Rotorua Lakes High School

"Mauria te pono - Keep steadfastly to the truth"

NEWSLETTER ISSUE #9 – 27 JUNE 2024

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Kia ora koutou

This will be the final newsletter for Term 2. It has, at times seemed a long term, however, it has also brought many positives. Our sports teams have achieved remarkable success, and witnessing our students excel in various workshops and events has been great to see. I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our students, as well as our incredibly committed staff and volunteers, who have gone above and beyond to support our students.

Just a reminder that our parent / teacher evenings are now on 23 and 24 July 2024. Thank you for your understanding regarding the change of dates. Further details pages 2 - 3.

We now begin the process of students looking at their subject choices for Year 11 , 12 and 13 next year. There is a subject evening for students and whanau on Wednesday 31st July 4 - 6pm. Head of Departments and Teachers In Charge will be available to talk about what their department offers. Students will also be issued with a guide to help in this process. The school's curriculum guide is available online, with details on what subjects offer. This can be accessed next week through the schoolbridge login.

We will be using an online platform for students to select their subjects. This will not be turned on until the day of the open evening Wednesday 31st July to encourage the students to have conversations about their choice. Students will be able to make their selections after planning their course and talking with their teachers and whanau. We ask that parents "OK" their child's choices through their login via schoolbridge after their child has made their choice. HOD's will then confirm the student has made the prerequisites or is likely to make the prerequisites of the course they have chosen.

At the option evening we will have some devices available for families to use. If you need any help logging in please contact Mrs Walker in the office; walkerb2@rotorualakes.school.nz or 345 6124 ext 221.

We had a fantastic day with the Morrinsville Sports Exchange. There was great involvement from our students both participating and spectating. A huge well done to everyone involved. Further details on pages 4 – 5.

One of the key focuses of Term 3, will be our practice assessments, CAA assessments for Level 1 and subject selection. In certain aspects, I find it more suitable to refer to them as derived grade exams rather than practice assessments. This is because these assessments serve as proof that can be submitted to NZQA to establish a grade for a student in case they are unable to sit for the final external exams. Annually, there are students facing medical

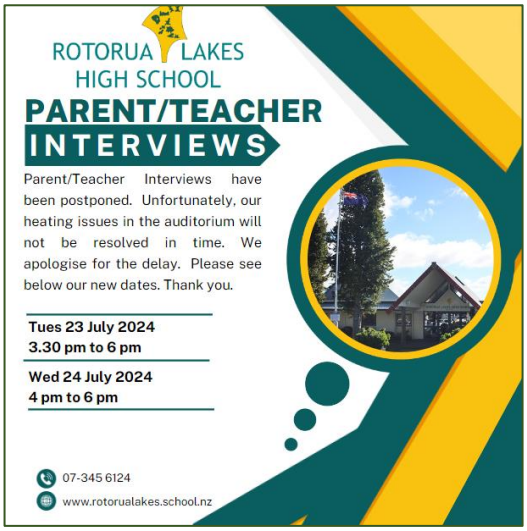
problems or family issues that hinder their participation in the final exams. In some instances, with the necessary documentation, we can consider offering derived grade evidence.

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 22ND July.

Ngā mihi

Jon Ward, Principal / Tumuaki



ROTORUA LAKES HIGH SCHOOL

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

SCHOOLBRIDGE

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held on Tuesday 23rd July 3.30-6.00pm and Wednesday 24th July 4.00-6.00pm. Reports were issued to students and e-mailed to Parents/Caregivers on Friday 21st June.

To book a Parent/Teacher interview please log in on the SchoolBridge App or the link on the school website using the e-mail address you have registered with the school.

Once logged in:
On the Home page click 'Conferences' then 'My Conferences'
Select the day you would like your interview
Click 'Book your Time' and make your selections.
Note: You can edit your time by clicking 'View Booking Summary' then the 'Cancel' button and select your new time.
Bookings will close at 9.00am on Tuesday 23rd July.

If you have any problems booking then please phone the school office: 07 345 6124.

We look forward to meeting with you to discuss your students' academic progress.

FROM THE MĀORI DEPARTMENT

Tihei Mauri Ora!

Next term our Māori Department will be having parent interviews based in the Wharenui - Te Manu Korohī te Atapō. (dates as above). Parents/caregivers will need to take this into account when making a booking for interviews so that you are not late for any other bookings that will follow. Please allow 5 minutes to get to the Wharenui from the Auditorium and 5 minutes to return.

Ka nui te mihi

Mauri Ora!

Nā Whaea Lucille

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 week of Term 3.

TERM 3 BUS PASSES

- Juniors $250
- Seniors $250
- 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
1	Health Education	92008	Practical Thursday 27 June Theory Friday 5 July
2	Health Education	91237	Monday 1 July
1	Science	92045	Tuesday 2 to Thursday 4 July
1	Science (Ms Balakrishnan)	92021	Tuesday 2 to Wednesday 3 July
1	Science (Ms Napier)	92021	Wednesday 3 to Thursday 4 July
2	History	91229 & 91230	Friday 5 July
3	History	91434 & 91435	Friday 5 July
3	Legal Studies	US27837	Friday 5 July
1	Sports Science	92017	Friday 5 July
2	Sports Science	91328	Friday 5 July
2	Practical PE	US473	Friday 5 July
3	Biology	91604	Monday 22 to Tuesday 23 July
2	Legal Studies	US27836	Friday 26 July
1	Legal Studies	US27835	Friday 26 July

BRIEF LOOK – TERM 3 2024	
31 July	Subject Choice Evening 4 – 6 pm
6 – 7 August	Epic Night Out concert
14 August	"Open to View" tours of the school
19, 21 & 23 August	Roadshows
27 August	Open Day – arrive at 9.30 am – YR 8 students
29 August	Open Evening – 4 pm or 6 pm – YR 8 students
7 September	**SCHOOL BALL** 😊
9 – 20 September	CAA Numeracy & Literacy Exams
16 – 24 September	Prelim Exams
27 SEP	**END OF TERM 3**

GREAT VISIT FROM OUR ROTORUA MAYOR

Thanks to Mayor Tania Tapsell for coming in to RLHS to speak with 9Kowhai as part of their Social Studies learning around Government and Leadership. Students were very impressed and there are now some high aspirations amongst these future leaders!

VOICES OF HOPE

Some powerful messages shared by the Voices of Hope team. Thanks so much to Jazz Thornton, Genevieve Mora and Tai Tupou for sharing their Mental Health journeys, and tips for our students to speak up, be kind and support one another.

TOURISM TRADESHOW

Our Tourism students were invited to visit MEETINGS which is the biggest national tradeshow in New Zealand for the Business Events industry and is being held in Rotorua this week. It was great for students to see what it's really like to work in this part of the Tourism industry.

2024 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE					
Examinations available digitally shown in blue.					
Date	**Session**	**Level 1**	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Scholarship**
Tue 5 Nov	AM	Lea Faka-Tonga	Mathematics & Statistics	Dance	Classical Studies
	PM	Gagana Sāmoa Spanish	Biology	Japanese Making Music Spanish	Statistics
Wed 6 Nov	AM			English	
	PM	Geography	Spanish	Cook Islands Māori Social Studies	German
Thu 7 Nov	AM		English		Latin
	PM	Reo Māori Kūki ‘Āirani	Accounting	History	French
Fri 8 Nov	AM	Mathematics & Statistics		Chemistry	Accounting
	PM		Music		History
WEEKEND					
Mon 11 Nov	AM	French	Lea Faka-Tonga Te Reo Māori	Calculus	Samoan
	PM	Commerce	Korean	Agricultural & Horticultural Science Chinese German	Media Studies
Tue 12 Nov	AM	English			Physics
	PM	Korean	Drama	Samoan	
Wed 13 Nov	AM	Science	Chemistry	Drama	Geography
	PM	Gagana Tokelau Vagahau Niue	Geography	Biology	Art History
Thu 14 Nov	AM	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Art History	Statistics	Drama
	PM	History	Chinese	Accounting	Agricultural & Horticultural Science
CANTERBURY ANNIVERSARY DAY (Fri 15 NOVEMBER)					
WEEKEND					
Mon 18 Nov	AM	Te Reo Māori	French	Latin Psychology Te Reo Rangatira	Chemistry
	PM	Japanese	Health	Economics	
Tue 19 Nov	AM	Chemistry & Biology	History	Physics	Te Reo Rangatira
	PM	Health Studies	Business Studies Cook Islands Māori	Health	
Wed 20 Nov	AM	Chinese (Mandarin)	Te Reo Rangatira	Lea Faka-Tonga	English
	PM	Social Studies	Classical Studies	Art History	Economics
Thu 21 Nov	AM	Physics Earth & Space Science	Latin	Te Reo Māori	Calculus
	PM		Economics	Korean	
Fri 22 Nov	AM	Religious Studies	Physics	Business Studies	
	PM	German	Media Studies		Biology
WEEKEND					
Mon 25 Nov	AM	Digital Technologies	Japanese	Geography	
	PM		Earth & Space Science		Religious Studies
Tue 26 Nov	AM		Home Economics	Classical Studies	Te Reo Māori
	PM		German	Home Economics	
	AM		Social Studies	French	Japanese

Wed 27 Nov	PM		Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Media Studies	
Thu 28 Nov	AM		Education for Sustainability Samoan	Earth & Space Science	Chinese
	PM			Music Studies	Spanish
Fri 29 Nov	AM		Dance		Earth & Space Science

STUDENT SUCCESSES

MORRINSVILLE SPORTS EXCHANGE

What a fantastic event at our school! The 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. Many thanks to Morrinsville College, it was our pleasure to welcome you all to our campus. Our students represented the school with pride and we are delighted to say we won! 😊😊

Thanks so much to Head Girl, Maddi Guptill for the photos of the rugby and football games at the Morrinsville exchange.

AMAZING RESULT IN JUJITSU

Congratulations to our Yr10 student Patrezcija Vuletic-Petch who won gold at her most recent jujitsu competition in Tauranga. We wish her all the best as she prepares to fly out and compete in the Italian National Champs on the 7th July in Milan, Italy. Go well, Patrezcija and we look forward to hearing your results!!

OUTSTANDING RESULTS AT THE BOP CLIMBING COMP

A successful day climbing at BOP Secondary School Climbing Competition results Lucas Corson 3rd Junior boys, Dane Napier 2nd Senior boys, 3rd BOP School team in speed climbing, 2nd BOP school team overall.

HUGE SUCCESS AT THE EPro8 COMPS
JUNIOR EPro8 – 13 JUNE 2024

Our Junior team gave an outstanding performance and secured an impressive 4th place! They missed out on the third spot by just 40mm in their second task, a true testament to how close and competitive the event was. Despite this, the students demonstrated incredible skill and determination. This was their first experience in EPro8, and they've learned so much. We couldn't be prouder of their effort and enthusiasm! The students are Jamie Bennett, Daniel Parker, Michael De Lore, Max Stratford.

SENIOR EPRO8 - 14 JUNE 2024

Our Senior team shone brightly, clinching 2nd place and advancing to the semi-finals, which will be held at the prestigious University of Waikato. They displayed exceptional teamwork and problem-solving skills, and we have high hopes for their continued success in the upcoming rounds. Keep up the amazing work! Congratulations to all our students for their hard work and dedication. You've honoured our school and set a high bar for future competitions. Let's keep the spirit high and support our Senior team as they prepare for the semi-finals! The students are Alana Bennett, Jordie Elliott, Siwan Lloyd-Jones, and Dane Napier.

ROTORUA CHESS REGIONALS

This week, our school attended the Rotorua & Whakatane Chess Regionals. It was a challenging competition. Only 1 win separated 3rd to 5th place and our team came 5th. This is a pleasing result as most of our team are junior students. We once again had the biggest gainer in rating points with Daniel Parker increasing by 139 points. We have a lot of students who are interested in or play chess at Lakes High. If any parents or caregivers have any expertise in chess we are looking to develop our team for future competitions. Please email Christina de Lore if you think this might be you. delorec@rotorualakes.school.nz

PANUI O NGĀ HAKINAKINA/SPORTS NEWS

MIXED NETBALL

The RLHS Mixed Netball Team had a strong win over Central Pride Rugby League Club with their team captain, Josh Lorigan, leading the way. The team started competitively and took a good lead by half time with great attack work by Merehira Tukiri Emery Lim and Rapata Te Moana, followed up by good shooting from Mase Kingi and Kauvai Anguna. In the third quarter, Central came back strong and were only down by a few goals. Strong performances in the fourth quarter in our defence end by Raymond Tai-Nelson, TK Huriwai-Skipworth, and Kiana Manuel ensured plenty of turnover for Josh and Manawa Gates to bring through the court. The final score was 12 - 10. Next game: Wednesday 26th June, 5:30pm vs Hurunga Mixed.

BADMINTON SENIOR CBOP QUALIFER

Our badminton team competed in the Senior CBOP Qualifier event at the Rotorua Badminton Hall. Our team consisted of Hayden Martin, Jessica Martin, Kobe Smith and Richard Pham. Playing in division 2 boys section we did very well winning the first three matches but losing to Taupo in the final match. Highlights were Hayden winning all his single matches and pairing up with sister Jessica winning all their doubles games. Also junior Richard playing in his first ever comp winning two of his singles games.

GREAT TRAINING FOR THE HILLARY CHALLENGE

The RLHS Hillary challenge team had their first training in Tongariro National Park last weekend. Hillary Challenge is a week long competition held in October with the top 12 qualifying schools in NZ competing against each other. Part of the competition is a 48 hour rogaine style adventure race in Tongariro. 6 of our team spent this weekend navigating off track between whakapapa village and waihohonu. The weather was dreadful with gale force winds and alternating rain and snow. They made good decisions, looked after each other well and navigated fantastically. Well done team!!💪

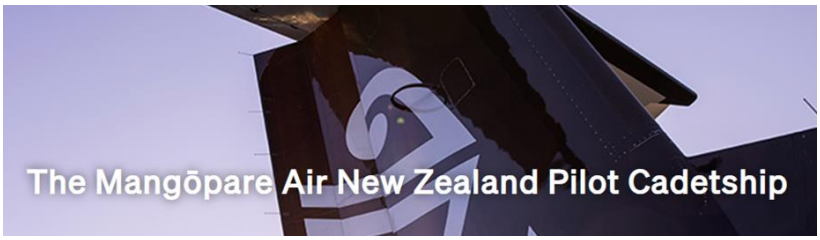
SPECIAL THANKS TO TE KOUTU

Special thanks to Te Koutu for hosting us at their kura for a pick up game during our three week break. A tough game for our boys as Te Koutu pushed us right to the end of the game. 💪

GREAT VOLLEYBALL

Congratulations to Okareka for taking out the House Volleyball this week in front of a large crowd!!! These Competitive Challenges are a great way for students to showcase their talents and give others a chance to support their peers at lunchtimes. Look out for these Challenges to continue this term and all of next, with a mixture of sports, academic, art and performance skills on show.💪

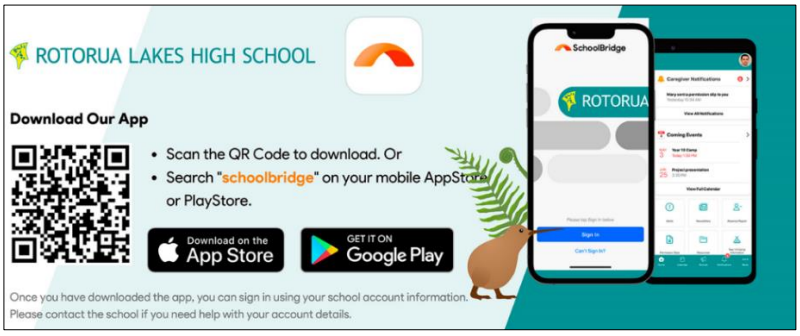
CAREERS/GATEWAY

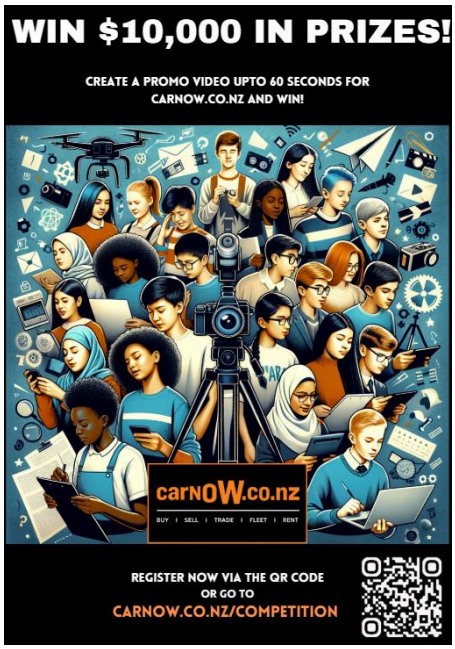


Check out the just launched: The Mangōpare Air New Zealand Pilot Cadetship.

The new pilot training programme that accelerates the journey to becoming a commercial pilot from 24-36 months to approximately 14 months. We want to inspire more Kiwis to pursue a career as a pilot and ensure we can continue to meet future demand for highly skilled pilots. Here is the LinkedIn post that includes a short video to introduce this initiative: https://shorturl.at/EAhTG and the website with all the info related to the cadetship: https://pilotcadetship.airnewzealand.co.nz/

NOTICE BOARD





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