



**Rototuna**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL  
HE RAWE MO AKE TONU - OUR BEST ALWAYS



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Dear Parents, Whanau and Caregivers,

This is the fifth week of term 3. It seems to have raced by. By the end of the week we will be midway through this term. It was great to have a few fine days last week. I was out in the playground on a fine day and the field was dry so the children were spread across the whole site and were enjoying their play. It is so much easier for everyone when the weather is fine.

### **Photographs**

Yesterday we had the last of the 2018 school photographs. The Kapa Hapa roopū and some other groups had photographs. The children in the new classes also had photographs taken. In a big school these things have to be spread through the year to enable everyone to be involved.

### **Interschool Cross Country**

Next Tuesday (28 August) we will be participating in the annual interschool cross country which will be held in the outer area of Porritt Stadium. The postponement day is Thursday (30 August). Children who qualified at our school cross country have been advised. They will be leaving school just after 9.00am to get to the venue. They will have the school uniform which is issued at the office before the event. They will also need warm clothing. It is a good idea to take a drink bottle and snacks to eat. They will be back at school in time for lunch.

### **School Performance**

On Thursday 30 August there will be a travelling performance group presenting a play called Hine Kihāwai. The group has performed here before and are outstanding. Students need a gold coin to attend the show. Money can be given to your classroom teacher.



### **Visiting Author**

A visiting Author will be at school on Wednesday 29 August. Des Hunt visited last year to work with able writers and was so good that we have invited him back to work with selected students.



### **Preschool Enrolments**

We are beginning to plan our classes and organise teachers for 2019. If you have a pre-schooler due to start next year or have friends with pre-schoolers who will be coming next year it would be really helpful to have them enrolled now. It means that they can participate in our Flying Start programme to help them to transition to school. It also means that we can plan where we need extra staff to start new entrant classes. Please call to the office or go onto our website [www.rototunaprimarieschool.nz](http://www.rototunaprimarieschool.nz) to full in an enrolment pack. Please ensure you are in our school zone by checking with the office 8532470 or checking on our webpage.

### **Board of Trustees**

This is a reminder about the Board of Trustees vacancy created by John Luxton if you are interested in knowing more please contact [office@rototunaprimarieschool.nz](mailto:office@rototunaprimarieschool.nz)

### **Building**

On 10 September work is due to start on disability student toilet facilities. This room will be added to the eastern side of the resource room. This work will be fenced off and there may be some inconvenience from time to time. Please take care if you are walking through the school.

### **Strike**

I appreciate the support and understanding that we received last week during the teachers strike. We did not have to contact any families who had mistakenly sent a child to school.

### **Calendar Art Orders**

Your child has now completed their piece of art for the calendar sales they all look amazing!  
Jump online and order via KINDO and support the P.T.A

## Celebration Spotlight

### Room 16

**Yeana Hur** is a self manager, Kaimahi takitahi, and a Kaimahi-a-ropu team player. She is organised each day for her learning, is highly motivated to complete all tasks and is always willing to help others. Her positive, cheerful manner is noticed by all in ruma tekau ma ono.

**Jack Messer** is a team player, Kaimahi-a-ropu, he is always willing to help members of his class, or teachers with tasks that need doing. He uses his initiative and when he sees people that need help he quietly goes and supports them without having to be asked.

**Elsa Xu** displays all the qualities of a Kaimahi Takitahi/Sefl manager and a Kaikokiri/Risk Taker. She is not afraid to give new and tricky things a go and constantly strives to do her best always. She is self motivated and works on her goals at school and is always looking for new learning.

**Mezriel Cuthill** is a team player, Kaimahi-a-ropu, she is always finding ways to help out her classmates and teachers. Mezriel always displays kindness towards others and gives 100 % effort to her mahi (work). Each day she is organised and ready learning with positive attitude.

### Room Kowhai

**Hayden Harker** - is a risk taker, Kaikokiri, in her learning, persevering and being self motivated to develop her reading and never giving up. She has made huge progress in her reading due to trying new ways.

**Hunter Stevens** - is a self manager, kaimahi takitahi, and is always able to get himself organised for any learning activity. He is a master at following our reading and maths rotations which has helped him to make the most of all his learning time.

**Lilia Foster** - is a team player, kaimahi-a-ropu, she is always finding ways to help out her classmates and teachers. She uses her initiative and doesn't wait to be asked, she is helpful and caring to all members of our room and beyond.

**Kendyl Payne** - is a team player, kaimahi-a-ropu, she is such a positive member of our class who was super excited about moving class into a hub. She always looks for the positive in all situations and is such a happy person to be around. This flows into her learning where she is very keen to give everything a go and never gives up.

## Attendance

I hope that you closely read the attendance notice below. We expect 92% attendance. The expectation is that all children are ready to learn by 9.00am every day. Lateness interrupts the learning of all students in the class and has a big impact on those who are regularly late.

If your child is away sick or for any other reason please phone the school office and leave a message or send a message via the school APP.

Please be exact about the reason that your child is away as there are several codes we use.



Attendance on average of 4 terms of 10 weeks / 40 weeks / 194 days					
Attends 194 school days in each year	10 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence	39 days absence	49 days absence
194 days of education	184 days of education	175 days of education	165 days of education	155 days of education	145 days of education
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
<b>GOOD</b> Best chance of success		<b>WORRYING</b> Less chance of success Makes it harder to make progress		<b>SERIOUS CONCERN</b> Significant barrier to success Very hard to make progress	

Effects of being Late to School or Early Pickups - Every Minute Counts	
8.30-8.45am	Arriving before class starts means getting settled and ready for class
8.58am-9.00am	Less likely to be ready for class, likely to be late to class Arriving late means the start of the lesson could be missed and is likely to unsettle your child and the class Your child could be missing vital instructions or notices for the day
9.05am	5 minutes late a day means students miss nearly 3 days of learning time a year
9.10am	10 minutes late a day means students miss 5 days of learning a year
9.20am	20 minutes late a day means students miss 11 days a year
Students that are late or collected early are missing out on learning and can be a disruption to others. If a student is regularly late or collected early it will affect his or her learning at school Arriving on time and before 8.45am is a habit for success	

### **Parent Interviews**

The next Parent Teacher Interviews will be held in week 8. They will be held on Wednesday 12 September (2.00pm – 7.00pm) and Thursday 13 September (2.00-5.00pm). **We will open the online booking site on 29<sup>th</sup> AUGUST**

## **Order your Calendar Art NOW on KINDO**



**Calendars**  
High quality laminated A4 print of your Child's Artwork. Wire bound to a 12-month tear off calendar. Includes public holidays & school terms.

**Cards**  
Display your Child's Artwork on a pack of 8 cards. Artist's name and age are printed on the reverse. Includes envelopes.

**Diaries**  
Hard cover print of your Child's Artwork. A5 size (148 x 210mm). Wire bound. Artist's name and age printed on the inside cover. Includes week view and year planner.

**Mouse Mats**  
Your Child's Artwork, headed on to a high quality neoprene mouse mat.

**Sketch Pads**  
Print cover features your child's Artwork. Wire bound with 20 x A5 lined pages of blank art paper. Protected with plastic covers front and back.

Calendars	Cards	Diaries	Mouse Mats	Sketch Pads
\$ 13	\$ 13	\$ 15	\$ 15	\$ 15

**Order yours NOW! Payment can be made on KINDO**

### **Chicken Pox**

We currently have a lot of cases of Chicken Pox in school. These are the things to look out for:

- Fever
- Headache
- Runny Nose
- Cough
- Loss of Appetite
- Feeling Tired
- Itchy blister spots!

Students will need to take sick leave and cannot return to school until the last blister spot has dried up.

**Regards,**

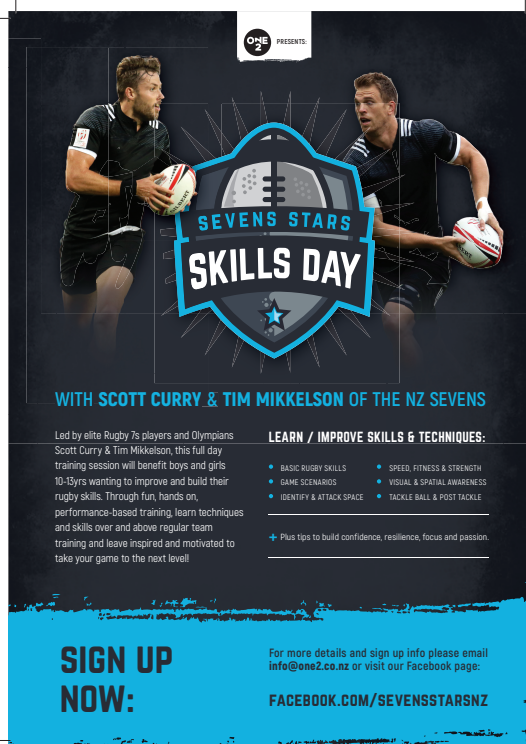
**Mike Sutton**  
**Principal**

### **Player of the Day**

Lucy Brownrigg, Olivia Kemp, Shanshan Fu, Gabriel King, Amber Carson, Lily Birkett



"NZ Sevens Skills day to be held at RHS on Wednesday 10th October. Led by elite Rugby 7s captains Tim Mikkelsen and Scott Curry. This full day training session will benefit boys and girls 10-13yrs old wanting to improve and build their rugby skills. Through fun, hands on, performance based training. Players will learn techniques and skills over and above regular team training and leave inspired and motivated to take their game to the next level".



**ONE PRESENTS:**

**SEVENS STARS SKILLS DAY**

**WITH SCOTT CURRY & TIM MIKKELSON OF THE NZ SEVENS**

Led by elite Rugby 7s players and Olympians Scott Curry & Tim Mikkelsen, this full day training session will benefit boys and girls 10-13yrs wanting to improve and build their rugby skills. Through fun, hands on, performance-based training, learn techniques and skills over and above regular team training and leave inspired and motivated to take your game to the next level!

**LEARN / IMPROVE SKILLS & TECHNIQUES:**

- BASIC RUGBY SKILLS
- GAME SCENARIOS
- IDENTIFY & ATTACK SPACE
- SPEED, FITNESS & STRENGTH
- VISUAL & SPATIAL AWARENESS
- TACKLE BALL & POST TACKLE

+ Plus tips to build confidence, resilience, focus and passion.

**SIGN UP NOW:**

For more details and sign up info please email [info@one2.co.nz](mailto:info@one2.co.nz) or visit our Facebook page: [FACEBOOK.COM/SEVENSSTARSNZ](https://www.facebook.com/sevensstarsnz)



**Welcome To HAMILTON OLD BOYS SQUASH CLUB**

**COME & TRY SQUASH....FREE!**

**Junior Squash Intro - 5 wks**  
Coaching and lots of game play!!  
Commences: Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August,  
Time: 5.30 – 7pm Cost: \$25.00

**Adult Squash Start Course**  
Sunday Afternoons, 5 weeks  
You choose your group ...  
Womens, Mixed, or Parent & Child  
Commences: 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018  
Time: Based on Registrations Cost: \$50  
Club Nights – Mondays

**SQUASH OPEN NIGHT!**  
Thursday 23 August, 5.30 – 7pm  
**Hamilton Old Boys Squash Club**  
ALL WELCOME – FREE!  
An activity for the Whole Family – Beginners Welcome  
Equipment Provided / Coach on Hand

**SPECIAL OFFER – Join Together!**  
1 x Adult and 1 x Child Club Membership...  
**ONLY \$100!** (Now until March 31<sup>st</sup>)

**REGISTER OR ENQUIRE NOW!**  
Glenda Knox, Ph 027 475 7516  
[development@squashwaikato.co.nz](mailto:development@squashwaikato.co.nz)  
(even though registration is preferred, you are able to turn up on the night)

**TRY IT. PLAY IT. LOVE IT.**

**SQUASH** **KiwiSport**