



Rotorua Lakes High School

"Mauria te pono - Keep steadfastly to the truth"

NEWSLETTER ISSUE #14 – 20 SEPTEMBER 2024



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Kia ora koutou

We are very nearly at the end of another busy and productive term therefore this is the last newsletter for Term 3 – time certainly flies by! There has been a lot of hard work and learning during the last weeks, and I am proud of our student achievements, as are the teaching staff.

For our seniors, term 4 is short in length, so it is very important to maintain progress now regardless of how long the end of the year seems away. Please let the school know if there is anything we can do to assist. It is my hope that our senior students understand that the next 2 weeks give them a great opportunity to spend time preparing for the exams in term 4. They also need a chance to recharge their batteries and reflect on what still needs to be done.

Our te wiki o te reo celebration this week was very enjoyable. It was great to see all of us developing our reo and acknowledging the importance of language in understanding our culture. Thank you to the Māori Department for their great initiatives and a special thank you to Mrs Lucille Yates-Wright. Ngā mihi nui.

Our Senior Ball was held at the Novotel on Saturday 7 Sep and it was a huge success. The providers (DJ, photographer, photobooth, security etc) all commented on how well behaved and respectful our students were - and everyone looked amazing! Thanks so much to those who put together this evening, we hope you all had fun.

We wish the ten Yr10 students who are heading away on the Spirit of Adventure voyage in the first week of next term, all the best. This is a great chance for them to acquire new abilities, venture into unfamiliar territory and we look forward to hearing about their adventures when they come back.

Thank you all for your support of the school this term and the students in their learning journeys, and thank you to our staff for going above and beyond to consistently provide quality education.

May I take this opportunity to wish everyone an enjoyable break. For those travelling, keep safe. I look forward to seeing everyone back, well, energetic and focused at the start of Term 4 Monday 14 October 2024.

Ngā mihi



Jon Ward, Principal / Tumuaki

2025 ENROLMENT

**ROTORUA LAKES
HIGH SCHOOL**

**2025
ENROLMENTS
OPEN NOW!**

**FOR ALL YR8 STUDENTS WISHING
TO ATTEND RLHS IN 2025**

Students that want to be considered for our Year 9 streamed classes in 2025 need to have their enrolment forms into RLHS by Friday 14/10/24.

We aim to have letters confirming placements in the streamed classes out to whānau by 29/10/24.



ENROL NOW:

Any queries, email the Yr9 dean:
hingstonh@rotorualakes.school.nz

Or visit our school office

Or visit our website www.rlhs.school.nz

Yr8s wanting to test for our 2025 RLHS classes, please see the details below. Contact curtisg@rotorualakes.school.nz to register for testing.
(Mokoia Intermediate students do not need to register)

**ROTORUA LAKES
HIGH SCHOOL**

**YEAR 8
ENTRANCE
TESTING**

**THREE OPTIONS FOR YR8 STUDENTS
WISHING TO ATTEND RLHS IN 2025!**

Who: RIS and JPC students who have registered

When: Wed 25th AND Thur 26th during the school day (must attend both days)

Transport: Students will be collected from RIS and JPC by RLHS van and transported to RLHS



Mokoia students will sit their testing during the school day in week 9 and week 10 - no need to register

Who: Yr8 students from all other schools who have pre-registered

When: Wed 25th AND Thur 26th, 3.30-4.30pm (must attend both days)

Where: Meet at the RLHS office

REGISTER NOW:
CURTISG@ROTORUALAKES.SCHOOL.NZ

WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- Students Full Name
- NSN (if known)
- Date of birth
- Ethnicity
- Gender
- Current school



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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 22 November 2024 to assist the school to plan appropriately for next year.

The board has determined that 50 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 2025 school year, there will be three enrolment periods. The first enrolment period runs from **Monday 19 August to Friday 27 September 2024.**

For students seeking enrolment within the first enrolment period, the deadline for receipt of applications for out of zone places is **Friday 27 September 2024.**

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 22 October 2024.** 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:

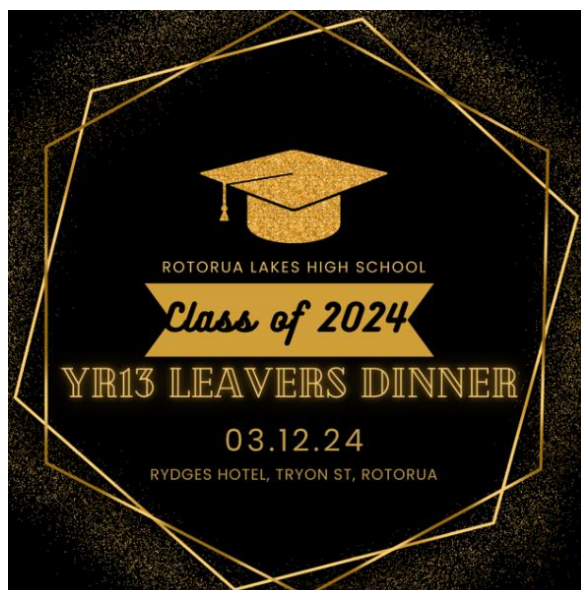
- Length of enrolment period: from **Monday 14 October 2024 – Friday 22 November 2024**
- Deadline for receipt of applications: **Friday 22 November 2024**
- Date of ballot: **Wednesday 27 November 2024**

Details relating to the third enrolment period are as follows:

- Length of enrolment period: from **Monday 24 November 2024– Thursday 23 January 2025**
- Deadline for receipt of applications: **Thursday 23 January 2025**
- Date of ballot: **Friday 24 January 2025**

No out of zone enrolments for the 2025 school year will be accepted after Thursday 23 January 2025.

Rotorua Lakes High School Board of Trustees



Letters can be collected from the office and tickets must be paid for by the 6th November.

CHARTER BUS

- A term pass for the charter bus for **seniors** will be \$125
- Juniors will be \$250
- A 10 ride pass costs \$60
- Please pay by first week of Term 4. Payments can be made at the school office or online. Thank you.



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	Visual Art (portfolio)	AS91915	Wed 25 Sep by 8.30 am
1	Music	AS91951	Wed 25 Sep
2	Music	US32303	Wed 25 Sep
3	Geography	AS91432	Wed 25 Sep
3	Classical Studies	AS91397v2	Fri 27 Sep
1	Economics	AS92028	Fri 27 Sep
2	Economics	AS91227	Fri 27 Sep
3	Music	AS91425 AS93305	Mon 14 Oct Mon 14 Oct
1	Science	AS92045	Mon 14 – 18 Oct (4 assessment sessions in normal class time)
2	Digital Technology	AS91898	Tues 15 Oct – Pds. 1 - 3
2	Visual Art (portfolio)	AS91321 AS91320 AS91322	Wed 23 Oct by 8.30 am
3	Visual Art (portfolio)	AS91456 AS91455 AS91417	Thurs 31 Oct by 8.30 am

BRIEF LOOK – TERM 4 2024

15 – 20 Oct	Spirit of Adventure Trip
16 Oct	Report Evening – (6 – 7 pm)
21 – 22 Oct	Dance/Drama Production
21 – 25	Spirit Week
31 Oct	Senior Prizegiving (Auditorium - 6.30 – 8.30 pm)
NZQA Exams	5 November – 3 December
26 – 27 Nov	Junior Exams
3 Dec	Leavers Dinner (Rydges Hotel)
6 Dec	Top Town
9 – 10 Dec	Electives
9 – 11 Dec	Year 10 Camp
13 Dec	Junior Prizegiving (Gym – 11.30 am – 12.30 pm)
13 Dec	Junior Reports issued
13 Dec	END OF TERM 4

EMBROIDME ROTORUA



Rotorua Lakes High School are heading to the Hillary Outdoors Challenge shortly. HUGE shout out to [EmbroidMe Rotorua](#) who are one of their sponsors providing them with their branded Blank Sportswear high performance tees. Thank you so much 🙌🙌🙌



How does University Entrance work in NCEA?

Is your child keen to go to uni? Here's the run down on how University Entrance (UE) works from [NZQA](#):

WHAT IS IT?

University Entrance is the minimum requirement to go from school to a New Zealand university. Being awarded UE also opens doors to tertiary study in other countries.

Once you have met the requirements for University Entrance, it will appear on your Record of Achievement.

TO BE AWARDED UE, YOU NEED:

- ✓ NCEA Level 3
- ✓ 14 credits at Level 3 in each of three approved subjects
- ✓ 10 Literacy credits at Level 2 or above, made up of:
 - ✓ 5 credits in reading
 - ✓ 5 credits in writing
- ✓ 10 Numeracy credits at Level 1 or above, made up of:
 - ✓ co-requisite Level 1 Numeracy unit standard 32406 or Te Pāngarau unit standard 32412, or
 - ✓ certain achievement standards.

MORE INFO

To find out more about UE and NCEA itself, head to the NZQA website: <https://bit.ly/46SUh6a>



We are excited to take all the Yr10 students to camp at Totara Springs this year. Please see the letter that was given out in August (spare copies at the school office). Deposit and paperwork due on the first day back next term.

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

PERFORMANCE NIGHT

FOR ALL OUR SENIOR DANCE, DRAMA AND SOME MUSIC STUDENTS

- We will also be presenting our amazing Show Quest Performance.
- Come and watch our wonderful, talented Tamariki.
- A gold coin donation is appreciated to go towards our performing arts students.

TUES 22 OCTOBER
5.30 PM
AUDITORIUM



STUDENT SUCCESSES

YOUNG ACHIEVERS 2024



This year's Rotorua Young Achievers photos have started to be shared. This first post includes our Sports Captain, **Hayden Martin**. Great to read about student leaders in our city. Stay tuned for more posts over the next couple of weeks which will showcase our other RLHS 2024 Young Achievers!

AMAZING ALUMNI

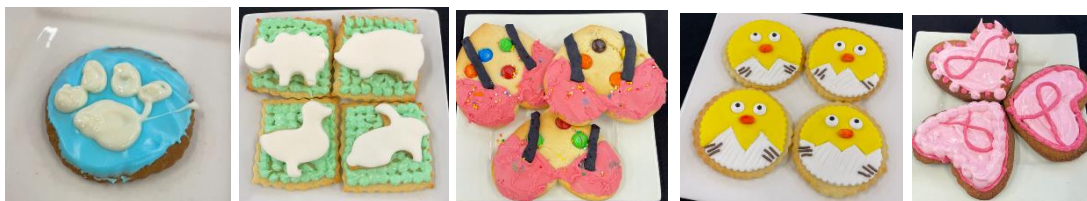
Check out this award for our old boy, Harry Durbin - up the Wahs!!!

https://www.warriors.kiwi/news/2024/09/10/top-jersey-flegg-accolade-for-prop-on-rise-durbin/?fbclid=IwY2xjawFQNN9leHRuA2FibQIxMQABHYiMY0XE-K8FRN6DaDMqX8ligcooB2yug3E4mzd1GrrkQEPmiOc0uZFtvq_aem_19RAWgF_4KV0445L2g09Mg



FANTASTIC FUND RAISING

Yr10FNT have been working on their design for biscuits that could be used to raise money for charities. Students got to choose the charity they wanted to design the biscuits for. Breast Cancer NZ, Cancer Society, SPCA, Kidscam, ST Johns or Ronald McDonald House. Here are the designs they came up with. They were amazing! Congratulations Year 10FNT.



MICHAEL PILAAR MEMORIAL MUSIC FUND



Another amazing achievement for our Cultural Captain, **Lauren Thompson!**

Thank you to the Michael Pilaar Memorial Music Fund for the following write up:

Well done to the recipients of these scholarships. We had a fabulous concert at WHHS and had great pleasure in awarding our four \$500 scholarships for this year. Lauren Thompson from Rotorua was absent, busy in rehearsals in Tauranga for Les Miserables. From left we have Tara Akurangi from Rotorua, Kaegan Palmer and Keira Wood from Taupo.

Lovely to have Helene Philips, Chair of Geyser Community Foundation to hand out the certificates with us!

Michael Pilaar Memorial Music Fund

OUTSTANDING DETATING COMP



Over the past two lunchtimes students from our four houses have competed in our Interhouse Debating competition. Both juniors and seniors took part and presented their sides very well. There was strong rebuttal and well researched speeches. Motions debated were: "playing video games benefits learning" and "Harry Potter would beat Percy Jackson in a duel" and "graffiti is art". Thanks to our judges and the audiences of over 50 students.

GO THE CHESS CLUB!



Congratulations to our Chess team who recently competed in the Taupō Regionals placing 2nd and the Rotorua Regionals placing 4th. Thank you for the parental support on getting our students to these events. This year, we have two players who have qualified for the National Champions Trophy in Wellington, **Daniel Parker** at the recent regionals and **Michael de Lore** earlier in the year. Mauria te pono!



SPORTS NEWS

SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL



It's been a busy month for our Senior Basketball Boys. Our boys have journeyed through this term with Winter Tournaments and keeping up with Thursday night games. Our boys competed in the Bay of Plenty Champs. This year we challenged ourselves by competing in the Elite Grade at the Bay of Plenty Champs coming against some tougher schools than previous years. Unfortunately, we couldn't get a win



coming up against Te Puke, JPC and Otumoetai College. After 14 Years we made a return to a Regional Zone 2 Competition. Competing in the AA grade meant every game was tough. We finished 2 wins from 7 games. Our pool consists of some of the top schools in basketball such as Hamilton Boys and Tauranga Boys. For our Rotorua competition our boys finished off the season against Rotorua Boys High Junior A for 3rd and 4th after going down to Te Koutu 40-47 in the semi-final.

JUNIOR BOYS BASKETBALL

Well, that's a wrap! The 2024 Rotorua Basketball competition finished last night. Our RLHS Jnr boys finished with a 65 - 24 win over Murupara Jnr boys. This game was for final placings. Our boys finished 5th out of 6 teams in the Jnr Boys Div A. We got moved up to Div A for this past term. So 5th place is not a bad finish. This division was a huge step up in competition level. So, really proud of the team how they fought through playing against better teams. This really tested our team. The main reason our RLHS Jnr Boys got moved up from Div B to Div A was that the team was undefeated through the term 2 competition playing very well against some lower level teams. Very proud of that play. This year really improved throughout the season. Always tough bringing in the "new" Year 9 boys into a new level of play. Very proud of how the boys played this season!! 🏀🏀



On behalf of the Junior Boys Basketball Team and whānau we wish to thank Charlie Windell and Mike Garrood for all their time and effort they have put into this season and look forward to another cracker season next year. Thank you from Mandy Stevens, parents and caregivers.



CAREERS/GATEWAY

TRADES/APPRENTICESHIPS

Looking to learn a trade or explore apprenticeships? Check out MoneyHub's comprehensive guide, a must-read for anyone considering an apprenticeship. Visit MoneyHub's Apprenticeship Guide to learn more: <https://www.moneyhub.co.nz/apprenticeships.html>

**WHAKAPIKI AKE
YR 9-11 AND WHAANAU
HUI-AA-ROHE**

Invites whaanau and rangatahi Maaori years 9 to 11 to join us in a discussion around building blocks to success for Years 9-10-11 in a future in Health!

REAFFIRM CULTURAL IDENTITY IS OUR GREATEST STRENGTH

THE FIRST YEARS IN HIGH SCHOOL ARE THE FOUNDATIONS TO SUCCESSFUL SENIOR YEARS

FIND YOUR PURPOSE & WHY

IMPACTS OF CHOICES AND SUBJECT SELECTION

UNDERSTANDING NCEA, UE, & RANK SCORES

Lakes District:
Date: Thursday 17th October | Time: 6-8:30pm
Venue: The Arts Village.
1240 Hinemaru Street, Rotorua, 3010.

REGISTER NOW



**WAIKATO
ENGINEERING
DESIGN SHOW 2024**

A high-tech showcase of creativity and innovation led by our final-year engineering students

16 October
2pm - 7:30pm
17 October
2pm - 5pm

The Pā, University of Waikato
Live demos and competitions
A FREE event for everyone!




TE KURA MATA-AO
SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING



NOTICE BOARD

HEATHERS
The Musical

VERONICA SAWYER - Grace Chandler
J.D. - Ethan Shiriwastow
HEATHER CHANDLER - Tadhg Cameron
HEATHER MCNAMARA - Maria Davenport
HEATHER DUKE - Edith Smith
MARTHA DUNSTOCK - Sarah-Marie Dupavillon
RAM SWEENEY - Ashton Kusabs
KURT KELLY - Te Mihi Potae
RAM'S DAD - Justin Roper
KURT'S DAD - Jared Witana
MS. FLEMING/VERONICA'S MOM - TBC

INTRODUCING OUR CAST OF HEATHERS: THE MUSICAL!! ❤️💛💚

Keep your eyes peeled for more information and behind the scenes glimpses coming soon... 👁️

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HEATHERS
The Musical

BIG BUD DEAN/ENSEMBLE - Toby James
COACH RIPPER/ENSEMBLE - Izzy Hiva
PRINCIPAL GOWAN/ENSEMBLE - Declan Lescheid

ENSEMBLE
Lee Dupavillon, Willow Benfell, Emmaleah Dender, Ferne Hannah, Madi Perry, Chloe Marshall, Claire Randell, Bella Dickson, Anna Old, Grace Tinson, Ryder Neilson, Cassie Ward, Elsie Button, Charlee Thornborough

Les Misérables

ENSEMBLE

11 - 28 SEPTEMBER
AUCKLAND THEATRE
AUCKLAND

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