



YEAR 9 IMPORTANT INFORMATION 2021





ROTORUA BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL



Tena Koutou Katoa. Nau Mai!!

Firstly, it is a pleasure to welcome you as members of the Rotorua Boys' High School community. The 2021 school year promises to be both exciting and challenging for our new students and I am sure an enjoyable year lies ahead. I would like to take this opportunity to give you some information concerning the new school year.

START DATES

Tuesday 2 February 2021	Year 11 – 13 in attendance
Wednesday 3 February 2021	Years 9 and 10 in attendance
	Whole school in attendance

TERM & HOLIDAY DATES

Term 1

Wednesday 27 January – New Teachers and Teach First 2's Day
Thursday 28 January – Teacher Only Day (Faculties Day)
Friday 29 January – Teacher Only Day (PLD Day)
Tuesday 2 February to Friday 16 April
Friday 12 March – Academic Review Day

Term 2

Monday 3 May to Friday 9 July
Tuesday 18 May – BOP Teacher Only Day
Tuesday 8 June – Matariki Teacher Only Day

Term 3

Monday 26 July to Friday 1 October
Wednesday 11 August – BOP Teacher Only Day
Friday 13 August – Academic Review Day

Term 4

Monday 18 October to Wednesday 15 December
Thursday 2 December – BOP Teacher Only Day

STUDENT PHOTOS

Photolife come in twice during the school year. Student portrait/Class photos will be taken on Thursday 4 February 2021 and Team Photos will be taken in Term 4. Information on how to purchase these photos will be given to students at a later date.

ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

DAY ONE

Your son should meet in the Large Gym on **Wednesday 3 February 2021 at 8.45am** for his Pōhiri. We encourage all parents and caregivers to attend the Pōhiri. Following this, the students will meet in the Assembly Hall with their Dean, Mrs Hay.

- Senior students will take small groups of Year 9 students around the school indicating various important areas and covering important factors in life of the school.
- Students will be put into their classes and issued with timetables.



DAY TWO

Initially, teachers will collect students from the Hall and escort them to class and then return them to the Hall at the end of each period, where they will be collected by the next period teacher. This programme will be repeated each period until students are familiar with the layout of the school and their timetables.

DAILY ROUTINE

School begins each day at 8.45am and finishes at 3.00pm.

Interval is at 11.10-11.30am and Lunchtime is 1.30pm - 2.00pm.

Students are not permitted leave the school grounds unless signed out by a parent or guardian for a legitimate reason.

SCHOOL PROVIDED LUNCHES

The school as has been chosen to trial school lunches for all students. These packed lunches will be available to students during House Group. The school is certainly excited and grateful to be given this opportunity as we now feel confident that every boy will be able to operate at 100 percent given a healthy school day diet.

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

KEEPING YOUR DETAILS UP TO DATE

We send information out via email where we can so that you are always up to date, therefore it is important that you keep us informed of any changes to your email address, contact numbers or addresses to ensure you never miss out on any information concerning your son at the school. You can update your details through the school website just click on the "CONTACT" tab and your enquiry will be sent to the right person to update.

WEB PORTAL

All parents are issued with a password which will be included in each report. Accessing this portal will allow you to view your son's reports, attendance, academic credits, as well as the school's notices. The portal can be found on our school website www.rbhs.school.nz at the top of each page.

CAMP TANE RAUKURA -Year 9 Camp

In line with our School Charter, our school has an obligation to develop an awareness and appreciation of conservation of the natural environment. To this end, it is expected that all Year 9 pupils attend the overnight 'Tane Raukura' camp at Whirinaki Forest, as it is an integral part of the development of being a new student at Rotorua Boys' High School. The students are prepared for their three day camp as part of their Physical Education programme.

The camp is designed to develop the Key Values and Principles that lead toward the RBHS Vision of "Being the most outstanding Boys' High School in New Zealand". These values and principles are demonstrated and taught through a variety of adventure based activities. A number of presentations are also delivered during the camp which enable the Year 9 students to understand their rights and responsibilities inside and outside the classroom. These action packed three days allow our students to set themselves the expectation of excelling as a student at Raukura.



Only severe physical disabilities would prevent pupils participating in some aspects of the camps. These pupils will be occupied while remaining at the base camp. **All other students are expected to attend.**

The cost of this camp is \$50

Camp Dates: Term 1 / Week 7, 15 - 19 March and Week 8 22-26 March

Should you have any queries in regard to the camp, please contact Mr Te Huia.
jtehuia@rbhs.school.nz

CLASS PLACEMENTS

If your child has not already been informed of their class prior to starting, they will be informed on their first day. After seven weeks, all of the students are assessed on their first unit of work in each of the four core subjects: Mathematics, English, Social Studies and Science. Results are moderated and adjustments to classes are made accordingly.

Students in the Accelerate, Extension, Sport and Mainstream classes study English, Maths, Science, Social Studies, PE, Māori and Health in these core classes.

In addition, students will study at least ten short courses (options), which will include Leadership, NZ History, Music, Dance, Outdoor Education, Māori Performing Arts, Chinese, Art, Tourism and Digital Technology.

REPORTING TO PARENTS

Parents and caregivers of Year 9 students can expect to receive fortnightly reports during 2020. Reports will be issued every fortnight after the first report is distributed around Week 6 in Term 1. These will be emailed to all parents/caregivers and then published on the Kamar Portal at the end of each term. We also hold 'Academic Review Day' in Terms 1 and 3. These are for parents to meet with their son's House Group teacher to discuss their academic targets and progress towards them. These days are extremely valuable and we expect everyone to attend. The first Academic Review day for 2021 will be during week 6 in Term 1. In addition to this we will also be holding subject specific parent/teacher evenings throughout the year. The dates of which will be confirmed as the year progresses.

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

A school newsletter is produced twice a term, and can be accessed on the School website (www.rbhs.school.nz). A printed version is also available at school reception.

As well as celebrating all our successes, the newsletter is the means by which we keep our parents/caregivers informed of up and coming events.

STATIONERY - OFFICE MAX

Stationery lists can be downloaded from the Officemax MySchool website www.myschool.co.nz/rbhs. You can order your stationery requirements online.

Officemax offer very competitive pricing and by purchasing through them, the school receives rewards.

CANTEEN

The school operates its own canteen on the same basis as a shop. There are no lunch orders taken, students simply buy whatever they wish from the canteen before school and during the lunch and interval breaks. The canteen offers a wide range of food and is reasonably priced.

Students are not permitted to leave the school grounds for the purpose of purchasing their lunch.

ABSENCES

If your son is unable to attend school at any time, you are asked to contact the Absentee Line on 3486169 or send a note to the school on his return.

An answer phone is available outside of office hours of 8.30am – 4.00pm. For those of you who have mobile phones, the school operates an automatic text system to inform parents when their son is absent from school. It is vital, therefore, that you update your mobile phone number whenever necessary.

Should your son be required to leave the school during school hours, e.g. dental appointment, please make contact with the school.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Rotorua Boys' High School offers a wide range of co-curricular activities and these are advertised to students in the Daily Notice. Your son is encouraged to take a full part in school life and to become involved in as many of these activities as possible.

The eagerly contested House Competition begins in Term 1, with Tabloids. This event gives the Year 9 students an opportunity to work with, and get to know the seniors and their fellow House Group members. This is then followed by a house Haka Competition and Choral Competition in the following terms. All students are encouraged to participate in these events.



SCHOOL OFFICE

The school office reopens on Monday 18th January 2021. Hours are 8.30am to 4.00pm, Monday to Friday.

SCHOOL BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

The school bank account number is 12 3155 0049929 00 please include your son's student ID number and name as a reference for all money that is deposited. If you are paying for something specific please also state what you are paying. AP forms are available from the school office.

SCHOOL UNIFORM 2021

A high standard of appearance is a very powerful advertisement for our school. School uniform is to be worn correctly from the time of leaving home in the morning to arriving home in the afternoon. Students will not be admitted to class wearing incorrect uniform and an alternative programme will be arranged for the day. The student/s concerned will re-join their normal programme of study when their uniform issues have been resolved.

Please support us in this matter by ensuring that your son also leaves non regulation uniform at home.

Please ensure all uniform items are named. School hats can be purchased through the shop and are the only ones permitted.

No 1 Uniform (Long black pants, school shirt long or short sleeve, school tie and school Blazer) - No 1s are required for all Hostel students. Students that represent Rotorua Boys' High School for sporting, debating, public speaking, collections etc are required to wear No 1s. Students are also required to wear No1s to go on stage for Senior and Junior Prize Giving.

Shoes: Students are to wear fully black lace up shoes, dress shoes or roman sandals.

SHOP HOURS

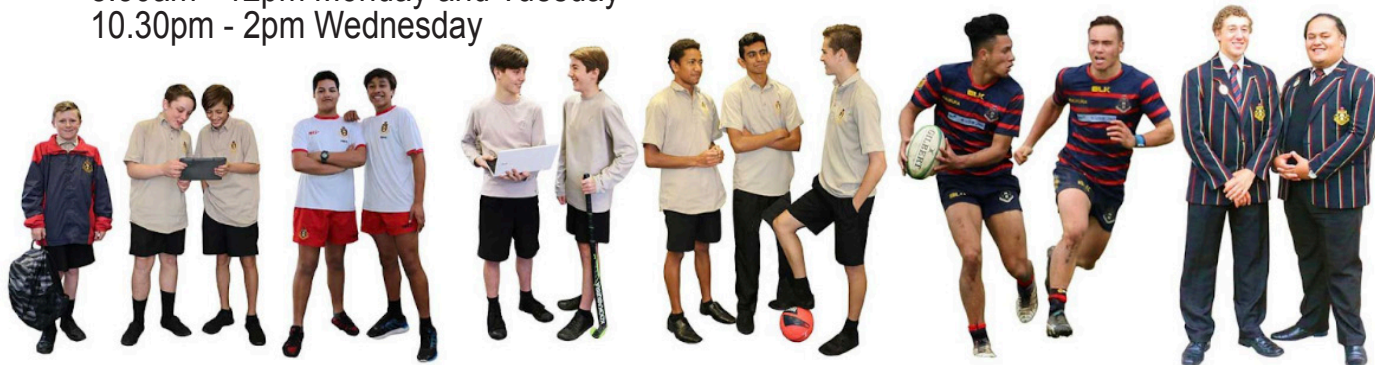
We would like to advise that our Uniform Shop will be open at the following times for parents to purchase items required for 2021.

Start of School Year 2021

Monday 18 January 2021 to Friday 12 February 2021
8.30am –2.30pm Monday to Friday excluding Statutory Holidays

Rest of School Year (during Term Time)

8.30am - 12pm Monday and Tuesday
10.30pm - 2pm Wednesday





Rotorua Boys' High School Uniform List 2021

Year 9-13

Shirt	\$60
Shorts	\$60
PE/Rugby Shorts	\$40
PE Shirt	\$40
Long Sleeve Tee	\$35
Trouser	\$40
Socks – Knee High 1 Pack	\$15
Socks – Ankle 3 Pack	\$25
Knitted Vest	\$60
Knitted Jersey	\$80
Jacket	\$115

Accessories

Rugby Socks	\$18
Visor	\$20
Cap	\$25
Bucket Hat	\$25
Umbrella	\$30
Tracksuit	\$180

Senior/Hostel/International Students

School Tie	\$25
Business Shirt - Long Sleeve	\$35
Trouser	\$40
Blazer	\$185

Please note prices are subject to change at any time.

BIKES

The bike compound is provided for student cycles. Students are required to bring their own locks for their bikes. All students are expected to wear helmets.

MUSIC

Individual tuition in various instruments will be offered throughout the course of the year. It is most important that students listen to the Daily Notices to take advantage of this opportunity to learn a particular instrument.

WELLNESS CENTRE

The school nurse is present at the Wellness Centre during school hours. The nurse is available during interval and lunchtime every day, however you will need a note from your teacher if visiting the Wellness Centre during class time.

The doctor is available on Tuesday's during lunchtime for medical, accident or other consultations. This is a free clinic for all students. Please make an appointment with our Nurse.

Information about Year 9 HEEADSSS Assessments

HEEADSS assessments are funded by the Ministry of Health and are part of the Prime Minister's Youth Mental Health Project.

The Lakes DHB is aiming for 90% of all our Year 9 students.

The assessment helps assess youth wellbeing through a series of questions related to **H**ome, **E**ducation/**E**mployment, **E**ating, **A**ctivities, **D**rugs/Alcohol, **S**exuality, **S**uicide/depression and **S**afety.

The assessment is completed by our Nurse who has completed the appropriate training.

The assessment is not a screening tool. It is designed to assist the Health professional to identify any areas in the student's life that be causing concern and assist/support or refer them to the appropriate services for further assistance/treatment.

If parents have any wellness concerns for their son, please feel free to phone the nurse.
Mrs J. Guyton - Nurse Ph. 3486169 ext 253 jguyton@rbhs.school.nz

CONCLUSION

We trust this newsletter answers any queries you may have about the 2021 school year. If you should have any further concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us here at school. We wish boys and their families a Merry Christmas and a relaxing summer vacation. We look forward to seeing you all in the New Year.



Mrs A Hay

YEAR 9 DEANS
07 3486169
deanyear9@rbhs.school.nz



Mr J Te Huia

Welcome to 2021- Our RAUKURA Guidance Team



We welcome our new students to Raukura for 2021. We hope that you will enjoy everything our school has to offer and experience all the great things that come with being a student of our school.

For those times when things are a bit 'tough' and you might need some support or medical assistance, we are here to support you. We are fortunate at our school to boast an amazing team of skilled staff who are able to develop a 'wrap around' support structure for our boys.

We have two guidance counsellors in our school, a school nurse and a chaplain on hand. Along with other agencies that weave into our team when needed.

We have a doctor available on site. Our doctor Mike Tustin is at school, two lunch times a week, Tuesday and Thursday to see our boys. Please contact the school nurse for this free service.

Here are contact details if you would like to touch base with any of us at any time:

Tom Hale - Guidance counsellor thale@rbhs.school.nz Ext 224	Mark Trembath - Guidance counsellor mtrembath@rbhs.school.nz Ext 225
School Nurse Jacqui Guyton jguyton@rbhs.school.nz Ext 253	School Chaplain Clare Jessep cjessep@rbhs.school.nz

We look forward to 2021 and being available to support and tautoko our boys.

Naku te rourou nau te rourou ka ora ai te iwi

With your basket and my basket the people will live

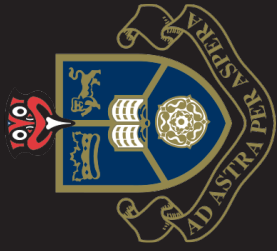
Nga Mihi

Tom, Mark, Jacqui and Clare.



ROTORUA BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL MAP





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STUDENT IPAD AP AGREEMENT 2021 8th GEN IPAD

This agreement is binding between Rotorua Boys' High School (RBHS) and yourself for the purchase of an iPad which will be paid off before or on the week of 1 November 2021.

The total cost of this iPad bundle is \$600 and includes iPad, iPad case and MDM licence for 1 year.

The cost is \$15 per week, over 40 weeks, with the first payment due on Monday 1 February 2021 and final payment due on Monday 1 November 2021.

It is understood that the iPad remains the property of the school until the last payment is received.

All repairs and other associated expenses are the responsibility of the parent/caregiver.

Payments must be made by automatic weekly payment to:

Rotorua Boys' High School Bank Account: 12-3155-0049929-00

Please ensure you use the student's full name, student ID and "iPad" as the reference.

This agreement is binding on both parties and failure to meet the terms of payment will result in RBHS retrieving the iPad from the student until payments are up-to-date.

Please note:

If you leave Rotorua Boys' High School before full payment is received then the iPad will need to be returned to the school.

Alternatively, if you wish to keep the iPad you must pay the remaining balance immediately.

Once the iPad has been fully paid it will need to be dropped off at the Student Counter so our IT department can remove the MDM Licence - please allow up to two days for this to happen.

Please note that the iPad will be locked if there is no payment or communication with us.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

By signing this agreement, you agree to the terms as described above

Signed: _____

Printed Name: _____

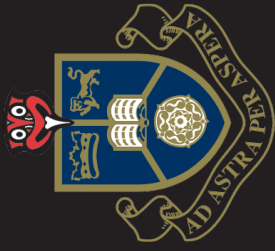
Student Name: _____

Student ID: _____

Date: _____

Mr AC Grinter
Principal

November 2020



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MDM:

MDM or Mobile Device Management is a system which is embedded into all student devices. It provides a much-needed layer of management, security and application distribution enabling teachers to implement an effective digital learning programme.

Key features which the MDM provides:

1. Delivery of apps to student iPads that can help with specific areas of learning
2. Special features within the iPad such as Apple Classroom which enhances learning
3. Location and Security services . For example if the iPad is lost or misplaced we are able to lock and track it as long as it is connected to a wifi network.
4. Creates a virtual classroom which ensures the device is used appropriately

Licence

There is a yearly cost of \$25 for this licence. This is payable to the school office before the end of February each year. However, if you have signed the current years AP Agreement, the first years cost for this licence is included.

Responsibility

Having the MDM essentially manages the student device within our school and helps prevent them from accessing unauthorised sites. Ultimately, students are responsible for their devices. The device must come to school fully charged so students can engage in learning and complete set tasks. Apple has made this easier by providing Dual Apple-Id's which allows for personal use at home and educational use at school.

Removing the MDM

Once the device is no longer required for learning purposes it is **essential it is delivered to the school for the removal of the MDM**. If this is not possible please contact us to see if we can remotely remove the software (although this does not work in all cases).

Mr AC Grinter
Principal

November 2020

DECEMBER 2020



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Absentee

Parents can call direct using one touch calling via the App. They can also fill out the absentee form.

Events

The app will display all of the schools upcoming events. You can save these events to your phone calendar to receive reminders.

Kamar

View students attendance and school results through the app.

Contacts

The contacts directory displays all important contact information at RBHS.

Links

For those extra links relevant to your school. School Apps allow for this to be accessed within the app.

Alerts

Subscribe to the groups relevant to you and receive important timely notifications from the school.

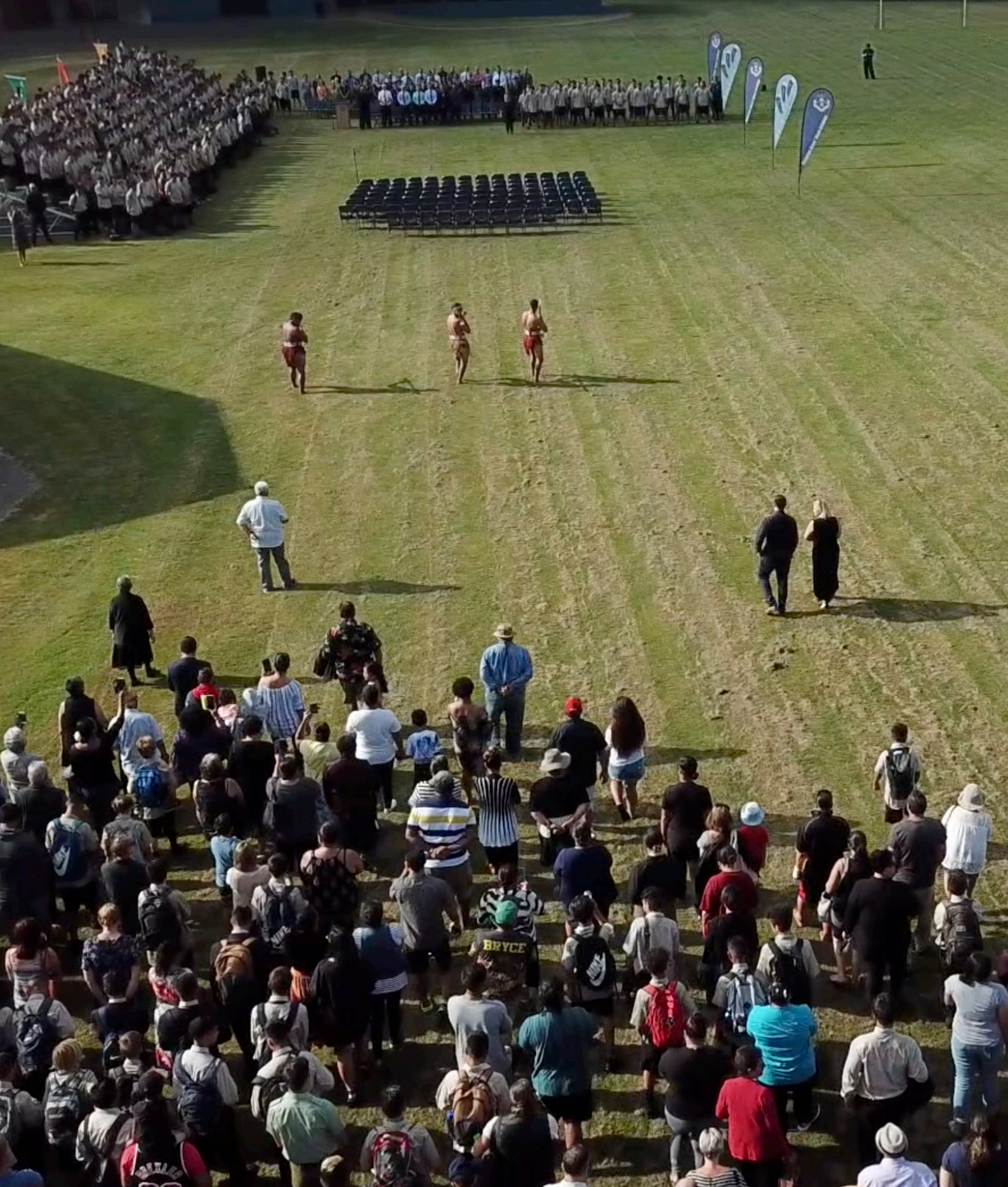
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