



# Rotorua Boys' High School

## Hostel Handbook

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## INTRODUCTION

Thank you for considering Rotorua Boys' High School and Tai Mitchell Hostel, for your son's education. This handbook will provide you with all the information you need about the operation of Tai Mitchell Hostel.

Tai Mitchell Hostel offers forty twin share and eight triple share accommodation for 104 students. Supervision is provided by two residential Housemasters. These Housemasters are supported by four Assistant Housemasters together with kitchen and housekeeping staff.

The benefits of boarding:

- ◆ Our boarders live together with a common purpose
- ◆ Our boarders work together with a common purpose
- ◆ Our boarders appreciate and value achievement by self and others
- ◆ Our boarders learn to support others to achieve goals
- ◆ Our boarders value both team ship and team spirit
- ◆ Our boarders develop respect for others
- ◆ Our boarders take major steps on the path to manhood
- ◆ Our boarders are provided with additional leadership opportunities
- ◆ Our boarders learn to break down the barriers between Year 9 and Year 13 boys which promotes healthy relationships, based on trust and respect
- ◆ Our boarders have every opportunity to further develop and nurture their individual character and personal qualities

Boarding over the High School years is a tremendously positive and powerful experience for our young men.

Special features of Tai Mitchell Hostel include:

- ◆ State-of-the-art facilities
- ◆ Excellent meals
- ◆ Excellent heating

Parents are welcome to view Tai Mitchell Hostel and input is welcomed. If you would like to view Tai Mitchell Hostel, or have any questions, please feel free to contact the School for an appointment.

## CONTACT DETAILS



ROTORUA BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL  
PO BOX 10148  
ROTORUA  
PHONE: 07 348 6169  
FAX: 07 346 1270  
E-MAIL: [rotoruaabhs@xtra.co.nz](mailto:rotoruaabhs@xtra.co.nz)  
WEBSITE: [www.rotoruaoyshigh.school.nz](http://www.rotoruaoyshigh.school.nz)

**TAI MITCHELL HOSTEL**  
Rotorua Boys' High School  
Pererika Street (Physical Address)  
Rotorua  
Phone: 07 348 9638 (North Block)  
Phone: 07 349 3132 (South Block)  
Email: [taimitchellhostel@rotoruaoyshigh.school.nz](mailto:taimitchellhostel@rotoruaoyshigh.school.nz)

A Hostel Committee is elected each year, and this committee is made up of the following:

Principal  
Board of Trustee Members  
Board Staff Trustee  
Hostel Manager  
Housemasters

## **PREPARATION FOR BOARDING AT TAI MITCHELL HOSTEL**

Leaving home for the first time is an exciting time. However, to try and minimise homesickness, we have set out a few suggestions. Please make sure that your son can:

- ◆ Undertake simple housekeeping duties like:
- ◆ Set and clear a table
- ◆ Make a bed properly
- ◆ Do laundry
- ◆ Sweep and mop the floor
- ◆ Fold tea towels, socks and clothes
- ◆ Wash and dry dishes.
- ◆ Accept responsibility and learn to work happily in a team situation.
- ◆ Write and post a letter.
- ◆ Answer / use a telephone properly.
- ◆ Have a shower once a day, and understand basic hygiene requirements.
- ◆ Those who need to shave will have to do so regularly.

Please take the time to go through each of these with your son.

## **ORIENTATION PROGRAMME**

An Orientation Programme for Year 9 and New Boarders commences on the evening Boarders arrive at Tai Mitchell Hostel. The programme runs over the course of two weeks and includes introduction to hostel rules and routines, establishing the boarding buddy system, hostel pastoral care plan, afternoon tabloids, lake barbecue and swim, dinner and a swim at the Aquatic Centre and concluding with a Staff and Hostel Parent meeting followed by a barbecue lunch with boarders of attending parents.

## **HOSTEL FEES POLICY**

Hostel fees can be paid by mail, directly to Rotorua Boys' High School Office, PO Box 10148, Rotorua, 3010 or by direct credit as follows:

<b>Pay to:</b>	<b>Rotorua Boys' High School</b>
<b>Account Number:</b>	<b>12-3155-0049929-00</b>
<b>Bank:</b>	<b>ASB Bank</b>
<b>Branch:</b>	<b>Cnr Tutanakai and Pukuatua Streets ROTORUA</b>

To help identify payments, please include full name of hostel boarder on the direct credit or bank transfer.

Fees for Tai Mitchell Hostel will be based on \$8,500 per annum plus the building levy, as detailed below. All overdue accounts will incur 1% interest. Fees are charged out at \$2,300.00 for terms 1-3 and \$1,600.00 for term 4.

\$ 900.00 \* deposit payable by 10<sup>th</sup> November in the previous year

\$ 150.00 \*\* Building Levy payable by 10<sup>th</sup> November in the previous year

\$7,600.00 balance payable by 10<sup>th</sup> monthly installments of \$760 each with each payment due on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month beginning with 15<sup>th</sup> January and ending with a final payment on 15<sup>th</sup> October.

We offer a 5% (\$380.00) reduction for full payment of the balance (\$7,600.00) of annual hostel fees if paid on or before 15<sup>th</sup> January, this amount being \$7,220.00.

\*Term 1 deposit of \$900, payable by 10<sup>th</sup> November in the previous year, is required to secure your son's hostel placement for the following year. This deposit is not refundable. Placements for the following year cannot be guaranteed if this payment is not received by the due date.

### **INCIDENTAL EXPENSES**

Expenses such as stationery, clothes, bus money, sports fees etc, are paid directly by the boys, and to facilitate this all boarders are encouraged to have EFTPOS cards so funds are available as and when needed. At parents' request, the school will run an account for boarders to cover school-related expenses. This account will be invoiced each term. Boarders must have permission from the Hostel Manager prior to incurring any school-related expenses.

### **HOSTEL REFUND PROCEDURE**

Parents are required to give one term's notice in writing of the withdrawal of their son from the Hostel or a withdrawal fee of \$1,000.00 will be applied as per the Refund Policy. This provision also applies to students formally excluded from the hostel for failure to meet hostel rules and regulations. At parents' written request an application for an exemption from the withdrawal fee will be considered by the School in special circumstances. **The Tai Mitchell Hostel \$200.00 administration fee for new applications, the \$900.00 Term 1 deposit required to secure your son's hostel placement for the following year and the \$100.00 Boarding Education Trust fee are non-refundable.**

Tai Mitchell Hostel is a separate financial entity from the main school, funded solely from fees. Therefore it is vital that all fees and incidentals are paid by the due date. Accounts are generated from the School Office and any queries should be directed to the Hostel Manager.

## **TAI MITCHELL BOARDING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

Scholarships are offered for Tai Mitchell Hostel boarders attending Rotorua Boys' High School who display excellence in one or more of the following areas:

1. Academic Studies
2. Cultural Activities
3. Sport
4. Leadership

These scholarships are awarded to students who reside, in the main, beyond the school's zone and who would otherwise not in normal circumstances attend Rotorua Boys' High School. The scholarships are specifically designed to encourage and enable talented young men from the broader region to take up residence in Tai Mitchell Hostel.

The scholarships will be offered for the duration of a student's time at Rotorua Boys' High School, but will be subject to an annual review of student performance, attitude and achievement. This review will take place in October of each year. In February of each year, goals for that year for each scholarship holder will be set in consultation with parents, and the student. Students at any level may apply for a Tai Mitchell Boarding Scholarship. This Scholarship will enable the recipient to attend Rotorua Boys' High School and board at Tai Mitchell Hostel.

Applications will only be accepted on the Tai Mitchell Scholarship Application Form, which is available on our website [www.rotoruaoyshigh.school.nz](http://www.rotoruaoyshigh.school.nz) or from the Hostel Manager. This application should include details of the student's area of achievement. Please include the following:

- ◆ Curriculum Vitae
- ◆ Latest School Report
- ◆ A hand written Personal Statement
- ◆ Two references (including a reference from current School Principal)

Applications for Tai Mitchell Scholarships close on 1<sup>st</sup> October of the previous year. Applicants will be advised of the outcome by 1<sup>st</sup> November each year.

A Rotorua Boys' High School Enrolment form, Tai Mitchell Scholarship application and Tai Mitchell Hostel Application should be sent when applying for this Scholarship to:

Tai Mitchell Hostel Application / Scholarship Application  
The Hostel Manager  
Rotorua Boys' High School  
P O Box 10148  
Rotorua 3010  
Telephone: (07) 348 6169 Email: [rotoruaabhs@xtra.co.nz](mailto:rotoruaabhs@xtra.co.nz)

## **PROPERTY DAMAGE PROCEDURE**

Any willful damage to property at Tai Mitchell Hostel will be charged to those boarders responsible. Parents will also be contacted by the Hostel Manager or Housemaster. Boarders who lose their room key will be charged for a complete replacement lock and as many keys as required for each boarder who shares that room.

## **DAMAGE/LOSS OF PERSONAL EFFECTS PROCEDURE**

While staff and management of Tai Mitchell Hostel will take all possible steps to ensure that no loss or damage occurs to personal items, ultimately the responsibility lies with boarders and their parents.

## **PERSONAL COMPUTERS PROCEDURE**

Permission can be requested for students to have personal computers. These requests should be made to the Senior Housemaster and require both parents and students to accept the conditions related to personal computer use. A form is available at the Hostel office.

## **SCHOOL UNIFORM PRICE LIST**

The Rotorua Boys' High School Uniform Shop will be open during term weekdays from 8.30am – 11.30 am, Monday and Wednesday only. The Uniform Shop will be open fulltime for one week prior to the commencement of Term 1 and for two weeks after the start of the School year.

Polo shirts (Taupe)	\$ 35.00
Skivvy (Taupe)	\$ 35.00
Business shirts (Taupe) – Long sleeved	\$ 40.00
Business shirts (Taupe) – Short sleeved	\$ 35.00
Shorts (Navy)	\$ 45.00
Trousers (Navy)	\$ 50.00
P E t-shirts (white with monogram)	\$ 30.00
P E shorts (Red)	\$ 30.00
Rugby shorts	\$ 40.00
Ankle Socks (Navy) Pkt of 3	\$ 12.00
School Rugby Socks	\$ 15.00
School Blazer (Black with monogram)	\$150.00
Trousers (Black Microfibre)	\$ 55.00
Polar fleece (Navy with monogram)	\$ 80.00
School Nylon Jackets (with monogram)	\$ 80.00
Flexi Caps (Navy with monogram)	\$ 20.00
School Tie	\$ 25.00
School Scarf	\$ 25.00

(prices current as at 1 January 2011)

## **CLOTHING AND UNIFORM LIST**

All items are to be clearly named with printed tags or permanent marker.

### **Uniform**

(To be purchased from Rotorua Boys' High School Uniform Shop):

- ◆ 1 pair Long trousers (Navy)
- ◆ School Blazer (Black) – All Hostel Boarders are required to have a School Blazer
- ◆ School Polar Fleece Jacket (Navy)
- ◆ Business Shirt (long sleeved, taupe)

- ◆ Polo shirts (short sleeved, taupe)
- ◆ 2 pair Shorts (Navy) optional
- ◆ 1 pair Black lace-up shoes (polishable)
- ◆ 1 pair Sandals (black or brown) (only to be worn with school shorts)
- ◆ 2 pair School socks (Navy)
- ◆ School tie - All Hostel Boarders are required to have a School tie
- ◆ Leather belt, black

**Note:** There is no official summer or winter uniform; therefore students are permitted to wear trousers or shorts at any time of the year. Shorts must be worn with ankle socks.

### **Physical education uniform**

(to be purchased from Rotorua Boys' High School Uniform Shop):

- ◆ 1 pair PE shorts
- ◆ 2 each PE t-shirts

### **Optional items**

1 pair non-marking sport shoes and 1 pair sports socks

### **General items**

4 single sheets	2 pillow slips & a pillow	4 towels
2 face cloths	1 duvet inner & cover	1 toothbrush
1 lined bag for soiled linen	1 shower body wash 1 toilet bag	1 pair of slip-ons (no jandals)
8 pair of undergarments	1 hairbrush or comb	4 handkerchiefs
1 pair of pyjamas	10 coat hangers	1 raincoat or parka
1 school case or bag	1 pair nail scissors	(regulation school jacket)
1 umbrella	name tapes	1 shoe cleaning kit

Casual Clothes, keep to a minimum, we recommend:

- ◆ 1 set of smart casual clothes
- ◆ 1 set of weekend/recreational clothes

### **Note:**

- ◆ Washing detergent will be supplied for washing clothes.
- ◆ The above items are considered essential and parents are asked to ensure that the quantities are maintained throughout the period their son is at Mitchell House.
- ◆ Casual clothing may be worn during leisure time.
- ◆ Remember to bring sheets, pillow, pillowcase and towels. These will be laundered by hostel staff.
- ◆ Two towels should be brought in for swimming sports, etc.
- ◆ Aerosol cans are NOT permitted in the hostel.

**Please ensure all clothing is NAMED!!**

## **TAI MITCHELL HOSTEL RULES & CONVENTIONS**

Our aim is the maintenance of high standards in dress, tidiness, punctuality and behaviour. The reputation of Tai Mitchell Hostel depends on all members living in a happy, efficient

and well-organised environment. Personal discipline is essential. Ignorance of the rules and conventions is no excuse and boarders must ensure that they are familiar with the following:

### **Uniform**

- ◆ School uniform is to be worn to breakfast and to and from school and until 4.00pm.
- ◆ Number 1 uniform must be worn when leaving and arriving from school holidays.
- ◆ Neat and tidy civilian (mufti) clothes may be worn outside these times.
- ◆ Boarders will not wear any jewellery.
- ◆ Boarders must maintain a tidy haircut.
- ◆ All clothes and footwear must be labeled.
- ◆ Borrowing clothing or any other items, without the permission of the owner, will be treated as theft.

### **Extra curricular activities**

It is compulsory that all boarders are involved in at least one summer code and one winter code. If boarders have not organised an activity, then an activity will be organised for them.

### **Duties**

(Note: Staff should not have to find you!!!!)

- ◆ All students are responsible for maintaining their rooms at a high level of tidiness and cleanliness.
- ◆ Daily inspections of bedrooms will be undertaken.
- ◆ In addition students will be required to do some minor duties such as grounds clean up, hostel clean up, kitchenette tidy, lounge tidy, etc.
- ◆ All duty group members must be present for SET UP and CLEAN UP.
- ◆ All group members must remain until the clean up has been inspected by staff.
- ◆ You must be at Dinner set up at 4.45pm and Breakfast set up at 6.40am.

### **Room Search**

It is necessary on occasion to conduct a search of a Boarders room from time to time when there is cause for suspicion or reports of theft or wrongdoing. This type of search is extra to the regular room inspections. A report of each such search will be filed by the staff involved with the Hostel Manager. This is carried out by no less than two staff members.

### **Out of bounds areas**

Hostel grounds 7.30am – 4.00pm  
Hostel grounds 7.30am – 4.00pm  
Staff Residences  
Staff Offices  
Staff Car Parks

Dining Room except during meals  
Dining Room except during meals  
Other boys' rooms unless invited  
Chiller, Pantry and Store Rooms  
Kitchen Facilities

## **Stereos**

No audible music is to be played after 9.30pm. Stereos are to be switched off when the room is unoccupied. Failure to observe these rules will result in equipment being confiscated.

## **Television**

A large television (Sky available) and video unit are available in each TV lounge. If the TV is on at 6.00pm the TV1 News will be the programme viewed. TV and video players are not allowed in boarders' rooms. Volume must be kept to a sensible and reasonable level at all times. All use of the television is at the Housemasters' discretion.

## **Visitors**

- ◆ All visitors must be firstly signed in by the duty staff and must be entertained either in the recreation room or the TV Lounge.
- ◆ Boarders are not permitted to have visitors in their rooms (other than parents).
- ◆ Unsupervised visiting is not allowed. Any boarder who suspects that a visitor is unsupervised should report this to the office immediately.

## **Posters**

Drawing pins are to be used on hessian boards only. No posters are to be displayed without the Housemaster's permission. Posters must be in good taste as defined by the Hostel staff.

## **Laundry use**

- ◆ All laundry powder is supplied.
- ◆ All boarders are expected to do their washing at a convenient time in the evening during their duty day or in the weekend.
- ◆ No dirty washing is to be left lying around. Laundry is to be taken home to be laundered during the weekends.
- ◆ No clean washing is to be left in the machine, i.e. once your clothes have been washed.
- ◆ When clothes are dry they are to be taken out of the drying room and put into your room.
- ◆ No boys will be permitted to do washing outside their designated times.
- ◆ Please follow correct procedures when using the washing machines. Directions are in clear view of all boarders.
- ◆ The laundry will be opened for clearing of dry laundry only, before school next morning.

**ALL CLOTHING ITEMS MUST BE NAMED!**

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

### **Mail**

Any correspondence for boarders should be addressed to:

(Boarder's Name)  
C/- Tai Mitchell Hostel

Rotorua Boys' High School  
P O Box 10148  
Rotorua 3010

- ◆ Incoming mail will be handed out each evening by the duty Housemaster.
- ◆ Outgoing mail should be stamped and addressed and should be posted daily by the boarders themselves at the School Office.

## **Telephones**

We have a telephone for student use in each block. They are operated with a phone card. There is no priority for use of the telephone, but consideration of other boarders is required when making outgoing calls.

## **Mobile phones**

These are not to be turned on during the following times:

- ◆ Meals
- ◆ Duty
- ◆ Prep
- ◆ Sustained silent reading
- ◆ After lights out

Failure to comply will result in confiscation of the phone. The phone will be returned at the Housemasters discretion.

## **Newspapers**

The Rotorua Daily Post is delivered daily. These will be available each evening.

## **TRAVEL**

### **Bikes**

- ◆ Each student with a bike should have both a D-lock or similar for bike security and an approved helmet, which must be worn whilst riding. Lights are essential for night time riding.
- ◆ Without any of the above three items your bike will be returned home at your expense.
- ◆ Bike serial numbers and descriptions should be recorded and kept at home.
- ◆ Bikes will be locked in the Rotorua Boys' High School bike compound at the owner's risk.

### **Private Cars**

- ◆ Senior students may apply to the Housemaster for permission to drive private cars. They are not permitted to transport other boarders.
- ◆ Keys are to be left locked in the hostel office.
- ◆ Cars will be parked in the Rotorua Boys' High School student car park at the owner's risk.

### **Health**

Students requiring specific attention will be referred to the Hostel/School Doctors, Lakes Primecare or Accident and Emergency, Rotorua Hospital if necessary, by Hostel Staff. Boarders will also be able to access the doctors and physiotherapist based at the School's

Health and Wellness Centre. Distribution of medication for students with special requirements can be arranged through the School Nurse or Hostel Manager.

## **Dental**

Parents should arrange, via their own dentist, ongoing dental care.

## **Remember**

Common sense, decency and good manners are the key qualities expected of all Tai Mitchell Hostel boarders at all times.

## **DAILY ROUTINE**

### **Monday to Thursday**

- 7.00am Wake up (by Duty Master), shower and organize daily requirements.  
Rooms must be maintained in a clean and tidy manner.  
Students are not permitted in the rooms during the normal school day. \*(Breakfast duties start 7.15am).
- 7.20am Room check and uniform check (shoes clean), then off to breakfast.  
Breakfast starts at 7.30am and ends at 8.00am.
- 8.30am Clean up and morning duties conclude.  
Lunch pick-up and departure for School.
- 3.15pm Extra curricular practices.
- 4.00pm Personal time.
- 5.30pm Dinner \*(Dinner duties start at 4.30pm and end at 6.15pm).
- 6.30pm Homework / Prep.
- 8.30pm Evening roll and room check  
(every night there will be a room and contents check).  
Monday – Key/Walls/Ceilings/Carpets/Windows/Curtains and Window latches  
Tuesday – Furniture i.e. Chairs/Desks/Wardrobes/Doors/Jambs/ Latches and Strike Plates  
Wednesday – Smoke Alarms/Study Lamps/Main Bulbs and Light Shades/Light Fittings  
Thursday – Beds/Mattresses and Covers, and Linen/Personal items stored appropriately
- 8.40pm Personal time.
- 9.30pm Juniors in bed and lights out no later than 10.00pm.
- 10.00pm Seniors into their rooms.
- 10.30pm Lights out.

◆ Meals are compulsory. Dinners will only be saved when boarders are involved in School extra-curricular activities. These will be recorded during the morning meeting and available at the end of Prep from the Duty Staff.

◆ Takeaways are not to be ordered except after 6.30pm on Fridays & Saturdays

- ◆ Unless they have a signed note from the Housemaster or Hostel Manager, boarders are reminded that no one is allowed back to Tai Mitchell Hostel for any reason before 3.00pm on any School day.
- ◆ All boarders are reminded that no one is allowed back to Tai Mitchell Hostel for any reason before 4.00pm on any school day except Friday.

## **HOSTEL MEALS**

All hostel menus are approved by our consulting Dietician, Jeni Pearce.

## **HOMEWORK AND PREP**

- ◆ Prep is the most important component of the hostel routine (up to 1½ hours for all boarders).
- ◆ Boarders are encouraged to clarify their evenings work requirements prior to commencing prep i.e. once prep time has started no toilet visits, no borrowing equipment (pens, pencils, etc), no phone calls or any other inappropriate interruptions. Remember to have consideration for other boarders even if you have completed your own study.
- ◆ All students must recognize the importance of a genuine study ethic and commit themselves to a disciplined routine of evening preparation.
- ◆ Supervision for each evening is the responsibility of the Duty Master and Duty Prefects.
- ◆ Students will be required to remain in their rooms (there will be no exceptions).
- ◆ All boarders must have homework diaries checked and signed by the Duty Master each evening.
- ◆ Duty staff are to be used at any time to assist boarders with any study problems that arise.
- ◆ When set homework is completed boarders are encouraged to revise and work constructively. Duty staff are always available to find homework for students.
- ◆ Boarders who fail to meet these requirements will lose the privilege of working in their own rooms.

## **BREAKFAST DUTIES**

### **Set-Up**

- ◆ Cereals taken out of pantry and put on servery. (Ensure a small cup is inside the containers so that it can be served easily).
- ◆ Butter and spreads taken out of pantry and out on servery.
- ◆ Milk taken out of chiller and put on servery.
- ◆ Toaster turned on and bread put out next to it.
- ◆ Jugs, glasses and drinks put out on all tables.
- ◆ Trolley to be left out by the servery with two buckets on it.
- ◆ One bucket is to be filled with hot soapy water for utensils and the other left empty so that all food scraps can be put in it.

## **Clean-Up**

- ◆ Clear and wipe all tables. (A bucket is to be carried round with hot soapy water as opposed to wetting a cloth from the sink).
- ◆ Chairs are to be put on top of the tables so that the cleaner can get underneath the tables with ease.
- ◆ Sweep floors in the Dining and Kitchen areas.
- ◆ Wash, dry and put away all dishes.
- ◆ Wipe off all stainless steel areas and basins with hot soapy water.
- ◆ Put away all foods in appropriate places.
- ◆ Fill up drink containers.
- ◆ Empty and clean scrap bucket.
- ◆ Empty rubbish bins and replace plastic bag if required.
- ◆ Food scraps removed from all sinks and plug-holes.
- ◆ Sinks cleaned.
- ◆ Detergent and dishcloths to be put away.

## **Additional Duties for Clean-Up**

These duties will be done either when the dining area is getting ready before a meal or when the final clean-up is taking place. It is important to note that none of the duty team rostered on will be released to do their personal duties e.g. their own room, until these general duties have been completed. All members must be involved in the tidy up or the whole group will end up with extra duties.

## **Recreation Room and TV Lounge**

- ◆ All furniture is to be tidied and put back to where it should be.
- ◆ Rubbish to be picked up and placed in bins.
- ◆ Floor is to be swept.

## **Ablution Blocks**

- ◆ All rubbish placed into the appropriate bins.
- ◆ Soaps and shampoos picked up and put away tidily.

## **DINNER DUTIES**

### **Set-Up**

- ◆ Condiments put out on tables.
- ◆ Utensils put out on tables.
- ◆ Jugs and glasses put out on tables. The jugs are to be filled with drink from out of the chiller.
- ◆ The Cook may ask for some assistance with serving. This could include either senior boys or boys directly from the duty groups.
- ◆ Dinner to be delivered to the off-duty Housemaster's residence.

## **Clean-Up**

- ◆ Clear and wipe all tables. A bucket is to be carried round with hot soapy water as opposed to wetting a cloth from the sink.
- ◆ Chairs are to be put on top of the tables so that the cleaner can get underneath the tables with ease.
- ◆ Collect all dishes from student kitchen and other areas within the Hostel.
- ◆ Sweep floors in the Dining and Kitchen areas.
- ◆ Wash, dry and put away all dishes.
- ◆ Wipe off all stainless steel areas and basins with hot soapy water.
- ◆ Put away all foods in appropriate places.
- ◆ Fill up drink containers.
- ◆ Empty and clean scrap bucket.
- ◆ Empty rubbish bins and replace plastic bag if required.
- ◆ Food scraps removed from all sinks and plugholes.
- ◆ Sinks cleaned.
- ◆ Detergent and dishcloths to be put away.
- ◆ Dirty and wet tea towels to be put in the sink in the laundry.

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These duties will be done either when the dining area is getting ready before a meal or when the final clean-up is taking place. None of the duty team rostered on will be released to do their personal duties e.g. their own room, until these general duties have been completed. All members must be involved in the tidy up or the whole group will end up with extra duties.

- ◆ Recreation Room and TV Lounge
- ◆ All furniture is to be tidied and put back to where it should be.
- ◆ Rubbish to be picked up and placed in bins.
- ◆ Floor is to be swept / vacuumed if required.
- ◆ All bins are to be emptied. (Bags inside them are to be replaced if necessary).
- ◆ Student Kitchen
- ◆ All dishes and utensils returned to the kitchen.
- ◆ Sink cleaned and all benches wiped and cleaned.
- ◆ Exterior of fridge and microwave cleaned.
- ◆ Ablution Blocks
- ◆ All rubbish placed into the appropriate bins.
- ◆ All bins emptied and plastic liners replaced if necessary.
- ◆ Soaps and shampoos picked up and put away tidily.

## LEAVE

### Day leave

- ◆ This will be granted by the Duty Master at his discretion. Students must meet their School and Hostel commitments before they take day leave.
- ◆ Leave is granted to a specific destination and students are expected to fill out the leave book and have this signed by duty staff before they depart.
- ◆ Leave is not to impact on Prep time.
- ◆ Leave is taken on TRUST with the expectation that students will:
  - ◆ Go where they have indicated in the appropriate attire;
  - ◆ Maintain a high standard of behaviour at their destination;
  - ◆ Return at the agreed time.
- ◆ If this TRUST is broken, the privilege of leave will be lost.
- ◆ There will be no leave on the weekends until after lunch unless the boarded is involved in extra-curricular activities.

### WEEKEND or OVERNIGHT LEAVE

This can only be granted by the Housemaster, after permission has been sought from caregivers. This leave must be applied for by 8.00pm on Thursday evenings.

Students returning from weekend leave must be in residence after dinner between 6.00pm and 8.30pm Sunday evening or by 8.15am Monday morning.

### Returning from weekend leave – meal procedure

It is hostel procedure that no evening meal will be provided to those boarders returning from weekend leave. These boarders must make their own provision for the evening meal if they are returning prior to dinner time. Boarders who choose to attend the Sunday evening meal will be charged \$15.00.

### Returning from holiday – meal procedure

It is hostel procedure that no evening meal will be provided on the first evening preceding the first day of the school term. However meals are provided for boarders whose parents have attended the Hostel Meeting for parents and boarders held at 1.00pm that afternoon in the Raukura Lounge and also for boarders who return from overseas prior to the evening meal. All other boarders are required to make their own provision for the evening meal if they are returning prior to dinner time.

*“Leave is a privilege not a right”*

## LEAVING PROCEDURE

The following procedures are to be completed by the boarders prior to their departure from Tai Mitchell Hostel at the end of each term.

### Room inspection

- ◆ Rooms to be inspected for tidiness and damage.
- ◆ Beds are to be stripped, sheets put out, draws and wardrobe to be checked.

- ◆ Study lamps and light fittings to be checked.
- ◆ Any damage recorded and signed for by the student.
- ◆ Rooms are to be left in the same state that the boarders found them when they initially moved in.

### **Keys**

- ◆ All keys should be returned to the Duty Master. This return should be signed for by the Duty Master.
- ◆ All keys that have been lost will be replaced at the expense of the boarder who has lost them.

### **Return dates**

Returning students are to indicate their date of return and the time. This should be on the arrival sheet for the following term. Boarders may also want to discuss with the Housemaster, who they would like to room with. This may assist hostel staff when the rooming lists are being put together at the beginning of each term.

### **Boarders' personal items**

All personal items are to be removed at the end of each term. There is limited storage space and boarders must realize that their rooms could possibly be used during the school holiday breaks.

## **DISCIPLINE**

Respect and self-control are the cornerstones of behaviour at Tai Mitchell Hostel. For those who 'lapse' Black Marks are given.

Black Marks will be given for:

- ◆ Fighting
- ◆ Late for roll checks
- ◆ Not ready for room check
- ◆ Talking / disturbances in prep
- ◆ Inappropriate address to staff
- ◆ Wasting food
- ◆ Not doing or late for duties
- ◆ Untidy rooms
- ◆ Ball games / skateboarding or rollerblading inside
- ◆ Absent without leave
- ◆ Bad language
- ◆ Late return
- ◆ Willful damage
- ◆ Failing to report damage
- ◆ Being in other rooms without permission
- ◆ Eating in rooms
- ◆ Disobedience or misconduct
- ◆ Being in out-of-bounds areas e.g. Kitchen, Staff areas, etc.
- ◆ Tampering with Hostel equipment – (Smoke Alarms, Fire Alarms, Fire Extinguishers)
- ◆ No signatures in homework diaries.

This list is a guide only. Seasonal difficulties occur from time to time and students are made fully aware of our expectations and the consequences of any violations.

One half-hour duty will be given for every black mark.

Parents are specifically asked to support the Hostel staff and not ask for special dispensations as this only serves to undermine the system which is in place for everyone's benefit.

Theft, bullying, smoking and the use of alcohol and drugs will not be tolerated. Tai Mitchell Hostel will follow School Policy for any breaches of this nature. Tai Mitchell Hostel reserves the right to treat each serious breach independently with consideration given to the specific circumstances and the best interest of all students.

## **DISCIPLINE PROCEDURES**

### **Grounding**

- ◆ Five "Black Marks" will constitute a boarder getting grounded for one week.
- ◆ These "Black Marks" can be given for any number of misdemeanors as the duty staff see fit, and recorded in the appropriate book along with reason, date and duty staff initials.
- ◆ If duty staff are questioned about "Black Marks" the reasons are to be given to the boarders.
- ◆ There is no weekend or overnight leave for boys with a combination of four or more black marks.

### **Once grounded**

- ◆ Boarders are to be back inside the hostel grounds no later than 4.30pm.
- ◆ They are to stay in School uniform until 9.00pm bedtime.
- ◆ No other activities apart from school based co-curricular activities will be permitted whilst grounded.
- ◆ Extra duties will be given as the duty staff sees fit.
- ◆ Parents must be notified by the Housemaster or duty staff depending on the time of grounding.
- ◆ Gating will automatically follow grounding with the accumulation of 6 black marks.

### **Gating**

- ◆ If a boarder is gated then the same procedure as in the case of Grounding is followed. (Same as above).
- ◆ The major difference occurs as the boarder has to report to the duty staff every 20 minutes and have his card signed.
- ◆ The boarder in question has to find the duty staff member and is totally responsible for this, i.e. at no time is the duty staff member required to search for the "Gated Individual".
- ◆ If any one of the check-in times is missed then another day will be added to the Gating. This continues for any other missed times.

- ◆ Gated students may not take weekend leave. They remain within the bounds of the hostel and may only take day leave to attend school or representative sports, or sensitive family occasions, e.g. bereavement.
- ◆ After a gating experience boarders will be expected to adhere strictly to all Tai Mitchell Hostel rules.

At every stage of hostel discipline parents will be notified.

- ◆ 5 black marks - grounded for one week
- ◆ 6 black marks - gated for one week
- ◆ 7 black marks - referred to Deputy Principal

After which the boarder will return to the hostel on contract. This will be signed by Housemaster, parents, student and Deputy Principal. If the contract is broken, the student's place at Tai Mitchell Hostel will be very much in jeopardy.

### **More Serious Misbehaviour/Gross Misconduct Procedure**

If a boarder breaches a behavioural contract that has been put in place or commits a more serious breach of hostel rules, the boarder's place at Tai Mitchell Hostel will be reviewed by the Tai Mitchell Hostel Disciplinary Committee ("Disciplinary Committee").

A failed drug or alcohol test or possession/use of alcohol/drugs, theft, bullying, threats or acts of violence are examples of what is considered serious misbehaviour or gross misconduct. These behaviours are not tolerated within the hostel and will be dealt with in accordance with the procedures set out below.

#### **Disciplinary Review**

Where there is a report of gross misconduct or a breach of a behaviour contract and/or final warning, then the Principal (or Deputy Principal) shall be notified by the Housemaster who may require the boarder's parents to remove the boarder while the disciplinary review process is undertaken.

The boarder's parents (includes a guardian) will be notified by the Principal (or Deputy Principal) of the allegations/behavioural concerns and if asked to remove their son from Tai Mitchell Hostel, they will cooperate with the hostel staff. The boarder's parents will also be advised of the procedure that will follow and have the opportunity to be heard by the Disciplinary Committee.

The Disciplinary Committee shall be made up of two members for the time being of Rotorua Boys High School Board of Trustees, and the Principal (or Deputy Principal in the Principal's absence).

The Disciplinary Committee will meet within 7 school days of the boarder's parents being notified of the allegations/behavioural concerns. Prior to the meeting:

1. A report will be prepared for the Disciplinary Committee outlining the allegations/behavioural concerns, the boarder's disciplinary record at Tai Mitchell Hostel and any other matters which may be relevant to the boarder maintaining his place at Tai Mitchell Hostel.

2. The boarder's parents will be notified in writing of the meeting time and place and shall be invited to attend the meeting with their son in order to address the Disciplinary Committee.
3. The report prepared for the Disciplinary Committee shall be made available to the boarder's parents at least 24 hours in advance of the Disciplinary Committee meeting.

The procedure for the Disciplinary Committee meeting shall be determined by the person appointed to chair the meeting. The Committee may seek to have others present at the meeting in order to hear from them. The boarder's parents, the boarder and a representative/support person for the boarder are entitled to attend the meeting and will be heard prior to the Disciplinary Committee making a decision about the boarder's place at Tai Mitchell Hostel.

The Disciplinary Committee may resolve to return the boarder to Tai Mitchell Hostel unconditionally, return the boarder on such reasonable conditions as the Committee thinks fit or exclude the boarder from Tai Mitchell Hostel, either permanently or for such period as is considered appropriate.

## **DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY**

### **Rationale**

Tai Mitchell Hostel is committed to being drug and alcohol free and ensuring that all boarders are provided with a safe and healthy living environment. Alcohol and/or drug use has a debilitating effect on young men; marijuana and other illicit drug use is incompatible with a hostel environment and a student's personal growth, learning and advancement.

### **Policy**

The use or possession of alcohol or drugs (other than prescription drugs) is prohibited at Tai Mitchell Hostel.

The use of illicit drugs by students who board at the hostel is not approved nor acceptable at any time; this behaviour irrespective of when it occurs is considered a breach of the hostel's policy against drug use.

In order to ensure compliance with this policy and to maintain a drug and alcohol free hostel environment, boarders may from time to time be asked to undergo drug and/or alcohol testing. The circumstances in which drug or alcohol testing is carried out may include situations where there is suspicion of a boarder being under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol or by way of random test, the timing and frequency of random testing to be determined by the Principal, Deputy Principal or Housemaster.

### **Procedure**

The procedure for alcohol and/or drug testing is set out in the Drug and Alcohol Testing Procedure 2010.

As a condition of boarding at Tai Mitchell Hostel, parents will be required to sign a drug and alcohol testing consent form. If this consent is withdrawn at any time by a parent or their child, then the student's place at Tai Mitchell Hostel will be reviewed by the Tai Mitchell Hostel Disciplinary Committee. This consent and the ability to undertake drug and/or alcohol testing is part of the hostel's commitment to maintaining a drug and alcohol free environment.

Random testing for boarders will not be on notice to their parents. If the drug test is positive, then parents will be notified along with advice as to how the hostel staff intend to address the situation and the parents' right to request a second opinion.

The options open to the Deputy Principal or Housemaster (subject to discussion with the Principal) where an alcohol and/or drug test is positive may include the following:

1. Suspension from the hostel with conditions for readmission. These conditions may include:
  - direction to counseling sessions
  - clear drug and/or alcohol test
  - agreeing a behaviour contract
  - accepting a final warning or similar sanction
2. Suspension and referral to the Tai Mitchell Hostel Disciplinary Committee.

## **DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING PROCEDURE**

### **Drug Testing Procedure**

Parental/guardian consent for testing is required by way of completing the drug testing consent form.

The Deputy Principal or Housemaster may initiate drug testing on a random basis or where there is reasonable cause to suspect that a boarder is under the influence of drugs. The Deputy Principal and Housemaster will determine the random selection process and how this is to be implemented.

Where a boarder is requested to undergo a drug test then this shall be carried out by the school nurse at the Wellness Centre, the boarder will be accompanied by a senior staff member. The procedure to be undertaken shall be determined by the nurse and staff member concerned, however the following shall be part of the process:

1. The boarder will be given an explanation of the drug testing procedure using the Drug Smart Drug Testing Kit. A written copy of the process must also be shown to the boarder.
2. The test administered will be either a urine drug test or a saliva drug test.
3. The boarder's privacy shall be respected when giving a urine sample.
4. The test results will be read in the presence of the boarder, with at least two people able to witness the results.
5. The test result will be recorded on the drug testing procedure template and filed by the hostel manager.

The boarder's parents/guardian will be notified of a positive test result and will be given the opportunity to request a second test which, if positive, will be at the parent's/guardian's cost.

A document detailing completion of each of the above steps will be initialled and signed by staff members present and will record the boarder's name, date and time of the test.

### **Alcohol Testing Procedure**

Alcohol testing shall be by way of breathalyser and will be carried out by the Deputy Principal or Housemaster, as appropriate.

The breathalyser test shall be witnessed by at least two people and undertaken in a way that respects the privacy of the boarder.

### **Information sheet for students providing a urine sample**

You have been requested to provide a urine sample to enable a drug test to be made and you therefore need to be aware of the following:

1. If the sample fails to read at body temperature
2. If the sample is not provided within 1 hour
3. If there is evidence of tampering of the sample
4. If there is a refusal to provide the sample

You will have been deemed to have failed the test and you will be immediately suspended from the Tai Mitchell Hostel and returned to your caregivers.

You will then be required to provide a clearance following a Diagnostic Laboratory test at the expense of your caregivers, before you will be admitted back to the Tai Mitchell Hostel.

If you are on a final warning however and you are found to have drugs in your system, exclusion from Tai Mitchell Hostel will result.

## **SEARCH AND SEIZURE POLICY**

### **Rationale**

We aim to ensure that the hostel environment is a safe and secure living environment and learning place. In order to do this we must, at various times, check that boarders are not in possession of illicit items; including drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, pornography, weapons, or stolen property.

### **Policy**

Searches may be carried out either for cause (for example, if the Housemaster is concerned that items have gone missing) or randomly from time to time as determined by the Deputy Principal and/or Housemaster, following discussion with the Principal.

As part of the hostel's commitment to being drug and alcohol free, the hostel staff may arrange drug dog inspections through an accredited service.

All searches will be carried out in a manner that ensures the dignity of the student is protected and will be in accordance with the following process and/or appropriate protocols arising from the type and nature of search that is undertaken.

### **Procedure**

Boarders may be asked at any time by a senior staff member to empty out their pockets or to open their bag or locker for inspection. Boarders will be given the opportunity to be

present at all times during the search of their personal property; that is a bag or locker search.

Senior Hostel staff may undertake room searches from time to time or arrange for the services of a drug detection agency (including the use of drug detection dogs) to carry out an inspection of rooms and/or lockers. Boarders will be given the opportunity to be present during this procedure.

If an illicit item is found on the student, or in the student's bag, locker or in their room, the Housemaster may retain the item pending an appropriate enquiry and/or disciplinary process.

If a student does not agree to emptying his pockets, opening his bag or locker for inspection, then:

1. The student will be asked to go to the office of the Housemaster/Deputy Principal and the student's parents will be telephoned and asked to attend. If a parent or guardian cannot attend within a reasonable time, an appropriate support person will be arranged for the student.
2. Following the arrival of a parent, guardian or support person, the student will again be asked to empty his pockets, or to open his bag(s) or locker for inspection. If the student maintains that he will not agree to the search being carried out, such refusal will be dealt with as a disciplinary matter and may be referred to the Tai Mitchell Disciplinary Committee.
3. This policy and procedure will not prevent any urgent search of a boarder or their bag, locker or room, or seizure of property where it is required in order to prevent harm to the boarder or other people, or to prevent damage to property.

Any items that are retained by the Hostel will be stored by staff exercising reasonable care, but the hostel shall not be liable to the boarder for any loss of item or damage to an item.

## **DRUG TESTING AND SEARCH CONSENT FORM**

### **Rationale**

Tai Mitchell Hostel is committed to being drug and alcohol free and ensuring that all students are provided with a safe and healthy living environment. Alcohol and/or drug use has a debilitating effect on young men, marijuana and other illicit drug use is incompatible with a hostel environment and a student's personal growth, learning and advancement.

### **Procedure**

Your son may be asked to provide a urine or saliva sample in accordance with the attached Drug Testing Procedure 2010 or undergo a breath alcohol test.

As a boarder at Tai Mitchell Hostel, the request for a urine or saliva sample or a breath alcohol test may be undertaken either randomly (as determined by the Deputy Principal/Housemaster) or if a staff member at the hostel has reason to believe that the student is under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs. The test in either situation is the same.

The drug and/or alcohol tests are carried out by the school nurse and assisted by senior staff. These are carried out in accordance with the Drug and Alcohol Testing Procedure 2010, a copy is attached to this form.

As a parent, you will not be notified of the carrying out of the procedures that are undertaken on a random basis, unless there is a positive result. If this occurs, you will be notified of the result and provided with a copy. You will also have the opportunity to review the result including requesting a second opinion if you wish. The cost of a second test will be met by you if it is positive.

The Deputy Principal/Housemaster may initiate searches in accordance with the search and seizure policy which is intended to ensure the hostel is safe and secure for students. A copy of this policy is also attached to this form.

<b>Consent</b>	
Student's name:	_____
Date of birth:	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have read the conditions outlined above and understand them.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have read the attached policy documents and understand and accept them.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I agree/accept the above procedure as a condition of my son's enrolment and retaining a place at Tai Mitchell Hostel.
Signed:	_____ (Parent/Guardian)
Signed:	_____ (Parent/Guardian)
Signed:	_____ (Student)
Date:	_____

### **TAI MITCHELL HOSTEL PASTORAL CARE PLAN**

Pastoral Care for all Tai Mitchell Hostel Boarders occurs on a daily basis individually and collectively.

1. Morning briefing following breakfast.
2. Evening briefing prior to dinner.
3. Nightly meetings with House Masters on duty.
4. Wednesday or Thursday weekly meetings for all boarders following dinner.
5. Weekend meetings for those boarders who reside for the weekend at the end of each meal time.
6. Term meetings held at the beginning of each term for all parents and boarders.
7. Individual House Masters meet with their duty groups on their day of duty. Weekly House Masters Meetings to discuss hostel matters, individual boarders and up and coming events in the hostel and school and the impact of these to our boarders. These meetings are minuted.

8. Hostel Boarder reports completed every term.
9. Comprehensive orientation programme for all boarders at the beginning of each year.
10. Introductions and meetings with key staff at the school, hostel and community, namely the Principal, School Guidance Counselor, School Nurse, Director of Leadership, Hostel Manager, House Masters, House Keeping Staff, Kitchen Staff, Senior Masters, Year Level Deans, Subject Teachers and the Police
11. A suggestion box is provided for boarders in the Hostel Managers Office
12. For Mapihi Pounamu boys who are at risk, two individual meetings per year to set goals, expectations and assistance to those boys where required. Meetings to be recorded on a template and filed.
13. Specialised Individual counseling also provided and arranged on a case by case basis through the school's Guidance Counselor following a referral from Hostel Staff.
14. Tai Mitchell Boarding Scholars have two individual meetings with their House Master per year to firstly set Annual Goals and secondly to review the year. A record of this meeting is kept and filed.
15. All other Boarders set goals and undertake a year review with a Hostel Staff member.
16. The Hostel Managers office is open to all boarders from 8.00am to 4.30pm on school days. Boarders are encouraged to meet with the Hostel Manager to voice any difficulties they may be experiencing within the school and hostel environment. The Hostel Manager is responsible for medical attention that is required off sight and sees the position to be that of a "Hostel Mum".
17. The Hostel has in residence a qualified nurse and the support of the Housemasters spouses who take on the role of Matron as and when required.

All boarders are encouraged to seek help and assistance in matters regarding both hostel and school related issues at any time they feel the need or an issue arises. All school based pastoral care systems are available to all Boarders in addition to the above.

### **THE STORY OF TAI MITCHELL HOSTEL**

The opening of this wonderful new complex took place on Friday, 19 August 2005. It was an outstanding opening with approximately 250 people present.

This school was founded in 1927 and even in that year the Governors of the day planned for a boarding hostel.

In 1928 at the December Prizegiving the then Headmaster, Mr. Ryder, stated "*Great progress has been made during the past two years and further rapid development must ensue as soon as provision is made for a school boarding establishment*".

In 1930 the school magazine advertised "Westvale" as a hostel for girls attending Rotorua High and Grammar School - £20/term, £3/term dinners for day girls. Westvale, however, did not eventuate for reasons unknown today.

In 1932 the new and second Headmaster, Mr. Harwood, wrote "*Remarkable as the development of the school has been up to present, it cannot reach full maturity without the provision of two new adjuncts. The first of these, concerning which I share entirely the views of me predecessor, is a school Hostel to provide accommodation for pupils from the surrounding districts of the Bay of Plenty*".

In 1935 the Governors bought 5½ acres on the eastern boundary of the school – the hostel we open today coincidentally is located on that parcel of land.

In 1938 a decision to add the second story to A Block took priority over a hostel and the war years of course followed.

On 5 May 1944 Henry Taiporutu Mitchell died aged 67. He died on his birthday and just as Rotorua lost a hugely significant leader, so too the school lost a Governor who from the first years of the school to the day of his death provided wonderful leadership to the school we love today and was driver of plans already for our school to establish a boarding hostel.

On 12 September 1944, a rare weeping totara was planted in the triangle beside our little gymnasium and the main quadrangle by Mrs. Janet Fraser the wife of the then Prime Minister. That tree still flourishes today and nationally it is listed as one of the finest examples of a weeping totara.

Dr Don Stafford the noted local historian and an old boy of our school, wrote the following in his book 'The new century in Rotorua' about Henry Taiporutu Mitchell on his death – *One of the most severe losses of the Maori was the death of Henry Taiporutu Mitchell, CMG, JP, on 5 May 1944. Born on the same date in 1877, at Ohinemutu, Tai Mitchell was the son of Henry W. Mitchell, one of Rotorua's earliest surveyors and European settlers. In 1901 he became a licensed surveyor. Few blocks of land in the Rotorua district were not subjected to his scrutiny, but his major influence was his remarkable ability to engender total trust from the Maori and Pakeha communities. Little, if anything, involving the Maori people took place in Rotorua without his participation, although this was not always apparent. Few government matters were prosecuted except through him, and of the hundreds of official (and innumerable unofficial) courtesies extended to visitors, it was general Tai Mitchell who arranged things.*

*His sudden death stunned the community and tributes poured in from every corner of New Zealand as well as from other parts of the world. The traditional tangi brought crowds with a genuine sense of loss. A service for the family members was held in St Faith's Church by the Bishop of Aotearoa, a second on the Papaiouru marae, for the huge crowd waiting there, and at Kauae cemetery, Ngongataha.*

*A man of his stature is not easily forgotten and his name is commemorated in many ways. A totara tree was planted in his memory in the grounds of Rotorua High School in September 1944. A year later, on 28 October 1945, a memorial bell in a carved shrine was unveiled by the prime minister at Ohinemutu. A large gathering of people from many parts of the country was present, including government representatives and members of parliament. In speaking of the bell shrine, Mr. Fraser said it "had been made possible by one who wished to remain anonymous, but who wished with everyone else, that when the sound of its chimes awoke the courtyard it would be symbolical of the voice of Tai Mitchell urging his people to great achievements". Engraved on the bell are the words *Āhakoā kua mate ia e korero ana ano*" (Although dead he still speaks)".*

After 10 years growth and development our hostel today honours in name this Rangitira for the service and leadership he provided both this city and his people and our school. As on the engraved bell – through the young men that will, for an important period of time in their lives, live in this Tai Mitchell Hostel – Henry Taiporutu Mitchell will still speak, he will still be heard, he will still inspire, and his leadership will touch these young men.



## **ROTORUA BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL**

### **WELCOME TO TAI MITCHELL HOSTEL**

#### **HOSTEL VISION**

The Rotorua Boys' High School will provide a safe, secure and well controlled environment, while promoting achievement and personal excellence and a sense of pride in the best traditions and values of the school.

Boarders will leave Rotorua Boys' High School successful, confident, positive and enthusiastic in their readiness to make a valuable contribution to society and to fully realise their own potential

#### **HOSTEL CREED**

As a member of the hostel I will respect the rights of others and act honestly and decently with integrity.

Each of us has individual talents which are unique and we must work hard to develop.

We will not accept mediocrity and will demand the best of ourselves in whatever activity we undertake whether it academic, sporting or cultural. We owe this to ourselves.

We must recognise it is a privilege to be part of the hostel and we must serve our house, hostel and community.

We must at all times interact with each other in a respectful and dignified manner realising that living in close proximity to others gives us a special challenge.

As a member of the hostel we must relate to adults respectfully and realise we have an individual responsibility and a collective duty.

We must aspire to excellence, to do our best in whatever we are doing.