



The Houses of our school

The bi-centenary of the battle of Trafalgar was celebrated on 21 October 2005. Some will connect the event with Horatio Nelson. Nelson used to be more celebrated than a World Cup-winning All Black captain. In the French Revolutionary Wars he lost his right eye, but continued to conduct a major defeat in 1797. For this he was awarded a knighthood. Then he lost his right arm in action, but went on to destroy the naval power of France at the battle of the Nile. The battle of Trafalgar followed his pursuit of the French fleet in 1805. Nelson was mortally wounded aboard the "Victory" in this battle. He was buried in the St Paul's Cathedral in London.

When Rotorua High School, opened in 1927 it divided its student body into "houses", the boys were placed in groups named after British heroes: **Drake, Frobisher, Raleigh and Nelson.**

Like Nelson, Admiral Sir Francis Drake was a famed navigator who sailed the "Golden Hind" from the Atlantic, across the Pacific and back to England, via the Cape of Good Hope.

Sir Martin Frobisher, too, was a navigator of note, who attempted to find a north-west passage around the American continent. Frobisher fought the Spanish Armada and raided several Spanish treasure ships.

Sir Walter Raleigh, a favourite of Queen Elizabeth I, attempted unsuccessfully to found a colony in Virginia, but brought back the potato plant and the tobacco plant. Running foul of King James I, Raleigh was imprisoned in the Tower of London, wrote a history of the world, gained release to search for gold in South America, returned unsuccessful and was executed.

The girls at Rotorua High School were divided into four houses named after famous British battles: **Crecy, Agincourt, Blenheim and Trafalgar.**

Crecy was the site of the defeat of a French army in 1346 by Edward III's longbow men.

Trafalgar was the battle referred to above.

Agincourt was the scene of Henry V's defeat of the French in 1415.

Blenheim, on the Danube River, was the setting for the Duke of Marlborough's defeat (helped by Eugene of Savoy) of – you guessed it – the French in 1704.

So the school's four houses for girls celebrated British domination of their centuries' old enemy France.

Inter-house competition began in 1929 and continues with passion today as does the fierce competitive spirit between the houses! The egg and spoon, three legged and sack races are still part of our Tabloid Athletics although the Fathers race has been replaced by a Father and Son breakfast!

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Dear Parents/caregivers,

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

On the 27th September our school suffered a sad loss with the sudden death of Jordan Tuifagalele, a Year 10 student and son of Kiti and Viliame Tuifagalele. This was obviously a tragic time for his family and indeed for the school. On Wednesday 18th October the school conducted a Memorial Service/Assembly. This was a moving tribute to an impressive young man and also provided the opportunity for the school community to show our support of the Tuifagalele family. Our thanks go to all those who have expressed their support during this difficult period. Jordan will be sadly missed but will forever remain in our hearts.

This final term is the examination term, and clearly the end of year examinations are the schools' focus over the weeks leading into that period. It is important that senior students take full advantage of the revision classes and extra classes that teachers are offering to assist students in the preparation for these crucial examinations.

Best wishes to all for a successful final term for the 2006 school year.

Mr J G Gemmell, Acting Principal

STAFFING

The School welcomes:



Mr G Slater, BEng (Hons), Dip. Tchg has joined us from Reporoa to take up the position of Teacher of Science, Physics and Electronics.

Ms E Dunnett has taken up the position of Librarian.



OFFICE NEWS

OFFICE HOURS:

A reminder to all parents that the school office is open daily from 8.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Parents and members of the public are urged to undertake any business with the school office during these hours.

SHOP HOURS

We would like to advise that our Uniform and Stationery Shop will open at the following times for parents to purchase items required for 2007. Please support the school's dress code. The standard of our student's appearance is a very powerful advertisement for our school.

Monday	22 nd January	10.00 am-4.00 pm
Tuesday	23 rd	10.00 am-4.00 pm
Wednesday	24 th	10.00 am-4.00 pm
Thursday	25 th	10.00 am-4.00 pm
Friday	26 th	10.00 am-4.00 pm

Monday	29 th	10.00 am-4.00 pm
Tuesday	30 th	10.00 am-4.00 pm
Wednesday	31 st	10.00 am-4.00 pm
Thursday	1 st February	10.00 am-4.00 pm
Friday	2 nd	10.00 am-4.00 pm

Wednesday	7 th	8.00 am-12.00 noon and 12.30 pm-3.30 pm
Thursday	8 th	8.00 am-12.00 noon and 12.30 pm-3.30 pm
Friday	9 th	8.00 am-12.00 noon and 12.30 pm-3.30 pm

Monday	12 th	8.00 am-2.00 pm
Tuesday	13 th	8.00 am-2.00 pm
Wednesday	14 th	8.00 am-2.00 pm
Thursday	15 th	8.00 am-2.00 pm
Friday	16 th	8.00 am-2.00 pm

From Monday 19th February normal hours apply, which are Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays, 8.15 am to 12.00 pm and 12.30 pm to 1.45 pm.

UNIFORM

A big "thank you" to the students (and parents) who are maintaining a high standard in regards to the wearing of correct school uniform. There has been a noticeable improvement in and around the school and your efforts in helping to keep our standard up are very much appreciated.

Our school uniform is to be worn correctly both to and from school. A small number of students are letting us down and your co-operation to remedy this situation will be much appreciated.

Mr R Roe, Senior Master & Mr F Whata, Deputy Principal - Students

2007 TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES

- ◆ Term 1: Wednesday, 7 February to Thursday, 5 April (84 half-days)
- ◆ Term 2: Monday, 23 April to Friday 29 June (96 half-days)
- ◆ Term 3: Monday, 16 July to Friday, 21 September (100 half-days)
- ◆ Term 4: Monday, 8 October to Friday, 14 December (98 half-days)

The school will also be closed on the following public holidays in 2007:



◆ Waitangi Day	Tuesday, 6 February
◆ Good Friday	Friday, 6 April
◆ Easter Monday	Monday, 9 April
◆ Easter Tuesday	Tuesday, 10 April
◆ Anzac Day	Tuesday, 25 April
◆ Queens Birthday	Monday, 4 June
◆ Labour Day	Monday, 22 October

RBHS WEB SITE

Parents are reminded that the school has a web site and this may be accessed at either of the following two addresses - www.rbhs.co.nz OR www.raukura.school.nz

ATTENDANCE HOTLINE

Parents are urged to use the Attendance Hotline to inform the school of your son's absence. The Attendance Hotline is **349 5137**.

GENERAL ACTIVITY FEE FOR 2007

The General Activity Fee for 2007 is \$100.00 but reducing to \$85.00 if paid by 31 March 2007. Parents do have the option of paying the fee over the four terms at \$25.00 per term. The school's General Activity Fee (GAF) covers the costs of a number of student activities, for example the issue of Homework Notebooks and Student ID cards with photograph, Magazine, Prizegiving, Sports Activities, Cultural Activities and Library Facilities etc. All students benefit in some way from this GAF.

ENROLMENTS 2007

The enrolment process for 2007 has now largely been completed. I would like to thank parents who have enrolled their sons at Rotorua Boys' High School for their support. Any parents wishing to enrol students for next year's Year 9 should contact Mr Whata, Deputy Principal or either of our Year 9 Deans - Mrs Fisker or Mr Buckton. Appointments and enrolments can be made by making contact with the school office at any time from this point.

ACCESS TO THE ADMINISTRATION BLOCK

1. Student access to the uniform shop is via the Music entrance
2. Student access to the student counter is via the English entrance
3. Assembly remains the same
4. Access to rooms A7 and A8 via the stairs

SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE VOYAGES FOR 2007

The school has been allocated the following 10 day Youth Development Voyages aboard the Spirit of New Zealand for 2007:

- ◆ Voyage 515, Sailing date 28 December 2007
- ◆ Voyage 492, Sailing date 12 March 2007
- ◆ Voyage 512, Sailing date 25 October 2007

The cost of these voyages is \$1000.00. Students who have reached the age of 15, and are interested in taking one of these voyages, should contact Mrs Downs, the Principal's PA. Our school will provide a \$200.00 subsidy towards each voyage.

CLIPBOARD

Tena koutou e te whanau whanui o Raukura. He mihi nui atu ki nga koroua ki nga kuia ki nga matua hoki o nga tama tane o te kura nei. Tena koutou katoa.



Ko Riria McDonald au. Ko Ngati Whakaue Ko Te Rarawa hoki oku iwi. I have been a board member for 2 and a half years and have seen many pleasing developments and achievements by pupils, staff and board.

It gives me great pleasure to submit this report as a present member of the board of trustees. I will use this opportunity to promote the up and coming **2007 board elections** and provide an insight on some of the sub-committees I am involved with.

The hui a whanau is held each term. As a board representative, consultation with staff assisted with the content for the hui. It enabled the school to share educational developments and more importantly the boys to share learning experiences with their whanau. Numerous hui identified special guests who were prepared to speak on wider community issues. Parents were provided with the opportunity to share highlights and concerns. The attendance of parents to these hui's is an area to develop. **The board is open to any suggestions that will assist to improve attendance.**

Ngati Whakaue Endowment also requires a representative from the board. The board meets once a month on a Wednesday and the education subcommittee meets at the end of each month. The board looks at providing grants for educational initiatives for primary, intermediate and secondary school. Different grants for research and study are also provided. As a member I have been involved with policy making and selection of candidates for grants. Rotorua Boys High School has benefited by receiving numerous grants from Whakaue which have funded initiatives that have focused on improved learning for Boys.

Being a board member allows individuals to share expertise that will be of benefit in assisting the school to provide positive educational opportunities for our young men. A booklet for prospective board members can be collected from Mrs Downs, Board Secretary in the Main Office. Please feel free to contact myself if you have any questions about being a board member for Rotorua Boys High School.

No reira he mihi ano ki a koutou
Na Riria McDonald

Important Dates:

- Wednesday, 29th November – BOT Meeting
- Thursday, 16 November at 1.30 pm – International Student Prizegiving
- Tuesday, 12 December at 10.00 am - Junior Prizegiving

- Wednesday, 13 December at 11.00 am – Awhina Prizegiving
- Thursday, 14 December at 11.00 am – Senior Prizegiving
- Friday, 15 December – Teacher only day
- Wednesday, 20 December – BOT Meeting

CURRICULUM NEWS

TRIAL EXAMINATIONS TERM 4

Trial examinations were held in week 1 of this term. The purpose of these exams was to provide an opportunity for students to test their progress against the standards they will be assessed against in the final exams. Sadly, too few students put in any effort in the holidays and the results were disappointing.

A review of the exams has resulted in the 2007 trial exams being scheduled for the end of term 3.

Parents are urged to closely examine the credit achievement record sent home with each report last term. These records were up-to-date at the time. A discussion with your son regarding his achievements should assist him in assigning priorities to his work effort in these last important weeks.

Significant Achievements to date

From our experience of students leaving our school to go to further education or training, the number of Excellence grades and the GPA are the achievement measures most frequently used to distinguish student achievements. Bearing in mind that the very important final examinations yet to come will determine the GPA scores, those who have gained the most excellence grades in each year level are shown below.

Year 11	Excellence credits
SHAND, Humphrey	61
BHATT, Reuben	58
HAWORTH, Mathew	49
ROBERTS, Gareth	42
IVANOV, Anton	37
WONG, Adam	37
STEENS, Mikail	36
SUCGANG, Jose	36
LU, Frankie	36
WALKER, Ryan	36
HALLAHAN, Sam	31
TAUILILI, Iose	26
GOONATILAKA, Dasith	23
EDWARDSON, Zane	23
FRENCH, Joshua	21
MAIN, Daniel	20
GILBERT-BURNE, Sheehan	19
ROE, Andrew	19
LEDUA, Joji	19
LEE, Ben	18

WEYDE, Zach	18
DE HAAN, Philip	17
SMITH, Garweth	16
SIMPERINGHAM, Harry	15
TIMMINS, Karl	14
LEE, Byung Suk	14
VINE, Kristopher	13
TORA, Apenisa	12
WATSON, Tom	11
DHANJEE, Prashant	10
HARFORD, Kyle	10
GENEFAAS, Henry	10
PARETOA, Brayden	10
SINGH, Rajneet	10

Year 12 Excellence credits

SOLOMAN, Ibrahim	44
COLLINS, Alistair	43
FEARY, Brendan	36
NIELSEN, Bradley	30
CROWE, Angus	20
EDWARDSON, Keegan	16
TAPIATA, Richard	16
MCEWEN, Shannon	15
GIBBS, Daniel	12
HAMON, Jason	12
UTTERIDGE, Timothy	12
BOOKER, Hayden	10
HE, Jiacheng	10

Year 13/14 Excellence credits

LAWRENCE, Shane	35
HALLAHAN, Ben	31
O'CONNELL, Patrick	27
KIM, Peter	27
HART, Damian	26
SANFT, Regan	25
SYMMANS, Sam	24
GULLIVER, Chad	22
GAINSFORD, David	22
LEE, Changhoon	20
EASTHAM, Robbie	20
SINGH, Akash	19
DOBSON, Michael	19
COATES, Jonathan	16
O'CONNOR, Grant	16
SHANNON, Tristan	15
TIDSWELL, Giles	15
BARROW, Kevin	13
REVELL, Tom	12
NAWALU, Jeffrey	10
LEWIS, Joshua	10

WISHART, Angus 10
 DAVIS, Louis 10

SENIOR EXAMINATIONS

All students sitting senior examinations will shortly receive individual timetables for NCEA Level 1, 2 and 3 and also for NZ Scholarship Examinations. A copy of the NCEA timetable is printed below for further reference.

Dates for the public examinations held in November are also shown below for all levels. Parents can use these dates to help planning for examinations and other end-of-year commitments. Students are expected to attend school until the completion date for seniors on Friday 17th November 2006.

EXAM STUDY-LEAVE SCHEDULE

Study leave for all Year 11, 12 and 13 students begins from after school on Friday November 17th. Study leave for students at other levels is shown below. There is an important assembly on November 17th, where examination entry slips and other important information will be issued. It is very important that all students sitting exams attend the relevant year level assembly on that day.

It is expected that students will return to school to consult with teachers about aspects of their study during study leave.

Study leave for 10A and B. Level 1 Science will be held on Tuesday 28th November. To enable students to prepare for the examination students in these classes are permitted to study at home on Monday 27th November. The Social Studies exam occurs on Monday 4th November. Last minute study for this exam will have been done on the two days before the day of the exam. Parents are asked not to excuse their sons from school at any time other than Monday 27 November.

2006 Examination Timetable

Date/Time		NCEA Level 1	NCEA Level 2	NCEA Level 3	Scholarship
<i>Mon</i> 20 Nov	am	Physics	Media Studies	Physics	
	pm	Information Management	Physics	Media Studies	Physical Education
<i>Tues</i> 21 Nov	am	English	Te Reo Rangatira	Classical Studies	
	pm	Te Reo Rangatira	Classical Studies	Te Reo Rangatira / Statistics & Modelling	
<i>Wed</i> 22 Nov	am	Human Biology	French	English	
	pm	French	English	French	Chinese
<i>Thurs</i> 23 Nov	am	Geography	Accounting	Geography	Latin
	pm	Accounting	Geography	Accounting	
<i>Fri</i> 24 Nov	am	Mathematics	Drama	Art History	Mathematics with Calculus
	pm	Drama	Art History	Drama	

<i>Sat 25 Nov</i>					English
					Chemistry
<i>Mon 27 Nov</i>	am	Chemistry	Economics	Chemistry	
	pm	Economics	Chemistry	Economics	
<i>Tues 28 Nov</i>	am	Science	History	Science / Music Practical	
	pm	History	Science	History	Drama
<i>Wed 29 Nov</i>	am		Japanese	Mathematics with Calculus	
	pm	Japanese	Mathematics	Japanese	French
<i>Thurs 30 Nov</i>	am	Biology	Dance/Samoan	Biology	
	pm	Dance/Samoan	Biology	Dance/Samoan	
<i>Fri 1 Dec</i>	am	German	Te Reo Māori	German	Physics
	pm	Te Reo Māori	German	Te Reo Māori	Science
<i>Sat 2 Dec</i>					Statistics and Modelling
					Geography
<i>Mon 4 Dec</i>	am	Agriculture & Horticulture / Agricultural Science / Horticultural Science	Social Studies	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Classical Studies
	pm	Social Studies	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Social Studies	Spanish
<i>Tues 5 Dec</i>	am	Spanish	Home Economics / Latin	Spanish	History
	pm	Home Economics / Latin	Spanish	Home Economics / Latin	Accounting
<i>Wed 6 Dec</i>	am	Music	Health / Chinese	Music Studies	
	pm	Health / Chinese	Music	Health / Chinese	Media Studies
<i>Thurs 7 Dec</i>					Biology
					Japanese / Music Studies
<i>Fri 8 Dec</i>					Economics
					Art History / Te Reo Maori
<i>Sat 9 Dec</i>					German

EXAM REVISION CLASSES

Staff have been running extra revision classes, in most subjects, since the trial examinations this term. Students have been informed about these in class and are attending classes in reasonable numbers. Because of the large number and specific subject coverage of many of these classes, it is not possible to print the entire revision timetable. For details of specific classes parents are welcome to contact their son's teacher through the School Office.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS FOR EXAMINATION STUDENTS

Students sitting external examinations are asked to inform the school office if there is any change of address between now and the end of the school year. The school can inform NZQA so that examination results are correctly forwarded.

JUNIOR EXAMS

Examinations for Year 9 and 10 commence on Wednesday, 15 November. Year 9 students will be required to sit examinations in English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies and Languages. Year 10 students will sit exams in English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies and the following option subjects:

- ◆ Japanese
- ◆ Chinese
- ◆ Te Reo Maori
- ◆ Graphics and Information Management.

There will also be a practical assessment in Food Technology.

Other option subjects will set their own practical assessments which will take place during that week in class time.

Junior examinations are important. For year 9 students the examinations determine the class they will be placed in for 2007. For year 10 students the exam examination results will determine the subjects available to them for 2007.

Examinations results also contribute credits towards the Junior Certificate in both Year 9 and Year 10. Students who gain 80 credits will be awarded the Junior Certificate at each year level. Achieving at least 40 credits in either Merit or Excellence will result in the award of Merit or Excellence Certificates.

All students in years 9 and 10 should now be aware of the credits they have achieved to date. Printouts are available from the school office for parents who are interested.

JUNIOR EXAM TIMETABLE 2006

Date	Period 1	Periods 3,4	Periods 5
Wed (Nov 15)	9 English 10 Maths	Per 3 9 Jap 9 Chi 9 Mao	9 Science 10 English
Thurs (Nov 16)	9 Social Studies 10 Science	Per 4 9 Jap 9 Chi 9 Mao	9 Te Reo Maori 10 Options
Fri (Nov 17)	9 Maths 10 Te Reo Maori 10 Social Studies (lesson for 10A, 10B)	9 Jap 9 Chi per 3 9 Mao	10 Options

READER WRITERS FOR JUNIOR EXAMS

Reader/writers are required to assist our junior students with special needs with their exams from 15-17 November. If you can spare two hours during this three day period to help, please contact Mrs Botha, HOD Special Learning Programmes at the school.

SUBJECT SELECTION FOR 2007

All senior students will have been issued with subject descriptions for 2007. Too many students make choices about their subjects without adequate consideration. The subject information booklets are designed to help students and their parents to make informed and strategic choices. Most students stay at school until year 13. Parents should take some time to assist their sons to choose subjects with Year 13 in mind. Some subjects cease after year 12 and others have quite specific pre-requisites which demand specific levels of performance. It is important that students make these choices on sound planning rather than on what their friends are taking.

Please ensure you have discussed your son's decision with him and signed his form. The form must be returned to the school office.

PRIZEGIVING

Parents are reminded that **Junior Prizegiving** will take place on **Tuesday, 12 December 2006 at 10.00 am** in our Memorial Hall. All students in Years 9 and 10 are expected to attend this ceremony. Parents of juniors are also welcome to attend. Juniors will be released following Prizegiving, at approximately 12.30pm and will be free to go home at this time. Those students relying on bus transport, however, will be supervised at school until their usual bus departure time.

Senior Prizegiving will take place on **Thursday, 14 December 2006 at 11.00 am** also in our Memorial Hall. All students in Years 11-13 (Senior students) are required to attend Senior Prizegiving and to be *in correct school uniform*. Students not in correct uniform will not gain entry to Prizegiving. Parents and supports of the school are welcome to attend. Junior students are also welcome to attend, but this is not compulsory. Juniors that do attend Senior Prizegiving must, however, be in correct school uniform.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PRIZEGIVING

This ceremony will take place on **Thursday, 16th November at 1.30 pm** in the Colman Theatre. All international students are required to attend the Prizegiving and to be in correct school uniform. Students not in correct uniform will not gain entry to Prizegiving. Parents and supporters of the school are welcome to attend.

LEAVERS LUNCHEON

The Leavers Luncheon will take place on Thursday, 14 December at 1.30pm in the Millennium Centre here at school. Entry to the Leavers Luncheon will be by ticket only. Year 13 and 14 students who intend leaving school are encouraged to buy tickets for the Leavers Luncheon at a cost of \$20 per person before they go on study leave. The caterer requires numbers to be confirmed well in advance, so tickets for this luncheon need to be purchased **before Friday, 8 December 2006**.

This function has always been one of the highlights of our school year, and a good attendance is expected again this year, as we farewell our leavers and present Records of Achievement.

UPCOMING HUI

HUI WHANAU

The next Hui Whanau is scheduled for Wednesday, 8 November 2006 at 7.30 pm in the Raukura Lounge. All parents/caregivers of Maori students are welcome to attend. This meeting will be chaired by Ms R McDonald from the school's Board of Trustees. Please come and support your Hui Whanau. An agenda notice will be released a week prior to the meeting and as a reminder.

PACIFIC ISLAND MEETING

The next Pacific Island meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 15 November 2006 at 7.30 pm in the Raukura Lounge. Again, the parents/caregivers of our Pacific Island students are welcome to attend this meeting, which will be chaired by Ms R Gillies, also from the school's Board of Trustees. An agenda notice will be released a week prior to the meeting and as a reminder.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

GATEWAY

Gateway at Rotorua Boys' High School continues to grow and support our students as they start making the decisions that will affect the rest of their lives. Career choices need to be informed and Gateway is the way students can truly make an informed decision about the rest of their lives. Gateway continues to offer a great learning experience for our students with an average credit uptake last year of just over 19 credits for each student. I have no doubt that the Gateway students will achieve the same results this year.

The Gateway team thank the businesses that support our young men, without their time and support our students would not be able to experience the real world and take on learning plans that go beyond our classroom walls.

A Big thanks go out to all of our Gateway businesses

To the students who have been a part of the Gateway programme, well done to all of you for another great year. Community support for Gateway continues to grow because our young men are fine ambassadors for our school.

To the staff who have supported our young men who have taken on the extra load of Gateway, thank you for helping as they struggle to manage the extra requirements of Gateway whilst maintaining their work for their mainstream classes. Without your patience and perseverance our young men would not be able to cope.

Mr F Tabuteau, Gateway Co-ordinator

CAREERS DEPARTMENT

University Graduates 2006

Congratulations to the following Old Boys who have graduated from Universities this year.

Massey University

Terry Ray Patmore	Postgraduate Diploma in Business & Administration
Murray James McDowall	Bachelor of Arts
Karl Schalkwijk	Bachelor of Information Sciences
Andrew Michael Terry	Bachelor of Design
Hemi Tuhoe Huata	Bachelor of Maori Performing Arts
Robert John de Jeu	Bachelor of Business Studies
Andrew Ian Trumper	Bachelor of Applied Science
Andrew Ian Trumper	Graduate Diploma in Rural Studies
Samuel David Perrin	Bachelor of Design
Ryan Peter Cook	Bachelor of Design
Chenxuan Wang	Bachelor of Engineering (Honours)

University of Canterbury

Joshua Coleman	Bachelor of Science
David Pedley	Bachelor of Science
Jared Wells	Magister Artium
Ming Yu	Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Elec3)

Victoria University of Wellington

Jonathan Andrew Stewart	Bachelor of Commerce and Administration
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Wintec – Hamilton

Yin Xu	New Zealand Diploma in Business
Willis Owens	Certificate in Aeronautical Engineering Construction
Lawrence Sonny Jensen	Graduate Certificate in Supervision

Otago University

John Dennis Chote	Graduate Diploma
Antony Moy Croucher	Master of Physiotherapy (Manipulative Physiotherapy)
Vivian Bernard Tsing-Yung Dawson	Bachelor Science (Physiology)
Walter Christopher Denley	Bachelor Science (Geography)
Martin Roland Houghton	Bachelor Science (Physics)
Douglas Alistair King	Post-graduate Certificate Resuscitation

Benjamin Hawkins McHale	Bachelor Science (Biochemistry)
Scott Euan MacKenzie	Bachelor Science (Information Science)
Shane Robert Merriman	Bachelor Physical Education (Sport and Leisure Studies)
Robert Teariki Purotu Nixon	Bachelor of Arts (Philosophy)
Neil John Stuart	Bachelor Physical Education (Professional Studies)
Jonathan Richard Taylor	Post-graduate Diploma in Outdoor Education

Any student seeking help with subject choices, information about courses or careers should make an appointment to see Mrs. Randall, the school Careers Adviser, in the Careers Room (M2).

For those unsure of their career pathway, we have a computer programme "Career Quest" which matches a student's interests and skills with suggested career options. Also helpful for careers information is the website www.careers.govt.nz and/or telephone 0800222733. Scholarship information can be obtained from the institution websites or the Breakout database (on the School network).

Airforce Visit

We were delighted to have the Airforce land a UH-1H IROQUOIS on our sports field on Thursday 19 October. Many students observed the flyover and precision landing. Then interested seniors, Prefects and 9A, 9B, 9C, 10A, 10B, and 10C were spoken to about life and careers in the Airforce, and shown through the cabin of the helicopter. I would like to thank the Airforce for this opportunity to see and speak to their personnel. It certainly created a lot of enthusiasm and interest from our students.

Mrs L Randall, Careers & Transition Department

MAORI DEPARTMENT

Kimihia rangahau kai hea koe ka ngaro nei, aua, tena ka riro kai Paerau, kai te Huinga o te kahurangi, ka oti atu, e tama e!

Tenei te moteatea ake Jordan, mou, kua rere-a-wairua atu ki tua.

Ahakoia taiohi tonu koe, i whakaritea ketia koinei te wa mou kia takahia te ara a te tini, a te mano, te ara kare e taea te rere ki muri. Haere, haere, e moe.

We pay respects to a fine young man of Raukura, taken so tragically in his youth.

Extending High Standards Across Schools Wananga

In the last three days of the school holidays, a group of 23 top Maori students from RBHS, Hamilton BHS and Hastings BHS participate

- Develop an appetite for setting high standards and accepting personal responsibility for being successful.
- Define and describe for themselves - what personal success looks like.
- Determine the pathways they will follow to achieve success.
- Recognise there are infinite possibilities to be powerful actors in their own lives and in that of others.

- Seek and celebrate personal success through cultural diversity and contribution to the collective good.
- Remember and learn from those who have come before them.

Raukura is indebted to Ms. Apryll Parata for organising such an outstanding wananga. From the first speakers Mita Mohi and Dr. Peter Sharples to the last speaker, Youth Affairs Minister, Nanaia Mahuta the themes that resonated were:

- Leadership starts at home - be a good son, a good friend, a good husband and a good father;
- Leadership is about serving. The principle of reciprocity – giving is far more important than receiving;
- Attitude will overcome any obstacle be it poverty, abuse or ridicule;
- Integrity – do what you say you are going to do;
- Situations often force you into leadership roles – step up to the mark;
- Iwi need leaders like you young men.

Mr D Pene, HOD Maori

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

The last few weeks have been hectic for both students and teachers in the senior school as we begin the final countdown to external exams. Congratulations to the Senior Students who have achieved in these recent exams. For those who did not now is the time for that final study and preparation. These exams give you entry into the careers of your choice. NCEA L1 Literacy is the minimum qualification for most cadetships and apprenticeships.

NCEA L2 literacy is the minimum qualification for tertiary study and diploma courses. For University entry if you are using English as an entry subject make sure you have 14 credits.

Resits for L1 Creative writing and L2 Formal Writing are at the beginning of November, after school on Wednesday. This will be the only opportunity. Yr 10 need to be working on gaining credits for the Junior Certificate so that they can go into the English classes they want to next year.

English Successes

- ◆ Adam Wong Yr 11 High Distinction in Writing in the Australian Exams. This puts him in the top 5% of NZ
- ◆ Ethan Fett Yr 9 Distinction in the same exam
- ◆ To the boys from Yrs 9-11 who gained Credit
- ◆ Patrick Keenan Winner of the Rotorua Rotary Speech Contest (this is the third year we have won this!!!!)

Mrs W Simpson, HOF English

INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES



Konnichi wa!

Congratulations to all those students who gained passes in the practice external achievement standards. Special congratulations to Jose Sucgang, Ethan Cox (Year 11) and Alistair Collins (Year 12) who gained Excellence in the Reading standards.

The final internal assessment for senior students (writing with resources) will be held in week 3 of this term. Students must ensure they attend all assessment classes as there is no reassessment for this standard.

Senior students are reminded that there will be a revision class after school on Tuesdays. Audio files of the vocabulary are also still available. Use all the resources at your finger tips, work hard and improve your chances of gaining good grades in the external NCEA exams in November!

Students from years 9 and 10 will have their conversation assessment in week 4. Exam revision will start in week 4 also. Work hard and good luck!

Congratulations to the Year 11 group of James Batchelar, Whare Campbell, Ethan Cox, Daniel Gainsford, Nicholas Henderson, Brayden Paretoa and Jose Sucgang who won 3rd prize in the Japanese Video Competition. The video was about their after school lives.

Ni Hao!

Our annual Rotorua Chinese Character Reading Competition will be on Thursday 26 October. All students are busy re-activating their memory cells!

The year 9 and 10 students of Chinese this year are a pleasure to teach. They have risen to all expectations and achieved term 1 – 3 goals of conversing, speaking and reading. Great work, boys!

Zhuhe! Congratulations to all students who have successfully completed their NCEA Internal Assessments. Four Year 11 students are looking forward to their RBHS - Shangde Chinese Exchange Programme for 6 weeks of study from Dec 7 2006 – 21 Jan 2007! We look forward to hearing of their progress in Chinese, as well as their experience of living in Shanghai, the largest city in China with a population of 18 million. The students selected are: Humphrey Shand, Kyle Harford, Mikail Steens and Frankie Lu.

Mrs H Harison and Mrs L George – HODs International Languages

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

Examination Results – Top Performers

Congratulations to these boys for excellent examination results:

Examination	Best performance	Student
NCEA Level 1	3 Merit, 3 Excellence	Mikail Steens
IGCSE	Grade A	Reuben Bhatt Humphrey Shand
NCEA Level 2	1 Merit, 4 Excellence	Alistair Collins
Calculus	3 Merit 1 Excellence	Shane Lawrence
Statistics	1 Achieved, 1 Merit, 2 Excellence	Shane Lawrence

A Guide to Senior Maths Courses (Part 2) - What to look for on the Senior Reports

Qualification for next year's Mathematics courses is dependent on performance in this year's class. When you discuss your son's report with him it will be important to use these criteria as a frame of reference. Students have one more chance to improve their results in the final examinations.

Year 11 to Year 12

To progress to the Year 12 Cambridge AS course students must have a Merit average in the achievement standards. Both externals and internals count for this. A Merit average means that the number of Achieved grades is less than or equal to the number of Merit grades.

To progress to the NCEA Level 2 course students must have Achieved or better in the Algebra (90147) standard and in either the Trigonometry (90152) or the Graphs (90148) standards. In addition the students must have a total of at least 14 credits (counting externals).

Any student failing to meet this standard, who wishes to continue with Mathematics, will be offered the opportunity to repeat the Level 1 Achievement Standards course. Students on the Unit Standards (MAB) course may not progress directly to Level 2 but may take the Level 1 Achievement Standards course if they wish to continue with Mathematics.

Year 12 to Year 13

There are two Year 13 Mathematics courses. These are Mathematics with Calculus and Statistics and Modelling.

To qualify for Mathematics with Calculus students must have at least an Achieved in the Algebra (20284) Standard, plus Achieved or better in two of Graphs (90285), Calculus (90286) or Trigonometric Equations (90292).

To qualify for Statistics and Modelling students must have at least an Achieved in Algebra (90284) and either Statistics (90288) or Probability (90289) (N. B. These last two are internal standards and some classes have not completed the assessment for the probability standard as yet).

On Thursday 27th July over 100 students from all years took part in the Australian Mathematics competition. The results were very good with four boys in Year 9 and 10 achieving Distinctions.

Chris Lee from 10B achieved the highest placing, finishing in the top 2% in New Zealand, with Adam Crompton and Jinsuk Kim from 9A just behind but in the top 3%. Also Jarrod Braddock of 10A finished in the top 10% in the country.

Mr D Glynn, HOF Mathematics

INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT

The staff and students of the International Department congratulate Mr and Mrs Aydogmus on the recent birth of their baby girl "Ela". Ela was born during the school holidays on the 30th September weighing 3.3 kgs.

We are also pleased to welcome Keisuke Kyotani from Japan who will be with us until the end of the year.

It is a busy time for many of our boys who are preparing for the NZ Speech Board examinations which will be held in three weeks.



The International Prizegiving will be held in the Colman Theatre on November 16th at 1.30 pm. Friends and family are welcome to attend this function.

Mrs A Zanelli, Acting Director International Student Programme

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Firstly, welcome to Mr Slater who takes over from Mr McGovern in senior Physics and junior Science. We wish Mr McGovern all the best for his new business venture.

Special congratulations to Jiacheng He for being selected by Rotary International as the Waikato/ Bay of Plenty representative for the Australian Science Forum to be held in Canberra early next year. Additionally, Mathew Collier and Kyle Smith have been selected for the Waikato University Science Summer School.

Science Fair

This year, we entered only a small number of senior students. They did very well with Jiacheng He and Mathew Collier receiving highly commended prizes. However, Alistair Collins won a major prize which was for the student with the best scientific methodology. The prize was an all expenses paid trip to the Otago University Hands-on Science Summer School.

Science Competitions

In a first for Boys High School, a number of our chemistry students entered the Australian National Chemistry Competition. A highlight was the 3 high distinctions awarded to Alistair Collins (top 5%), Humphrey Shand and Gareth Roberts.

Shane Lawrence, Harry Simperingham, Kyle Smith and Henry Collins received Distinction certificates, while Chad Gulliver, Blair Walmsley, Mathew Haworth and Mikail Steens received Credit certificates.

Congratulations also goes to Shane Lawrence for the best Year 13 chemistry and physics student in the recent exams, and to Alistair Collins for the best Year 12 chemistry and physics student.

Junior Science

A reminder to all junior students that the exams in week 6 make up more than half the credits available in science. Please use the learning outcomes in your books to help you study.

Senior study classes are occurring at various times. Please ask your teacher – help is available!

Mr D Richardson, Acting HOF Science

ACE PROGRAMME

Wellington 2006

During this year's annual trip to Wellington, 10A had the opportunity to see the sights and soak up Wellington's diverse cultural scene. The trip ran over four action packed days. After a very long bus trip and a stop for rock climbing in Turangi the boys arrived in Wellington and settled in at their luxurious youth hostel. During the trip the boys had the opportunity to visit the Karori Wildlife Sanctuary, Wellington City Art Gallery, the Carter Observatory and Victoria University for a tour and a brief taste of student life. However for many the most "memorable" activity for most was attending a dress rehearsal of 'Faust' performed by the Royal New Zealand Opera at the St. James' Theatre. This proved to be a new experience for all!

The undisputed highlight of the trip was the visit to the Capital E Studios where the boys studied the techniques used to produce a successful television production. After a very short time the boys excelled and eventually produced their own news broadcast, bloopers and all! The boys were very professional and took the opportunity seriously with fantastic results.

Extending High Standards Across Schools (EHSAS) Wananga 4-6 October 2006

The inaugural "Hei Raukura mo tona ake iwi – Extending High Standards across Schools" wananga was held at Raukura as part of a joint effort between Hamilton Boys' High School, Hastings Boys' High School and Rotorua Boys' High School to target academically gifted Maori students and to help ensure that they fulfil their potential. Students were chosen because they had been recognised as having a strong academic mind as well as being ear marked as future leaders.

Rotorua students who attended were:

• Morgan Godfrey	• Jordan Marr
• Rawiri Pakinga	• Dawson Purcell
• Kaperiere Wharewera	• Whare Campbell
• Brayden Paretoa	• Gareth Roberts
• Kieran Te Kurapa	• Marc Walmsley
• Keegan Edwardson	• Iripa Rangi
• Ibrahim Soloman	• Richard Tapiata

The progenitor of the conference, Mrs Apryll Parata had a clear idea in her mind of outcomes she wanted the boys to attain.

She set the conference around the ideas of developing an appetite for setting high standards and accepting personal responsibility for being successful as well as opening doors so that the boys could clearly see the path to success and achievement. Mrs Parata also wished to instil into the boys a sense of identity, of culture, of success and what skills they would need to utilise in order to be leaders for their people in the future.

There was quite an impressive array of speakers at the conference including, Dr Pita Sharples, Mita Mohi, Te Kauhoe Wharehuka Wano, Te Rau Kapengam Professor Tamati Reedy, Rawiri Brell, Te Hamua Nikora, William Te Aho, Wira Gardiner and Willie Jackson. Collectively, these speakers had a massive impact. They talked about a wide range of topics including money, social issues, leadership, academia and what characteristics are needed in order to be role models in today's world and in the future.

For example, Dr Pita Sharples commented on the importance of integrity, especially if you are placed in a position of importance. This was a common message from all the speakers. Another recurring message was the importance of being a good father and husband, and being responsible in domestic settings, Te Hamua Nikora "treat your woman like she is your queen".

As the conference was held at RBHS the participants were accommodated for at the well known "Tai Mitchell Hostel". It was a great opportunity to get to know one another in a hospitable environment. One thing that everyone unanimously agreed on was that it was really good to be in such a novel setting where we were with successful and positive Maori (like ourselves!) and we could be ourselves without fear of ridicule from others.

On the final night we had the opportunity to showcase our skills. The boys were split into groups and asked to create a composition which expressed what they felt and what they had learnt about at the conference. There was a mixture of waiata, haka, drama, and role play and it was amusing to say the least. This further developed the sense of brotherhood.



The conference was a huge success and left the boys feeling good about themselves and ready to set out into the world and achieve their potential. The participants of the hui are all destined for great things as I am sure we will see in the years to come.

Richard Tapiata

Year 9 theme: "Crime and Punishment"

Year 9 ended their 2006 thematic studies developing their research and presentation skills during their exploration of "Crime and Punishment". The boys researched and compiled a dossier of the nefarious exploits of three infamous criminals in social studies in the form of a children's book. Although all the books had merit, Luke Simperingham produced an excellent piece of work. Well Done!

In English, the boys sharpened their debating skills on the controversial topic of capital punishment in the 21st Century.

In Science, there was a mystery to solve. The boys applied their newly-researched knowledge of forensic science techniques to examine a crime scene (with the kind help of a 'Scene of Crime' officer from Rotorua Police). Well done to John Rolsten, Adam Crompton, Dylan Jeffrey and Benjamin McGrath in reconstructing and presenting their case and showing that fast-food can be REALLY bad for you!

White Island trip 2006

Weather-permitting, on the 5th of December 10A and 10B will be visiting the World's most accessible marine volcano: White Island, the trip being subsidized by the ACE programme. Parents and caregivers have received trip letters and are asked to get the permission slips to the school office as soon as possible as spaces are limited.

Mr D Smith, ACE Co-ordinator

YEAR 9 AND 10 JUNIOR SPEECH COMPETITION

The Year 9 and 10 Junior Speech Competition was held on Friday, 22 September in the Colman Theatre.

Competitors:

Year 9: Ethan Fett
Marko Milosevic
Jone Leko
Daniel Groot (2nd place)
Shannon Eldridge (1st Place)

Topics: Benji Marshall or Capital Punishment

Year 10: Chris Lee
Ryan Porteous
Callum Roberts (2nd Place)
Jordan Bird (1st Place)

Topic: Geeks or Make-up

Judges:

Mr Alasdair Hay
Humphrey Shand
Matthew Haworth

YEAR 10 ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS AND SURVIVAL CAMPS 2006

Rotorua Boys' High School Year 10 Environmental Awareness and Survival Camps **2006**

This year's year 10 camps will again be held in the unique Podocarp forests, south of Minginui. This area of virgin native bush is one of the best examples of its kind in New Zealand. The Central Whirinaki River track has been rated the equal of the Milford Track.

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 10 pupils attend the camps, as they are an integral part of the school's educational programme, including projects in both Science and English. The students are prepared for their three day camp as part of their Physical Education and Health programmes.

The camps, besides being quite physically demanding, are designed to develop a sense of responsibility and co-operation, so important in today's society. Only severe physical disabilities would prevent pupils participating in some aspects of the camps. These pupils can be gainfully occupied while remaining at the base camp.

The camps involve three parts; they begin with a welcome to the area by the Ngati Whare people, a stay at the Whirinaki Recreation Camp (approx 6km from Minginui) in cabins, and a two day hike, with an overnight stay in tents, at the Central Whirinaki Hut camping area. The hike follows the beautiful Whirinaki River.

All groups will be accompanied by two experienced (and trained) staff members plus at least three year 12 Physical Education pupils who have been trained as leaders. The student leaders will also be available for base camp activities, at each camp.

Minginui village is situated 100km south-east of Rotorua. Contact can be made in emergencies through the Department of Conservation headquarters at Murupara (phone 366-5641). Any parents wishing to assist with the camps may contact Mr Phil Dunn at the school. (extn 835).

Details of the camp schedule will be supplied to each boy. The camps are on wet or fine as coping with wet weather is an integral part of the experience.

Payment for camp needs to be made at the school office before the 27 November. Arrangements can be made through Mr. Dunn to pay the \$60 for the camp in smaller amounts if required. The numbers of students that have paid in full will determine whether or not the camps go ahead. There will be no monetary refunds for students who miss the camps. Payment is required before students leave for camp unless previous arrangements have been made with Mr. Dunn.

Monday 27 November	10-C (32) and 10-D (28), to Whirinaki
Wednesday 29 November	10-F (29), 10-G (16), to Whirinaki
Monday 4 December	10-E (27), 10-T1 (31) to Whirinaki
Wednesday 6 December	10-A (28) and 10-B (29) to Whirinaki

Mr Dunn, HOD Physical Education and Outdoor Education

CONGRATULATIONS

VICE CHANCELLORS PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE

Congratulations to Ben Hallahan for being selected to receive the Vice Chancellor's Prize for Excellence. This prize is offered to Year 13 students who demonstrate academic excellence. The Selection Panel also take into consideration extra-curricular activities, community service, leadership roles and other relevant personal qualities. The award has a value of \$5000. Well done!

WESTPAC AWARDS – AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

Congratulations to **Chris Lee** (Year 10 Intermediate Division), **Jarrold Braddock** (Year 10 Intermediate Division), **Jinsuk Kim** (Year 9 Junior Division), **Adam Crompton** (Year 9 Junior Division) who all received Certification of Distinction. Well done!

RECT ROLE MODEL SCHEME

Congratulations to **Robbie Eastham** who has been awarded \$1000 under the Role Model Scheme to go towards his shooting activities. Robbie has also competed recently in Christchurch and has made the New Zealand Open and Junior Teams. Well done!

MASSEY UNIVERSITY TOP ACHIEVER SCHOLARSHIP (SPORT)

Congratulations to **Robbie Eastham** and **Anthony Pedersen** who have been awarded this scholarship at Massey University. Well done!

INTERNATIONAL BIOLOGY OLYMPIAD

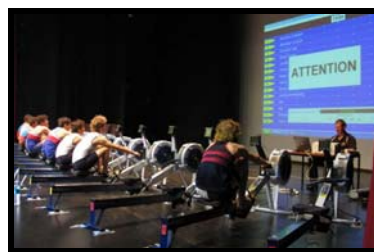
Congratulations to **Danny Young** for receiving the Silver Award and **Peter Kim** for receiving the Participation Certificate in the 2006 NZ Biology Olympiad Team Selection Process. Well done!

LOCKWOOD ARIA

Congratulations to **Grant O'Connor** (Year 13) for coming third in the Te Reo Section of the Lockwood Aria Competition. Well done!

INDOOR ROWING

Congratulations to **Harry Simperingham** for winning Gold in the Under 17 2000m, Bronze in the Under 17 500m and Bronze in the Under 19 500m at the CONCEPT2 Indoor Rowing at St Peter's School on the 15 October 2006. Well done!



Congratulations to **Shane Hyde** for winning bronze in the Under 16 2000m. Well done!

NZ DIRT BIKE FEDERATION

Congratulations to **Michael Duffy** for finishing third place in the Novice 250 cc class New Zealand Secondary Schools Motocross Championships. Well done!

SPORTS NEWS



The summer season is upon us, with cricket having bowled their first delivery on the weekend and touch well into their training, preparing for the upcoming nationals in December. Whilst the winter codes have finished Rotorua Boys High School students are still achieving at a national level.

- David Roe has gained selection into the New Zealand Youth Water Polo Team that travels to Canada in December.
- Peter Wharerau has gained selection into the New Zealand U15 Junior Kiwis which tours Great Britain at the end of the year.
- Harry Simperingham won a Gold medal in the U17 indoor rowing 2000m event, which was won last year by Rotorua Boys High School student Jessie Acton.
- Our Mountain Biking team has won the New Zealand Secondary schools Challenge relay held in Rotorua on the 14th October.

Mr G Hunt, HOD Sport

Shooting

Our shooting team travelled to the South Island during the school break to compete at the Winchester secondary schools national championships. The RBHS team of Scott Bowditch, Myrin Abbott and national captain Robbie Eastham, performed to a high standard winning the boys grade competition. Robbie again demonstrated his status as the best school boy shooter winning the individual boys section with a score of 199.15.

Scores	Robbie Eastham	199.15
	Myrin Abbott	196.08
	Scott Bowditch	192.07

A big thank you to Mr Abbott who took the boys away to the national tournament, the school is great full for your contribution and proud of your team's achievements.

Clay shooting

Jack Norwood a Year 10 student participated in the New Zealand Clay target shooting championships held in Nelson at the end of term three. Held over two days with six individual events, Jack acquitted him self well winning 1 gold and 1 silver, earning a spot in the North Island skeet team that competed against the South island.

NZ Indoor Rowing Championships

Teams from the Rotorua Boys' High School Rowing contingent recently competed in the NZ Secondary Schools Indoor Rowing Championships. The results were;

- Harry Simperingham - **Gold** - 2000m U17
- Bronze - 500m U17
- Bronze - 500m U19

Shayne Hyde - Bronze - 2000m U16

It's good to know from the school perspective that we have such promising rowers coming through to our senior 8. Congratulations

Mountain Biking

The New Zealand secondary schools mountain biking competition was held in fine warm weather in the Whakarewarewa forest on Saturday the 14th of October. The format was the 3 hour team relay. Rotorua Boys' High School entered 3 senior teams this year; one of them was a social team made up of some of our schools hockey players.

The senior A team made up of Jonathan Coates, Wade Mangham and Simon Honour was always picked as to take out the top place in the national competition. All three riders prepared well and did not fail to deliver. This race finished with our top team lapping the closest competition. An excellent race, well done guys.

The Senior B team was made of Jeff Law, Gareth Cross and Matthew Collier. These guys put in some excellent individual lap times and really came together well for the day.

Basket Ball

The Senior A went to the Nationals during the Holiday break, lacking size to compete at the highest level the boys still but in a good effort beating Napier Boys High School and Hillcrest HS. Results are as follows;

- vs. Hastings BHS, Lost 53-74
- vs. Nelson College, Lost 60-80
- vs. Hamilton BHS, Lost 59-79
- vs. Avondale College, Lost 72-74
- vs. Tauranga BC, Lost 65-89
- vs. Auckland Grammar, Lost 47-82
- vs. Hillcrest HS, Won 72-62
- vs. Napier BHS, Won 55-52

2nd XI Hockey

Secondary Boys B Grade Winners

Winners of the Herewini Whanau Shield (Sportsmanship)

9T1	Tuwharetoa Hapi (Captain)	9B	Vaughan Hatton
10A	Daniel Walker	11	Kris Vine
11	Daniel Rudolph	10E	Jordan Wainohu
9F	Jayvant Dhanjee	9D	Jury Herewini
10	Ypreus Williams	10B	Ryan Burrows
9A	Aaron Applegate	9B	Lucas Jackson
10B	Thomas Kim	10B	Ben Page
9D	Cleveland Walker	9B	Lachlan Crowe

Played Tauhara 1st XI in the B Grade final. First half 2-1 to Tauhara. The boys kept more possession in the second half which resulted in them clawing their way back to a 302 win.

Goals scored by Jury Herewini (2) and Thomas Kim.

Inter House Competition

This years inter house competition has been a keenly contested affair, with rugby being the last event on the calendar, it seems likely, Raleigh house are the favourites to win the top house award, although I'm sure the rest of the houses will not make it easy for them.

I'm proud to say that the R.J.Simpson trophy is up for grabs once again, after being misplaced for 21 years the carved shield is ready to be claimed by the top rugby house in the school, first played for in 1934 the trophy is full of history and the 2006 winning house will take its rightful place next to the schools past champions.

Activity	Dates	Drake	Frobisher	Nelson	Raleigh	Winner
Swimming Finals	22-Feb	40	20	30	50	Raleigh
Athletics	28th Feb	20	40	30	50	Raleigh
Tabloids	17th Feb	30	50	20	40	Frobisher
Touch Rugby jnr	11th - 13 th April	20	15	10	25	Raleigh
	Term 2					
Touch Rugby Snr	2nd-4th May	25	20	15	10	Drake
Haka	27th June	30	40	50	20	Nelson
Cross Country	11th May	20	30	40	50	Raleigh
Hockey Jnr	30th May 1st June	10	20	25	15	Nelson
Hockey Snr	13th - 15th June	15	10	25	20	Nelson
	Term 3					
Volley Ball Snr	1st-3rd August	15	15	25	15	Nelson
Volley Ball Jnr	25th-27th July	10	15	20	25	Raleigh
Basket Ball Snr	22nd 24th Aug	15	25	10	20	Frobisher
Basket Ball Jnr	8th -10th August	20	15	25	10	Nelson
Soccer Snr	Sept 5th -7th	10	15	20	25	
Soccer Jnr	Sept 12th 14th	10	15	20	25	Raleigh
	Term 4					
Rugby Snr	17th 19th October					
Rugby Jnr	10th 12th October	12.5	25	12.5	20	
		302.5	370	377.5	420	

Sports Fees

Winter sports fees are now over due. Some players have not paid their fees from winter codes and I urge you to ring the school office and check to see if your son's sports fees are up to date.

Sports Photographs

Sports photos were taken last term, and will be sent once all order forms have been received.

NEW ZEALAND REPRESENTATIVES 2006

1. Jonathan Coates NZ U19 Oceania Mountain Biking Team
2. Wade Mangham 2006 NZ U17 Mountain Biking Champion
NZ U17 Road Cycling Team
3. Kapurangi Gardiner NZ U16 Softball Team
NZ U19 Softball Team
4. Daniel Lee NZ U23 Golf Champion
World Junior Golf Championship - Third Place
NZ U14 Soccer Development Squad
5. Nikolai Molijn
6. Gary John Hill NZ U19 Golf Team
NZ U19 Maori Golf Champion
7. Jona Tuitoga NZ Schools Rugby Sevens Team
8. Chase Douglas NZ Secondary Schools Choir
9. Taitusi Natuna Fiji U19 Rugby Team
10. Maru Henry NZ U19 Waka Ama Team
11. Matiu Tekani McQueen NZ Squash Team - World Junior Championships
12. Devonne Mitchell Cook Island Open Men's Touch Squad
13. Karl Schultz NZ U17 Water Ski Champion
14. Duane Gordon NZ U15 Rugby League Squad
15. Codie Cowan NZ U15 Rugby League Squad
16. Anthony Pederson NZ Karting Champion
New Zealand Kart Team
17. Cameron Te Kiri NZ U15 Rugby League Team
18. Harry Simperingham NZ Indoor Rowing Champion
19. David Roe NZ Youth Water Polo Team
20. Peter Wharerau NZ U15 Kiwi Rugby League Team
21. Robbie Eastham NZ Winchester Shooting Boys Champion

2006 SCHOOL CALENDAR

TERM 4

November	Week 5	
	Mon 6 th	IGCSE Mathematics a.m.
	Tues 7 th	
	Wed 8 th	
	Thurs 9 th	
	Fri 10 th	IGCSE Mathematics pm
	Sat 11 th	
	Sun 12 th	
	Week 6	
	Mon 13 th	
	Tues 14 th	
	Wed 15 th	Junior Exams start
	Thurs 16 th	International Student Prizegiving
	Fri 17 th	Last day for seniors – issue exam entry slips at 2.00pm / Junior Exams conclude
	Sat 18 th	
	Sun 19 th	
	Week 7	
	Mon 20 th	
	Tues 21 st	
	Wed 22 nd	
	Thurs 23 rd	
	Fri 24 th	
	Sat 25 th	
	Sun 26 th	Junior Cricket (Y10) Tournament – Napier to 30th
	Week 8	
	Mon 27 th	NCEA exams begin Year 10 Camps begins
	Tues 28 th	10 A & B Science Exam Year 10 Camp
	Wed 29 th	Year 10 Camp
Thurs 30 th	Year 10 Camp	
December	Fri 1 st	Year 10 Camp
	Sat 2 nd	
	Sun 3 rd	
	Week 9	
	Mon 4 th	10 A & B Social Study Exam Year 10 Camp
	Tues 5 th	Year 10 Camp - Accelerate Trip to White Island (10A & 10B) – Sm, Sg, Hy
	Wed 6 th	Year 10 Camp
	Thurs 7 th	Year 10 Camp
	Fri 8 th	Year 10 Camps conclude
	Sat 9 th	
	Sun 10 th	
	Week 10	
	Mon 11 th	
	Tues 12 th	Junior Prizegiving
	Wed 13 th	
	Thurs 14 th	Senior Prizegiving & Leavers Lunch
	Fri 15 th	Teacher Only Day

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Teen Dive Camp

Do you want to take your kids Diving?
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“WORKING FOR FAMILIES” TAX CREDIT Message from Steve Chadwick, MP for Rotorua

Dear Parents

I am writing to all Schools in the electorate to let them know that the government has increased the income threshold at which families can receive tax credits. Many parents of children at your school may now be eligible for the Working for Families Package. Almost all families earning under \$70,000 per annum now qualify and many earning up to \$100,000 now qualify.

The assistance is targeted to income level and number of children so I encourage you to check out your family's eligibility as it would be such a shame for you to miss out. You may qualify for extra money through the family tax credit, a childcare subsidy or an OSCAR (Out of School Care & Recreation) subsidy.

To check you eligibility contact either:

<http://www.workingforfamilies.govt.nz> or phone Family Assistance 0800 227 773. If you are deaf, hearing impaired or find it hard to communicate by phone you can send a message to Deaf Link free fax 0800 621 621 or call NZ Relay on TTY0800 4711711.

“Every Child Counts”

Steve Chadwick
MP for Rotorua