# Rotorua Lakes High School

"Mauria te pono - Keep steadfastly to the truth"

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**Kia ora Koutou**

It has been a great week this week at Lakes High starting with our Inter-School Sports Exchange event on Wednesday at Morrinsville High School. We won! It was fantastic to watch the students so enthusiastic and totally immersed in all the events. We are very grateful to all our students, Ms S Savage, sport coaches and managers for their unwavering dedication and commitment. A very well deserved win indeed. (further details on pages 8-9).

We had very positive feedback from our Roadshow visits this week. A big thank you to Mokoia Intermediate, Rotorua Intermediate, Rotoiti Primary School, Whangamarino School, Whakarewarewa School, Ngakuru School and Kaharoa Primary School, for their hospitality and support. It was a great opportunity to meet prospective students and parents.

What an amazing time our students had at the Hillary Outdoor Camp. Our students rose to every challenge with determination and outstanding team work. I have it on good authority that they did us proud! Huge thanks to all staff involved for providing such an invaluable opportunity for our students. (further details on pages ).

We are looking forward to our Open Day for students on Tuesday 22 August (all day) and a reminder that only Year 9 students attend that day. Remaining students will have a study day at home. This day provides an ideal opportunity to show what our school has to offer and support a positive transition of Year 8 students.

We also have our Open Evening for all Year 8 whānau next Thursday 24 August from 4 – 8 pm. There will be two welcomes, including mihi whakatau, student reflections and the Principal's address, one at 4 pm and another at 6 pm. Tours will begin immediately after the welcomes. A reminder that the school will close at 1.30 pm to allow preparation time for the open night. We hope to see you there. On Friday school will start at 10 am with students going to their period 2 classes. Thank you for your support.

On Thursday 31st August at 7 pm in our Auditorium, we are very fortunate to have Rob Cope coming into our school from Our Kids Online. We want our school to be a safe place. Because of the rapidly changing times, our tamariki are growing up in, and the mounting challenges and harms they are facing online, we need to start talking about and tackling this as a community. As such, we have organized Filmmaker, Author and Speaker Rob Cope, producer of the documentary "Our Kids Online" to come and give what promises to be a humourous and eye-opening evening talk to our parent community.

Our staff are currently developing evidence for derived grades should this be necessary. The Prelim Exams for our NCEA students will form a significant part of this evidence, so it is vital that students treat the revision for these assessments with respect. A reminder that the exams are starting Monday 18 September and ending Friday 22 September 2023. During this time many practical subjects will also be scheduled for extra time. Students will receive a timetable.

Just a heads up for our Winter Tournament which is coming up on 28 August to 1 September. The students and staff have already been working hard - it will be a great week. Watch out for further details soon.

Have a great weekend.

Ngā mihi

Jon Ward, Principal / Tumuaki

## CAR PARK MAIN ENTRANCE

Recently, the main carpark has been used by parents to pick up students. We understand the convenience of this but there have been a number of incidents caused by cars attempting to pull out of the carpark when buses are present and other cars are moving along Porikapa Road. This has led to a review of our Health & Safety processes and as a result we are closing the main carpark for pick ups between 3 and 3.30 pm. We apologise for the inconvenience but this will help to reduce traffic congestion and increase student safety at the end of the school day.

| BRIEF LOOK – TERM 3 2023 | |
|---|---|
| **22 August** | Open Day – arrive at 9.30 am<br>**(only Year 9 students are at school on this day - normal school times)** |
| **23 August** | Tough Guy & Girl Challenge |
| **24 August** | Open Evening – 4 pm or 6 pm for **Year 8 students (school closes at 1.30pm)** |
| **28 Aug – 1 Sep** | Winter Tournament |
| **1 Sep** | Gifted Learners Applications open |
| **6 Sep** | Interhouse Competitions |
| **9 Sep** | School Ball 😊 |
| **12 Sep** | MCAT (11MSC classes) |
| **18 – 22 Sep** | **SENIOR EXAM WEEK** |
| **22 Sep** | **End of Term 3** |

## ENROLMENT SCHEME

The board invites applications from caregivers who wish to enrol their children at Rotorua Lakes High School for next year.

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office.

Enrolment forms are available at the school office or online at www.rotorualakes.school.nz. Parents of students who live within the home zone should apply by **Friday 17 November 2023** to assist the school to plan appropriately for next year.

The board has determined that 70 places are likely to be available for out-of-zone students next year. The exact number of places will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone.

For the 2024 school year, there will be four enrolment periods. The first enrolment period runs from **Monday 14 August to Friday 22 September 2023.**

For students seeking enrolment within the first enrolment period, the deadline for receipt of applications for out of zone places is **Friday 22 September 2023.**

If the number of out of zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot. If a ballot for out of zone places is required, it will be held on **Tuesday 17 October 2023**. Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three school days of the ballot being held.

Details relating to the second enrolment period are as follows:

- Length of enrolment period: from **Friday 20 October 2023 – Friday 17 November 2023**
- Deadline for receipt of applications: **Friday 17 November 2023**
- Date of ballot: **Wednesday 22 November 2023**

Details relating to the third enrolment period are as follows:

- Length of enrolment period: from **Friday 24 November 2023– Friday 19 January 2024**
- Deadline for receipt of applications: **Friday 19 January 2024**
- Date of ballot: **Wednesday 24 January 2024**

A final ballot will be held if required and if space available for any applications received by **Friday 23 February 2024.**

No out of zone enrolments for the 2024 school year will be accepted after this date.

Rotorua Lakes High School Board of Trustees

# 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 | Geography | 91431 | 9 – 22 August (analyse) |
| 1 | Digital Technologies | 91886 | 11 October |

## OPEN DAY – ROSTERING HOME OF YEARS 10, 11, 12 AND 13

**TUESDAY 22 AUGUST – ALL DAY**

All staff are involved in this important school event to demonstrate what our school offers. Only **Year 9 students attend** on this day, **Years 10, 11, 12 and 13 students have a study day at home.** All buses run as normal.

## OPEN EVENING FOR YEAR 8

### THURSDAY 24 AUGUST 4 pm OR 6 pm

### DC PRICE AUDITORIUM

An invitation is extended to parents and students interested in enrolling in 2024. Meet our teachers, enjoy a tour of our school and obtain info about the school and the programmes/courses we offer. We hope to see you there!

## PRELIM EXAMS / 18 - 22 SEPTEMBER 2023

Our students who are entered into NZQA externals in November will be sitting Prelim exams. These exams are very important and students are expected to attend in full school uniform. The results from these exams are to help inform students/parents/teachers on the level the student is currently at and what needs to be worked on. They are also used for class placings and a derived grade for NZQA if needed. A derived grade is requested by NZQA in a situation where a student is unable, because of a medical or traumatic event, to sit their November exam(s). As we did last year, we will also be having timetabled slots for non-exam subjects. The timetable will be out in the next few weeks. For any queries please email: sturmej@rotorualakes.school.nz.

**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<br>Making Music<br>Spanish | Latin |
| Tue 7 Nov | 9.30 am | Agricultural & Horticultural Science | Art History | Statistics | Drama |
| | 2.00 pm | Geography | Spanish | Cook Islands Māori<br>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<br>Chinese<br>German | Biology |
| Tue 14 Nov | 9.30 am | Science | Chemistry | | English |
| | 2.00 pm | Samoan<br>Spanish | Geography | Biology | Art History |
| Wed 15 Nov | 9.30 am | | English | | Religious Studies |
| | 2.00 pm | Cook Islands Māori<br>History | Chinese | Accounting | German |
| Thu 16 Nov | 9.30 am | Business Studies | History | Physics | Te Reo Rangatira |
| | 2.00 pm | Drama | Cook Islands Māori<br>Social Studies | Health | |
| CANTERBURY ANNIVERSARY DAY (Fri 17 Nov) | | | | | |
| WEEKEND | | | | | |
| Mon 20 Nov | 9.30 am | Art History<br>Te Reo Māori | Japanese | Latin<br>Psychology<br>Te Reo Rangatira | Chemistry |
| | 2.00 pm | Classical Studies | Health | Economics | |
| Tue 21 Nov | 9.30 am | Media Studies | Te Reo Rangatira | Drama<br>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<br>Samoan | Earth & Space Science | Chinese |
| | 2.00 pm | | | Music Studies | Spanish |
| Thu 30 Nov | 9.30 am | Social Studies | Dance | | Earth & Space Science |

## NCEA EXAMS 2023

The 2023 Examination Timetable for current NCEA standards and New Zealand Scholarship will run from:

Monday 6 November to Thursday 20 November 2023

Students can access their personalised timetable through their login on the NZQA site.

www.nzqa.govt.nz

## ATTENDANCE FOCUS

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.

## AMAZING ROADSHOWS

Thanks for having us present to your Yr8 students - Mokoia Intermediate, Rotorua Intermediate, Rotoiti Primary School, Whangamarino School, Whakarewarewa School, Ngakuru School and Kaharoa Primary School. Well done to the wonderful group of RLHS students who represented our kura beautifully.

It was a great week with our students sharing the benefits of Rotorua Lakes High School education.

**Ka nui te pai tamariki ma me koe hoki Matua Tamihana.**

## MATARIKI CELEBRATIONS

Kia Ora e te Whānau! We are having another Matariki Fundraiser. Week 7 - Thursday the 31st of August 4pm to 6pm. All money fundraised will go towards new kakahu eg piupiu etc for our Kapa roopu 'Te Kura o Ngā Moana'. Our Māori Department is in the middle of organising this. We would be most grateful to get any items of the following on the selected days as of next week.

### Tuesday and Wednesday

- canned or packaged (please check food has not expired)

### Thursday and Friday

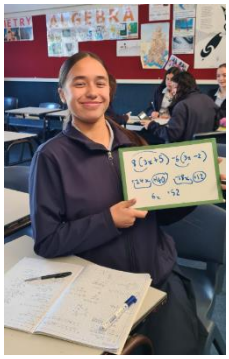
- quality pre loved clothes or items that are in good condition for hokohoko shop (secondhand)
- indoor pot plants and pre loved jewellery.

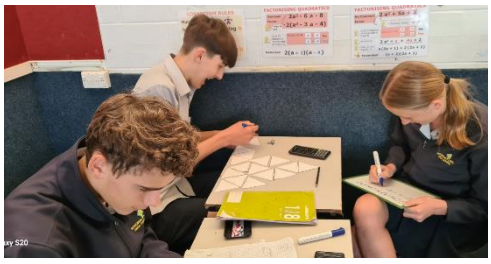
As stated on the poster we will have food stalls, sausage sizzle, an Art Auction, raffles, hokohoko shop of a variety of pre loved items and live entertainment (karaoke).

Nau mai haere mai to all our Whānau and friends of our Kura. Come and tautoko!

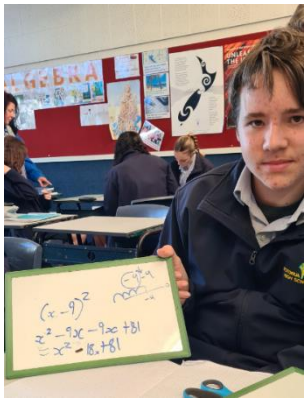
Mauri Ora!
Māori Department

## MARVELLOUS MATHS!





Amazing stuff going on in Mr Allen's 10Huia Maths class today! Students working cooperatively to make and solve expanding brackets in Algebra. Then using peer assessment to make, and then exchange, a Tarsia puzzle. Amazing productive Maths chat going on. Everyone engaged and learning! 😍😍



## OUR CHOIR STARS

Elrie Bosch and Grace Gainsford performing with the Rotorua Accelerando group to open the Cadenza Choir Competition on a Monday. Follow this link to hear the performance: 😍😍

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6OCbepa-CSk

## CELEBRATING OUR NEW CLUB

The Arts and Crafts club was formed by the cultural committee of 2023. It is a space for creative students to come together and share their talent with each other while also having fun. Any student is welcome to join so come have a look in C3, Friday at lunchtimes and don't miss out! Elrie Bosch and Eva Lescheid lead the activities, a big thank you to Stella Weston for organising our space and Mrs Malcolm for allowing us to use her classroom! 😍😍

## FANTASTIC FUND RAISING

The Year 13 Practical PE class ran a week of fundraising activities as part of their community project assessment to raise money to go towards new sports & rec gear for students to use during their break times. The purpose for this was to entice students to engage in physical activity.
The class's Raffle and Lolly Jar competitions were drawn and our winners were:

Raffle - Mr Dwayne Van der Westhuizen

Guess the number of Lollies - Amaro Gonzalez Diaz

From the Sausage Sizzle, Bake Sale, Raffle & Lolly Jar, the 13PPE class managed to raise just over $600 for this project! They look forward to providing great gear for all students to use! 😍

## GREAT YR 11 CAG CLASS

Fun in Yr11 & Yr 12 CAG class.

They had a great day learning about the qualities of good work ethics. 😍

Many thanks to Sarah, our presenter from Graeme Foundation 😍

## SECOND HAND UNIFORM

If anyone has any old school uniform that they no longer need the school is very short of secondhand uniforms. We are after any year level boys and girls.

# STUDENT SUCCESSES

## RLHS VS MORRINSVILLE COLLEGE – SPORTS EXCHANGE

On Wednesday 16th August, a selection of our top sports teams journeyed to Morrinsville College to participate in a Winter Sports Exchange. This exchange was reignited last year by some of our young school leaders, and we were fortunate to be joined by one of them - Kingi Aupouri (2022 RLHS Head Boy).

This event showcased the importance of Sport within schools and its ability to build positive culture and provide opportunities for new connections to be made for not only the students, but for all involved. We managed to take 105 RLHS students to compete and they represented our school with pride.

Our results were:

RLHS 5 wins, Morrinsville College 4 wins

Basketball: Jnr A Boys: WIN 57-51, Snr A Boys Loss 48-58, Girls WIN 41-37

Football: Girls 1st XI: Loss 1-3, Boys 1st XI: WIN 7-0

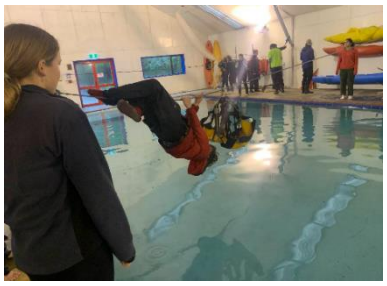
Hockey: Girls 1st XI: Loss 4-6, Boys 1st XI: WIN 8-3

Netball: Jnr A: Loss 11-24, Snr A WIN: 29-14

In addition to the success of the day, we had a special change in kaupapa for the taonga trophy, that was created by Kingi Aupouri in 2022. The new kaupapa involves the trophy no longer focusing on the winning school, it will now be a prestigious taonga that encompasses the Mauri of the event between the two schools.

## WHAT A WEEK FOR OUR GREAT HILLARY OUTDOORS STUDENTS!

What an amazing week our students had at the Hillary Outdoor camp. The programme is aimed at increasing students' skills through adventure and connect through participation. The programme offers a balanced approach to meeting Rotorua Lakes High School educational objectives and outcomes, by building skills and capacity through challenges, adventure, community immersion, and communal living. Our students rose to every challenge with determination and outstanding team work. They were brilliant🤩🤩



## OUTSTANDING WIN FOR OUR TWO STUDENTS

Congratulations on a fabulous win to our two RLHS students, Madyson-Manaia Martin and Mary Schuster. Both students play for the Whakarewarewa Reds Netball team, who have successfully defended their Championship title in the Rotorua Netball Premier 1 Women's competition against a determined Waikite Stars team. Outstanding performances by both - with Maddie being steady all game under gritty defensive pressure and slotting 90% of her shots at GS, and Mary causing havoc for the Waikite shooters in GK, which included a huge shot rejection to massive applause. Final score 48-33. Beautiful mahi girls!!

# PANUI O NGĀ HAKINAKINA/SPORTS NEWS

## 1ST XI BOYS HOCKEY

At home against Tauhara the boys were playing off for a spot in the 3rd and 4th playoff next week. Although the boys failed to capitalise on all of the opportunities in the match they came away with a dominant 3-0 victory. Tama Te Whau picked up a hatrick with goals in the 1st,2nd and 4th quarter. While at times we allowed Tauhara opportunities our Captain for the day and Goalie Lachie Hoggard was steadfast in the circle and saved everything Tauhara could muster. Both Tomas Zudimeer and Preston Cleaver had strong games in the halves, reading play well, controlling the ball and finding players in space to pass to. After many weeks on the sideline following a broken ankle it was great to welcome back Josh Tawhara to the playing lineup and he fitted back in superbly. Next week will be the final BOP game for the boys this season with an away game to Whakatane whom we have drawn with twice.

## SUPERB NETBALL

Pai tū pai hinga nāwai rā ka oti. Congratulations to the Senior B netball team who finished the season coming runner up (2nd) in the Senior B grade netball competition. The team showed great progress and resilience over the season. A big Thank you to the coach Blair Leigh for his commitment and coaching of the team and Rebecca Dalgarno for managing the team. 😍😍

Congratulations to the Junior Gold Netball team who won the collegiate B grade competition. Thank you to their coach Jodi Warren and manager Kelley Morey for their time, commitment and coaching of the team. Great to see Mauria te pono in action!

The Senior A netball team played in the EBOP tournament. The team came away with 2 wins for Stella & 3 losses to finish 6th in their pool. It was a productive team building experience and the players showed great resilience after a hard start to the day. Lakes High is very grateful to our Senior A coach Coral Palmer for her expert coaching and to our manager Rachel Schuster for her organisation of the team. Mauria te pono.

A great week last week for Lakes High Netball!

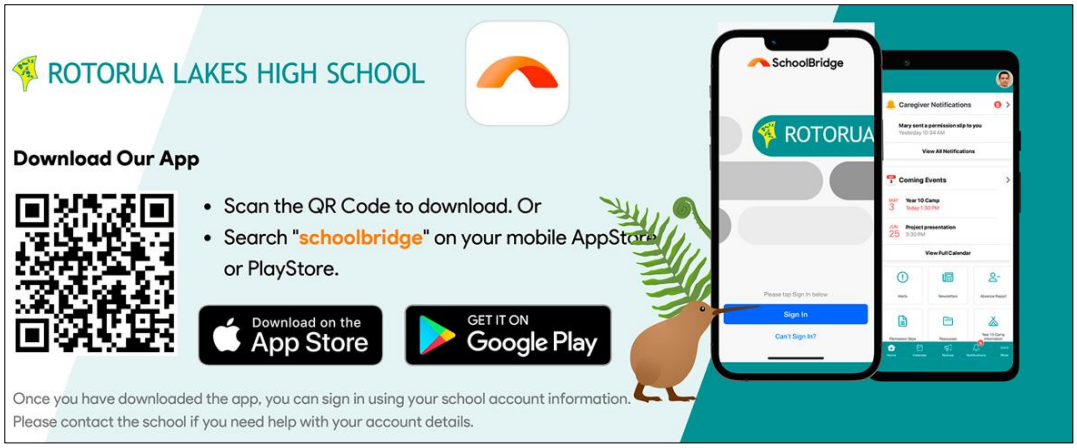
This week, our netball teams had some fantastic results, Senior A had a 28 to 10 win over RGHS prem 2, Senior B a 22 to 6 win over JPC Black, Junior A a 15 to 14 win over WHHS junior A and Junior Gold a 20 to 19 win over JPC Whero. Next week, all teams head into finals with the Junior Gold and Senior B playing off for 1st in their grade.

This Sunday, the Senior A will be playing in the WAIBOP tournament at the Rotorua courts. The first games will be played at 10am, 10:30 and 12pm.

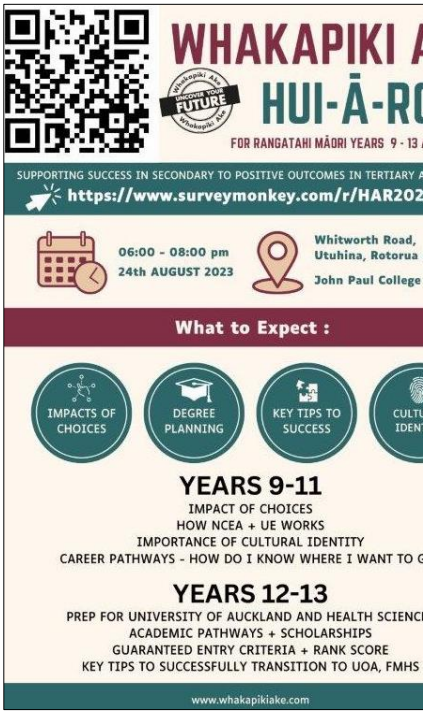
Come along and support our team if you are free! Mauria te pono!

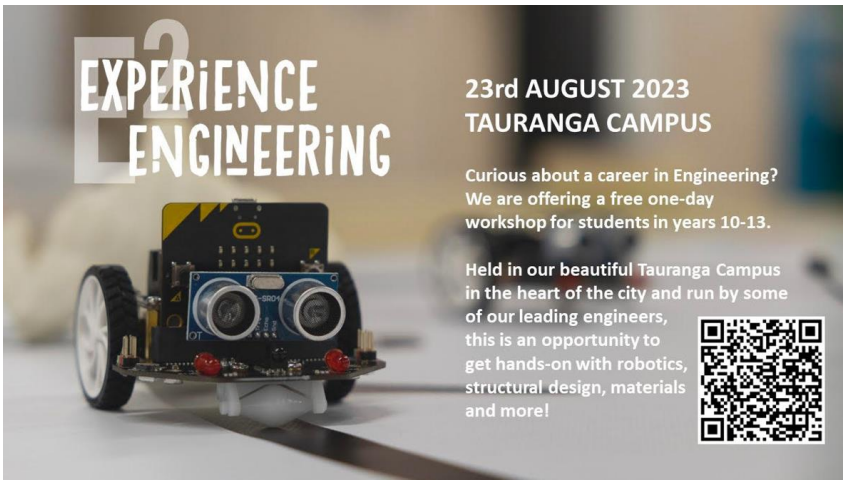
## FOOTBALL FRENZY SUCCESS

What a great turnout of students wanting to give Football a go and have a whole heap of FUN with others! Well done to all participants, and big pats on the back for our Sports Prefects Team. Stay tuned for our next round of games for everyone to try and enjoy! 😍




## CAREERS / GATEWAY



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