Rotorua Lakes High School

"Mauria te pono - Keep steadfastly to the truth"

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Kia ora Koutou,

It was a pleasure to see so many of our parents, caregivers and whānau at our Investiture Assembly on Thursday. Recognising and congratulating all our students who were endorsed with NCEA Excellence and Merit was a proud moment and acknowledging their hard work and dedication to achieve their results. Thank you to our teaching staff who have put in a huge effort in helping and supporting these students to achieve. We had the chance to once again congratulate our 2023 school leaders and officially invest them in their roles as they received their badges. (further details on pages 2 - 5).

RLHS Athletics Day is on Monday 6th March. The school will finish at 2.15pm to meet the requirements of the current industrial action being taken by the teachers union. There will be teachers available to supervise those students who need to stay until 3.15pm. Buses will run as normal. We thank you for your cooperation. (further details on page 6).

School is settling into some positive routines for learning as we work through the setup stages for 2023. The key focus for all of us at this part of the year is to support student attendance and to build strong and positive relationships both with peers and staff to ensure they feel comfortable and safe to support their learning.

A heads up that currently there is a proposed strike action day set for the 16 March by the PPTA (Teachers union). We all hope that negotiations can avoid this, but currently it is looking like school will not be open for tuition on that day. I will keep you informed with further updates.

We are looking forward to seeing you at our NCEA Workshop evening on Wednesday 22 February from 6 – 7 pm. (further details on page 7).

Have a great weekend ahead.

Ngā mihi,

Jon Ward, Principal / Tumuaki

CELEBRATORY/INVESTITURE ASSEMBLY

On Thursday this week, we held a special assembly to congratulate and acknowledge the successes of our students. The students who achieved their 2022 NCEA Certificates Endorsed with Excellence and Merit were congratulated. Our 2023 school leaders, BOT Student Rep and peer support leaders were also presented with their badges.

A big thank you to all staff who helped to organize and of course, to all parents and caregivers who attended. It was a great assembly and great results for all our students.

Well Done!

NCEA LEVEL 1 EXCELLENCE	NCEA LEVEL 1 MERIT
Joshua Belt	**Faatimah Abdul Rahman**
Marissa Fafeita	**Brock Aitchison**
Rebecca Garmonsway	**Stella Angus**
Scott Heron	**Elizabeth Avis**
Adifaah Jalil	**Keagan Baddiley**
Jun Kwok	**Charlotte Barclay**
Sara O'Driscoll	**Harry Cheesman**
Matthew Parker	**Tai Cronin**
Cameron Perry	**Christine Daniels**
Lakshveer Singh	**Finn Dempsey**
Kobe Smith	**Maraea Dewes-Green**
Lauren Thompson	**Dylan Fouracre**
Matthew Watson	**Heremia Grace-Harris**
	Kaiya Greenfield
	Kaspa Grunwell
	Maddison Guptill
	Isabella Harding
	Meliz Kaya
	Amber Keown
	Sulis Lambdin
	Eden Lynd
	Ticayla Manson
	Aliah Manuel
	Francesca Marr
	Jozef Mazur
	Jazmin McMillan
	Grace McQuoid
	Riley Muggleton
	Te Waipunarangi Pomare
	Emma Ramage
	Maia Rees-Corskie
	Jack Rison
	Ryan Sanders
	Mary Schuster
	Bella Shaw
	Alannah Short
	Isaac Sullings
	Mia, Vandy
	Nathan Ward
	Zoe Wicks
	Tomas Zuidmeer

NCEA LEVEL 2 EXCELLENCE	NCEA LEVEL 2 MERIT
Samara Calvert	Elrie Bosch
Aston Dow	Incke Conradie
Caitlin Fleming	Anja Crombie
Lukas Joy	April Durbin
Evangeline Lescheid	Keanen Dyson
Kaia Raethel	Alyssa Flight
Miyume Ueno	Ethan Hoggard
Katrina Weblin	Charlotte Holt
Stella Weston	Caitlin Lang
	Rupert Lewis
	Menna Lloyd-Jones
	Patience Nathan
	Maraea Paul
	Milla Phipps
	Jordan Pol
	Samuel Reid
	Hannah Santos
	Bailee Swinyard
	Waiata Taikato
	Tama Te Whau
	Hannah Weinberg

NCEA LEVEL 3 EXCELLENCE	NCEA LEVEL 3 MERIT
Logan Burrell	MelissaBentley
Sam Cheesman	Jasmine Emile-Chhura
Kahurangi Dewes-Green	Terina King
Liam du Plessis	Jessica Merriman
Agustina Gonzalez Diaz	Phuc Nguyen
Jacob Heighway	Kerry Salter-Holmes
Fiona Lambdin	Alana Wilkinson
Lucy Maunder	Kenneth Yang
Liam Snook	

HEAD GIRL & BOY – 2023

MYA BOTTOMLEY - HEAD GIRL
SAMUEL TRASS - HEAD BOY

DEPUTY HEAD GIRL & BOY – 2023

KAIA RAETHEL - DEPUTY HEAD GIRL
UENUKU MALCOLM-PAPWORTH - DEPUTY HEAD BOY

PEER SUPPORT LEADERS 2023

Bosch, Elrie	Morley, Logan
Bottomley, Mya	Paul, Maraea
Coleman-Taurua, Lane	Phipps, Milla
Dow, Aston	Pol, Jordan Proctor, Capryce
Dyson, Keanen	Raethel, Kaia
Firkin, Finn	Raureti-Mikaere, Moehewa
Fleming, Caitlin	Reid, Sam
Hoggard, Ethan	Santos, Hannah

Holt, Charlotte Joy, Lukas Lang, Caitlin Lescheid, Eva Lewis, Rupert Lloyd-Jones, Menna Malcolm Papworth, Uenuku Martin, Madyson-Manaia	Smith, Harrison Stuart, Kya Swinyard, Bailee Taikato, Waiata Te Whau, Tama Trass, Samuel Ueno, Miyume Weston, Stella

2023 PREFECTS

PREFECTS – GIRLS	PREFECTS – BOYS
Capryce Proctor Hannah Weinberg Menna Lloyd-Jones Milla Phipps Maraea Paul Madyson-Manaia Martin Elrie Bosch Kya Stuart	Ethan Hoggard Jordan Pol Logan Morley Rupert Lewis

2023 PREFECT CAPTAINS

CULTURAL CAPTAIN	-	Stella Weston
SPORTS CAPTAIN	-	Keanen Dyson
ACADEMIC CAPTAIN	-	Aston Dow
ENVIRONMENTAL CAPTAIN	-	Bailee Swynyard

2023 HOUSE PREFECTS

OKAREKA

Tama Te Whau

ROTOKAKAHI

Lucas Joy

Finn Firkin

TIKITAPU

Harrison Smith

Ethan Hoggard

TARAWERA

Sam Reid

Elrie Bosch

2023 JUNIOR HOUSE CAPTAINS

OKAREKA

Hunter Lewis

Lili Warren

ROTOKAKAHI
Chloe Managh
Rowen McAlpine

TIKITAPU
Sam McFarlane
Renee Price

TARAWERA
Oscar Burns
Ava McGrath

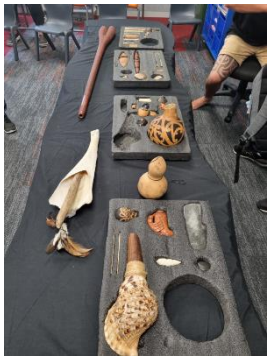
2023 BOT STUDENT REP

Waiata Taikato

BRIEF LOOK – TERM 1 2023	
28 Feb – 3 March	Year 13 Camp
6 March	Athletics Day
8 March	BOP Athletics
9 March	School Photos
10 March	Junior/Senior Reports issued
14 March	Road Safety Youth Expo (**For all Year 11's**) (11:40am - 2.30pm)
16 March	Swimming Sports
17 – 19 March	Rypen Camp
23 March	Teacher Only Day
27 – 31 March	Waka Ama Nationals
6 April	Junior/Senior Reports issued
7 APRIL 2023	**END OF TERM 1**

A GREAT DAY FOR REKA

The kaiako from all five REKA (Rotorua Eastside Kahui Ako) schools met today for a fantastic wananga around culturally responsive learning. Kaiako rotates through five workshops: Papa Tari Ture, Papa Taakaro, Papa Rongoā, Papa Mana Whenua and Papa Taonga Puoro learning about many aspects of matauranga Māori. It was a great day to connect with teachers from Lynmore, Rotokawa, Owhata, Mokoia and Rotorua Lakes and a chance for teachers to be the learners - ako mai, ako atu, aku ai!



NGA KORERO MAI I A TATOU KAIAKO
NEWS FROM OUR TEACHERS

YEAR 13 CAMP – OHOPE CHRISTIAN CAMP 2023

The camp for year 13 students will be at Ohope Christian Camp from **28 Feb – 3 March.**

Places are filling really quickly – email: howardh@rotorualakes.school.nz

The aims of the camp are to:

- Develop unity in the Senior School
- Develop leadership and initiative skills
- Motivate students to set goals and work towards achieving them.
- Review their year 12 progress and set targets for Level 3 (or where appropriate Level 2) NCEA
- Identify and meet key competencies
- Start the House Spirit ethos for the year

28 Feb – 3 March Leaving school @ 11 am Return to school @ 1.30 pm (approx.)	Cost = $205 approx. *(cost subject to change)* Bus travel provided **Open to all Year 13 Students**

Activities will include Motivation and Goal Setting, Careers, Leadership, Team Building and House Spirit activities, Time Management and Beach Education.

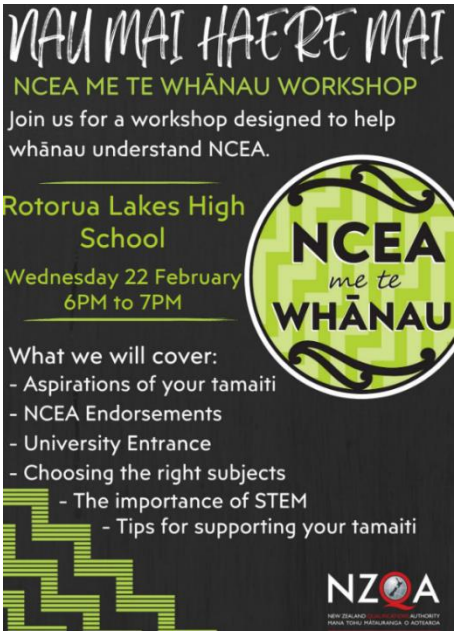
ATHLETICS DAY

RLHS Athletics Day is Monday 6th March. School will finish at 2.15pm. However, there will be teachers available to supervise those students who need to stay until 3.15pm. Buses will run at normal times.

- Students are to come to school in house colours - juniors in PE gear OR house coloured costume, seniors in house colours OR house coloured costume (no paint).
- Bring a drink bottle, hat, sunblock and lunch (or money for the sausage sizzle)
- Students will compete with their age group in all field events and can choose to compete in the track events also.
- Field events include: Long Jump, High Jump, Discuss, Shot Put, Javelin and Triple Jump. Track events include: 100m, 200m, 300m (juniors), 400m (intermediate/seniors), 800m, 1500m, relays

- More information (programme for the day, age groups etc) will be given to students in house group.
- **Parents are more than welcome to come down on the day to watch. Just sign in at reception.**

NCEA WORKSHOP



Nei rā te mihi karanga ki a koutou te whānau o tō tātou kura, nau mai, haere mai, whakarauika mai rā…

I would like to invite you to come and be part of an awesome opportunity we have for whānau to learn about NCEA, and get some tips and tricks from NZQA on how you can support your tamaiti to succeed in school. The workshop is one hour long and the school will provide refreshments following, please RSVP for catering purposes to hodgeh@rotorualakes.school.nz

Details for the workshop are as follows:

- Date: Wednesday 22 February
- Time: 6 to 7pm
- Venue: Rotorua Lakes High School

The workshop will cover the following topics, and those listed on the flyer:

- How NCEA works
- NCEA endorsements and how to get them
- University Entrance (UE) and how to achieve it
- Choosing NCEA subjects and creating career pathways
- The importance of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) subjects, and,
- How you can support your tamaiti to succeed

We look forward to seeing you there, Ngā mihi nui

CALLING ALL YR 12 CARPENTRY STUDENTS

Year 12 2022 Carpentry students need to pick up their Cape Cod chairs. We would appreciate these being picked up by February 20 2023. After 20 February they will be recycled. Thank you

NEW TO NCEA?

New Zealand's National Certificates of Educational Achievement (NCEA) are national qualifications for senior secondary school students. Students who will be sitting NCEA assessments this year have been issued an information booklet that helps to explain key areas. We encourage you all to attend the workshop above if you have questions.

2023 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE					
Exams available digitally shown in blue					
Date	**Time**	**Level 1**	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Scholarship**
Mon 6 Nov	9.30 am	Japanese	Latin	Te Reo Māori	Calculus
	2.00 pm		French	Japanese Making Music Spanish	Latin
Tue 7 Nov	9.30 am	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Art History	Statistics	Drama
	2.00 pm	Geography	Spanish	Cook Islands Māori Social Studies	
Wed 8 Nov	9.30 am	Lea Faka-Tonga	Mathematics & Statistics	Dance	Classical Studies
	2.00 pm	Music	Accounting	History	French
Thu 9 Nov	9.30 am	Mathematics & Statistics		Chemistry	Geography
	2.00 pm	Korean	Drama	Samoan	Statistics
Fri 10 Nov	9.30 am	English	Lea Faka-Tonga	Media Studies	Physics
	2.00 pm	Biology	Music		Accounting
WEEKEND					
Mon 13 Nov	9.30 am	French	Te Reo Māori	Calculus	Samoan
	2.00 pm	Economics	Korean	Agricultural & Horticultural Science Chinese German	Biology
Tue 14 Nov	9.30 am	Science	Chemistry		English
	2.00 pm	Samoan Spanish	Geography	Biology	Art History
Wed 15 Nov	9.30 am		English		Religious Studies
	2.00 pm	Cook Islands Māori History	Chinese	Accounting	German
Thu 16 Nov	9.30 am	Business Studies	History	Physics	Te Reo Rangatira
	2.00 pm	Drama	Cook Islands Māori Social Studies	Health	
CANTERBURY ANNIVERSARY DAY (Fri 17 Nov)					
WEEKEND					
Mon 20 Nov	9.30 am	Art History Te Reo Māori	Japanese	Latin Psychology Te Reo Rangatira	Chemistry
	2.00 pm	Classical Studies	Health	Economics	
Tue 21 Nov	9.30 am	Media Studies	Te Reo Rangatira	Drama Lea Faka-Tonga	History
	2.00 pm	Chemistry	Classical Studies	Art History	Economics
Wed 22 Nov	9.30 am	Accounting		English	
	2.00 pm	Home Economics	Economics	Korean	Media Studies
Thu 23 Nov	9.30 am	German	Biology	Geography	
	2.00 pm	Dance	Earth & Space Science		
Fri 24 Nov	9.30 am	Physics	Home Economics	Classical Studies	Te Reo Māori
	2.00 pm		German	Home Economics	
WEEKEND					
Mon 27 Nov	9.30 am	Te Reo Rangatira	Physics	Business Studies	Agricultural & Horticultural Science
	2.00 pm	Chinese	Media Studies		
Tue 28 Nov	9.30 am		Business Studies	French	Japanese
	2.00 pm	Latin	Agricultural & Horticultural Science		
Wed 29 Nov	9.30 am	Health	Education for Sustainability Samoan	Earth & Space Science	Chinese
	2.00 pm			Music Studies	Spanish
Thu 30 Nov	9.30 am	Social Studies	Dance		Earth & Space Science

STUDENT SUCCESSES

THE FORWARD FOUNDATION'S AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME

From the left back row: Lauren Thompson, Sara O'Driscoll & Lia Sinisa. From the left front row: Stevie Lockwood, Lilli Warren & Sadie Stewart.

Rotorua Lakes High School is proud to announce six of our students have been accepted to be part of the Forward Foundation's Ambassador programme.

Sara O'Driscoll, Yr 12 (Year 2 Ambassador)
Lauren Thompson, Yr 12 (Year 2 Ambassador)
Lilli Warren, Yr 10
Stevie Lockwood, Yr 10
Sadie Stewart, Yr 11
Lia Sinisa, Yr 11

The Forward Foundation is a Christchurch based program sharing similar components to the Duke of Edinburgh Award with a focus on girls only and runs over 3 years (Year 1 – Spark; Year 2 – Quest; Year 3 – Challenge).

The Ambassador programme has 3 components for the girls to work a specific number of hours towards:

- Their active participation in a physical activity / sport – developing team skills, improving their health etc
- Service to the (physical activity) community e.g. volunteering at sporting / recreational events, helping with school holiday activity programme, officiating at a tournament
- Personal Growth e.g. personality testing, confidence courses, mental resilience

Incorporating these components the girls are tasked with determining a project to encourage and increase girls to be physically active. This could include setting up a new team / activity within their school or community.

In addition, Ambassadors attend 2 conferences in Christchurch connecting with other Ambassadors, learning new skills and developing their leadership capability.

For more information check out their website https://www.forwardfoundation.co.nz/

Very exciting opportunity for our Lakes girls – we look forward to supporting and developing these gorgeous kōhine on their journey.

FANTASTIC ARTWORK

Congratulations to Kya Stuart from the Year 13 Painting class. Her art was exhibited in the Waitangi exhibition at the Arts village over the summer holidays. It sold before the exhibition even opened, which was fantastic.

The other painting, created as a special gift, was painted with watered down coffee, which proves that art can be created with all sorts of materials!!

Well done Kya 😍😍😍🥰

GIFTED LEARNERS

Here is a list of the gifted learner's award recipients. These students have been awarded the following amounts so they can invest in their area of talent and use it to take part in learning opportunities, e.g. tuition, masterclasses, instruments, courses, and attend art workshops. Outstanding work and congratulations to you all 😍😍😍

Eirwen Robinson - $1400 - Music
Lauren Thompson - $2500 - Music
Livoni Nai - $2500 - Art
Dane Napier - $2500 - Music
Kobe Smith - $250 - Music
Dylan Fouracre - $2,500 - Music

PANUI O NGĀ HAKINAKINA/SPORTS NEWS

OUR INAUGURAL ACTIVITY SIGN UP

Our inaugural Activity Sign Up event was a great success. 24 activities were on display, from mountain biking, netball, evolocity, kapa haka, water polo, rugby, waka ama and so many more!

This was a chance for students to find out more about sports and activities here at Rotorua Lakes High School and to sign up for those they are interested in. Spot prizes are on offer for those who attended.

Thanks so much to the teachers in charge, outside coaches and student prefects and of course Mrs Savage and Ms McFarlane, Sports Coordinator, for organising this successful event! 😄😄👍👍

WAKA AMA – FIRST PRACTICE FOR THE YEAR

Great turnout and awesome effort by all

CAREERS / GATEWAY

GATEWAY TO SUCCESS

LAKES HIGH SCHOOL GATEWAY PROGRAMME
YEAR 12 & 13

Gateway provides an opportunity for schools to broaden educational options for students and strengthen pathways to employment, vocational training, and further education. Students can receive credits towards qualifications on the New Zealand Qualifications Framework, including NCEA, and gain experience in future career pathways through work placements, which will assist them in their vocational choices.

You can 'try before you buy'. If your child fits in, great, if not, they can try another course. Perfect for our Year 12 and 13 students! **We offer many programmes.**

If your senior students are unsure of their pathways they can come in anytime to see me for an informal chat. I am always here to help. 😄 👍

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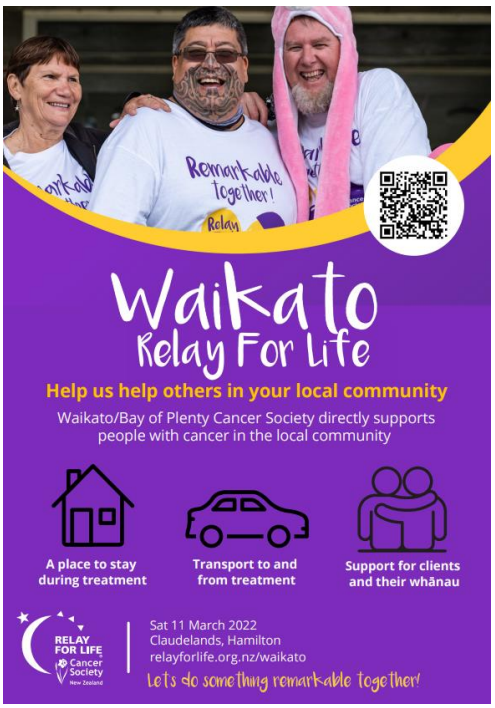
PANUI/PUBLIC NOTICES



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