

### **Rotorua Boys' High School**

Ad Astra Per Aspera Whaia Te Iti Kahurangi To The Stars Through Hard Work

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#### OBITUARY



#### G.R. Cramond, M.A. Hons. (Otago), Dip. Ed.St., Dip. Tchg. 1932-2020

#### Principal 1980 - 17 July, 1991

It was with sadness that the School noted the passing, on Saturday, 18 July, 2020 - exactly twenty-nine years after his retirement - of its immediate past and only surviving former Principal, Mr. G.R. Cramond. He died peacefully at Tauranga surrounded by his family in his 88th year.

In my official history of the School, Rotorua 's Plume: A History of Rotorua Boys' High School, 1880-2001, I wrote the following about him:

"Of the School's [eleven] Principals since 1914, Cramond is the only one to have come to the position with prior experience as a Principal of a large single-sex boys' school. As the former Principal of one of New Zealand's oldest and most traditional of state boys' schools [New Plymouth Boys' High School], he came to Rotorua Boys' High School with just the right sort of background and experience that was needed to guide it through the next phase of its history.

The School's fifth Principal, Geoffrey (Geoff) Cramond, brought many qualities to the position. In many ways he was an amalgam of the best qualities of all four of his immediate predecessors. Like Harwood, he was a man of scholarship, contemplation and a first-rate administrator. In his cheerful and naturally tolerant disposition he was similar to Thornton, while in strength of character and resolution of purpose he was much more like Hamill. In common with Ryder, he had the rare quality of natural dignity and a real 'presence ' about him which inspired deep respect, admiration and commanded deep loyalty. He was very much a product of the "old school" and this background contributed to make him the fine teacher and Principal that he was. "

I wrote that in the late-1990s. I do not feel, some twenty-two years later, that a more fitting summation of Mr. Cramond's character can be made. He was the Principal in my time, so I had as good a chance as any boy did to observe him during my five years at the School. Although he was certainly a remote figure to us boys and he was only ever seen from a distance usually at assemblies on the stage in his academic gown, he was certainly a man that I, and I'm sure that most boys, looked up to and admired.

He definitely had a presence about him, and his pride and trust in the School and his boys was unquestioned. Many boys, including myself, noticed that he always parked his car outside A Block unlocked with the key left in the ignition. On many occasions boys, that were brave enough to, opened his car, removed the key from the ignition and took it straight in to his secretary worried that he had left them in the car by mistake. The next day his car would be sitting outside A Block again unlocked and with the key in the ignition! I think everyone just instinctively knew that there was no need for Mr. Cramond to lock his car at school.

On behalf of all of my fellow Old Boys from the 1980 to mid-1991 years of his tenure at Rotorua Boys' High School, I wish to extend my condolences to the Cramond family on the death of their beloved father and grandfather.

I am mindful that Mr. Cramond's Master of Arts degree from the University of Otago was conferred on him, in 1954, with First-Class Honours in Latin. I can think of no better or more appropriate way to end than to say:

Ad Astra Per Aspera, Mr. Cramond.

Kevin J. Lyall, SCHOOL ARCHIVIST & HISTORIAN.



## OUR HAKA "RAUKURA"



KO WAI TE KURA? RAUKURA!

TE RANGI KAI RUNGA TE WHENUA KAI RARO TE MOANA KAI WAHO TAKU AU KAI ROTO KO TE AITANGA A RAUKURA I TE RANGI E. I A HAHA! KA TU TE IHI, KA TU TE WANA KA WHAO TE PUHA O TAKU TUPUNA KI ROTO I AHAU, E TU AKE NEI. I A HAHA!

MY STRONG ATTACHMENT TO RAUKURA, MOVES ME BEYOND THE SKIES. MY FIERCE INNER POWER SOARS AS I FEEL THE PRESENCE OF MY ANCESTORS.

#### "RAUKURA"

A CREED FOR ROTORUA BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL. THE UNIVERSAL IDENTIFIER FOR ROTORUA BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL AND ITS STUDENTS.

#### "RAUKURA"

OUR IDENTITY, OUR SENSE OF BELONGING. THE CHALLENGE LAID BEFORE EACH STUDENT TO AIM FOR SUCCESS. THE SOURCE OF PRIDE AND INSPIRATION FOR ALL.

#### "RAUKURA"

OUR DESTINY. THE FOUNDATION AND FOOTPRINT OF THIS SCHOOL. IT ESTABLISHES A SET OF VALUES WE BELIEVE IN AND ASPIRE TO. IT COMMANDS THE STANDARDS AND EXPECTATIONS OF WHAT IS REQUIRED TO SUCCEED.

#### E AI RA TE TITIRO

KI NGA MARAE TAPU E TAKOTO NEI. I A HAHA! KA TU MAI TE TOA KA HUPEKE KI RUNGA KI TE WHENUA E. I A HAHA! WHIUA KI RUNGA WHIUA KI RARO... I REMEMBER THE MANY SACRED MARAE THAT WE ARE ALL A PART OF AND THE WARRIOR IN ME IS AROUSED. I STAMP MY MARK UPON THIS GROUND. CAST IT TO RANGI. CAST IT TO PAPATUANUKU.

#### "RAUKURA"

AN OPPORTUNITY TO SUCCEED THROUGH PURE DETERMINATION, DEDICATION AND DISCIPLINE. THE CODE OF CONDUCT THAT SHOULD BE ADHERED TO IN THE ACADEMIC ARENA, ON THE SPORTS FIELD AND IN THE CULTURAL DOMAIN.

#### "RAUKURA"

THE BENCHMARK WE ASPIRE TO. THE PLATFORM WE LAUNCH OUR DREAMS FROM. THE MANA AND PRESTIGE OF ONESELF, WHANAU AND SCHOOL.

#### "RAUKURA"

ATTAINING OUR ULTIMATE GOALS. OUR BEING. OUR STATEMENT TO THE COMMUNITY, COUNTRY AND WORLD.

TE TARA O TAKU WAHANGA KA HORAHIA WHAO WHAO MAI ANA TE URE, MIMITI ANA KI TAKU PA WHAKAIRO E TU AKE NEI. I A HAHA! MAU ANA TE WEHI E. ANA KSS ANA KSS AUE HI!

AND THE YOUNG MAN IN ME STRIVES TO THE VERY END TO LEAVE AN IMPRESSION. AWESOME

KO WAI TE KURA?

"RAUKURA"

### **Principal's Message**

#### **Dear Parents and Caregivers**

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou me te tangi hoki ki a rātou kua riro atu.

#### Academic Review Day

Thank you to all whānau who came to support their young men on Academic Review Day held on Friday 7 August. The turnout was again impressive and 88% of our students had their Academic Review Day Interview which is pleasing. I trust this three way conference will provide a clear pathway for students through to the end of the school year and beyond. Thank you again for supporting our second Academic Review Day this year.



#### Apple Distinguished School

The school recently has received notification that we have been awarded Apple Distinguished School status given the work we have undertaken over several years to incorporate iPad and the Apple suite of applications into our Teaching and Learning Programmes.



Recognised by Apple as a distinguished school for continuous innovation in learning, teaching, and the school environment.

#### **Hostel Names**

Recently the Board confirmed the naming of the two houses that make up Tai Mitchell Hostel and in this regard the following names have been confirmed.



These special names are powerful references to who we are as a school and the symbolism of the toki relates to hard work, creativity and the construction of a positive future pathway.

South House will now be known as Hahauterangi whilst the North House will be known as Tūtauru.

Thank you to all who were involved in the consultation around these names and I trust boys will develop a considered understanding and close identification with these special names for their school home.

#### Term 4 Lunches

Planning has continued to allow the school to provide lunches to all students from the start of Term 4. Given the need to find time to distribute lunches and manage that process there will be a slight change to bell times and in this regard the new bell times are as follows :

Term	4 Be	ll Times
8.35am -	8.45am	Karakia for Whare Classes
8.45am -	9.45am	Period 1
9.45am -	10.45am	Period 2
10.45am -	11.10am	House Group / Lunch
11.10am -	11.30am	Interval 1
11.30am -	12.30pm	Period 3
12.30pm -	1.30pm	Period 4
1.30pm -	2.00pm	Interval 2
2.00pm -	3.00pm	Period 5

You will note that the school lunch/brunch will take place after Period 2, so that we have well fed boys for the next three periods. There will however still be a break or interval at the "lunch time" we currently observe.

A further feature of lunches at our school is that boys from Year 10 through to Year 13 will enjoy a hot lunch in our dining room once per week. Given the size of our dining room it is not possible to include Year 9 students in the hot lunch arrangements, but of course they will get to enjoy that once they move into Year 10. The roster for the hot lunches will look something like that which follows :

### Draft Rotation for Hot Lunch

Monday	Raleigh Years 10-13
Tuesday	Drake Years 10-13
Wednesday	Hostel
Thursday	Frobisher Years 10-13
Friday	Nelson Years 10-13





#### Rotorua Boys' High School – Daily Lunch WEEK 1

-		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		HOT LUNCH		
	Main Dish	BLT sandwich	Bacon and Egg Slice	Roast Beef Filled Roll	Club Sandwich	Ham and salad Baguette		Butter Chicken		
	Carb/Salad	Potato Salad	Macaroni salad	Egg salad	Coleslaw	Penne Pasta Salad		Rice		
	Snack item	Cheese savoury Scone	Apple slice	Date Scone	Fruit Muffin	Fruit Muesli bar		Garden Salad		
	Whole Fruit	Apple/Orange	Apple/Orange	Apple/Orange	Apple/Orange	Apple/Orange		Whole Fruit		

Term 4 will see the start of our Free & Healthy Lunch Programme. Please ensure the school is aware of any allergy or special dietary requirements especially Halal, Gluten free, Vegetarian and Vegan. Please send these requirements to **info@rbhs.school.nz** 

#### Raukura Bus through Hamurana

A recent change has seen the Te Puke bus turn off at Mourea and travel through Hamurana and onto Ngongotaha on its way to school. This has been well received and this new service is operating very smoothly. We will continue to monitor numbers and if demand for places grows we will make the appropriate adjustments to ensure we keep supporting the movement of students from the Kaharoa, Hamurana and Ngongotaha area to school.

#### 2021 Enrolments

The school has completed Open Days and our Open Evening relative to the Enrolment Process and the school had approximately 300 students attend the Open Days and about 140 people attended the Open Evening. These were pleasing numbers given our Covid times and we are confident we will have a strong enrolment into Year 9 next year. Coming up our enrolment team will be holding the following events :

Accelerate Testing at RBHS	Wednesday 14 October Saturday 17 October	3.30pm-5.00pm 10.00am – 11.30am
Jubilee Scholarship, Tai Mitchell Boarding Scholarships and Sports Class Applications Du	Saturday 31 October Je	
Orientation Day at RBHS For those enrolled into Year 9 for 2021	Tuesday 24 November	

We look forward to welcoming our new Year 9's into our school for 2021.

#### Congratulations

Congratulations to the following students on their achievements :

A. Te Ara Pounamu has been named as our 10th Young Achiever and his category of recognition is 'Academic Excellence and Excellence in Performing Arts'.

We look forward to the public event that acknowledges all of Rotorua's Young Achievers in this the 30th Year of those awards to be held on Saturday 28 November at the Energy Events Centre.

B. Congratulations to all students who participated in the recent Inter House Haka

Competition, again with the impact of Covid-19. Houses performed individually with the performance live streamed and this enabled a public vote to take place and contribute to the points for each house. Congratulations to Frobisher who took out the competition.

The full results are as follows :

1st Frobisher 2nd Raleigh 3rd Nelson 4th Drake



Congratulations to Sebastian Douthett who was awarded top leader.

C. Congratulations to all cast members and crew involved in the wonderful production of Saturday Night Fever. This production spanned 13 performances, all of which were sold out. Special recognition should be made of the creative team of Vocal Director, Mrs E Hulton, Musical Director Mr C Hay, Choreographer and Director Mr Dean McKerras. Congratulations also to the Principal's Tawhao Webster and Jasmine Morrison and all members of the cast and crew for what was a memorable and very special 2020 Production.





MR DEAN MCKERRAS

MR C HAY



MRS E MULTON



TAWHAO WEBSTER



JASMINE MORRISON

D. Congratulations to Manaaki Benfell of Year 12 who has been elected as the Student Trustee to the Board. Maanaki takes up his position immediately and will be the student representative on our board for the next 12months.

#### Ε. NZ Super Eight Schools Winter Tournament

In week 7, Winter Tournaments across the codes took place throughout the cities that make up the NZ Super Eight Schools region. Special congratulations should go to all boys and our staff and parents who worked as coaches and managers for making this happen at a challenging time but in a safe and enjoyable manner.

Results in summary are as follows :

- Junior Football finished 5th 1.
- 2. Junior Basketball – finished 3rd
- U14 Rugby finished 2nd 3.
- U15 Rugby finished 4th 4.
- Senior Football finished 5th 5.
- Senior Hockey finished 7th 6.
- Senior Basketball won the Super 7. Eight title for the first time in Super Eight history.

#### F. Moascar Cup

#### Super 8 Champions 2020



Congratulations to the coaches and players of our Rugby 1st XV who in a wonderful effort secured the Moascar Cup in their match against Napier Boys' High School in Napier. The team has since defended the cup against Palmerston North Boys' High School and Hastings Boys' High School in very tense and close encounters here at school. Our team now after defeating New Plymouth Boys' High School in the Semi Final, will now play Hamilton Boys' High School in the NZ Super 8 Schools Final.



#### **Property Developments**

I am pleased to advise that further progress has been made in the planning for our new Science Faculty and we have been advised that construction is scheduled to start in December this year. Similarly with the Grandstand / Field Seating area we are waiting on Council Consent to allow the construction phase to get underway. Given that our home games have finished for our Rugby 1st XV we expect work to commence on the site almost immediately.

A further project that is in the planning stages and likely to be started this year is the replacement of the roof in the Millennium Centre given there have been some issues in that block around water tightness.

These projects in total add up to approximately \$8 million and certainly will represent significant enhancements of our school environment.

#### **Important Dates**

Friday 25 September Friday 9 and Saturday 10 October Monday 12 October Tuesday 13 -Thursday 15 October Wednesday 14 October Friday 16 October Saturday 17 October Monday 26 October Saturday 31 October	Term 3 Concludes Y-Lead Conference Term 4 Commences Year 10 Leadership Programme at Lake Okareka Accelerate Testing, 3.30pm – 5.00pm Super Eight Kapa Haka and Pasifika Festival Accelerate Testing 10.00am – 11.30am Labour Day Jubilee Scholarship and Sports Class Applications Due School Ball at Te Puia
Thursday 12 November	Senior Prizegiving – 10.00am
Monday 23 November	Teacher Only Day (BOP)
	Teach First Arrive
Tuesday 24 November	Orientation Day
Wednesday 25 November	Languages Faculty Review – 5.00pm
	Board of Trustees Meeting – 6.00pm
Tuesday 8 December	Junior Prizegiving – 10.00am
Term 4 Concludes	

As Term 3 ends thank you to all our school community for excellent support over the many events of our busy programme. Enjoy the holidays and boy's just 5 weeks of school before externals!

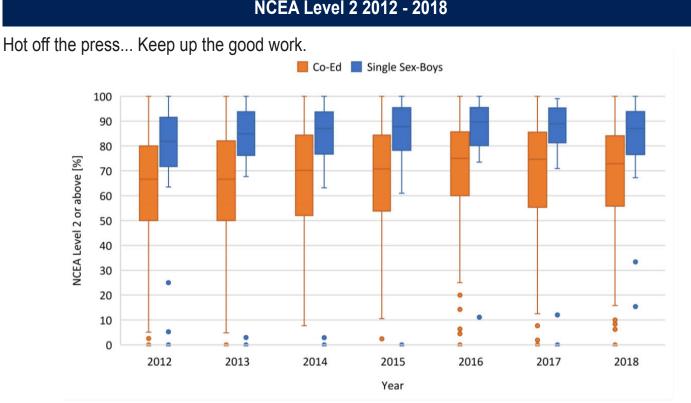


Figure 3: Comparative distribution indicating the attainment rate of NCEA Level 2 or above for male school leavers at each school from 2012 to 2018. Plots depict between 395 (2012) and 419 (2017) co-educational and 49 single-sex schools for each year.

Ngā mihi nui

A.C. Grinter **Principal** 

#### NCEA Level 2 2012 - 2018

### From the Desk of the Deputy Principal Administration and Assessment





#### **Student - Senior Examination Timetable 2020**

#### **Preliminary Examinations**

Preliminary Exams are used to prepare students for their end of year external exams. These exams will inform teachers about what further work is needed to benefit students having a fair and reasonable opportunity to achieve in the external exams later in the year. The preliminary exams are also an official result that can be used for a Derived Grade for an External Exam. A Derived Grade application can be presented to NZQA by Mr Buckton if you have a circumstance that meets the criteria during the time of the exam or leading up to the exam that may result in not attending or impairing a result. It is expected that students prepare well and attend all their preliminary and external examinations.

#### **Exam Conditions**

- 1. Attend exams in correct school uniform
- 2. Be seated 20 minutes before the exam commences
- 3. Phones and electronic devices must be switched off and left in front of room / hall
- 4. Must not communicate with any other student during the exam
- 5. Follow all instructions given by the supervisor
- 6. Water in a clear bottle is allowed, however, no food is to brought into the exam room
- 7. Cannot leave in the first 60 minutes and last 15 minutes

9:00-11:00am		11:25am-1:25pm		2.00-4:00pm			
Examination	Location	Examination	Location	Examination	Location		
10AENG, 2ENG	Hall	2BIO, 3ENG, 3TRM	Hall	1BUS, 2BSA, 2CHE, 3GEO, 3PHY	Hall		
1HIS (3 hours)	B3	2DAN	H1	1/2/3CHI (Reading)	B6		
2ENA (3 hours)	A6			1MUS	A1		
3ENA (3 hours)	A7						
Classroom Catch Up	Location	Classroom Catch Up	Location	Classroom Catch Up	Location		
1AUT (Th)	T2	1PED (Te)	G3				
1FHO (Be)	H2	1ART (Ww)	C6				
1PED (Cy)	M1	1FTT (Bc)	T4				
1SCI (Gd)	S1	2AUT (Th)	T2				
3TEC (Kr)	T5	2DVC (Mg)	C2				
3MCA (Gn)	C5	2PED (Mt)	G3				
3DGT (Gs)	C1	2LIT (Gri)	M4				

#### Thursday 24 September



#### **Student - Senior Examination Timetable 2020**

9:00-11:00am			11:25am-1:25pm			2:00-4:00pm		
Examination	Location	1	Examination	Location	1	Examination	Location	
1SCP, 2BUS, 2PHY, 3REO, 3BIO	Hall		1GEO, 1SCB, 2HIS	Hall		2MAS, 2MAC, 3MAA	Hall	
		1	1DAN	H1		1CHI (Listening)	B6	
		1	3CHI (Listening)	B6				
Classroom Catch Up	Location	1	Classroom Catch Up	Location		Classroom Catch Up	Location	
1PED (Da)	G3	1	1NLS (OI)	A10				
1DGT (Gs)	C1		1MCA (Gn)	C5				
1MPA (Wj)	W2		1FTT (Kr)	T5				
2/3BTT (WI)	T6		1DVC (Mg)	C2				
2PED (Md)	G3		2MAT (Sw)	B9				
2MUS (Hc)	A1		2PED/2SAC (Mw, Te)	G3				
2FTT (Bc)	T4		3MAT (HR)	B14	1			
2ART (Ww)	C6		3MAT (Bh)	B15				
3FHO (Be)	H2		3MAT (Ci)	B16				
3DVC (Mg)	C2		3MAC (Cr	B10				
3ESL (Gri)	M4							

#### Friday 25 September

#### Monday 12 October

9:00-11:00am		11:25am-2:25pm (3 l hall only		2:00-4:00pm		
Examination	Location	Examination	Location	Examination	Loca	
2GEO, 3SBA, 3CHE	Hall	1ENG	Hall	Exam clashes	Hall	
3DAN	H1	2CHI (Listening)	B6			
		3HIS (12-3pm)	B3/B4			
		1ENA	M3			
Classroom Catch Up	Location	Classroom Catch Up	Location	Classroom Catch Up	Loca	
1SAC (Hu)	M1	2/3BTT (WI)	Т6			
1TEC (Kr)	T5	2DGT (Gs)	C1			
2ESL (Gri)	M4	2MCA (Gn)	C5			
2MPA (Wj)	W2	3SAC (Md)	G3			
2TEC (Bc)	T4	3POL (Ld)	M4			
2FHO (Be)	H2	3MPA (Wj)	W2			
3PED (Bn)	B1					
3ART (Ww)	C6					

Mr B Buckton (BSp&ExSci, PGDipTchg) Deputy Principal - Administration and Assessment bbuckton@rbhs.school.nz

### From the Desk of the Deputy Principal

### **Teaching and Learning**



Kia ora Raukura whānau,

Our students in Years 10, 11 and 12 have recently completed their subject selections for next year. Towards the end of Term 3 and at the beginning of Term 4 these students will be having conversations with their Deans to ensure the timetables that have been created are suitable for each individual student's pathway. As whānau it is important you play a part in this conversation, so that you are informed and are able to support your young men with their future pathways.

We are continuing to offer several new and improved courses in the senior school in 2021, such as a refined Level 2 Outdoor Education, Level 3 Sport Studies, Level 2 Pasifika Studies, Level 3 Business Studies and a modified course in Level 3 English to support all of our students.

#### Option Selection for Year 10, 2021

In Term 4 Year 9 students will be asked to complete their option forms. Students must choose two options for study alongside their core subjects in Year 10.

- 1. Students are permitted to choose two options; one option from Table 1 and one from Table 2,
- 2. The options in **bold lead to course pathways that are University Entrance approved**.

Option 1	Option 2
Art	Basketball Academy
Business Studies	Football Academy
Chinese	Golf Academy
Digital Technologies	Hockey Academy
Design and Visual Communication	Rugby Academy
Food Technology and Nutrition	Māori Carving
Māori Carving	Food Technology and Nutrition
Māori Performing Arts	Design and Visual Communication
Music	Music
Technology	Technology
Dance	Art
Drama	Māori Performing Arts

Students wishing to select a sports academy will be selected from their Attitude to Learning, Learning task completion and class performance in Year 9. Students who are not currently in an academy class and wish to gain entry in 2021 will need to have their selection approved by HOD Sport and the applicable Director.

I would encourage you to discuss this with your son now so that he is prepared to make his selections with his House Group Teacher in Term 4.

Mr P Conrad (BA, DipTchg, PGCertAP) Deputy Principal Teaching and Learning pconrad@rbhs.school.nz

### From the Desk of the Deputy Principal Student Support

Kia ora koutou



#### Leadership

#### Year 8 Leaders Workshop

On the 25th of August we hosted 50 year 8 students from contributing schools including Rotorua Intermediate, Kaitao, Makoia, Kaharoa, and Seventh Day Adventist School. The focus for the day was on Leadership and how we at Raukura develop our young men into great leaders. Students were introduced to the school by Mr Grinter and to our prefect team comprising of Head boy Ngakohu Walker, Deputy Head Boy Aidan Tonge, Connor Franklin and Zach Cooper.

Mr Hunt completed an activity where the students had to explain what they thought was a good leader and were introduced to our school values.

Students completed cooperative activities run by Ngakohu, Aidan, Connor and Zach where students were challenged both physically and mentally. (Refer to the below picture) Mr Florence assistant Leader of Learning completed a brain explosion activity involving dry ice based around Acids and Bases.

The final activity for the day was run by Mr Te Huia Assistant leader of learning Physical Education. Based on the challenge of Leadership, students completed an Amazing Race around school completing different tasks which link to our School Values.

Thank you to the Teachers involved - Mr Hunt, Mr Florence and Mr Te Huia. Finally to our school Leaders - Ngakohu, Aidan, Connor and Zach - Their expertise and leadership in connecting with our Year 8 students throughout the day showcased our school values and they really highlighted the value of strong leadership role models.



#### Year 10 Leadership Course

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected in recognition of their positive contribution to student leadership to participate in the Year 10 Leadership Course based at lake Okararun by Te Waiariki Purea Trust and based at Lake Okareka. 13th October to 15th October (Week 1 Term 4).

Bailey Carmichael, Hunter Geary, Raymond Himona Henare, Luca Alibone, Damien Bright, Ryan Copplestone, Richard Cunliffe, Tanner Dean, Ryan Elliot, Troy Hamm, Kyle Hetherington, Manaia-Ataahua Mercep, Kaiza Mihinui-Schutz, Luca Muggleton, William Skipper, Cameron Smith, Jai Tamati, Atera Thrupp, Kees van der Heyden, Olly Weaver.

During the course students will enhance leadership skills through outdoor water safety and leave with a strong sense of personal responsibility, independence and motivation to continue inspiring self and others.

#### Year 12 Rangatira Y Lead Conference

14 Year 12 students have been selected, in recognition of their positive contribution to student leadership to participate in the 2 Day Rangatira Student Leadership Conference to be held at Rotorua Boys' High School from the 9th to 10th October.

This course is designed to enhance leadership skills through a range of activities and leave him with a strong sense of personal responsibility, independence and motivation to continue inspiring self and others.

Congratulations to the following Year 12 students:

Vero Alley, Yannick Martel, Reagan Nicholson, Jericho Yorke, Haeora Boynton-Rata, Rukutai Watene, Whareporera Hare-Herbert, Robbie Thomas, Noah Allibone, Manaaki Benfell, Henare Eilers, Will Florence, Liam Kalan, Todd Storey.

Nga mihi nui

Mr H Lockwood (BSpLS, DipTchg) Deputy Principal Student Support hlockwood@rbhs.school.nz



### From the Deans

#### From the Year 9 Dean

Mrs A Hay

The 2020 enrolment events have begun and our Year 9 leaders have been wonderful at supporting our prospective year 9 students for 2021. We started with our Year 8 Leadership Workshop on the 25th of August where a group of 45 year 8 students from Rotorua Intermediate, Kaitao, Mokoia, Rotorua Seventh Day Adventist School and Kaharoa worked with our Senior Prefects and Deputy Principals to develop their leadership skills.



Following that we had our Rotorua Intermediate Open Day on the 27th of August and we were highly impressed with this group of students who got involved in the day and made us excited about our year 9 cohort for 2021.

Special acknowledgements go to our year 9 leaders for this day:

Connor Aitu Joshua Brierley Seth Green Lachlan Hale Dante Hansen Eraia Kiel Taylor Smith Nathan Sutton Temoti Te Runa Rico Walton-Iraia Jared Lasike Nelson Simpkins-Jones

Luke Westrupp Jaden Wright AJ Smalley-Huch Te Ahurewa Roberts-Tuahuru Jacob Fitzgerald Baedyn Kiore



I would also like to acknowledge the boys who are attending our Te Honoa Toi, Homework Centre after school in the library between 3 and 4pm. It is great to see so many year 9 boys taking up this opportunity of support for their academic achievement.

Mrs A Hay (BEd(Music), DipTchg, FTCL(Violin)) Dean of Year 9 ahay@rbhs.school.nz

#### From the Year 10 Dean

#### Mr B Kanara

Kia ora koutou



Term 3 has seen a hive of action at, and around school with various sports and cultural days happening. Our Year 10 group is staying strong on the attendance front with an amazing 89.3% overall. Our house group teachers have been working extremely hard by making sure our students have the best possible chance of success this year by keeping a tight rein on attendance. With NCEA approaching fast, the focus this term has been making sure our option choices for 2020 are locked in and that they suit the pathways our boys wish to pursue eventually.

Our academic zones are as follows for our 239 students in our Year 10 group Green zone makes up 35% Amber zone makes up 32% Red zone makes up 33%

All our house group tutors are busy putting work plans together to assist any students that may require supported learning. We have To Honoa Toi that runs 4 days per week and this is a free service where specialty teachers assist Deans with any students that need help. This service runs Monday-Thursday from 3-4pm and any student in any year group may attend. Some students will be required to use this space to aid their learning so if any whanau want to use this exceptional opportunity then please contact your House group tutor or myself so we may start that process for you. Our junior school still has a big grind ahead of them and only 12 weeks of school left so time is becoming crucial.

On a different note I would like to announce that our Year 10 Hostel students have put together a paid work team that is available to work for teachers or whanau with odd jobs at home, general cleaning duties or firewood, mowing lawns and things of that nature. If you need a group to come help you around the home or Marae, Rugby club then please feel free to contact me. They work extremely well and get stuck in.

Mr B Kanara (BEd) Dean of Year 10 bkanara@rbhs.school.nz

#### From the Year 11 Dean

#### Mrs K Hemana

Kia Ora Raukura Whānau,



Time is ticking quite quickly and we have so much to think about. As you all know, our Preliminary Examinations are looming and the schedule has been issued to students for Week 10 this term. In Term 4 we have 4 weeks to complete any outstanding internal assessments. For those who do not achieve the 70 credits required before Senior Prizegiving, they will continue to work on their internal assessments until the end of the year - December 8th.

Subject selections should have been made by now - please have a robust discussion about the path your son is wanting to take. We have an amazing Careers Advisor - Yolanda Adlam, who will meet with whānau to support any transition.

#### **Celebrating Success**

It is important to acknowledge those who have worked hard. The following students have passed Level 1 - a fantastic effort from these students.

#### Achieved

Taine Aitchison, Mita Brown, Riley Brown, Katiana Hitaua, Te Rohu Hona, Trevaze Hudson, Rongomai Manuel, Sonny Marsh, Brooke Mitchell, Connor Parkinson, Ariariterangi Paul-Tuhaka, Bailey Pinkerton, Wiremu Pumamao Herewini, Cajon Simiona, Amani Sinisa, Mikaere Talataina, Te Kura Tawhara, Jake Vincent, Paretoroa Webster-Tarei, Calan Wiremu

#### **Merit Endorsement**

Bronson Anderson, Kairau Armstrong, Karearea Bowden-McClutchie, Tuatai Curtis, Samuel Davis, Te Ariki Iraia, Christopher Keown, Daniel Malcolm and Te Poihipi Te Pairi

#### **Excellence Endorsement**

Mathieu Boynton-Rata, Tamatea Butcher, Te Koha Jansen, Ethan Jonas, Kawiti Mahaki, Levi Overbye, Tiakitai Paul-Tomoana, Meleki Schuster, Blue Simpkins-Jones, Levi Sutton, Ruaeo Te Moni, Taumanu Walker, Joseph Williams and Koan Hemana

Boys, keep working hard! Use Te Honoa Toi as much as you can to support your academic goals! If you need to discuss anything with me please send me an email khemana@rbhs.school.nz or ring on 3486169 ext 803.

Ngā mihi

Mrs K Hemana M.Sp.Tchg (Hons)., P.G.Dip.Ed., B.Ed HOD Library / Dean of Year 11/ PPTA Chair khemana@rbhs.school.nz

#### From the Year 12 Dean

#### Mrs M Shaw



#### Tena Koutou Katoa

As the term nears the end our students are working hard to achieve their goals. Many of our young men are achieving their Level 2 NCEA qualification with many more coming close to that magic 52 number.

We have a busy end of term ahead with Preliminary Examinations in week 10, a chance for our seniors to put their knowledge to the test.

I challenge our year 12 cohort to aim higher and really fight for those endorsement grades. As COVID-19 has drastically changed our workforce and economy, those endorsement grades might be the 'icing on the cake' to land that all important job after they move on from their time with us.

As well as thinking about endorsements, UE Literacy is also an advantage to have especially if your son is not planning on completing NCEA Level 3. This shows a level of Literacy skill that a lot of positions are looking for.

#### Not the best year so far? Need some help to catch up or a bit of support to help you reach those endorsement gardes...

Your son can attend Te Honoa Toi on a Monday through to Thursday afternoon in the Library from 3pm till 4pm. We have a Mathematics and English specialist available and if you would like support specifically from your teacher or in another subject area, have a conversation with them to create a game plan.

#### Subject Selection for 2020 and Prerequisites

Your son should have completed his subject selection for 2020, if he does not complete this selection in a timely fashion he may find himself left out of his desired courses for 2020. Take time to discuss his options with him and make contact with teachers or House Group teachers if you would like any extra clarification.

Please note that a lot of the courses have prerequisites- conditions that need to be met to be able to take the class. It is expected that for a student to take a Level 3 class, they will need to have passed that class in Level 2 if they are taking it. A minimum of 12 credits at Level 2 in that class will be required.

#### **Celebrating our Success**

Congratulations to the following young men who continue to put in the hard work and have currently gained NCEA Level 2

#### NCEA Level 2- Achieved

Rimoni Apo, Leeshaye Orono-Te Huia, Cullen Katu-Robinson, Nazirite Paretoa, Jericho Tuwairua Yorke, Vero Alley, Cassius Houston, Poutama Mackey Te Rangi Pumamao, Tamakaimoana Whareaorere, Connor Barrett, Divontay Karere, Tahu Ngamotu, Nedd Steiner, Robbie Thomas, Lyden Lefaoseu, Flynn Simmons, Maddison Rosanoski, Xavier Murray, Gabriel Forrest, Autahi Leonard, Jacob Kerr, Riley Korzelius, Richard Callaghan, Julius Smith, Rangiaho Biddle, Michael Putt, Jamie Hamon Tuhakaraina. NCEA Level 2- Merit Arana Ashby, Brae Thomson, Nikau Rickards, Henare Eilers, Will Florence.

NCEA Level 2- Excellence Max Harvey, Reagan Nicholson, Noah Allibone, Whareporera Hare-Herbert.

#### School Ball- 31st October at Te Puia

Who wouldn't be looking forward to the chance to get all dressed up looking sharp for a night out with mates! Tickets are now on sale - \$80 per person. Attendance at school is key, so to buy a ticket, attendance must be 85% or better.

Boys, when the going gets tough, the tough get going! Utilise Te Honoa Toi, we are here for you! Keep communicating with your teachers to allow them to support you the best they can. Likewise, I am available if you need so please email me mshaw@rbhs.school.nz or ring me on 3486169 ext 218.

"Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, Engari he toa takitini"

"Success is not the work of one, but the work of many"

Mrs M Shaw (BTchg, DipJourn) Dean of Year 12 mshaw@rbhs.school.nz

#### From Year 13 Dean

Ms C Bekar



Tena Koutou Katoa,

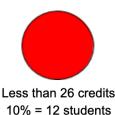
I would like to begin with thanking Mr Hunt for looking after the Year 13 cohort during my maternity leave absence at the beginning of the year. I would also like to acknowledge this group of wonderful young men on the hard work they have put in over the course of this busy term.

#### Traffic Light Update

At the time of writing we have 38 students who have already gained their NCEA Level 3 qualification equating to 32%. The focus for some of these boys is to continue to work towards gaining either their University Entrance in their approved subjects, along with attaining their University Entrance Literacy requirements or aiming for an endorsement. The remaining students are tracking well towards gaining their NCEA Level 3 Certificate.

A reminder, due to Covid-19, the benchmarks for this year have been altered and therefore students require 52 credits to now attain their NCEA Level 3. They also need to attain 46 or more credits at Excellence if they wish to endorse their certificate with Excellence and 46 or more Merit or Excellence credits if they wish to endorse their certificate with Merit. This has led to the adjustment of the traffic light cut-offs below.

At this point in the year, our traffic lights look like:











Greater than 42 credits 13% = 15 students

NCEA Level 3 Achieved 32%

It is also pleasing to see so many students continuing to take advantage of the Te Honoa Toi programme that runs after school Monday to Thursday from 3 - 4pm. I encourage everyone to continue to utilise this programme to gain extra tuition or for that peaceful hour of study.

#### Ball

It is that time of year again to dress up and celebrate. This year's Ball will be held at Te Puia on Saturday 31 October and tickets for the event are already on sale at the student counter. Tickets cost \$80 per person so get in fast.



Congratulations to Bless Perese-Elliot who was selected for the Under 18 Boys New Zealand Touch wider squad.

#### Congratulations



Congratulations to Gregan Maui who made the Under 20 trialling squad for the Touch Rugby World Cup Team. This was originally planned for next year but has now been postponed until 2022. Furthermore, he was part of the Rotorua Aces Hockey team who became the Midlands Intercity Hockey Champions recently.



Congratulations to Caerwyn Ross who won the Bay of Plenty Eagles Secondary School Golf tournament. He finished with a score of 69 which is 3 under par and was 9 shots ahead of the next closest competitor.



Furthermore, good luck to both Awanuiarangi Gardiner and Jacob Rawles who are preparing to compete in the New Zealand Secondary Schools Weightlifting Championships. This has been rescheduled for next month due to Covid restrictions.

"Mā te huruhuru ka rere te manu"

"Adorn the bird with feathers and it will fly"

Ms C Bekar (BSc (Hons), PGCE, PGCertAP) Dean of Year 13 cbekar@rbhs.school.nz

Mrs T Grinter



This Term we welcomed a new Year 12 student Frank Wang from China. He has settled well into school life and his new learning environment.

We have also farewelled Year 12 students: Yu Someya (Japan) and Hugo Szarzewski (France) who have returned home to continue their studies. Yu has attained his NCEA Level 2 whilst Hugo was with us for just 6 months.

Well done to Manase Wada (Y11), Even Huang (Y12), Roland Xu and Jerry Zhao (Y13) who have all passed their NCEA Year level Qualification already and best wishes to the others who are working hard towards their NCEA.

Congratulations to Frobisher – the winning house in Haka Competition and well done for International Students who stepped out of their comfort zone to participate in the Competition.

Mrs T Grinter (BA, BCS, DipTchg, PGCertAP, GradCertTEAL) Dean of International Students tgrinter@rbhs.school.nz





### NEWS

### Pō Matariki

#### Kua nunumi a Matariki Tē kitea! Erangi, ka rewa anō ia hai te tau Māori e heke mai ana Hai reira tātou whakanui ai i a ia!

Pō Matariki saw approximately 150 people, whānau, staff & students, attend an informative, fun and interactive evening centred around 'Ngā Mata o te Ariki, Tāwhirimātea' or more commonly known as 'Matariki'.

It was a time of remembrance, sharing & reciprocity where whānau were treated to a visual presentation explaining the associated narrative; performances by Raukura Kapa Haka; Māori Performing Arts students entertaining through waiata ā-ringa; TTRU band performance, a series of workshops around the school and not forgetting, a tribute piece to those associated with Rotorua Boys' High School who have passed since last Matariki.

We thank all those involved with this kaupapa, and hope to see whānau attend next years Pō Matariki.

E mihi ana!

Mrs R Morris (BA/BCom, BMPA, MEd(Hons), DipTchg) HOF Te Reo Māori rmorris@rbhs.school.nz



### DEPARTMENT NEWS

### **BUSINESS STUDIES**

Level One Business Studies:



On Monday 3rd August, our level one Business Studies class took a trip to Rotorua Canopy Tours. The students were able to participate in the original & ultimate tours and really enjoyed a day of ziplining and adventuring through the Kaimai Mamaku Forest Park - all whilst learning about the importance of conservation. Afterwards, our boys interviewed general manager Paul Button around the human resource processes surrounding recruitment. Overall, it was a fantastic experience and our boys have a newfound appreciation for conservation and the effort it takes to recruit and retain workers in the tourism industry.



Later in the week, our boys took off their safety helmets and put on their corporate hats. Our boys spent weeks writing their business plans, and were now faced with the challenge of selling their products and services at **market day**. The air smelled of home-baking, sherbet, lollies and most of all, money. All of our businesses experienced first-hand what it feels like to put your own money on the line. Thankfully, all of our businesses broke-even and the majority of groups made a profit. Overall, it was a great experience and a good chance for our boys to apply their business knowledge to a real-life context.

#### Featured business - "Rez"



Why we decided to start this business

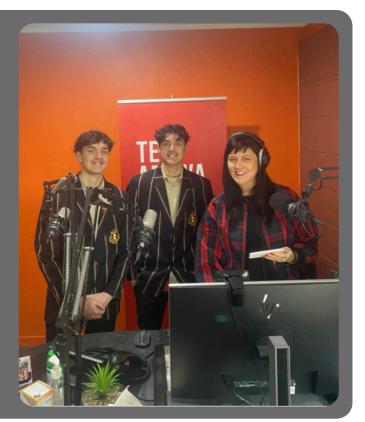
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Rez is a young enterprise company that sells clothing and accessories but with a twist. Rez centers their business around passion, principle and don't aim to make any profit with their business. Their Kaupapa is focused on raising awareness for an issue that is prevalent in society and "not spoke about enough" in New Zealand - teen-suicide. The group of young men have a powerful message; "Speak up and speak out". They are 'rangatahi; for rangatahi' and want the youth of New Zealand to feel like they have a voice. Chief Executive Officer, TJ Paul, is determined to use Rez accessories as a vessel to raise awareness for an issue that is close to his heart and to the rest of his group. In doing so, any profits generated past break-even are donated to organisations fighting for the same cause.

#### **Rez Interview - Te Arawa FM**

In addition to this, Rez were recently interviewed on Te Arawa FM about their business. Dynamic twin duo TJ Paul (CEO) and Jaden Paul (Communications director) spoke about how the teen suicide rate in New Zealand is the highest in the world. The pair are passionate about changing this statistic for the better, and believe that their products can do this by raising awareness.

They brought along a prototype for their bracelets, which were well received by Te Arawa FM host Mercia Yates. The boys are looking to sell at Rotorua Night Markets in the near future and are looking to establish an online presence in the community.



Mr J Burke (BSocSc, DipTchg) Teacher of Business Studies jburke@rbhs.school.nz

### SCIENCE

Kia ora whānau,

It's been a very busy Term 3 for the science department with lots going on both in and outside of the classrooms. I've always loved that saying, a picture paints a thousand words, so on that note, I've put together a 9,000 word article for you to peruse....

Our juniors have been working hard on conducting a range of experiments and writing them up to add to their portfolios. These outstanding year 10s have just completed a physics unit with an investigation on friction.



Most of the senior science students have been finishing up the last of their internal assessments and beginning to make some serious inroads into their preparation for external exams. Here we have some Level 1 Physics students conducting an investigation into ramp height vs distance rolled for a golf ball on the turf.



We were also lucky enough to have a group of very promising young Year 8 students visit the science faculty to undertake some brain teasing challenges and be 'wowed' by some of the more visual hands-on experiments we like to run in the science department.



Mr D Florence (BVSc, DipTchg) Assistant HOF Science dflorrence@rbhs.school.nz

### TECHNOLOGY

### FOOD AND HOSPITALITY

Year 12 student Rimoni Apo producing the goods in Food & Hospitality. Rimoni has been working hard this year and his work ethic facilitates his success. In this recipe, Rimoni produces Chicken & vegetable kebabs with curried rice salad and satay sauce.

Recipes can be found at <u>http://rbhshospitality.weebly.com</u>. password student.

http://rbhshospitality.weebly.com/chicken-and-vegetable-kebabs.html

http://rbhshospitality.weebly.com/curried-rice-salad.html



Mr K Boielle (TradeCert, DipTourismMan, DipTchg, PGCertAP) Teacher of Food and Hospitality kboielle@rbhs.school.nz

### CHINESE

Two of our boys, Jordan Epapara and Ngaru Omichi participated in the 2020 online National Chinese Speech Competition on 2 August. Ngaru Omich took the Fourth Prize among 18 contestants from high schools throughout NZ.

Congratulations!

Ms W Chen (BPed, DipTchg, PGCertAP) Teacher of Chinese wchen@rbhs.school.nz



### MUSIC

It has been a really successful term for our Music Department.

As well as a number of boys being busy with Saturday Night Fever rehearsals both in the band and in the cast, we have had some real success in this years Smokefree Rockquest and Tangata Beats.

We had 3 entries into Rockquest with 'Reign' (Te Ara Punamu Pukeroa) winning the Rotorua regional event and coming in the Top 5 in the Country in the Solo / Duo category. In the groups T.T.R.U featuring Te Ara Pounamu Pukeroa, Terrence Katipa, Uale Lefaoseu and Totorewa Malcolm, also took out 1st place in both Tangata Beats and Rockquest in the Rotorua region, making the top 7 acts (national finals) in Tangata Beats. As I write this report T.T.R.U have also been named in the Top 20 in the country for Rockquest groups and are waiting to see if they make the Top 7 Nationals group. This is an outstanding achievement in such popular and competitive Nationwide competition. I look forward to reporting next time on the Nationals results for both competitions.

Congratulations to members of other bands who competed as well. 4's a crowd (Jacob Stevens, Divarn, Prentice Stevens and Drew) and Year 11 Band Undivided (Blue Jones, Levi Overbye, Kairau Armstrong and Daniel Hamilton). The judges had some very good comments to say about these bands.

We have also had our junior and senior bands travel to local intermediates to perform and help with the enrolment process. The bands represented the school very well and were a real hit with the year 8 students.

Mr C Hay (BMediaArt, DipTchg) HOF Arts chay@rbhs.school.nz

### DANCE

#### Dance nzmade

Rotorua Boys' High School this year entered Dance NZmade for the first time with only 3 weeks to spare to get a routine together. All the boys all pulled together to compete coming out with a second place in their category which was amazing! Also a huge congratulations to Tawhao Webster, Hikurangi Ruwhiu-Edmonds and Kahutia Tehau for competing in the trio section qualifying for nationals in Palmerston North in September.

Ms C Woolford Teacher of Dance cwoolford@rbhs.school.nz

### ENGLISH

#### S8 Debates

Three rounds of impromptu speeches for each team (Junior and Senior team).

The seniors (Todd, Reagan and Henare) lost all three rounds but did very well considering they were up against very experienced teams. This team has never participated in impromptu debates before. In the last round of senior debates, Sameed stood in for Henare and won MVP in that debate.

The juniors (Haare, Jared, Madsen, Kyden, Baxter, Josh B) won one of their three debates and like the senior team, had no experience going into the competition.

Both teams, upon reflection, felt that they got better and more fluent with each debate, so the experience they gained from today's participation was invaluable.

Sameed was the overseer of the junior team and supported and assisted them throughout the day.



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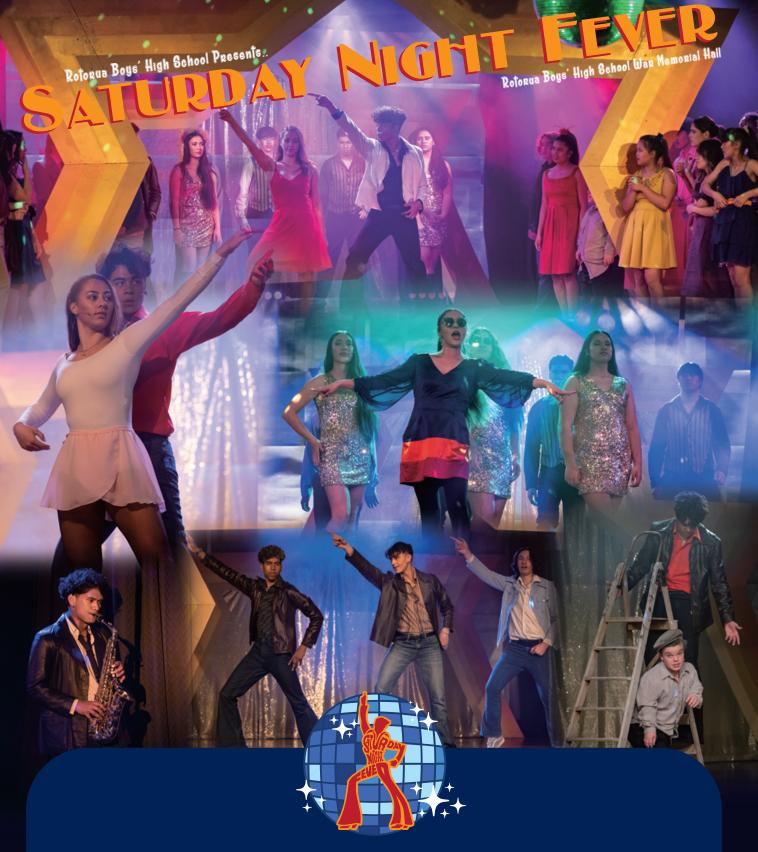
#### **Rotorua Junior Tennis**

Rotorua Junior Tennis is starting term 4. The Love Tennis Open Day to have a go and sign up is at Rotorua Tennis Club, Manuka Crescent on October 10-11 from 1-4pm each day. This is for everyone, from children to adults. Bring a friend, enjoy the activities and get a Hell Pizza voucher.

Junior Club night is Friday for fun games and matches. Primary from 3.30 to 4.15 and Intermediate and High School from 4.15 to 5.45. There is the opportunity to play interclub and tournaments on weekends.

Coaching groups with professional, Justin Megraw are various times Tuesday to Thursday.

Contact Debra or Jo for more information physiodeb@hotmail.com



Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology is proud to be able to support RBHS with their theatrical production this year with the NZ Certificate in Makeup and Skin care programme kindly donating Makeup to the production. We wish the performers a successful show! Toi Ohomai institute of technology has onsite training salons that clients are welcome to book into for Makeup, Beauty Therapy, Hairdressing and Barbering services. Check out our website link for booking appointments with our students

https://www.toiohomai.ac.nz/services/hair-and-beauty-services

### SPORTS NEWS

#### **RBHS and TBC Sports Exchange 2020**

It was Rotorua Boys' High Schools' turn to travel away to Tauranga Boys' College for our Annual Sports exchange. Eleven teams travelled across on a stunning BOP day and the competition as always was fierce. TBC has had a strong hold over us in football and hockey over recent years but it was very pleasing to see we are closing the gap in those codes.

Basketball had the edge over TBC as both the Junior and Senior A Teams had convincing wins. Rugby is always a good battle between the top schools in the Bay and this year was no exception. Playing the weekend prior to the event, the 1st and 2nd XV's kicked off their Super 8 Campaigns with TBC proving too strong for the 2nds and RBHS fought off a determined TBC 1st XV to win 15 - 0.

Junior Rugby is always tight between the two schools, however this year saw both the U14 and U15 Rugby sides take out 2 comfortable wins.

With the overall score locked at 5 a piece, everyone waited to see which golf team would break the deadlock. Played at the Te Puke Golf Course, the top 3 scores from each team were added together to get an overall team score and Rotorua took the win by 10 shots giving this years "Battle of the Bay" title to Rotorua Boys' High School



Thanks to All the Staff and Coaches for your work in making this day possible.

U14 Rugby	Rotorua	38-7
Junior Football	Tauranga	8-0
Junior Hockey	Tauranga	4-1
Junior Baskeťball	Rotorua	83-57
U15 Rugby	Rotorua	29-19
Senior Hockey	Tauranga	5-0
Senior Football	Tauranga	2-0
Senior Basketball	Rotorua	78-54
2nd XV Rugby	Tauranga	12-5
1st XV Rugby	Rotorua	15-0
Golf	Rotorua	245 - 235

Mr C Hodge Director of Sport chodge@rbhs.school.nz

### 1st XV Rugby

#### **Moascar Cup**

On Saturday the 22nd August the 2020 1st XV added to our schools rugby legacy by winning the prestigious Moascar cup for only the 2nd time in our schools history. Our last successful challenge was in 2003 in the national final also against Napier BHS. The team played outstanding in the first half leading 22 - 0 with tries to John Horua, Captain Dayna Bidois and outstanding flanker Jordan Hutchings with two conversions and a penalty to Xavier Windsor Mitchell. However Napier came storming back in the second half to scoring 22 points to our 3. The team were desperate on defence and held the determined Napier side out in the last seconds to win 25 - 22.

The trophy is a very unique cup with its origins in London, England 1904. Somehow the trophy made its way to Cairo Egypt between then and 1918. The cup made of solid sterling silver was purchased by the competition organising committee of the British expeditionary forces who had 10 divisions camped in Ismailia, a city in North-easten Egypt. The committee thought it best to keep the soldiers occupied through sport so created a rugby competition that included 6 British teams, 3 Australia and 1 New Zealand Division. The name Moascar was thought to come from a small village nearby where the troops were stationed when in actual fact Moascar means camp in Arabic. So the camp cup, but Moascar sounds better. To make it appropriate to the occasion the trophy was mounted on a center part of a sawn off propeller off a german plane shot down near Egypt. It certainly made the trophy valuable more so as the years passed on.

The New Zealand Mounted Rifle Brigade won the tournament with a record of 9 wins and 1 draw. It was a fiercely contested competition. The desire to keep this trophy relevant meant it was presented to the NZRFU for the good of rugby. Because junior rugby had suffered through the war it was decided to donate it to school 1st XV rugby in a knockout tournament between the North and South Island to decide the best school in the country. Over the years for various reasons the trophy has been lost, forgotten about and even a victim of theft...the original german propeller was stolen and replaced with another.

A Lot of stars have to align for us to win this trophy often referred to as the Ranfurly shield of and symbol of school boy supremacy. In fact only 39 school 1st XVs have ever held the Moascar cup and only the 2nd time Rotorua Boys have held the trophy, previously in 2003 and 2004. The trophy has seen a major revival in the last 30 years with the NZRFU making several rule changes to ensure the trophy is not forgotten about and protected by schools. It needs to be put up for home games and/ or a mandatory 7 challenges a year, with one challenge from a team outside of your region. Our first challenge for the trophy is against Palmerston North Boys High School who have held the trophy numerous times over its one hundred year history in New Zealand Schools Rugby. If we are successful in this challenge we will face Hastings BHS on the 12th of September.



### **SUPER 8 TOURNAMENT WEEK**

#### Under 14 Rugby

Once again the Under 14 Elite team carried on the proud tradition of the school with a very successful super 8 tournament. It would be the first time for most of our team representing their school at a tournament. The team was coached by Mr Jeremy Te Huia and Mr Damian Darlington.

We were lucky enough to have the guidance and direction from one of Ngongotaha's finest, Tamahau Palmer join us at the tail end of the season. We couldn't have asked for better preparation coming into the tournament and we were ready for a decent attempt at the Super 8 title. The team showed glimpses of how devastating we could be and played some outstanding rugby throughout the tournament. The whole 23-man squad involved played their part with our 'super-subs' often providing the much-needed boost to finish off the opposition in some very tight contests.

**Day 1- Game 1**, saw our boys come up against Hastings Boys High School, a very spirited side that showed their intentions early on, our boys turned up the heat and scored a great team try to edge out the opposition to a hard fought 7-0 win. Some outstanding performances from Wheronui Peri and Te Haihua Simons.

Game 2 we faced off against Napier Boys. Always a great traditional rivalry with our boys showing some great discipline and fitness we were able to take the win 60-0. Another great team effort with Marrick Purcell and Leon Mahora-Edmonds displaying some classy touches.

**Day 2- Game 3**, this gave us an opportunity to play New Plymouth Boys High School. NPBHS had shown some great resilience after losing 1 game on day 1 to come out fighting and humbling our boys early on with constant pressure on defence and some great attacking flair. The second half couldn't have come earlier. Standout performances from Teare Harrison-Taiapo and Jet Te Aho enabled us to finish the game 29-8. After being unbeaten through pool play presented us with a final against old foes Hamilton Boys High School.

**Day 3- Final**, we always knew going into this game was going to be tough. It was a grudge match. Some crucial errors at crucial times meant that we would go down 20-8 at half time. We had brought the score back to 25-15. But in the end Hamilton was too clinical, we went down 32-15

It was a great team to be a part of and the boys showed glimpses of brilliance. Hopefully they can reflect on their tournament as they progress in their rugby.

A final thanks to all involved this year, Coaches, Staff, Students, and lastly families for their support throughout the year.

Mr J Te Huia (BPhEd, PGDipTchg) U14 Coach jtehuia@rbhs.school.nz



#### Hockey 1st XI

Super 8 Hockey 2020 was always going to be a tough ask for our young 1st XI. While the boys were led exceptionally from the front by their co-captains Gregan Maui and Sam Metcalfe, they struggled against some fierce opposition. The 1st XI is in a rebuilding phase at the moment, with the majority of the team being Year 10 and Year 11. However, watching these young men step up against much bigger and older opposition, could not have made their coaching staff more proud. A 3-0 win over Gisborne on the last day was a great way to end the tournament on a positive note.

The team would like to acknowledge our three Year 13 players who will not be returning next year. Firstly, Tyler Coote who made the step up to our 1st XI this year and always gave 110%. We wish you all the best for University next year.

Secondly, Gregan Maui. It is not often a player of Gregan's talent comes through our school and it has been a privilege to watch him grow as a young man and as a player. We hope to see Gregan continue to rise through the Hockey ranks as we know he certainly has the talent to go all the way.

Finally, we must acknowledge Sam Metcalfe and his service to Hockey at our school. Sam has been in the 1st XI for 5 years and in that time has clocked up over 100 games for the team. He has really stepped up and grown as a leader in that time. He will be sorely missed.

Looking forward, we have a huge amount of talent coming through. Year 11 Jayden Nicholls is turning into an absolute brick wall at the back, while Year 10s Ryan Copplestone and Kevin Hay are beginning to take complete control in the midfield. This team has a lot of work to do, but they have come such a long way in such a short space of time. We can't wait to see what they produce next year.



#### Senior A Basketball

#### Game Day 1 – Monday 31st of August

Our first game day consisted of an early wake up to prepare for our 8:30am game against Palmerston North Boys' High School. The game started off well with our starters building a 36-16 point lead at the end of the first quarter. During the second quarter we were able to limit Palmerston North to only 9 points while scoring 27 of our own. This gave us a comfortable 63-25 point lead at half time. In the second half the result remained relatively similar with the boys winning in the end 101-61. This result was on the back of a 19 point game by Captain Aidan Tonge, bigman KC Nwafor with 16 points, Tukaha Cooper with 12 points and followed by great production from the bench with Tristan Karaka scoring 15 points. **End Result: RBHS 101 PNBHS 61** 

Our second game was against a young Gisborne Boys' High School team at 1.30pm. This game proved to be a one way game from start to finish. We led at the end of the first quarter 32-8 with a well spread of points from several players. During the second quarter we were able to limit Gisborne to only two points using the second unit for a large majority of that quarter too. During the second half, the coaches elected to rest the starters for the more important Day 2 fixtures, our final pool game vs host Tauranga Boys' and our cross over semifinal. In the end we came out victorious 111-33 on the back off 83 points from our bench players. **End Result: RBHS 111 GBHS 33** 

#### Game Day 2 – Tuesday 1st of September

Again, we had an early wake up for an 8.30am game with one of our arch nemesis Tauranga Boys' College. This game was to dictate who would be the top of our Pool which the loser being second in our pool. The game was quiet a physical affair with many players from both sides picking up fouls. We were able to end the quarter with a 13 point lead on the back of 10 point quarter by Tu Kaha Cooper. During the second quarter, we extended this lead out to 17 points with the help off Jared Hamilton scoring and facilitating. In the third quarter, Tu Kaha provided more scoring with another 10 points to help the team push the lead out to 21 points. During the fourth the boys were able to withstand any late scoring stretches before closing the game out 96.76. Tu Kaha scored 25 points while Jared Hamilton and KC Nwafor contributed 17 points each to the score.

#### End Result: RBHS 96 TBC 76

Our Semifinal was against New Plymouth Boys' High School who we recently played in Hamilton a few weeks ago. Both teams had hopes of reaching the finals. During the first quarter, all our starters scored and contributed to a 26-19 lead. In the second we pushed the lead out to 10 points on the back off scoring by Tu Kaha Cooper, KC Nwafor, Jared Hamilton and Keden Wichman. This meant the lead was 46-36 at the half. During the second half we were able to limit New Plymouth to 13 points in the third while scoring 25 of our own. This pushed the lead out to 71-49. The fourth quarter showed much of the same, with the boys edging out New Plymouth and putting them away 88-64. This game had Tu Kaha score 24 points, KC Nwafor socre 18 points and Aidan Tonge score 15 points.

#### End Result: RBHS 88 NPBHS 64

#### Game Day 3 – Wednesday 2nd of September

On Day 3 of the Super 8 Basketball tournament, we had our final against Napier Boys' High School. This was a significant match up as in the previous two years we have gone down to

Napier in a 2018 Super 8 semifinal and 2019 Super 8 final. Leading into this game, the boys aspired to be the first Rotorua Boys High School Basketball team to lift the Super 8 Basketball trophy in the 23 year history of the competition.

The first quarter was a low scoring quarter with Napier being up by one point 12-11. Our boys kept close with scoring contributions by all five starters. During the second quarter, we were able to build a 7 point lead despite foul trouble to KC Nwafor and Nabil Kone. This meant we led at the half 26-19. Napier Boys showed in the third quarter that they were no easy beat dropping 26 points and only conceding 11. Going into the final quarter being 8 points down we knew we had a mountain to climb. This was it, go all in and down fighting. Throughout the fourth Jared Hamilton and captain Aidan Tonge rallied the boys to compete to the last second forcing the game into overtime. KC Nwafor was fouled out In the fourth, so Ernest Kerr came on to replace him. Both teams went into overtime with foul trouble meaning any foul would be sent to the line for free throws. Ernest Kerr stepped up in overtime to help contribute 6 points and a crucial defensive stop on Napier. Up by 2 in the dying seconds, Napier were forced to foul Aidan Tonge and send him to the line. Aidan converted on the first free throw but missed the second. Napier rebounded the ball and threw a hail mary pass across halfway which Jared Hamilton was able to intercept making Rotorua Boys High School the 2020 Super 8 Basketball Champions. **End Result: RBHS 77 NBHS 74 (Overtime)** 

Well done to the Coaching Staff of Coach Mark Elers, Coach Theo Tait and Manager Damien Hinga and Chaplin Clare Jessep for their work throughout the week. A special congratulations to the players Tu Kaha Cooper, Aidan Tonge and KC Nwafor for making Tournament Team. Finally, well done to all the players for being the first to win the Super 8 Basketball title: Captain Aidan Tonge, Jared Hamilton, Tu Kaha Cooper, Nabil Kone, KC Nwafor, Tristan Karaka, Shaun Gifkins, Zach Cooper, Pita King, Finlay Martin, Ernest Kerr, Keden Wichman

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#### JUNIOR SUPER 8 BASKETBALL

#### GAME DAY Thursday 3rd of September

Our first game was at 10:30am against Palmerston North Boys High school. We had not heard to much of the opposition however our primary focus was to just play one game at a time. The game was a good tussle and we were able to get a small lead leading into the half. Palmerston North had a very good coach Tim McTamney who currently coaches the NBL Manawtu Jets.

Well drilled team with good size and speed. Our game had to lift to get the edge. Leading by 15 points in the 3rd quarter we had good support from our bench to help rest our starters and bring them back early in to the 4th quarter. We were able to push further ahead and hold our lead to the end. Great performances from all players who contributed in playing aggressive defence to keep their key players out of the paint and forcing turn overs.

#### END RÉSULT - RBHS 102 PNBHS 84

Our 2nd Game was against Gisborne Boys High School later that afternoon. We had played them at an invitational about 1 month prior and they had beaten us by about 15 points. A few of the boys played in that game so there was a bit of rivalry leading into the game at 3:30pm Game started fast and we got into our trap straight away – this appeared to be the game changer in our favour as this frustrated the opposition into turn overs. Great games from Toka Tawhara and Te Akau Bennet with key plays to keep us putting on the pressure. Game was one way traffic in the end with contributions from the whole team.

#### END RESULT - RBHS 120 GBHS 64

#### DAY 2 – FRIDAY 4th SEPTEMBER

The game started with Tauranga getting out to a 10 point lead early into the first quarter. We clawed our way back with our press and heading into half time, we were able to get a slender lead, but the game was played tough with both teams not wanting to relinquish the opposition a break out lead.

Starting the third quarter we seemed to have an edge with our pace of the game and testing their big boys fitness level. Going into the last quarter we pushed the ball into the post with Charles Anderson . He appeared to have the edge and the opposition kept changing their big boys to try and stop him. We were able to close the game out with a good win against our arch rivals. **END RESULT - RBHS 99 TBC 84** 

We then played Palmerston North the following day to play off for third and forth. We had agreed to play a lot of our bench players and to just have fun and enjoy the game . We were able to grind out the win with a complete team effort from Starters and bench. Rotorua Boys high placed a credible 3rd place at the 2020 SUPER 8 Junior Tournament.

#### END RESULT - RBHS 83 HBHS 85

A special mention to all that have assisted with the Junior programme from our Director, Coach Theo setting the vision of our academy that Basketball and Schooling go hand in hand. Coach Doug Courtney overseeing the Junior Development. Coach Damien Hinga running our Monday Night competition along with the Senior A boys. A competition that is enjoyed with our all our junior Basketball Academy and to all the parents who have been there through this very tough year. Getting the boys to early morning trainings and games, helping the boys with recovery and being there to support the boys from outside in their cars due to restrictions on who can watch. I would also like to acknowledge JUNIOR A Boys including all the wider squad too. You boys have worked tirelessly with early morning trainings and then games usually that afternoon. Thank you for your patience and work ethic. A big thank you to all that have been part of this successful year for our Junior As. Very exciting years ahead knowing some of these boys will be in our senior A programme with hard work and commitment. All the best boys and will see you in 2021.



#### Coach Sonny

**Junior Football** 

#### Junior Super 8:

For the first time in Super 8 history, a junior football super 8 tournament was created and took place in Palmerston North. Our junior team for this competition consisted of players from the Under 19 Development team and the Junior A team. Some close pool games lead to a cross-pool play off against a dangerous Gisborne Boys High School side. Our boys gave everything and came away with a 2-1 win, meaning that we would play Napier BHS for the ranking of 5th/6th the next day. Our boys were understandably fatigued, and although they fought to the bitter end, Napier capitalized on a counterattack and won 1-0. For a brand new team with not much preparation under their belts, the boys did exceptionally well and ended up finishing 6th in the tournament. Well done boys, you've done your coach and your school proud!



#### U19 Development Football - Baywide Youth 1:

This year, a group of boys ranging in age from 13 to 16 (year 9-12) took the plunge into the U19 Baywide Youth League with the aim of developing their football skills. The grade was full of polished 1st XI teams from Mount Maunganui College, Bethlehem College, Otumoetai College & numerous Tauranga Boys College teams. Our boys struggled considerably at the start of the season, with a noticeable step-up in the physicality, skill and speed of the game. Our boys showed their resilience and passion by training hard twice a week and not letting the losses drop their heads. In the second half of the season, the boys had very competitive games against Bethlehem, Mount Maunganui & Tauranga Boys 3rd XI & Junior side (winners of super 8). Personally, as their coach, I've seen an incredible amount of personal and collective growth within this team and I am proud of each and every one of my players. They can go into their next football season knowing that they are a better player and a better teammate. Ka Pai boys.

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