Rotorua Lakes High School

"Mauria te pono - Keep steadfastly to the truth"

FINAL NEWSLETTER FOR 2024 - 13 DECEMBER 2024

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Kia ora Koutou

We are at the end of the 2024 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. A huge thank you to our students, who did us proud, and to our Year 10 Dean, Ms Hemana and Mrs Hodge for all their outstanding organization and dedication. And to our teachers who were a huge help at camp; Ms Blackmore, Ms Howard, Ms Chemis, Mr Timoti, Mr Hounsell, Mr Webster, Ms Maley and Mrs De Lore. (pix pages 22 – 23).

The electives were a huge success. Our students had a fantastic time and it was great to see all the smiling faces – always a good sign. Huge shout out to all our wonderful staff for organizing. (pix pages 23 - 24).

Last week, we had the pleasure of saying farewell to our Year 13 graduates at the Leavers Dinner. It was great to see these 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.

Also last week we had a successful Top Town event. It was a lot of fun watching our students participate in all the games. Mrs Hodge, the Heads of Houses and all staff did an excellent job of organisation. Thank you for your hard work. (pix page 24).

We will also farewell staff who are leaving:

MS ZARA MATTHEWS is leaving us as our Dance Teacher. We wish Zara all the very best.

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

Annie Scott, Marion Forbes, Warren Lockie, Brian Old, Mark Smithells, Ash Kumar and Marcia Marshall-Devantier

To our students, ensure you look after your parents/caregivers and engage in some positive family time.
To all our Lakes High whānau, 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.

Very well done to all our students!

We are delighted and proud to announce and congratulate our 2024 Top Scholars and all of our prize winners.

TOP SCHOLARS

Year 9 – Jamie Bennett
Year 10 – Nicole Wallace

SPECIAL AWARDS

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award

Holly Barclay
Nicole Wallace

The Sutton Trophy for Most Improved Pupil in Year 9 Māori Studies

Priya Raethel

Contribution to Māoritanga, and the contribution to Tikanga Māori and Te Reo within the School and Community and Community Award
Mara Mihaka

Junior Contribution to Music
Sam Walker

Top Junior Performer in Music
Melody Hore

The Sharon Harris Award for Best Overall Performer in Drama
Jenny O'Malley

Top Junior Mathematics Student
Jiya Tomar

The Junior Speech Trophy
First Place – Georgia Davies
Second Place – Jamie Bennett
Third Place – Nathan Lye

YEAR 9 ACADEMIC AWARDS

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

Ella Baird	Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts
Brooke Barry	Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort in Te Ao Maori
Cassie Berndt	Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Lucien Black	Effort and Achievement in Music
Michael Cannon	Effort and Achievement in Art Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics
Leah Cater	Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication
Jessica Christensen	Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Toby Claydon	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education

Alfie Cochrane	Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Helly Courtney	Effort in Physical Education
Noah Croucher	Effort and Achievement in Design Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Michael de Lore	Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Maori Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Connor Dempsey	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Science
Blake Flintoff	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort in Physical Education
Tayla Fry	Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Emma Goddard	Effort in Food Technology Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Sophie Green	Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Billie Griffiths	Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Travis Grunwell	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Kirk Hapi	Effort and Achievement in Music
Liam Henwood-Rogers	Effort and Achievement in English
Briar Herries	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Lauryn Hofmann	Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Music Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Sophie Hurihanganui	Effort and Achievement in Design Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Poppy Hutchison	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Science

	Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Ruby Johnston	Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy
Lucia Joseph	Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts Effort in Mathematics
Holly-Mei Lazenby	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Ryan Lei	Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics
Nathan Lye	Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics
Rushika Madaan	Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts
Nevaeh Mansell	Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Chloe Maytham-Windle	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Jimmy McFarlane	Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education
Jack McGuire	Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science
Irie-Jade Moke	Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Maori Effort and Achievement in Effort in Physical Education
Carvela Moore	Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts
William Mowry	Effort and Achievement in Music
Kacey Mutu	Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Maori
Eloise Newcombe	Effort and Achievement in Art Effort and Achievement in Design Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Hori Niha	Effort and Achievement in Social Studies

	Effort and Achievement in Effort in Te Ao Maori
Zoey Peters	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Hera Pitau	Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Haka
Felix Poole	Effort in Te Ao Haka
Ayla Potroz	Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Betty Qi	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts
Edji Ramesh	Effort in Mathematics
Ohomairangi Rangirangi Tamati	Effort and Achievement in Science Rumaki
India Rogers	Effort and Achievement in Design Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort in Mathematics Effort in Te Ao Maori
Aden Rudd	Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts
Rawinia Simon	Effort and Achievement in Te Reo Maori
Max Stratford	Effort in Mathematics
Milli Stratton	Effort and Achievement in Art Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort in Science
Tawhiti Taipeti-Cribb	Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Haka Effort and Achievement in Te Reo Rumaki
Emmanuel Tarei	Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort in Mathematics
Jonathan Thomas	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science
Archie Thomsen	Effort and Achievement in Music Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics

Aoife Treviranus	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Fenix Turner	Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Rose Tyler-Fryer	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Mekyla Venter	Effort and Achievement in Design Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Alex Webster	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Lily White	Effort and Achievement in Art
Ky-Mani White	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Dara Wilson	Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Seridy Wirihana	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Lucas Wood	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education
Khan Yong	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies

YEAR 9 ACADEMIC AWARDS

Alice Alton	Third Equal in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort and Achievement in Art Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Jaeden Antipas	Third Equal in Health Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Lily Beattie	First Equal in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Jamie Bennett	First Equal in Performing Arts First in Social Studies Second Equal in Science Second in Mathematics Second in Programmable Electronics Third in English Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Music Effort and Achievement in Physical Education

Daniel Bulmer	Third in Programmable Electronics
Elena Burns	First Equal in Performing Arts Second Equal in Science Second in English Second in Social Studies Third Equal in Music Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Art Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Maori
Georgia Davies	First in Science Second in Music Second in Programmable Electronics Third in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Art Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Maori
Lizzie Emtage	First in Design Third in Art Effort and Achievement in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Music Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort in Mathematics
Joshua Ford	Third Equal in Digital Literacy
Mia Geraets Skerrett	Second in Art Second in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Lydia Graham	First Equal in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Design Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Effort in Mathematics
Tyler Graham	First in Mathematics First in Programmable Electronics Effort and Achievement in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Science

	Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Kaito Hollis	Third in Performing Arts Effort and Achievement in Science Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Cameron Hossack	First Equal in Digital Literacy Third in Programmable Electronics Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Music
Rory King	Second in Performing Arts Effort and Achievement in Science
Te Rama King	First Equal in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Maori Effort in Mathematics
Andi-Rose Lamont	First in Te Ao Maori Effort and Achievement in English Rumaki Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Rumaki Effort and Achievement in Te Reo Rumaki Effort in Physical Education Rumaki
Violet Leeke	Third Equal in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Design
Sophie Loveless	Third Equal in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Zoe Marshall	First in Food Technology First in Music Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Evelyn May	Second in Materials Technology Hard Third Equal in Digital Literacy Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design

Owen McGrath	First Equal in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education
Elspeth Napier	First in Art First in English Third Equal in Health Third Equal in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Maori Effort in Design and Visual Communication
Elsie Papps	First in Health Second in Design Second in Design and Visual Communication Third Equal in Social Studies Third in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Art
Daniel Parker	First Equal in Health Third in Design and Visual Communication Effort and Achievement in Art
Cate Phipps	First in Design and Visual Communication First in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Health
Hailey-Cruz Proctor	First in Te Reo Maori
Priya Raethel	First Overall in Year 9 Rumaki First Equal in Te Reo Rumaki First in English Rumaki First in Mathematics Rumaki First in Social Studies Rumaki Third in Te Ao Maori Effort and Achievement in Science Rumaki
Sapphire Ritchie	First Equal in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
India Rogers	First Equal in Textiles, Fashion and Design Third Equal in Music
Mary Tahuriorangi	First Equal in Te Reo Rumaki Second in Te Ao Maori
Anja Van der Merwe	Third in Design

	Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Britney Yip	Third in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Art Effort and Achievement in Health Effort in Food Technology
Storm Yorke	First in Te Ao Haka Effort and Achievement in Mathematics

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

Penelope Agnew	Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Cora Aitchison	Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Grace Annabell	Effort and Achievement in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Science Effort in Mathematics
Ayden Atkinson	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Corey Auld	Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Colton Boardman	Effort and Achievement in Digital Technology Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Josh Bowyer	Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Connor Carter	Effort and Achievement in Financial Literacy
Daniel Cheesman	Effort in Physical Education
Jack Davis	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Kyraan Field	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Ariana Fitzell	Effort and Achievement in English Effort in Mathematics
Zane Geldenhuys	Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort in Mathematics Effort in Textiles, Fashion and Design

Ayla Gillard	Effort and Achievement in Health Effort in Science Effort in Mathematics
Manaia Gorman	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Rumaki
Tawhiri Gorman	Effort and Achievement in Science Rumaki Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Rumaki
Waaka Grace-Harris	Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Dylan Gribble	Effort and Achievement in Financial Literacy Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Finn Griffiths	Effort and Achievement in Computer Aided Design Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Chase Grunwell	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Jesse Hannah	Effort and Achievement in Computer Aided Design Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Morghan Heron	Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts
Daniel Hitchens-Klenner	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Lincoln Hopkins	Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Dom Hunter	Effort and Achievement in Computer Aided Design
Jesse Hynes	Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Carys Johnston	Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts
Charlie Kendrick	Effort in Health
Helena Kirkup	Effort and Achievement in Te Puawaitanga
Raymond Kuka	Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Zhaphyre Larsen	Effort and Achievement in Business Studies Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Samiuela Nai	Effort and Achievement in Digital Design and Art Effort and Achievement in English

	Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Lawrel Ngere	Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Isabelle Norton	Effort and Achievement in Health
Wiripo Paul	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Science
Brooklyn Rawlinson	Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Bella Saunders	Effort and Achievement in Food Technology
Noah Savill	Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Jasmine Sieber	Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Social Studies Effort in Mathematics
Pikihuia Taipeti-Cribb	Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Haka
Poho TeAmo	Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Te Rangiunuora Tule	Effort and Achievement in Business Studies Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Te Ao Haka
Patrezcija Vuletic-Petch	Effort in Te Ao Haka
Frankie Ward	Effort and Achievement in Music
Adyn Weber	Effort and Achievement in Computer Aided Design Effort and Achievement in Music Effort in Financial Literacy Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Mau-mai-ora Whakatihi	Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science Effort and Achievement in Te Reo Māori
Christian Wright	Effort and Achievement in Art

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

Kyan Ah Chee-Poole	First Equal in Music First in Digital Design and Art Effort and Achievement in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Geography

Amber Baker	Second in Business Studies Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Physical Education
Sasha Baker	First Equal in English First in Digital Technology First in History Second in Programmable Electronics Third in Science
Holly Barclay	First Equal in English First Equal in Geography First in Science Third Equal in Food Technology Third in Advanced Physical Education Third in Health Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Music
Thomas Bulmer	Second in Programmable Electronics Effort and Achievement in History Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Elsie Button	Third in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts Effort and Achievement in Science
Meiken Bradbury	First in Te Reo Māori Effort and Achievement in Art
Lucas Corson	First Equal in Food Technology Second Equal in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort in Science
Ella Coxhead	Third in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Xhyna De Guzman	First Equal in Financial Literacy
Grace Gainsford	First Equal in Textiles, Fashion and Design Third in Art Effort and Achievement in Food Technology Effort in Mathematics
Arlo Garden	First Equal in Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education

	Effort and Achievement in English Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Josh Gardiner	Third in Materials Technology Hard
Damon Heighway	First Equal in Physical Education First in Computer Aided Design Second in Materials Technology Hard Third in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics
Te Rangiwawahia Hohepa-Gardiner	First Equal in NCEA Level 1 Te Reo Maori First Equal Overall in Year 10 Rumaki First in Physical Education Rumaki First in Te Ao Haka Effort and Achievement in English Rumaki Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Rumaki Effort and Achievement in Science Rumaki
Alia Holster-Haidzir	First Equal in Textiles, Fashion and Design Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Melody Hore	First in Art Third Equal in Music Effort and Achievement in Computer Aided Design Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Social Studies
Theo Hunt	Third in Digital Design and Art
Ryan Jenkins	Second in Digital Technology
Tyrel Kautai	Third in Physical Education Effort in Financial Literacy
Henry Kedian	Second in Health Third Equal in English Effort and Achievement in History Effort and Achievement in Science Effort in Materials Technology Hard
Caitlin Lye	Third in Business Studies Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education
Alex Malcolm	First in Materials Technology Hard First in Programmable Electronics

	Third Equal in Geography Third in Computer Aided Design Effort and Achievement in Mathematics Effort and Achievement in Science
Jacquise Mathew	Second in Digital Design and Art Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts Effort in English
Bree Mattler	First in Health Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Marley Mclean	Second Equal in Social Studies
Mara Mihaka	First in NCEA Level 2 Te Reo Maori Effort and Achievement in Business Studies Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard
Paige Mills	Second Equal in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Science
Chloe Mitchell	Third in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Textiles, Fashion and Design
Tiare-Manea Newton-Kotuhi	First Equal in NCEA Level 1 Te Reo Maori First Equal Overall Year 10 Rumaki First in English Rumaki First in Mathematics Rumaki First in Science Rumaki First in Social Studies Rumaki
Izaac Nu'u	First Equal in Financial Literacy
Jenny O'Malley	First Equal in Music First in Business Studies Second in Performing Arts Third Equal in Financial Literacy Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Science
Awanui Owen	First in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort in Health
Ruby Parton	Third Equal in Financial Literacy Effort and Achievement in Food Technology

	Effort in Science
Aava Shaw	Third in Digital Technology Effort and Achievement in Science
Reda Sinnott	Second Equal in Social Studies Effort and Achievement in Art Effort and Achievement in Digital Design and Art Effort and Achievement in English Effort and Achievement in Mathematics
Alyssa Tawhara	First in Food Technology Effort and Achievement in Performing Arts Effort and Achievement in Physical Education Effort in Mathematics
Kate Taylor	Second in History Third Equal in English Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education
Jiya Tomar	First Equal in Advanced Physical Education First in Mathematics Third in History Effort and Achievement in Health Effort and Achievement in Materials Technology Hard Effort and Achievement in Programmable Electronics Effort and Achievement in Science
Chloe van Schalkwyk	First in Performing Arts Effort and Achievement in Art Effort and Achievement in History Effort and Achievement in Music Effort in English
Sam Walker	Third Equal in Music
Nicole Wallace	First Equal in Advanced Physical Education First Equal in English First in Design and Visual Communication First Equal in Geography Second in Art Second in Computer Aided Design Second in Mathematics Second in Science Effort and Achievement in Health
Amelia Webb	Third Equal in Geography Third in Performing Arts Effort and Achievement in Advanced Physical Education Effort and Achievement in Art

Effort and Achievement in English
Effort and Achievement in Music

JUNIOR HOUSE CAPTAINS 2025

Ōkareka:
Josh Ford
Jamie Bennett

Rotokakahi:
Rushika Madaan
Jaeden Antipaas

Tikitapu:
Jessica Christensen
Max Stratford

Tarawera:
Georgia Davies
Zoe Marshall

NCEA EXAM RESULTS RELEASE DATE

A reminder that #nceaexams24 results go online in January (date TBC) and your scanned answers will be made available online shortly afterwards. Before you go in to holiday mode, make sure your login details are up-to-date so that you're ready to go on results release day. If you're leaving school and have a school email address linked to your login - change this to an address you will maintain access to. https://www2.nzqa.govt.nz/login/ Phone the call centre on 0800 697 296 during business hours if you have any problems doing this.

NZQA

If you sat Literacy, Te Reo Matatini, Numeracy or te Pāngarau assessments in September, you can now see your results by logging into the NZQA website. https://www2.nzqa.govt.nz/login/ If you didn't achieve the standards, you can attempt them again next year. Talk to your school about what this means for you.

This is the last newsletter for the year.
The school office is open until:
TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER 2024 closing at 2 PM
The school office re-opens:
MONDAY 20 JANUARY 2025
8.30 am – 3.30 pm for ENROLMENTS and all other admin requirements

Please note the office closed: 9 am – 12.30 pm on Wed 23 Jan

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 29 January 2025 normal time.
- A term pass for the charter bus costs $300
- A 10 ride pass costs $80
- Payable online and at student reception

SCHOOL CANTEEN

IMPORTANT

The school canteen will re-open on Wednesday 29 January 2025.

SENIOR UNIFORM FOR THE 2025 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 2025

Year 13 Camp 2025 from the 25 to 28 FEBRUARY

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 2025

START OF TERM 1 2025	
Monday 20 January	Office opens hours: 8.30 am to 3.30 pm FOR ENROLMENTS and all other admin requirements **PLEASE NOTE: The Office is closed: ALL DAY ON THURSDAY 23 JANUARY 2025**
Monday 27 January	Public Holiday
Tuesday 28	Course confirmation Days – Year 12 & 13 students must attend either Tuesday or Wednesday 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 29 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 30 January	**Yr 9 & 13** students 8.45 am to 3.15 pm
Friday 31 January	**ALL** students 8.45 am to 3.15 pm

TERM DATES 2025

Term	Date Start	Date Finish
One	Tue, 28 Jan 2025	Fri, 11 Apr 2025
Two	Mon, 28 Apr 2025	Fri, 27 Jun 2025
Three	Mon, 14 Jul 2025	Fri, 19 Sep 2025
Four	Mon, 6 Oct 2025	Tue, 9 Dec 2025

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2025

Auckland Anniversary Day	**Monday 27 January 2025**
Waitangi Day	**Thursday 6 February 2025**
Good Friday	**Friday 18 April 2025**
Easter Monday	**Monday 21 April 2025**
Anzac Day	**Friday 25 April 2025**
King's Birthday	**Monday 2 June 2025**
Matariki	**Friday 20 June 2025**
Labour Day	**Monday 27 October 2025**

BRIEF LOOK – TERM 1 2025	
Mon 20 January	Office opens **8.30 am – 3.30 pm**
Mon 27 January	**PUBLIC HOLIDAY – Auckland Anniversary**
Thurs 6 February	**PUBLIC HOLIDAY - Waitangi Day**
Tues 11 February	Meet the Parents evening 4 – 6 pm
Wed 19 February	School Athletics
Tues 25 – Fri 28 February	Year 13 Camp
Tues 4 March	Lakes High Swimming Sports
Fri 7 March	Tracking Reports issued
Wed 12 March	School Photos
Fri 28 March	Staff Only Day
Mon 24 – Fri 28 March	Secondary Schools Waka Ama Competition
Mon 24 – Fri 28 March	Summer Tournament
Fri 11 April	Tracking reports issued
FRIDAY 11 APRIL	**END OF TERM 1**
Mon 21 – Sun 27 April	**EASTER HOLIDAYS**
Fri 25 April	**ANZAC DAY**

STUDENT SUCCESSES

FIRST PLACE AQUABOTS NATIONALS

Huge congratulations to Siwan Lloyd-Jones, our Academic Captain for 2025, and her incredible Team Tahi from SAGE Engineering Rotorua. They've just won the prestigious National AquaBots Competition held at AUT in Auckland on the 1st of December! What an outstanding achievement. Siwan and her team have earned their spot

in the International SeaPerch competition in the USA! Well done, Siwan and Team Tahi – your hard work and dedication have truly paid off!

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JUNIOR SPEECH COMPETITION

2024 LEAVERS DINNER

Oh what a night! Beautiful celebration of our Yr13 leavers 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. Thank you so much to all the whānau who joined us 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 Nikki Hemana and Ms Haley Hodge for all their outstanding organization and work. And to all our teachers for their enthusiasm and help.😍 😍

ELECTIVES

The electives 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 are snapshots of what they enjoyed. 😍

TOP TOWN

What a great day for our students!

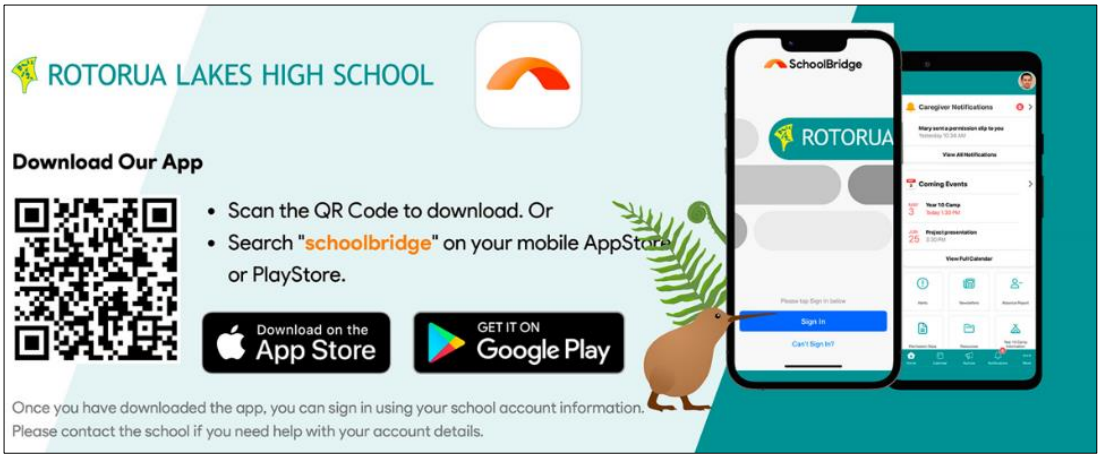
RLHS CRICKET WINS

Some more RLHS cricket wins! We're on a roll! Our boys cricket team had a great game last weekend against a bolstered central Spartans team. It was a hot day as we batted first getting to 200/6 off our 30 overs. **Archie** batted brilliantly for 69 and **Arlo** was 50 not out anchoring the end of the innings- man of the match! Everyone had a good crack at bowling and did well. Highlights were definitely **Owen's** hatrick and **Finn's** first wicket. Spartans made 110/7 off their 30 overs. Awesome win, Lakes High!!

Even more outstanding is that five of our cricketers were selected for the Lakelands rep U15 team to play a visiting Australian XI at Smallbone Park this week. **Congratulations Ryan Lei, Arlo Garden. Jamie Bennett, Archie Thomsen and Owen McGrath.** Their

contribution was immense with Owen scoring his maiden century- 115 retired. Archie also made a quick fire 45 not out. Our other players didn't bat but bowled really well resulting in a good victory for Lakelands.

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



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