maths.
Ponga Room 4	Oscar Hapi	For taking on new class responsibilities.
Pūriri Room 6	Zaylee van den Heever	Being such a great all rounder.
Pūriri Room 6	Charlotte Land	Conquering your pencil.
Mataī Room 7	Ruby Wilson	For smashing the black belt challenge.
Mataī Room 7	Harry Gyde	For smashing the black belt challenge.
Nīkau Room 8	Ada Westgate	For being really responsible.
Nīkau Room 8	Vincent Warner	For being an active learner in literacy. Some great work this week in study ladder.
Kauri Room 9	Thomas Warner	For his great progress in writing.
Kauri Room 9	Hannah-Leah Warbrick	For always showing our school REACH values.
Kahikatea Room 10	Mya Hoebergen	For good leadership when organising the bake sale team.
Kahikatea Room 10	Rebecca Cameron	For working hard in your reading and writing.
Kahikatea Room 10	Chloe Gyde	For your hard work on the barbeque at the Football Tournament.

Week 5 Term 2

Class	Student's Name	Certificate Comment
Rātā Room 1	Olivia Etheridge	For being an Active Learner and always trying her best. Keep it up!
Rātā Room 1	Asees Kaur	For showing whole body listening during mat time and always doing her best. Keep it up!
Mānuka Room 2	Ben Fyers	For your awesome effort in all your work, you are a motivated learner.
Mānuka Room 2	Pippa Cloete	For being a kind and smiling member of our class.
Tōtara Room 3	Kaylee Wen	For being an active learner who puts in great effort and takes part in class activities.
Tōtara Room 3	Reign Makuch	For being responsible and always helping others.
Ponga Room 4	Vivaan Bhagat	For taking on class responsibilities and being a role model as an iPad monitor.
Ponga Room 4	Nirmaan Pannu	For being an active learner by working hard and producing great writing.
Mataī Room 7	Joseph Willis	For working hard in his writing with complex sentences.
Mataī Room 7	Cohen Harris	For understanding dependent and independent clauses in his writing.
Nīkau Room 8	Taj Judge	For active learning - working really hard in all areas.
Nīkau Room 8	Dot Warbrick	For being really responsible and helpful.

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