



Rotorua Boys' High School  
International Students

# RUGBY ACADEMY



- **SANIX WORLD CHAMPIONS 2003 & 2004**
- **NEW ZEALAND CHAMPIONS 1998, 2002, 2003, 2015, 2025**
- **NEW ZEALAND SEVENS RUGBY CHAMPIONS 2014**
- **NEW ZEALAND TOUCH RUGBY CHAMPIONS 2007, 2011, 2014, 2015, 2017**
- **FIVE TIMES NZ CHAMPIONS**

*'Developing  
tomorrow's  
champions  
today'*





# *Rotorua Boys' High School*



- Rotorua is situated in the heart of New Zealand's North Island and is one of the tourist capital's of New Zealand. Rotorua is like no other place on earth and this extremely popular tourist destination offers wonderful scenery set among many lakes and forests.
- Rotorua Boys' High School offers an International Students Rugby Academy that has been very successful for many years. The school has produced 9 All Blacks including 3 more recent All Blacks, Liam Messam, Te Toiroa Tahuriorangi and most recently Pasileo Tosi.
- In addition, we have Old Boys who have represented other countries: Dylan Hartley and Teimana Harrison for England, Richard Kingi for Australia, and Manu Paea, Semisi Paea, and Sigfried Fisiiohi for Tonga. Selestino Ravutaumada has also represented Fiji. Rotorua Boys' High School has been Bay of Plenty champions 18 times in the last 23 years.
- Rotorua Boys' High School has reached the National Top 4 finals seven times and won the National Championship five times — in 1998, 2002, 2003, 2015, and 2025. The school also won the SANIX Under-18 World Tournament in 2003 and 2004, and finished third in 2016. They are set to attend the SANIX World Tournament again in 2026.





# *Director of Rugby*

*Jeremy Te Huia*



Jeremy brings a wealth of professional experience and a deep passion for developing young athletes. His coaching philosophy is built on the pillars of discipline, hard work, and integrity, focusing not only on creating exceptional rugby players but on shaping outstanding young men of character.

Jeremy fosters a unique team environment built on the Māori concept of whānau (family), ensuring every player, especially those from overseas, feels a strong sense of belonging and brotherhood. He works alongside the Director of Rugby Academy and ensures that the team are able to provide world-class technical, tactical, and conditioning support tailored to help each student reach their full potential. On-field ambition is perfectly balanced with academic achievement, preparing students for success in all aspects of life.





# *Director of Rugby Academy*

***Hika Elliot***



We're proud to have Hika Elliot—New Zealand rugby legend and ex All Black—as a key leader in our Rugby Academy. With over a decade of professional experience, Hika brings unmatched knowledge and passion for mentoring the next generation, including international students joining our whānau.

Hika expects students to embody three core principles:

- **Work Ethic:** Success at Raukura comes from discipline, commitment, and a daily drive to improve—on and off the field.
- **Embrace the Culture:** We are a brotherhood. Respect our traditions, engage with Māori culture, and contribute positively. A good man makes a good rugby player.
- **Be Coachable:** Stay positive, open-minded, and ready to learn. The most successful players listen, adapt, and grow.

At the International Academy, you'll develop as both a rugby player and a resilient, respectful young man.





# *Assistant Director of Rugby Academy*

***Richard Kingi***



We're equally proud to have former student Richard Kingi as part of our Rugby Academy team. He brings with him a tonne of professional experience having played for Australia in 7's and 15's. He is passionate about building relationships and fostering their talents.

Richie is passionate about skill development and emphasises progress and effort in skill execution rather than just game outcomes. He also encourages players to take risks, make mistakes, and learn — this builds confidence and resilience. One other aspect that is important in his coaching philosophy is to celebrate technical growth (e.g. improved passing accuracy, better body position in contact) as much as scoring tries.

We want you to foster a culture where every session has a clear skill focus linked to purpose — “why” we're doing it, not just “how.”





# *International Students Rugby Academy*

A very successful International Students Rugby Academy operates at Rotorua Boys' High School under the direction of Mr Hika Elliot, Director of Rugby Academy.

- *International Students Rugby Academy consists of rugby skills training and techniques.*
- *Strength and Conditioning is offered through our weights gym before school, after school and at lunchtime.*
- *The International Students Rugby Academy Programme will constitute one subject out of the International Timetable (one hour per day).*
- *International students attend and train with the Bay of Plenty ITM Cup team.*
- *International Students Rugby Academy members play on Saturday for one of the school's rugby teams.*
- *Goal setting and detailed progress reports are prepared twice a year*
- *Doctor and Physiotherapy support*
- *13 - 19 years of age.*

**The cost is \$6,000 NZD per year plus Tuition and Accommodation costs.**



Rotorua Boys' High School has a strong rugby academy program that allows international students to train alongside top schoolboy rugby players and receive high-level coaching. Each player is challenged both mentally and physically through tactical game plans and strength and conditioning training.

Expectations are high to ensure development in all areas of the game and to maintain our school's status as one of New Zealand's top rugby schools.



# *Tai Mitchell Hostel*



International Rugby Academy students will be accommodated at Rotorua Boys' High School's modern Tai Mitchell Hostel, where all their living needs, including meals, will be provided.

## ***A day in the life at the International Student's Rugby Academy***

|                |                                 |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>6.30am</b>  | Strength and Conditioning       |
| <b>8.00am</b>  | Breakfast in the Raukura Lounge |
| <b>9.00am</b>  | Period 1 - School Tuition       |
| <b>10.00am</b> | Period 2 - School Tuition       |
| <b>11.00am</b> | Interval                        |
| <b>11.20am</b> | Period 3 - Rugby Academy        |
| <b>12.30pm</b> | Lunch                           |
| <b>1.00pm</b>  | Period 4 - School Tuition       |
| <b>2.00pm</b>  | Period 5 - School Tuition       |
| <b>3.00pm</b>  | School day ends                 |
| <b>3.30pm</b>  | Team's training                 |
| <b>5.00pm</b>  | Training finishes               |
| <b>5.45pm</b>  | Dinner in the Raukura Lounge    |







# *Rotorua Boys' High School International Representatives*



**Semisi Paea**



**Manu Akauola**



**Selestino Ravutaumada**



**Manu Paea**



**Haruto Takahashi**



**Junta Humano**





**Enrolments for the International Students  
Rugby Academy are currently being received.**

**All enrolments to either of the following:**

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*Dean of International Students*

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