



Rotokawa School

May 2025 Newsletter #2

CALENDAR

- 27 May - Noho Marae
- 28 May - CBOp Tackle 5's Qualifiers
- 28 May - EPro8 Teams (Interschool)
- 2 June - Kings birthday
- 10 June - School Cross Country
- 16 June - Matariki Week
- 16 June - Rural Cross Country
- 23 June - Teachers only day
- 25 June - Southern Chiefs Tackle 5s Top 4
- Even Weeks - School Assembly
- Odd Weeks - Hapū Competition / Matariki

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REMINDER

With the cooler temperatures setting in, students are needing their jerseys more often. We've noticed a growing number of lost or left-behind jerseys around the school. Please remind your tamariki to take care of their belongings and keep their jerseys in their bags when not in use. Naming clothing also helps us return lost items quickly. Thanks for your support!

TERM TWO WEEK 3-4

Kia ora e te whānau,

Next week is shaping up to be a big one here at Rotokawa School!

We're excited for our upcoming Noho Marae visit on Tuesday, where students will deepen their understanding of te ao Māori and strengthen their connections to our local history and tikanga.

Wednesday is packed with action – we have students heading off to represent our kura at Tackle 5's (notices will be going home soon), and our budding engineers will be taking part in the EPro8 Challenge, putting their creativity and problem-solving skills to the test!

With cross country also on the horizon, our tamariki have been putting in the effort to build their stamina and fitness. We're so proud of their determination!

It's a busy but exciting time – thank you for helping keep our students prepared, supported, and full of energy.

Ngā mihi nui,
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Pae Maia Bake Sale



Principal Award Winners



Congratulations to our Principal Award winners this week! These ākonga have stood out for consistently showing our school values through their learning, behaviour, and leadership. We are proud of their efforts and the positive example they set for others. Ka mau te wehi!

ROOM 2 LEARNING

Whaea Elle



This week in Room 2, we've been learning more about the Whakapoungakau ranges and have begun painting beautiful artwork to display in our classroom. It's part of our journey to deepen our understanding of our local area and its significance.

We also teamed up with Karamuramu to show our appreciation for the amazing support staff at our kura. Together, we created thoughtful cards and delivered small gifts to say thank you for all the mahi they do behind the scenes. It was a special way for us to practise manaakitanga and give back to those who help us every day.



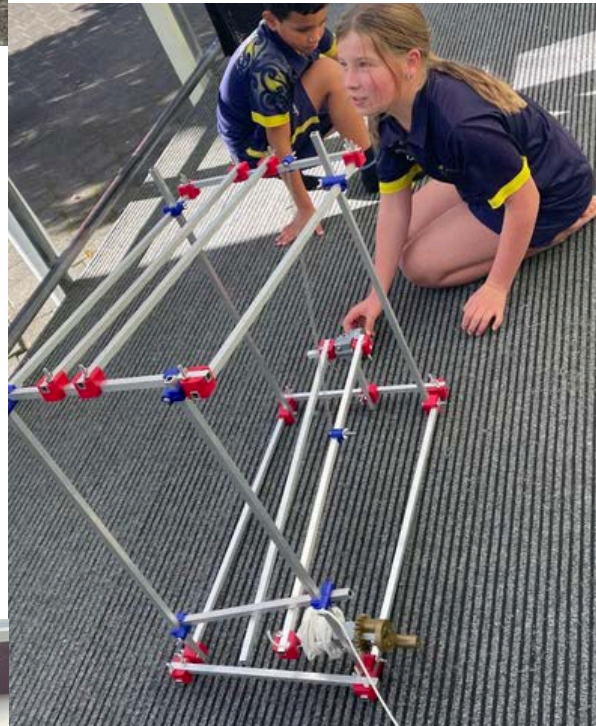
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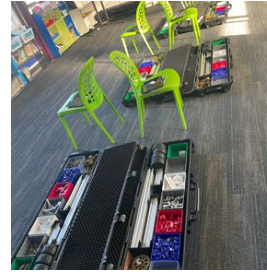
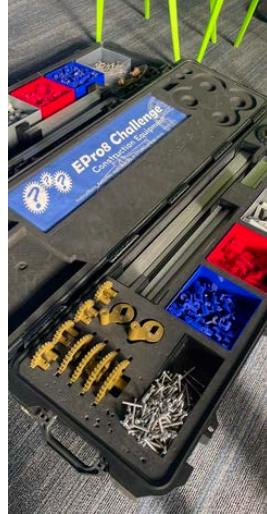
EPro8: Sparking Curiosity, Creativity, and Collaboration
This term, our tamariki took on the EPro8 Challenge — and what a buzz it created! From the moment they opened their kits, our students were off: building, problem-solving, testing, and rethinking their designs. You could feel the energy in the room — hands busy, minds ticking, voices buzzing with teamwork and ideas.

What stood out most wasn't just the clever contraptions they created (though there were some absolute masterpieces!) — it was the way our learners leaned into challenge. They experimented, failed, adjusted, and tried again. They encouraged each other, shared strategies, and celebrated the wins — big and small.

EPro8 reminded us that when students are truly engaged, the learning goes far beyond the task. It's about resilience, collaboration, critical thinking, and joy. We're so proud of how our ākonga stepped up — they truly showed what learning in action looks like.



And the excitement isn't over yet — next week, on Wednesday 28th May, eight of our students will be representing us at the interschool EPro8 final down at Rotorua Intermediate! We can't wait to cheer them on as they take their problem-solving skills to the next level.



ROKAWA EPRO8 - SCHOOL EVENT



Fletcher Adams and Kayley McMillan, two Te Miro MTB Club Members, are fundraising to race in Europe in five weeks. Fletcher is ranked 35th in the world, and Kayley is the current Oceania Champ.

For fundraising, Fletcher and Kayley are holding a skills clinic on July 5th from 10 am-1 pm at the Te Miro MTB Park. A group ride with Fletcher and Kayley will follow the clinic. It is open to all ages. Some skills that will be covered are cornering, race lines, drop-offs, and bunny hops.

The clinics are free, but Fletcher and Kayley would love a donation on their Give a Little Page:
<https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/europe-here-we-come>

To register for the Skills Clinic, please follow the link for the registration page:
<https://forms.gle/BgzXSaJ85AZbUcyE6>

SKILLS CLINIC

Fletcher Adams & Kayley McMillan are fundraising to go race in Europe by holding a SKILLS CLINIC

Followed by a group ride for those that are keen

DATE: Sat 5th July 10am - 1pm

VENUE: Te Miro MTB Park

AGE: EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Skills covered

Cornering, race lines, drop offs, bunny hops etc.

Theses skills will be covered in games & group ride

Click on link to register

<https://forms.gle/BgzXSaJ85AZbUcyE6>

FREE

PAYMENT

But we would love it if you could make a donation to our give a little page
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WEEKLY TRANSITION TO SCHOOL



Before School visits support children to develop relationships, become familiar with their new setting and get a feel of what school life is going to be like here at Rotokawa School. All learners transitioning to school are welcome to come in and see what our school and New Entrant class is about with our 'Transition to School Programme'.



Our Goal: 'To build positive relationships with the child, their family and the ECE centres in our community to ensure smooth transitions for children coming to Rotokawa School.'



Day:
Friday
Morning

Where: Room 5

Pop into the office and Whaea Talia will help you out.

Time: 8.30am onwards,
9.00am school starts,
10.30am-11.00am -
morning tea and
play break.

Children who are participating in a transition visit are welcome to stay for morning tea and play. Bring along your lunch box to join us.



How many visits: As whānau, you are best placed to know how many school visits your child may need. Visits can be discussed, so pop in and see us.

We endeavour to support teachers to visit your child in their ECE too, so please let your classroom teacher know which ECE your child currently attends.



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Ways to let us know your child is absent



Add an absentee on the Skool Loop app



Call the school 07 345 6129
Press 1 for the absentee line



Email the school
admin@rotokawa.school.nz



Text the absentee cellphone
021 087 68998