Rotorua Lakes High School

"Mauria te pono - Keep steadfastly to the truth"

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Kia ora Koutou,

This is my last newsletter for Term 2. A long and at times a disrupted term, but there has also been a whole load of positives that have happened. Our sports teams have been very successful and the many workshops and events where our students have represented us so well have been great to see. This is a huge thank you to our students but also to our very dedicated staff and volunteers who have put in tremendous efforts under sometimes difficult circumstances.

I couldn't go any further without mentioning our Kapahaka group who performed at the Regionals on 16 June and came in at an outstanding 5th position. I was very lucky to attend that day and I can tell you our students were simply amazing. They did us proud and their dedication and professionalism was second to none. A huge thank you to our wonderful staff and volunteers who have worked with our students for so long and to our equally amazing and devoted tutors, George Haimona, Ricky Bishop, Putiputi Rowberry, Fraser Raukawa and Anahera Rangitoheriri. Kia ora! (full story page 3).

Next week is a celebration of our non-teaching staff. I want to add a huge shout out to all of our non-teaching staff for the fantastic work that they do to keep our school running so smoothly. They form the backbone of our school and ensure that we can continue to do the best for our students and community. They are very often our invisible, unrecognized heroes. Thank you.

On Monday this week, Rotorua Lakes High hosted the only stop in Rotorua of the FIFA Women's World Cup trophy tour. The FIFA Activations team brought the trophy along for our RLHS students, and the invited football players from eleven other schools in the city to admire and take photos with. It was great for RLHS to have hosted such an occasion with the strong football growth we are seeing here at our school and a really wonderful opportunity for all our students. (full story page 3 - 4).

Thank you to all those who made the time to attend our parent / teacher evenings this week. I know for some there were concerns around progress and hopefully the conversations provided a measure of reassurance and also clarified the positive pathways forward that we have in place for our students. If you missed these for any reason, and want to catch up with any specific staff, please feel free to email us at the school and we can pass on your queries in the right direction or you can email teachers directly.

One of the key focuses of Term 3, will be our practice assessments and subject selection. In some ways, I prefer not to call them practice assessments but derived grade exams. The reason for this is that these assessments provide evidence that we can give to NZQA to determine a grade for a student should they be unable to go to the final external exams. Every year, there are a number of students who have medical issues or family concerns which prevent them from attending the final. In these cases, with the appropriate documentation, we can look at providing derived grade evidence.

From everyone at Lakes High, all the very best to our hardworking and talented Showquest students who will be competing at the Sir Howard Morrison Centre on Monday 26 June at 7 pm.

As we approach our Matariki Public holiday on 14 July during the school holidays, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy Matariki. Ngā mihi o Matariki, te tau hou Māori.

I hope that you and your whānau will have an opportunity to relax, recuperate and generally rest at some point through the break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 17th July.

Ngā mihi,

Jon Ward
Principal / Tumuaki

Dear Parents/Caregivers

RE: NOTIFICATION OF PAID UNION MEETING

On TUESDAY 27 JUNE there will be a PPTA Union Meeting for all Rotorua Secondary teachers, which is allowed for under the terms of their Collective Agreement.

- This means the school will only be able to have normal classes for periods 1, and 2. Period 3 will be shortened and students will be required to go home at 12.15 pm.

- All school buses and the Charter bus will leave school at the normal time.

- The school will remain open and non-union teachers will supervise any students who need to remain at school.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Kind regards

Jon Ward
Principal/Tumuaki

TE KURA O NGĀ MOANA KAPA 2023

We would like to congratulate our tauira who performed at Te Arawa Secondary Schools Kapahaka Regionals last week Friday. We are sincerely proud of all of our tauira who joined the campaign this year to represent our Kura. Tauira walked away with their heads held high knowing that they had given of their best and did their Whānau and Kura proud.

We are truly grateful and appreciative for our wonderful Tutors, Whānau Tautoko and Kaiako who gave up their time to help make this journey a positive one.

Ka nui te aroha, i ngā wā katoa

Whaea Lucille

"We've come a long way since we first started and appreciate all the connections made throughout the Kapa. We are also grateful for all the tautoko along the way. The bond we have made as a Kapa will always be treasured."

Mō āke tonu atu!

Stay Hard!

Te Rangi, Aliah and Tiraha

FIFA WOMEN'S WORD CUP TROPHY

On Monday this week, Rotorua Lakes High hosted the only stop in Rotorua of the FIFA Women's World Cup trophy tour. The FIFA Activations team brought the trophy along for our RLHS students, and the invited football players from nine other schools in the city to admire and take photos with.

Students were able to hear from Babette Peter, who plays for Real Madrid, and lifted the FIFA World Cup in 2007 playing for Germany, and Alexa Harvey, a Rotorua local who plays for the Rotorua Maori Women's Kurangaituku team. Our own Poppy Croucher also spoke very eloquently to the assembled crowd, about how football started her sporting passion and how sport in general provides fantastic life skills.

A big thanks to Sports Captain Keenan Dyson and his Sports prefects for running skills and drills sessions with the younger students from visiting schools and to Mrs Senila Savage for leading the organisation of this special event. Thanks also to the teachers of the visiting schools who brought their students along. It was great for RLHS to have hosted such an occasion with the strong football growth we are seeing here at our school. Look out for the article in the Daily Post this week with interviews with our speakers, and lucky RLHS student Emma Pol who got her boots and hoodie signed by a World Cup Winner!

BRIEF LOOK – TERM 3 2023	
26 July	Subject Choice Evening 4 – 6 pm
1 – 2 August	Epic Night Out concert
9 – 10 August	Year 9 Hearing Screen
8 - 9 August	"Open to View" tours of the school – 9.15 am, 10.15 am & 1.30 pm – YR 8 students
14, 17 & 18 August	Roadshows
22 August	Open Day – arrive at 9.30 am – YR 8 students
23 August	Tough Guy & Girl Challenge
24 August	Open Evening – 4 pm or 6 pm – YR 8 students
28 Aug – 1 Sep	Winter Tournament
1 Sep	Gifted Learners Applications open
6 Sep	Interhouse Competitions
9 Sep	School Ball 😊
18 – 22 Sep	**SENIOR EXAM WEEK**
22 Sep	**End of Term 3**

EPIC Night Out is a showcase of Eastside schools' performing arts talents. Students from Rotorua Lakes High School, Mokoia, Lynmore, Owhata and Rotokawa will perform over two nights and food will be available before the show in our market-style kai area. More information on how to get tickets and which nights each school will perform will be announced on our RLHS Facebook page early next term. Come along and celebrate these upstart performers!

LOST PROPERTY

We have a number of items in lost property. Please check at reception. Items will be re-sold or given to charity if not collected by the first 2 weeks of Term 3.

TERM 3 BUS PASSES

- Juniors $250
- Seniors $250
- Mokoia Students $350
- Payable at student reception and online by end of week one.

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
3	Science	91389	22 to 29 June
2	Science	91190	23 to 29 June
1	Rafting Experience	90968	This has been postponed due to the river levels exceeding safety requirements. New date to be confirmed.
3	Economics	91399	19 July (end of unit test)

VISUAL ART DUE DATES

In the first three weeks of next term senior visual art internal folders will be collated and collected in for marking. This applies to students of Paint and Print, Mixed Media and Photography, Painting level 2 and 3, Photography level 2 and 3. (As this applies to a number of subjects and levels, individual teachers have notified these due dates to students and parents individually.) If your teenager is an Art or Photography student, they will need to be consistently working in the next week and across the holidays so they are finished ready to submit folders in term three. Thank you for your support!

SCHOLARSHIPS

Year 13s have been encouraged during their WNS class to start a spreadsheet of scholarships and programmes they wish to apply for, noting their opening and closing dates. They should then share this spreadsheet with Mrs Hamilton who can co-ordinate the information students need from the school to apply.

Next term during the WNS class, workshops will be run so students applying for universities, polytechs and scholarships can work in small groups with a teacher to go through these applications. During the holidays, students should gather all the necessary information they need to provide for these applications. Some students will need verified copies of documents related to residency etc. The council has lists of JP clinics around Rotorua where students can go to have documents verified.

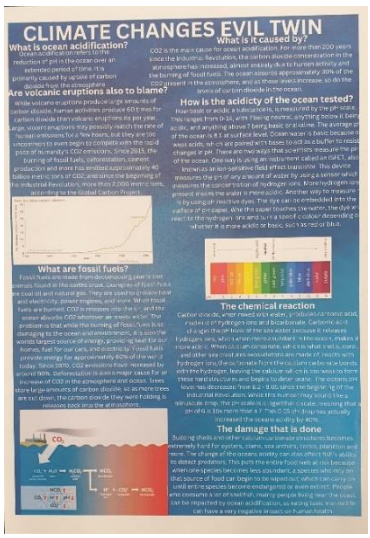
Our amazing students are working really hard on their production for this year's Showquest. We will be performing in the newly renovated Sir Howard Morrison Centre on Monday 26th June at 7pm. Come along and support our talented students, tickets are on sale at Ticketmaster.

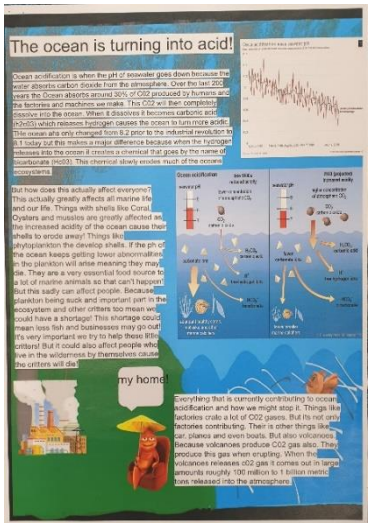
GREAT DAY AT WAIKATO UNI

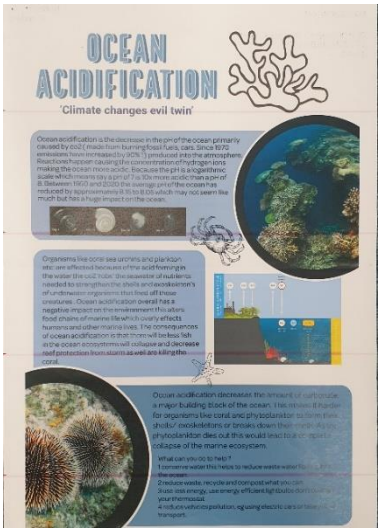
Our Y10 students had a wonderful time at Waikato University learning about chemistry and the environment. They got to use some great equipment to look at the pH or water, plastic particles in sand and make their own cleaning products. A huge thank you to the "Partnership Though Collaboration Trust" for making this happen! 😍

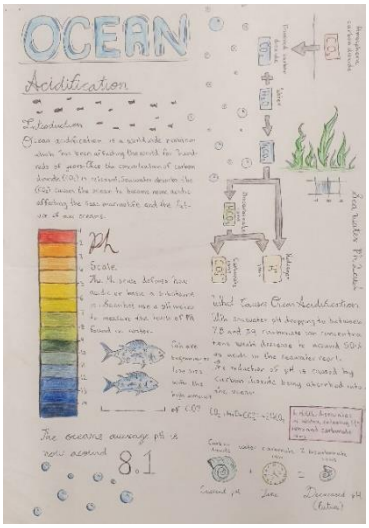
WONDERFUL CHEMISTRY WORKSHOP

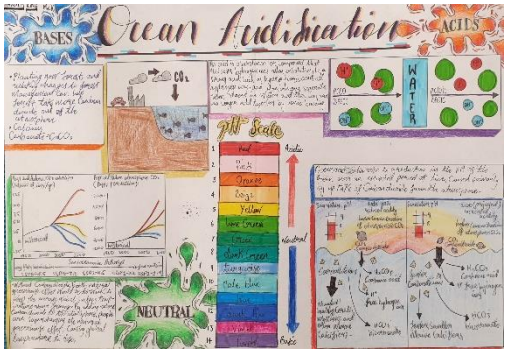
23 of our Y10 students recently had a wonderful opportunity to go to Waikato University for a hands-on chemistry workshop. The "Partnership Through Collaboration" Trust is providing this fully funded trip in order to get students more engaged in the environmental sciences. As part of the selection process students were asked to create a poster on ocean acidification. Check out some of the great posters!😍😍😍

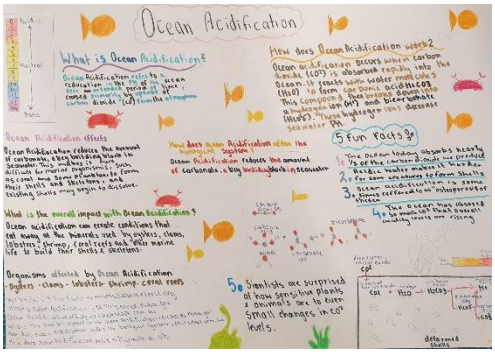




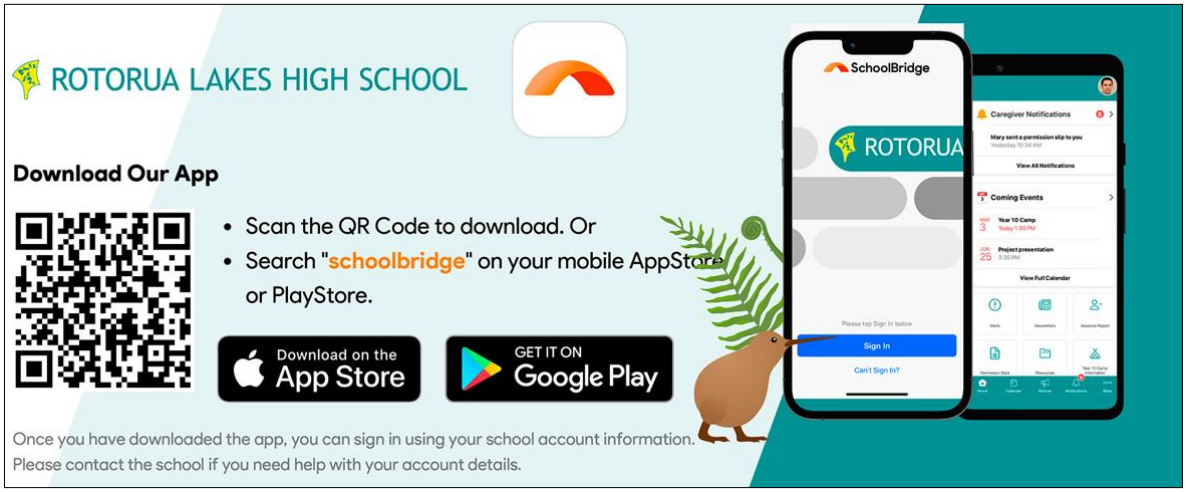








2023 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE					
Exams available digitally shown in blue					
Date	**Time**	**Level 1**	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Scholarship**
Mon 6 Nov	9.30 am	Japanese	Latin	Te Reo Māori	Calculus
	2.00 pm		French	Japanese Making Music Spanish	Latin
Tue 7 Nov	9.30 am	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	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

MISS ROTORUA SUCCESS

Thanks to Miss Rotorua (and ex-Deputy Head girl), Eden Brons, and Miss Teen Rotorua, Jasmine Clarke who spoke at our assembly today about taking all opportunities, believing in yourself and focusing on studies.

This photo includes two of our Y11 students who are entering this year's pageant. 🤩

OUTSTANDING 'CAN' DRIVE

Two Rotorua Lakes High School Year 13 students, Caitlin Lang and Caitlin Fleming organised Friday's Can Drive to give back to the local community. A mufti day was held and students were asked to donate a can of food as part of the event. The school collected 650 items and these were donated to the Salvation Army, and will be distributed within the local community.

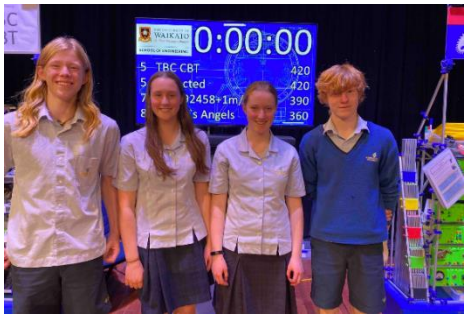
A lot of effort went into organising this event, but could not have been done without the help of key teachers, Ms Sturme and Whaea Haana, and our supportive Year 13 students. Special mention to businesses who contributed to the cause, particularly Timberlands. Another special mention to Niah Kitchener who bought in the highest number of cans, which was 11.

This event was hugely appreciated by the Salvation Army, and both Caitlin's would like to thank all of the students for their efforts 😍🥰😍😍

OUR ORIENTEERING CHAMP

Congratulations to our RLHS Yr10 student **Oscar Burns** who has been selected in the junior boys' team to represent New Zealand in Orienteering as part of the 2023 Southern Cross NZ School Team. He will be travelling in October to Perth to compete in the Australian schools' championships (sprint/long and relay races). **Oscar** has worked really hard to make this team and we wish him well for the event! 😍😍

AWESOME EPro8 GRAND FINALS FOR OUR SENIOR & JUNIOR STUDENTS



EPro8 Grand Finals Seniors

Congratulations to Rotorua Lakes High School EPro8 **Senior** Team "Hot Potatoes". The team consists of year 11 students: **Alana Bennett, Dane Napier, Jordie Elliott, and Siwan Lloyd-Jones**. They have competed with mostly Year 13 students. Our awesome team came 4th place out of the 12 secondary schools. Well done Hot Potatoes, we are proud of you! Thank you to **Annie Lloyd-Jones** for taking our team to the University of Waikato on both the semi and grand finals. 🥰😍🥰

EPro8 Grand Finals Juniors

Congratulations to our **Junior** EPro8 team "Peepol" namely: **Cameron Moore, Damon Heighway, Nicole Wallace, and Monty McQuoid** represented our school for EPro8 grand finals on Friday 9 June at the University of Waikato. Our fantastic team came in 4th place. It was a tight race; we were only 10 points behind the second placer and 50 points behind the 1st place. We congratulate our wonderful Junior EPro8 team! We are proud of you. Thank you, **Karyn and Nicola**, for organising the transport and driving our students to the competition.😍😍🥰🥰

WHAT A GREAT PERFORMANCE

Congratulations to **Lauren Thompson and Kobe Smith** who recently performed their original song at the Smokefree Rockquest regional event in Tauranga. 🥰😍😍😍😍

PANUI O NGĀ HAKINAKINA/SPORTS NEWS

BOYS 1ST XI HOCKEY

The final match of round one saw the boys earn an 11-1 win over Western Heights. We started the match well with Man of the Match Tama Te Whau picking up 3 of his 8 Goals in the first quarter. In the 2nd quarter Dylan Fouracre, Harry Cheeseman and Tama added additional goals to take a 6-0 lead into the 1st half. Unfortunately, we lost structure in the 3rd quarter and conceded a goal before Tama picked up his 5th of the game. After some reflection at quarter time a more structured final quarter saw the boys scoring another 4 goals including Preston Cleaver picking us his first goal for Lakes, alongside another 3 from Tama. A good victory to finish the round and the boys will now turn their attention to the 2nd round of matches.

Rotorua Lakes High School Rowing Muster

We are looking for students who are interested in being Rowers or Coxins.

Come down to the Rotorua Rowing Club on a Monday or Wednesday night at 5pm to see the Erg sessions.

Or

Come down on Saturday at 8am to try Rowing on the water or being a Coxin

So what does a Coxswain do in a rowing boat

The coxswain is a crucial member of the crew. Each cox trains as hard as the rowers do to ensure that they get the most out of every training session and race. In the boat, the cox's role is not only to steer and be aware of where other crews and the coach boat are, but also to feel how the boat is moving, how the balance feels and give feedback to the crew as they row.

School Holiday program - 4 days between July 9th and 15th. Aimed at year 9's and older, this is the last chance to start rowing this season, so if you'd like to row this summer please come along for an introductory session.

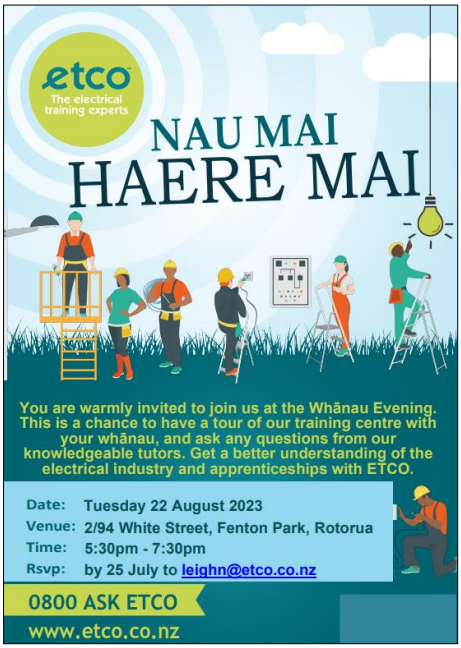
We work around your winter sport while it runs. Get details and register on the School tab on the RRC Site or Contact Mrs Gainsford - School Rep

gainsfordh@rotorualakes.school.nz

CAREERS / GATEWAY

MoneyHub

- 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 useful resources **covering CVs** (https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/cv-template-students.html) and practice questions for interviews (https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/common-job-interview-questions-students.html) - check them out and apply for student jobs with confidence.



PUKEMIRO STATION CADETSHIP

2024/2025 APPLICATION INFORMATION

ADB WILLIAMS TRUST

Open Weekend - June 10th & 11th 2023
Applications open - June 10th 2023
Applications close - July 24th 2023
Interviews commence - August 30th & 31st 2023
& all applicants will be contacted shortly after
The 2024 year commences early January

For more information please contact us via Facebook or applications@pukemiro.co.nz

PANUI/PUBLIC NOTICES

MISTRESS OF CAKES:

Are looking for a new dishwasher:

- **Tuesday 4.30 - 7.30 pm**
- **Friday 4.30 - 8.00 pm**
- **Saturday 1 – 5 pm**

Please note you need to be over 15 to apply.

For further information please contact:

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