Rotorua Lakes High School

"Mauria te pono - Keep steadfastly to the truth"

FINAL NEWSLETTER FOR 2023

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Kia ora Koutou

We are at the end of the 2023 academic year, finishing in great style today with a celebration of our junior students at Junior Prizegiving (pages 2 - 18). Our heartfelt thanks to all parents and caregivers for supporting your children through the year and enabling us to provide them with positive experiences. It has been our pleasure to work with you. I hope that our students will take on board the message I gave at the prizegiving, to take those opportunities when they arrive, maintain a positive outlook and support those who look after you by helping out over the Christmas break.

What a fantastic time our students and staff had at our Yr 10 camp, Totara Springs last week. A huge thank you to our students, who did us proud, and to our Year 10 Dean, Ms Heidi Blackmore and Ms Haley Hodge for all their outstanding organization and work. And to all our teachers for their enthusiasm and help, Ms Christina De Lore, Mr Tim Hounsell, Mr Chris Webster, Ms Katherine Goodrick, Ms Jo Chemis, Ms Haana Howard and Ms Monique Hingston. (pages 22 - 23).

The electives last week were a huge success. Our students had a fantastic time and it was lovely to see all the smiling faces. Huge shout out to all our wonderful teachers for organizing. (page 23).

This week, we had the pleasure of saying farewell to our Year 13 graduates at the Leavers Dinner. It was great to see such great young adults moving forwards to the next stage of their lives. I, and all the staff at Lakes High School, wish them the very best in their future pathways. (page 22).

We will also farewell staff who are leaving us:

Mwarawa Kairaoi is leaving us as the Year 11 Dean. We wish Mwarawa all the very best.
Kay Ackerman is leaving us as our ESOL and Childcare teacher. All the very best Kay.
Angela Gunn our English Teacher, is moving on and we wish Angela all the very best.
David Murtagh our Design Teacher who is retiring at the end of this year. All the best for your retirement David.
Simone Hamilton our Food Tech & Economics Teacher who is relocating. All the best for your new journey Simone.
Tamihana Gardiner from our Te Reo Māori Department is moving on. All the very best Tamihana.

Thank you to the following staff who stepped in and helped teach throughout the year. It is very appreciated:

Marion Forbes, Annie Scott, Warren Lockie and Brian Old.

To our students, ensure you look after your parents/caregivers and engage in some positive family time. Have an absolutely brilliant Christmas and New Year.

Wishing you all happy, safe and enjoyable holidays
Meri Kirihimete, Merry Christmas

Ngā mihi

Jon Ward, Principal / Tumuaki

JUNIOR PRIZEGIVING

Today, we held our Junior Prizegiving in the DC Price Auditorium. The day was highly successful and enjoyable – always a proud occasion for us to celebrate the academic successes of our Junior students. A special thank you to all staff who organized this event and worked so diligently to make it a success. My thanks also to all our special guests for attending and for presenting our students with their cups and certificates.

Very well done to all our students!

We are delighted and proud to announce and congratulate our 2023 Top Scholars and all of our prize winners.

TOP SCHOLARS

Top Year 10 Student - Tamzin Joy
Top Year 9 Student – Shyamana Shors

SPECIAL AWARDS

Apollo Award for Junior Science

Cameron Moore

The Sutton Trophy for Most Improved Pupil in Year 9 Maori Studies - First Equal

Patrezcija Vuletic-Petch
Meiken Bradbury

Contribution to Tikanga Maori and Te Reo within the School and Community

Mara Mihaka

Junior Contribution to Music - First Equal - Mainiax
Tiffany Ten Haaf
James Barrett

Top Junior Performer in Music - First Equal - Last Minute
Kyan Ah Chee-Poole
Corey Auld
Grace Gainsford
Ben Mowry
Sam Walker

The Sharon Harris Award for Best Overall Performer in Drama
Lilly Tamati

Top Junior Mathematics Student
Tamzin Joy

The Junior Speech Trophy
Shyamana Shors

YEAR 9 ACADEMIC AWARDS

Sasha Baker	First Equal in Programmable Electronics Second in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in English
Holly Barclay	First Equal in Drama First Equal in Science Second in English Third in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Colton Boardman	First in Digital Literacy
Meiken Bradbury	First in Te Reo Māori
Elsie Button	Third Equal in English Effort and Achievement in Drama Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Nakita Campbell	Second Equal in Music

Kyraan Field	Third in Science Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Music
Amelia Foote-Webb	Second in Materials Technology Hard Third Equal in English Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori Effort and Achievement in Art Effort and Achievement in Music Effort and Achievement in Drama Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Science
Grace Gainsford	Third in Art
Arlo Garden	Second Equal in Music Third in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori
Josh Gardiner	Second in Art Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori
Manaia Gorman	First in Te Reo Rumaki Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Finn Griffiths	First in Physical Education Second in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics
Melody Hore	First in Music Effort and Achievement in Art Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in English
Tyrel Kautai	Second in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education
Henry Kedian	Third in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics

Amelia Luke	Second in Food Technology
Alex Malcolm	Second in Food Technology Third Equal in Health Third Equal in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics Effort and Achievement in Science
Jacquise Mathew	First Equal in Te Ao Māori Third in Food Technology
Mara Mihaka	First Equal in NCEA Level 1 Te Reo Māori Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Jenny O'Malley	Third Equal in Health Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Drama Effort and Achievement in Music Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori
Ben Shiels	Third Equal in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science
Shyamana Shors	First in Art First in English First in Mathematics First in Programmable Electronics First Equal in Advanced Physical Education First Equal in Health First Equal in Te Ao Māori Second in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Alyssa Tawhara	First Equal in Advanced Physical Education First Equal in Drama Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Science
Jiya Tomar	First Equal in Health Third in Materials Technology Hard Third Equal in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Drama Effort and Achievement in English

	Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achieve in Te Ao Māori
Patrezcija Vuletic-Petch	First Equal in Te Reo Māori Effort and Achievement in Health
Nicole Wallace	First in Design and Visual Communication First in Food Technology First in Materials Technology Hard First in Social Studies First in Textiles, Fashion and Design First Equal in Science Second in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in English
Jet Wilson	Third in Programmable Electronics Effort and Achievement in Food Technology

YEAR 9 MERIT CERTIFICATES FOR EFFORT AND/OR EFFORT & ACHIEVEMENT

Penelope Agnew	Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Drama Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort and Achievement in English Effort and achievement in Social Studies
Cora Aitchison	Effort and Achievement in Drama
Reid Anderson	Effort and Achievement in Music
Grace Annabell	Effort and Achievement in English
Ayden Atkinson	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Corey Auld	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Disha Bailwal	Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori
Amber Baker	Effort and Achievement in Drama

Maia Blakey	Effort and Achievement in Drama
Josh Bowyer	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Jackson Brown	Effort in Te Puawaitanga
Thomas Bulmer	Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics
Sophia Cameron-Boot	Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori
Luquise Capper	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science
Mayah Carston	Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Raina Chandra	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Daniel Cheesman	Effort and Achievement in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Science
Elizabeth Cooper-Galvin	Effort and Achievement in Accelerate Numeracy Programme Effort in Mathematics
Wikitoria Cooper-Galvin	Effort and Achievement in Accelerate Numeracy Programme
Lucas Corson	Effort and Achievement in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Ella Coxhead	Effort and Achievement in Health
Alex Crawford	Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics
Jack Davis	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
TJ Delamere	Effort and Achievement in Accelerate Numeracy Programme
Harmony Edwards-Paul	Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Health
Will Fisher	Effort and Achievement in Music

Ariana Fitzell	Effort and Achievement in English
Kane Garmonsway	Effort and Achievement in Music
Luka Garrood	Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Ayla Gillard	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Music
Waaka Grace-Harris	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort in Science
Evah Graham	Effort in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Dylan Gribble	Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Chase Grunwell	Effort in Physical Education
Jesse Hannah	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Ash Hanson	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort in Mathematics
Amelia Heath	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Damon Heighway	Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Iri Hellens	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Morghan Heron	Effort and Achievement in Food Technology
Lincoln Hopkins	Effort in Mathematics
Waimaria Houkamau	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Te Reo Rumaki
Theo Hunt	Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication
Tia Huriwai - Wilson	Effort and Achievement in Accelerate Numeracy Programme Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Music Effort in Mathematics

Jesse Hynes	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Ryan Jenkins	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Carys Johnston	Effort and Achievement in Health
Rocky Jordaan	Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Chloe Judd	Effort in Food Technology
Jovarne Jury	Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy
Jaleesa King	Effort in English
Helena Kirkup	Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Zhaphyre Larsen	Effort and Achievement in Health
Caitlin Lye	Effort and Achievement in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori
Tysha Mareikura	Effort in Mathematics
Bree Mattler	Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori Effort in Mathematics
Marley Mclean	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Chloe Mitchell	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Kincade Moka-Walters	Effort and Achievement in Health
Cameron Moore	Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Claire Moreira	Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort in Science

Layne Murray	Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori Effort in Mathematics
Samiuela Nai	Effort in Mathematics
Tiare-Manea Newton-Kotuhi	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Te Reo Rumaki
Lawrel Ngere	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics
Isabelle Norton	Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Awanui Owen	Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Te Reo Māori
Hayzelle Pairama	Effort in Science
Ruby Parton	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Wiripo Paul	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Richard Pham	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Dahntae Rapana	Effort and Achievement in UDL Social Studies
Ane Roach	Effort and Achievement in Māori Performing Arts
Rangipai Sandle	Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori
Bella Saunders	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Aava Shaw	Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Health
Jasmine Sieber	Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy

	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Reda Sinnott	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Declan Smith	Effort and Achievement in Music Effort and Achievement in UDL Mathematics
Liam Sperry	Effort and Achievement in Health
Daniel Stevenson	Effort and Achievement in Food Technology
Pikihuia Taipeti-Cribb	Effort and Achievement in NCEA Level Te Reo Māori Effort in Mathematics
Kate Taylor	Effort in Mathematics
Poho TeAmo	Effort and Achievement in English
Te Rangiunuora Tule	Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Chloe van Schalkwyk	Effort and Achievement in Health
Ryker Wainohu	Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Sam Walker	Effort and Achievement in Music
Godess Westrupp	Effort and Achievement in UDL Science
Kaea Whakatau	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Raiha White	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Zara Winika	Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Māori
Savanah Worth	Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Will Wyatt	Effort and Achievement in Te Puawaitanga
Aroha Yorke	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics

YEAR 10 ACADEMIC AWARDS

Lyla Alton	First Equal in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort and Achievement in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts
Divjot Bairagi	First in Digital Technology First in Science Second Equal in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Computer Aided Design Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics
Tayla Bell	Second in Geography Second in Materials Technology Hard Second Equal in Advanced Physical Education Third in English Third in Music Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science
Oscar Burns	First in Geography First Equal in English Second Equal in Science Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Music
Laris Chan	First in Materials Technology Hard First in Programmable Electronics Third in Geography Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Kristin Conradie	First Equal in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts
Amy Crawshaw	Second in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Science
Maddi Findlater	Third in Health
Sophie Flight	Second in Health Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design

Tania Flintoff	Third in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Science
Alyssa Gillions	Second Equal in Performing Arts Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in History
Hazel Herries	First Equal in Computer Aided Design Second in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in Geography Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts
Ruby Hogg	Third Equal in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Mackenzie Holland	First in Art
Sam Hutton	First in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Business Studies Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science
Tamzin Joy	First in Design and Visual Communication First in Mathematics First Equal in Business Studies First Equal in Computer Aided Design First Equal in Physical Education Second Equal in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Science
Senna Knapman	Second in Programmable Electronics
Briana Lang	Third in Computer Aided Design Third in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in English Effort in Mathematics
Hunter Lewis	First in Advanced Physical Education First Equal in Business Studies First Equal in English Second Equal in Mathematics Third in History Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Science

Luca Managh	First Equal in History Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in English
Joshua Marshall	Third in Materials Technology Hard Third in Programmable Electronics Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Paige Maxwell	Second in Digital Technology
Ava McGrath	First Equal in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Geography
Issy Morey	Second in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Maisie O'Callaghan	First in Performing Arts Effort and Achievement in Computer Aided Design Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication
Ellie Porter	Third in Business Studies Third in Food Technology
Nirai Raureti-Mikaere	First Equal in Te Reo Māori
Iraia Savage	First Equal in Te Reo Māori Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Freya Slade	Third Equal in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Hanna Smith	Second Equal in Performing Arts Third in Advanced Physical Education
Tiffany Ten Haaf	First Equal in History Second Equal in Science Second in Art Second in Music Effort and Achievement in English Effort in Mathematics

Ella Thompson	First in Health Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Science Effort in Mathematics
Merehira Tukiri Emer Lim	First Equal in Te Reo Māori
Lilli Warren	Third in Digital Technology
Sophia Watt	First in Food Technology
Kauiarangi Waugh	First Equal in NCEA Level 1 Te Reo Māori
Harley Wheaton	First in Music Effort and Achievement in Physical Education

YEAR 10 MERIT CERTIFICATES FOR EFFORT AND/OR EFFORT & ACHIEVEMENT

Rocky Ahuriri	Effort in Mathematics Effort in Physical Education
Mario Alves	Effort and Achievement in Science
Zayne Balloch	Effort in Physical Education
James Barrett	Effort and Achievement in Digital Technology Effort and Achievement in History Effort and Achievement in Music Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics
Jordan Bennett	Effort and Achievement in Business Studies Effort in Computer Aided Design
Te Aroha-Joy Bennett	Effort and Achievement in NCEA Level 1 Te Reo Māori Effort in Science
Julien Collet	Effort and Achievement in Computer Aided Design Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics
Riley Druiff	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Grayson Emtage	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard

Kathleen Galvin-Taingahue	Effort and Achievement in NCEA Level 2 Te Reo Māori
Logan Geldenhuys	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Hariata George	Effort and Achievement in Science Effort in Mathematics
Annika Geraets Skerrett	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Asher Goddard	Effort and Achievement in Digital Technology Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Charlotte-Rose Hamiora Samuel	Effort and Achievement in English
Shari Hayward	Effort and Achievement in Te Reo Māori Advanced Effort in Social Studies
Waipunaarangi Hira	Effort in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Makayla Hohaia	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Lillee Hohneck	Effort and Achievement in Health
Akina Hutchison	Effort and Achievement in English
Tyler Kieser	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Maraea King	Effort and Achievement in Māori Performing Arts Effort in Mathematics
Campbell Livingstone-Nielsen	Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort in Mathematics

Jayden Lowies	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Iveejane Macfarlane	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Izabelle Managh	Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Jessica Martin	Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Sam McFarlane	Effort and Achievement in History
Grace Milsum	Effort and Achievement in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Ben Mowry	Effort and Achievement in Digital Technology Effort and Achievement in Music
Thorin Nelson	Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education
Madison Orchard	Effort and Achievement in Business Studies Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts
Niheta Paul	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Te Reo Māori Advanced
Marcus Poovaiah	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Leonard Rankin	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Brooke Rees - Corskie	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Rjaye Reihana	Effort in Physical Education
Jayden Rogers	Effort and Achievement in Music
Anna Shapley	Effort and Achievement in Geography

	Effort and Achievement in Health
Izzy Sluiters	Effort and Achievement in Science
Alex Snook	Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Computer Aided Design Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Jess Swindlehurst	Effort and Achievement in Digital Technology Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Merle Taiatini	Effort in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Kingston Takao	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Whare Teepa	Effort and Achievement in English
Ben Verdonk	Effort and Achievement in Digital Technology
Maharlya Wall	Effort and Achievement in Music
Scott Wallace	Effort and Achievement in Music
Riley Worth	Effort and Achievement in English Effort in Design and Visual Communication

JUNIOR HOUSE CAPTAINS 2024

Ōkareka:
Tyrel Kautai
Evah Graham

Rotokakahi:
Alex Malcolm
Chloe van Schalkwyk

Tikitapu:
Sasha Baker
Jiya Tomar

Tarawera:
Jenny O'Malley
Nicole Wallace

GREAT DAY FOR TEACHERS

Earlier this week, kaiako from the five Rotorua Eastside Kahui Ako schools, walked to the top of Whakapoungakau with Matua Paraone to hear pūrākau about our local area. It was a great afternoon and inspired us all to share these local stories with our tauira.

NCEA EXAM RESULTS RELEASE DATE

#NCEAexams23 results will be released on 17 January 2024. #NZScholarship results will be released on 8 February 2024. For more info: https://www2.nzqa.govt.nz/.../ncea-and-nz-scholarship.../

This is the last newsletter for the year.
The school office is open until:
FRIDAY 15 DECEMBER 2023 closing at 3 pm
The school office re-opens:
MONDAY 22 JANUARY 2024
9 am – 3 pm

CAREERS & GATEWAY

We have had a wonderful year working with our fantastic students – and have many amazing success stories. Thank you also to our great parents/whānau for their continued support, it is so appreciated. A very Happy Christmas and New Year to all our students and families from the Careers & Gateway Department - *Mrs Pani McLean, Mrs Barbara Walker and Mrs Eva Hingston*

HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTRE

Just a reminder that over the holidays, youth are seen free at Rotovegas Health and by the Piripoho Nurse based at Owhata Medical Centre. You do not need to be enrolled at Owhata to see the Piripoho Nurse. To all our students and whānau/families– have a great break! *From Nurse Kat Sanford*

CHARTER BUS

- The first day for the charter bus next year will be Wednesday 31 January 2024 normal time.
- A term pass for the charter bus costs $250
- A 10 ride pass costs $60
- Payable online and at student reception

SCHOOL CANTEEN

IMPORTANT

The school canteen will re-open on Friday 2 February 2024.

SENIOR UNIFORM FOR THE 2024 YEAR 12 STUDENTS

A reminder to parents of this year's Year 11 students that they will need to buy the new Senior Uniform for their students going into Year 12 next year and then on to Year 13 the following year:

- **GIRLS need a plain blue skirt and a white shirt.**
- **BOYS need a white shirt.**

Donations of old uniforms will be gratefully accepted by the school – thank you.

Reminder on how to purchase the school uniform:

- All school uniform purchases will be through Argyle Schoolwear via their website www.argyleonline.co.nz
- To purchase online, go to www.argyleonline.co.nz and select Rotorua Lakes High School under Shop ArgyleOnLine. Orders can be placed at any time online. Customer service is available 24/7 via phone 0800 110059 or the online Answer Bot (click the help button on the bottom right of the page). Argyle's live chat team are also available to assist Monday to Friday 8.30am to 5pm.
- To find the correct size, follow the size guide online www.argyleonline.co.nz/ measuring-tips.
- For more information about ordering online, WINZ quotes, sizing, delivery and returns, check out the FAQ page www.argyleonline.co.nz/faqs 0800 110059 (available 24/7) aolhelp@argyleonline.co.nz\

HEADS UP!! FOR YEAR 13 CAMP 2024

Year 13 Camp 2024 from the 27 February – 1 March

Cost $250 (approx.*)

Camp is an amazing opportunity for students to develop leadership skills, build and foster school and house spirit, team building, personal challenges, and adventures. **** prices may be subject to change***

TERM DATES AND HOLIDAYS 2024

START OF TERM 1 2024	
Monday 22 January **(admin only)**	Office opens hours: 8.30 am to 3.30 pm
Monday 29 January	Public Holiday
Tuesday 30 & Wednesday 31 January	Course confirmation Days – Year 12 & 13 students must attend to confirm options and also those Yr 11 students who have not confirmed options. 9 am to 12 noon and 1 pm to 3 pm (drop-in)
Wednesday 31 January PŌWHIRI	PŌWHIRI 8.45 am • All Year 9 students to attend – parents & whānau welcome • Prefects, House Captains, Kapa Haka students are required at the Pōwhiri 8.45 am (can leave approx. 10 am) **Yr 9** - 8.45 am to 3.15 pm COURSE CONFIRMATION DAY • 9.30 am to 12 noon and 1 pm to 3 pm (drop-in) • Course Confirmation begins 9.30 am to enable all staff to attend the Pōwhiri
Thursday 1 February	**Yr 9 & 13** students 8.45 am to 3.15 pm Meet the new parent's session 4 – 6 pm – all staff
Friday 2 February	**ALL** students 8.45 am to 3.15 pm

TERM DATES 2024

Term	Date Start	Date Finish	Days	Weeks
One	Tue, 30 Jan 2024	Fri, 12 Apr 2024	50	11
Two	Mon, 29 Apr 2024	Fri, 5 Jul 2024	48	10
Three	Mon, 22 Jul 2024	Fri, 27 Sep 2024	50	10
Four	Mon, 14 Oct 2024	Fri, 13 Dec 2024	44	9

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2024	
Auckland Anniversary Day	**Monday 29 January**
Waitangi Day	**Tuesday 6 February**
Good Friday	**Friday 29 March**
Easter Monday	**Monday 1 April**
***School Holiday**	**Tuesday 2 April *note this is a school holiday only - not public**
Anzac Day	**Thursday 25 April**
King's Birthday	**Monday 3 June**
Matariki	**Friday 28 June**
Labour Day	**Monday 28 October**

BRIEF LOOK – TERM 1 2024	
Monday 22 January	Office opens **9 am – 3 pm** (admin only)
25 January	Teacher Only Day
29 January	**PUBLIC HOLIDAY – Auckland Anniversary**
6 February	**PUBLIC HOLIDAY - Waitangi Day**
21 February	RLHS Athletics Day
27 Feb – 1 March	Year 13 Camp
4 March	School Photos
5 March	RLHS Swimming
6 March	BOP Athletics
13 March	BOP Swimming
29 March – 2 April	**EASTER HOLIDAYS**
12 APRIL 2024	**END OF TERM 1**

ENROLMENT SCHEME FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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.

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.

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.

STUDENT SUCCESSES

2023 LEAVERS DINNER

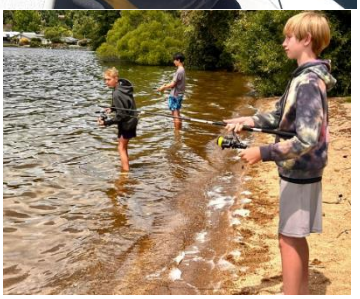
Oh what a night! Beautiful celebration of our Yr13 leavers last night at Rydges hotel. Guest speakers who were the head boy and head girl when this cohort were Yr9, fun awards, student performances, a photo trip down memory lane, wise words from Yr13 Dean Whaea Haana, haka and even a celebratory dip in the pool for some! Thank you so much to all the whānau who joined us last night to celebrate our leavers, we are very proud of them all and look forward to hearing of their future successes.

YEAR 10 CAMP

What a fantastic time our students and staff had at our Yr 10 camp, Totara Springs. Huge thank you to our wonderful students and to our Year 10 Dean, Ms Heidi Blackmore and Ms Haley Hodge for all their outstanding organization and work. And to all our teachers for their enthusiasm and help, Ms Christina De Lore, Mr Tim Hounsell, Mr Chris Webster, Ms Kat Goodrick, Ms Jo Chemis, Ms Haana Howard and Ms Monique Hingston. 😍 😍

ELECTIVES

The electives last week were a huge success. Our students had a fantastic time and it was lovely to see all the smiling faces. Huge shout out to all our wonderful teachers for organizing. Here is a snapshot of what they enjoyed. 😍



GREAT AIM AT THE AIR RIFLE CHAMPS

Huge congratulations to Bileigh Mikaere and Paige Maxwell. Bileigh received a trophy for Most Improved Shooter for Smallbore and Paige received her two trophies for 1st in D Grade in Air Rifle and Top Junior in Air Rifle. 😍 😍

NETBALL TALENT

Huge congratulations to Mary Schuster who has been selected for Netball NZ , National Development Camp. This is the first step in Mary's Netball New Zealand Pathway journey. Over three days, players will undergo a series of movement competency screening, fitness testing, skill sessions, positional sessions and match play. Well done Mary, we are proud of you. 😍 🥹

JUNIOR SPEECH COMP SUCCESS

On 11/28 the Junior Speech Competition was held. Congratulations to competitors Mokoia Raethel, Ava McGrath and Jiya Tomar who all made well-prepared, thought-provoking speeches which were much enjoyed and appreciated by the audience. Congratulations to the competition winner, Shyamana Shors, on her animated delivery of her topical speech on "Women in Sport." Thanks to the judges, Mrs. Goodrick and Ms. Matthews, who gave their expertise and encouragement. 😍 😍

AQUABOTS NATIONALS

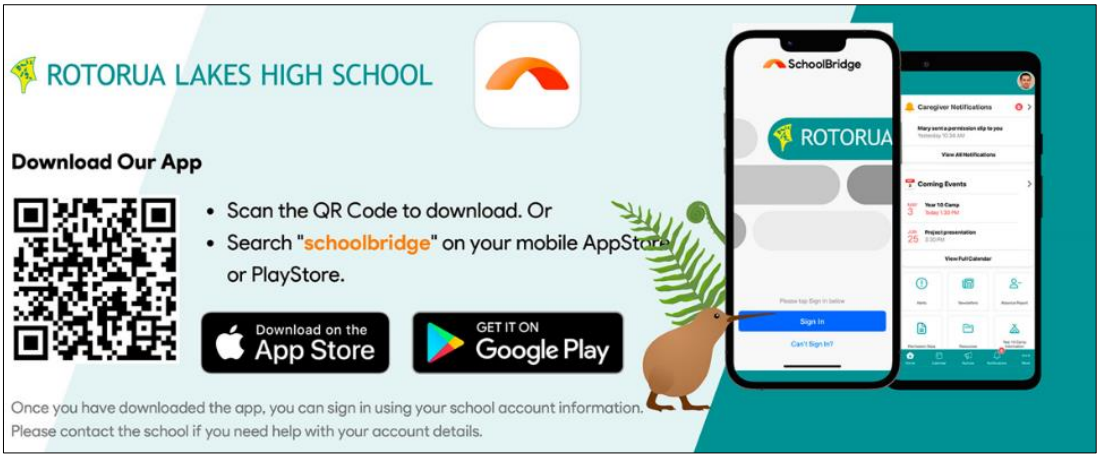
Recently, Bella Shaw and Siwan Lloyd-Jones, with their SAGE engineering team, travelled to Christchurch to take part in the Aquabots Nationals. They placed 2nd and have qualified for the International Competition in Maryland in May. It is fantastic to see RLHS students excelling in STEM activities. 😍

JUNIOR TENNIS CHAMPS

Recently, Jessica Martin competed at the BOP Junior Tennis Champs. She won her first match, lost her second to the number one seed, so finished up 5th overall in Division One. A great achievement Jessica!

CAREERS

From all staff at Lakes High, we wish you a wonderful, safe and happy holiday



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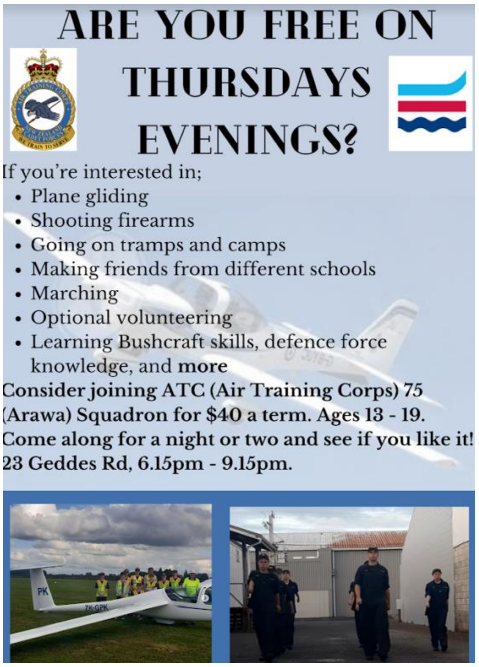

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