# Rotokauri School Newsletter



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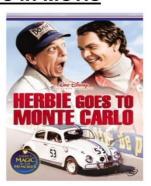


#### Presents the Rotokauri School Drive in Movie

Date: 14th November 2015

Location: Rotokauri School field, Rotokauri Road (only 2 minutes from Hamilton Zoo)

Movie: Herbie goes to Monte Carlo Rating: G running time 100 minutes



CAR TICKETS - \$40.00 (as many people as you can fit in your car)
WALK IN TICKETS - \$5.00 (bring a blanket or chair)

GATES OPEN 6.30pm Gates Close 8.00pm Movie starts at 8.30pm

<u>Tickets available from:</u> Rotokauri School office, Rotokauri Road, Florist ilene, 129 Commerce Street, Frankton or email marie.carlson@outlook.co.nz

Thank you to our main sponsors:









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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 our students in learning.

#### ROTOKAURI SCHOOL VISION

We are responsible, confident learners and communicators.

#### **ROTOKAURI SCHOOL VALUES**

Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Persistence and Excellence.

#### NEW ROAD MARKINGS IN OUR CAR PARK

People using our car park will have noticed that we have new markings. These markings were designed to keep our students safe, while allowing traffic to flow as smoothly as possible. At the front of the school leading out onto the road you will have seen a special area which allows our students to safely access an area to cross the road. Often you will see teachers taking students across the road. Under no circumstances are parents to park on the areas set out where the students are to cross Rotokauri Road. The areas are clearly marked **No Parking** and have diagonal lines to show parking is not permitted.

#### DRIVE IN MOVIE / CAR SHOW AND GALA

These are the schools big events of the year and they take place on the same weekend. The Drive in Movie is on Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> November and the Car Show and Gala takes place on Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> November. **The PTA need a lot of volunteers to run these events.** If you are willing to help at either of these events can you please inform Sharon at the office.

#### AGRICULTURAL DAY

A big thank you to all the teachers and students who made this day such a big success. Agricultural days are becoming less frequent in semi-rural schools these days which is a bit of a shame. Agricultural days used to be a New Zealand rural school institution but as cities have grown and rural land has become more urbanised we are starting to witness the decline of Agricultural days.

To make an Agricultural day a success you need a Mission Control, a bit like NASA. We are so lucky to have Sharon Verstraten who each and every year plans our Agricultural Day so that it runs like clockwork. Much of this organisation starts months in advance of the big day with the ordering of ribbons and gaining of sponsorship. During the actual day Sharon locates herself in the old skyline PE shed on the field and takes in all the results as they come to hand. Thank you for all this effort Sharon

# ROTOKAURI SCHOOL AGRICULTURAL DAY RESULTS - SHIELDS AND TROPHIES 2015

#### **LAMB**

Lamb Points Trophy – *Olly Kells & Thomas Perham* – *38 points*Most Obvious Pet Trophy – *Thomas Perham*Lamb Leading Trophy - *Olly Kells*Lamb Rearing Shield – *Thomas Perham* 

#### **GOAT**

Points Trophy - Doug McFarlane Shield – *Kyah Duncan* – *38 points* Goat Most Obvious Pet Trophy – *Olivia Robinson* Goat Leading Trophy - *Amarah Duncan* Goat Rearing Trophy – *Cassie Hayde* 

#### **CALF**

Calf Points Trophy - *Jaimee Carlson* – *30 points*Calf Leading Trophy - *Jaimee Carlson*Calf Rearing Shield – *Bailey Lochore-Halpin*Dairy Type Trophy – *Jessica Cuff* 

#### **CHICKEN**

Rearing Champion – *Corbyn Smith*Most Obvious Pet Champion – *Tegan Barham*Junior Champion – *Oliver Selwyn*Intermediate Champion – *Corbyn Smith*Senior Champion – *Olivia Robinson*CHAMPION CHICKEN – *Olivia Robinson* 

























#### **TEACHER ONLY DAY**

A reminder that Teacher Only Day is on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> November. Children will need to be picked up at 12.30 pm so that teachers can attend a curriculum course.

#### **ART AUCTION**

I'm writing this before the end of the auction but clearly a number of our pieces of artwork have reached the reserve prices and therefore will be sold. Students have had the chance to view all the art work outside of my office and because of the wonderful art week organised by Miss Smith last term have a real lasting appreciation of Art. Thank you to all of the artists who produced works of art for our Art Auction.

#### WHITE PAPER

The IDC White Paper presents research that forecasts the most in demand skills and competencies in 2020. Top skills for all occupations:

- Oral and written communication skills
- Detail orientated
- Microsoft Office computer skills
- Consumer service orientated
- Organisational skills
- Problem solving skills

Our school provides our students with opportunities to practice and refine a number of these skills. This year our junior school has targeted Oral Language as an area that they are focusing on.

#### **ROTOKAURI STAFF**

What the White Paper doesn't talk about is the importance of having quality staff in any business or organisation.

At Rotokauri School we are so lucky to have such passionate teachers and support staff who focus on providing our students with exciting learning opportunities. Teaching in the 21st century has become very technical but at the heart of it there still remains the joy of working with students.

I thank all the staff at Rotokauri School for the amazing things they do for all of our students on a daily basis.

#### INTERESTING

When you have exhausted all possibilities, remember this: You haven't. (*Thomas Edison*)

#### TROPHY RETURN

It is the time of year that we need to gather in all Rotokauri School cups and shields so they can be engraved. If you have any trophies at home i.e. speech, Agricultural Day and end of year awards please return them to the school office as soon as possible.

#### SENIOR SYNDICATE FIELD TRIP: HAMILTON GARDENS

Just a reminder that Rooms 4, 5, 6 and 7 will be visiting the Hamilton Gardens on **Wednesday**, **28**<sup>th</sup> **October**.

As part of our "Growing Our Ideas" unit, where students are exploring gardens from around the world, we are taking the Senior Syndicate to the Hamilton Gardens. We are requesting parent help for this day - a huge thanks to those parents who have offered to help, we are still requiring more parent help though.

We will be leaving school at approximately **9.30 am** and heading to the Hamilton Gardens via bus. We do have some space on the bus for parents to travel with us, otherwise parent helpers can meet us there. The cost of this trip is **\$5 per student** – this covers the cost of the bus. We will have lunch at the gardens and will be returning to school at **2:00pm**.

Please complete the authorisation form that was sent home with your child and return with the \$5 payment to the school office by Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October.

(Extra forms are available from your child's classroom teacher or from the office, if required). We thank you for your ongoing support.

#### AROUND THE BRIDGES SCHOOL TEAM

If anyone is thinking of running the Around the Bridges Fun Run on the 15<sup>th</sup> November, you can find out how to enter here. We have created a school profile so you can enter the school team or individually. Please follow these instructions to register or just go to the website for more information. It is the same day as our Rotokauri Car Show, so keep that in mind if you're are going to be involved in that.

How to sign up for the school team:

- Go to <a href="http://www.roundthebridges.co.nz/">http://www.roundthebridges.co.nz/</a> and click 'enter' at the top right.
- Enter your details.
- The net part will ask if you are part of a team click 'yes'.
- Then it will ask if you are creating a team click 'no'.
- Then it will ask you to select a team we are called 'Rotokauri Runners'.
- Then select your distance.
- Next info is medical details you don't need a Staff ID where it asks for one.
- Then there are some <u>optional</u> charities to donate to.
- Then there is a shop you can buy gear from.
- Review info.
- Confirm.

Nothing could be easier! No money is required to come to school. Check the website for payment options and for more information.



#### **YUMMY STICKERS**

Thank you to everyone who has been bringing in Yummy stickers from their fruit. We got just under 4 thousand stickers, which gave us a total of \$396 to spend on sports equipment. Please keep them coming in. You can put your completed charts in the drawer in the student entrance by the office where we order our lunches, and get new ones from there also. You can also download and print a new sticker collection sheets for individual stickers or label sheets if you buy apples in bags. Below are the links where you can print them off. Link for label sheet -

http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/pdf/Cut Out Label Collection Sheet.pdf
Link for sticker sheet - http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/pdf/Sticker Collection Sheet.pdf
The Rotokauri Sports committee will go through the catalogue and select the gear we would like to add to our sports shed.

#### POOL OPENING SOON

Hi folks. The pool will be opening soon and we'll be needing helpers to keep the water clean and clear for our little (and not so little) swimmers. Without helpers the pool can't open and if you sign up you get a free key with access to the pool and tennis courts. Maintaining the pool is generally a 10-15 minute task but can stretch out to 45 minutes when vacuuming is required, typically once or twice a week. Otherwise it involves water testing which <a href="MUST">MUST</a> be carried out twice daily, once in the morning and once in the afternoon. We've normally run the pool maintenance roster on 7 day shifts and there is generally plenty of flexibility if you need cover for a day. No previous knowledge required and training is provided so don't be nervous if you've not done it before. So if you are keen or would just like to know a bit more about what is involved just leave your contact details with Sharon at the office and I'll be in touch.

Thanks,

Nick Spiers, BOT

#### **ANYONE FOR TENNIS?**

Rotokauri School would like to offer students and their families the opportunity to access the tennis courts <u>without</u> pool access. The cost of a key would be \$35 with \$10 being refunded on return of the key. If interested please see Sharon at the office.



# **PTA NEWS**



Welcome to the PTA's news section, we will be keeping you up to date with fundraisers we are running, upcoming events and where the funds are being spent.

Email: pta@rotokauri.school.nz

# Jar Throw Ideas



The Jar Throw is back – it was a great success last year and we are asking that each child donates a jar with something in it. If you wish to do more than one jar that would be great, the more jars we get the longer the game will last. Throw the hoop over a jar and it's yours.



## **ROTOKAURI SCHOOL BOOK FAIR**

#### Thank You!

We have a great range of books that we are going to sell. There are great authors included, top 100 books, Barry Crump, Lee Child, Jodi Picoult, JoJo Moyes and plenty more!

#### Still collecting

I am still lacking short chapter books for the kids. E.g Zac power, storey tree house, Goosebumps, captain underpants. We are still keen to up the numbers and don't forget to tell your friends. The show is on 15<sup>th</sup> November and there are bargains to be found.

Books may be dropped off on the **table in the MPR** or please contact me.

Book Fair co-ordinator: Miranda Collinson ph 849-7623



# Sunday 15th November

10am - 2pm

at Rotokauri School - 462 Rotokauri Road, Hamilton.

# Sponsors for Car Show & Gala 2015

The following Businesses have kindly donated vouchers please support them.



































#### **Domestic Cleaner Available**

One off cleans or ongoing weekly. Professional with references available. Phone to meet or make appointment:

Sally: <u>021-2133508</u>





## Tots Love Country

### Open Day: Saturday 31st Oct 9am-12pm

16 O'Brien Rd, Rotokauri, **8494820**www.totslovecountry.co.nz

Bring your pre-schoolers along for a play and see what

we have to offer.

#### IS YOUR LIFESTYLE PROPERTY FOR SALE?

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#### Frankton Juniors Athletic Club

2015-2016 season

Come and have a go at **ATHLETICS** Activities for **4-14 year age groups** 

**Where**: Bremworth Park, Dinsdale **When**: Monday nights 5.35pm **Starting** 12<sup>th</sup> October 2015 Sprints, Longer Distances, Shot-put, Discus, Long-Jump, High-Jump

First two club nights are free check our website for details and to register

www.sportsground.co.nz/franktonjuniors

Enquiries: Michelle 021 479336 or Michael 021 517470

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