Rotorua Lakes High School

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Kia ora Koutou,

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you all had a very relaxing and enjoyable time over Easter.

On Anzac Day, our Year 13's attended the Dawn Service, Parade and Civic Service. They demonstrated respect and honoured all those who have and continue to show service for our country. The service ended with our students laying a wreath in the Sir Howard Morrison Performing Arts Centre. Thank you to everyone who did our school proud (pictures page 3).

Please note that our school is closed on Monday 1 May 2023 for a Ministry directed Teacher Only Day. I understand that this can be a hassle in keeping your child at home but these days are important for the continual development of our school and staff.

At this stage, there is further potential industrial action being proposed over the coming weeks by the Post Primary Teachers Association. This has been emailed to all our school community and is on page 2.

Have a great weekend.

Ngā mihi,

Jon Ward
Principal / Tumuaki

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Kia ora

As you will be aware from our communication last term and national media, the Post Primary Teachers Association (PPTA) is continuing industrial action this term unless a settlement is reached with the Ministry of Education. The proposed actions include strike days and rostering home. When a year level is rostered home school remains open for all other year levels (e.g. on Thursday 4 May Year 11 stay home but all other students are expected at school).

Below is a reminder about the Teacher Only Day on Monday 1 May, along with the dates that PPTA have indicated to us:

Monday 1 May - Teacher Only Day - this is a Ministry-directed NCEA review Accord Day (school is closed).

Thursday 11 May - regional strike. School is closed to all year levels. Very limited capacity is available of supervision for students who are under 14 from non-union staff members.

Rostering Home:

Year 9 - Tuesday 16 May and Thursday 8 June
Year 10 - Wednesday 17 May and Tuesday 6 June
Year 11 - Thursday 4 May and Thursday 25 May
Year 12 - Tuesday 9 May and Thursday 1 June
Year 13 - Tuesday 30 May

Negotiations continue between the Ministry of Education and PPTA and if we are advised of any changes to this plan of action we will let you know as soon as possible.

Ngā mihi

Jon Ward
Principal/Tumuaki

ANZAC DAY

On Tuesday, we were so proud of our 20 Year 13 Senior Students who attended the service on Anzac Day.

It was a very special and moving experience for us all and we thank Ms Haana Howard and Ms Katherine Goodrick for organizing this for our school.

BRIEF LOOK – TERM 2 2023	
1 May	Ministry directed Teacher Only Day **(school will be closed)**
2 - 5 May	History & Economics Trip to Wellington
11 – 12 May	EPro8 Junior Heats
17 May	Rotorua Careers Expo
27 May	Rockquest BOP Heats
31 May	HAKA Competition
5 June	**KING'S BIRTHDAY**
16 June	Junior Reports Issued
16 June	NCEA Summary Report
16 June	Te Arawa Kapahaka Regionals
21 June	Report Evening - 3.30 – 6 pm **(school closes early at 3 pm)**
22 June	Report Evening - 4 – 6 pm
26 June	BOP Rockquest Final
26 June	Showquest BOP Regionals
Friday 30 June	**END OF TERM 2**

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Please note that our school is **closed on Monday 1 May 2023** for a Ministry directed Teacher Only Day. These days are important for the development of our school and we appreciate your understanding and cooperation of keeping your child at home. *Please note our charter bus will **not** be running on that day.*

CHARTER BUS

- A term pass for the charter bus costs $250 or $350 for Mokoia Students
- A 10 ride pass costs $60
- All students must be in possession of a valid pass before Wednesday 2 May 2022

NGA KORERO MAI I A TATOU KAIAKO
NEWS FROM OUR TEACHERS

ASSESSMENTS

The following assessments have been set down. There may be times where, due to unforeseen circumstances, changes will need to occur. This will be done in consultation with the class(es) concerned.

Level	Subject	Standard	Date
1	Science	90935	During class time Week 3
1	Science	90946	12 May
2	Chemistry	91167	12 May
3	Biology	91604	22 May
2	Biology	91158	Postponed to Week 4 (3 periods)
3	Biology	91601	Postponed to Week 4 (4 periods)
2	Biology	91158	Commencing Tuesday 16 May (3 periods)

ATTENDANCE MATTERS
ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

We are very focused on ensuring that all our tamariki are at school regularly. We know from studies and our own experiences that attendance and success at Kura are linked.

We remind our school whanau that the school day starts at 8.45am and finishes at 3.15pm. When absences occur, we ask you to support us by notifying us of the reason before 8.30am on the day using the SchoolBridge app.

Please also be aware that there are specific rules around absences and NCEA assessments. If the absence occurs on the day of the assessment please contact the subject teacher or HOD that morning.

We thank you for your support.

NEED TO REPORT A STUDENT ABSENCE?

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REPORTING A STUDENT ABSENCE

SCHOOLBRIDGE

Do you need to report a school absence for your child?

Log into the SchoolBridge app. Login through the Google link on the app using the contact email address that you have registered with the school. Any problems please contact the school office:

07 345 6124

HISTORY/ECONOMICS WELLINGTON TRIP

Students travelling on the History/Economics Wellington trip must be at school by:

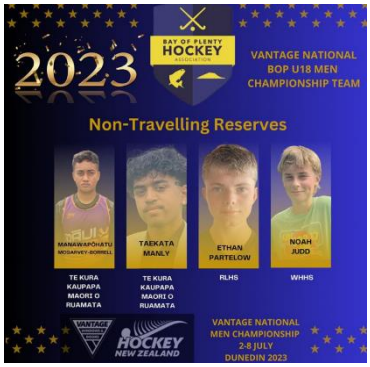
8.20 am on Tuesday 2nd May.

STUDENT SUCCESSES

BOP UNDER 18 MEN'S HOCKEY TEAM

Congratulations to Ethan Hoggard for being named in the BOP U18 Men's Hockey Team. Ethan will travel to Dunedin in July for the National U18 tournament. Additionally, Ethan Partelow was named as a Non-Travelling reserve for the side. Ethan H will be competing in his 2nd National U18 tournament, while Ethan Partelow at only 15 will have opportunities to play in the following 2 seasons.

This is an awesome achievement for these 2 passionate Hockey players, Well Done!



ART EXHIBITION

An exhibition of our amazing year 13 student paintings opens this Friday evening at the Rotorua Public Library (level 2) and is on show until May 5th.

Well done to all those students who are involved 😍

EX-STUDENT SUCCESS

Keep your eyes out for one of our ex-RLHS students who stars in the TVNZ series Mt Hutt Rescue on Tuesday nights. Skye Follas finished her studies at RLHS in 2017 and went on to study Adventure Tourism at QRC before furthering her qualifications in Ski Patrolling. It's fantastic to see her medical/trauma first aid skills and search and rescue abilities showcased on TV!

If you have any exciting news about past students of RLHS, please send information to hodgeh@rotorualakes.school.nz

PANUI O NGĀ HAKINAKINA/SPORTS NEWS

1st XI HOCKEY

The Boys 1st XI were on the road again for pre-season travelling to Taupo to take on Tauhara College. In the first quarter we had the run of play but Tauhara opened the scoring with a goal in the 6th minute from a PC. A PC goal from Tama Te Whau just before half time and a disallowed goal to Sam Reid who was judged outside the circle after he smoked one past the Tauhara keeper were some of the highlights of the first 3 quarters. However, we struggled to connect passes and finish when getting in the circle. Going into the final quarter our boys played with more width and opened up more space. Harry Cheesman scored twice within 3 minutes to put us in front before Tama Te Whau finished the scoring with another PC goal in the 57th minute. It was good to see more progression from some of our new players and Logan Morley had a strong game in defence. A pleasing final quarter to the match and hopefully this will carry into our first competition game in 2 weeks time.

OUR SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM

Last week, our Senior Boys Basketball team competed in the Rotorua Tip Off Tournament alongside a large array of teams from around the Waikato & Bay of Plenty Regions. The team played well and had good results, which will support their preparations for our local secondary school's competition beginning this Term. Players of the Tournament were Te Hingawaka Shipgood & Jimmy Tapsell for their non-stop effort and improvement over the three days of competition.

Congratulations Boys and Matua Tamihana!

LAKES FOOTBALL CLUB

Lakes Football Club are very appreciative to be holding Junior level 1 and 2 coaching courses at Rotorua Lakes High School on the 1st and 7th of May.

This is an opportunity for existing or new coaches to learn from specialists at Waibop in coaching junior players.

Should any students at the school wish to attend the course or be involved with coaching of junior football teams please register your interest by emailing office@lakesfc.co.nz.

The course will be free to Rotorua Lakes High School Students. Places on the courses are limited so get in early.

CAREERS / GATEWAY

Job positions available at the Good Eastern Tap House. If you are interested please see Mrs Gainsford. You must be 17+ to apply for the positions.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YEAR 13 STUDENTS

- MoneyHub has published a guide to hundreds of scholarships for any student planning to start University in 2024.
- https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/scholarships-nz.html is the link.
- The comprehensive list includes scholarships offered by every university as well as those specifically available to local students.
- A list of privately-funded, Maori, Pacific and International university scholarships completes the list
- Applications close throughout the year, with tens of millions of dollars available.
- MoneyHub has also published a list of tips for scholarship success.

NEED HELP WITH MERITS & EXCELLENCES?

MoneyHub has 10+ NCEA resources to help everyone attain merits and excellences - check it out and prepare for upcoming internals and externals with confidence.

https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/resources-for-ncea-students.html

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