

Issue #7

2018

# Te Mātārere

*Rotorua Girls' High School*



2018 Top Scholar and Dux – **Te Ao Leach** (left) and  
2018 Proxime Accessit (Runner Up to Dux) – **Isobella Cook** (right)

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## *School Crest*

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- the crown is the symbol of loyalty to the Queen and to our country
- the rose, beautiful and elegant, symbolises care for our environment
- the lion shows strength and with paw outstretched is indicating friendship and peace in our school community
- the book represents knowledge and learning
- the kowhaiwhai pattern surrounding and encompassing these symbols represents the tangata whenua

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## *Across the Principal's Desk*

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***‘Titiro whakamuri, kōkiri whakamua’***  
***Look back and reflect so you can move forward***

The whirl-wind of award and prize-giving ceremonies is over. Senior students finished their NCEA external examinations on Friday 30 November. This is a key part of their learning journey towards tertiary education and / or their chosen vocational pathway. Our Juniors also completed their end of the year examinations and we hope that all of our students' efforts are realised and rewarded, as they embraced the opportunity these examinations brought.

Congratulations to Te Ao Leach who was named this year's Dux, and to Isobella Cook named Proxime Accessit. We are very proud of you both for achieving the Top Year 13 Academic Awards.

We also announced our 2019 Leaders, including Head Girl Atera Apirana and Deputy Head Girl Geraldine Atchico.

I know these two students will take on their leadership responsibilities with pride and dedication.

I want to thank our outgoing Student Leadership team, led by Head Girl Te Riri Williams; Deputy Head Girl Te Ao Leach. It has been a pleasure to see these young women thrive in their roles, and lead the school with passion and commitment. I know they have made a difference in the lives of our students, and have developed skills that will equip them for whatever path they choose next.

The following is my last Rotorua Girls' High School senior prize giving speech.

E aku rahi, e aku iti, e ngā karangamaha...

Five years and I have to ask myself, where did the time go? In the blink of an eye it seems, and here I am. Has it been easy? Of course not, but would I step up again to experience all that Rotorua Girls' High School has offered? Within a heartbeat.

As I turn the page on the final chapter of this part of my life. I ask myself as I have always asked throughout my 45 years as teacher and then principal - have I been enough in the moments that mattered? Was I enough to cause the shifts and make that difference for others? Finally, can my 'enough' springboard those around me, to be better than they know themselves to be? More often than not, these questions have inspired a new and often

greater pathway. I am rigorous with myself and I have come to realise that in every moment that mattered, I gave my all. It was enough because there is simply no more to give when you give yourself fully to what is before you. My five-year journey here at Rotorua Girls' High School is testament to that.

The 'enough' I have offered in my five years has always been about growing that part of you that is 'powerful beyond measure', remember you are brilliant, gorgeous, talented and absolutely fabulous!!!

It has been a remarkable journey. A journey evidenced by the growth in achievement at Year 9 and 10 through the Junior Diploma and also by senior students through NCEA. School spirit has grown and is heralded through our Te Ao values and reiterated through our House system. Moreover, student voice continues to grow through our various leadership platforms and student voice informed our learning programmes.

We continue to raise the bar in our Sporting endeavours. There are a multitude of standout successes that denote the tenacity of the young women and the passion and discipline required to succeed at this level. Netball, Basketball, Rugby, Waka Ama, Boxing, Ki o Rahi, Bowls, Touch, CACTUS – the list goes on as we meet the needs of the sporting aspirations expressed by our young women. We grow as the girls grow and I must also add my thanks to the many staff who have given countless hours to enable these expressions of greatness.

In the Arts, we witnessed the passion and joy for performance. Footloose was amazing and the hours that staff and students put in was demonstrated in each and every performance. Janaye Biddle-Kite, and the girls of Xecute took us to the next level in Palmerston North and brought back a national trophy! Spectacular and the beginning of a new legacy for our girls.

Culturally, we reiterate our strength through a sense of knowing who we are and where we come from. Raukura - National Champions, back to back title holders. This stunning group placed first in every single discipline in the top nine finals. I lay this accolade at your feet Whaea Laurelle and celebrate the support your sister Whāea Jaylene brought to this last national campaign and the work with Ngā Kōhine. I will never ever have enough of Raukura and the songs I will hum - albeit flat - well into the night.

Leadership opportunities were integral to the learning journey at our school and there is a multitude of evidence. Our student body team has been ably led by Te Ririū Williams, and Te Ao Leach. They along with Teina Cassidy, Ana Nagera, and Danielle Selwyn were our Young Achievers for 2018. Joining them has been a team of young women who have worked to build their own expressions of leadership, supported within a team environment. Nōreira, the legacy I leave is not mine alone. I want to acknowledge the pou that Ngāti Whakaue is for our school. Their commitment to us permeates every aspect of our school - it is in our results, our learning experiences and the connections we make with our students.

To my colleagues I acknowledge you for your contribution to this remarkable journey. To the Senior Leadership team - in five years the design of our team has changed. To Raewyn Krammer and Aramoana Mohi-Maxwell who have travelled this path with me often into the early hours of the next day - own the difference you have made, often in the face of adversity and know that I have appreciated your support and the contribution you have

made to our school community. “Kei pari/pari/ngia e te tai, ka monenehu te kura”. Though a goal may seem insurmountable; if everyone works together, we will succeed.

To the Board of Trustees, thank you for your guidance, commitment and dedication to the staff and the young women of this school and to Chris Nairn, the Board Chair - a PM Excellence Award for Governance. This is the acknowledgement of who you have been as a leader and your willingness to be innovative yet cognisant of the community that you have led. Kei tāwhiti koutou!

I gave all that I could to Rotorua Girls’ High School and now the timing is right to leave. I have a mokopuna who calls my name and has a head and heart full of questions. I want to answer him in the language that is his birth right so my passion for learning continues by returning to University to learn Te Reo Māori in a full year immersion course. My other mokopuna has a flair for drama and together we are going to dance and sing his way through every opportunity he finds himself.

I wish each and every one of you every possible success. Girls fill your world with amazing moments, make sure they are moments that matter and that they are moments that will help you find your way powerfully in the world. To the Year 13’s, we started together and we will leave together - ka pu te ruha, ka hao te rangatahi. It is your time to be that new net, cast out into the world to be a leader in the global environment.

It has been an honour and a privilege leading RGHS for the past five years. I take with me wonderful memories of fabulous students and staff and offer you all blessings for a joy-filled Christmas.

May you have happiness and peace

May you receive encouragement when new frontiers beckon.

May you respond to the call of your gift and find the courage to follow its path.

May warmth of heart keep your presence alight and may anxiety never linger about you

May your outer dignity mirror an inner dignity of spirit.

May you take the time to celebrate the quiet miracles of life.

May you experience each day as a sacred gift woven around the heart of wonder.

Ma Te Atua koutou e manaaki

Kia kaha

Kia maia

Kia manawanui

Tino arohanui

Ngā manaakitanga



Ally Gibbons

Principal. Justice of the Peace



### TOP ACADEMIC SCHOLARS

HUSTON TROPHY - Top Year 11 Academic Student  
(\$100 towards subject costs for 2019)

SUZIE RAVUDI

ANGUS AWARD – Top Year 12 Academic Student  
(\$150 towards subject costs for 2019)

KRISTIA PARA

Award to Head Girl

TE RIRIU WILLIAMS

TE RAU HUIA O HIKIHIKI

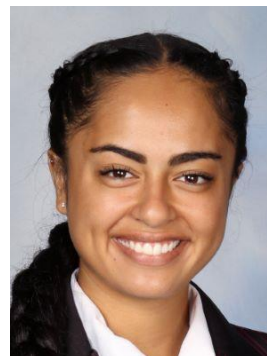
TE RIRIU WILLIAMS

Proxime Accessit (Runner Up) to Dux Trophy  
for 2018

ISOBELLA COOK

Top Scholar and Dux for 2018

TE AO LEACH



**TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIPS**

University of Otago Law	OCE – On Campus Experience (Maori Students) (Week 15 – 19 July 2018)	GEORGIA BROUWER
	Crimson NZ Scholarship Tutoring Grant \$20,000	TE AO LEACH
Auckland University	Top Achiever \$20,000	
University of Otago Health Science	Pacific Peoples' Entrance Scholarship \$10,000	ANA NAGERA
University of Auckland Bachelor of Law LLB/BA Conjoint Degree	Entry Level Scholarship Top Achiever \$20,000 (Accepting Akld Scholarship)	ISOBELLA COOK
University of Otago	Future leaders of tomorrow \$8,000	
Waikato University Bachelor of Arts in Maori and Indigenous Studies	Te Ara Whanui Scholarship	TE RIRIU WILLIAMS

**SPECIAL AWARDS****Faculty Trophies****ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY**

**MOYSES CUP (For Contribution to Digital Technology)**  
and Principal's Award

JASHIKA KUMARI



SENIOR ART PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN ART (for Painting, Photography and Design) - Photolife Camera

MARTINE OCANGAS

THE RAVE VISUAL ARTS AWARD (for Best Year 12 Student Sponsored by Rotorua Arts Village \$40)

KARARAINA PENE

ROBYNNE FENTON TECHNOLOGY AWARD (For Excellence in Senior Technology)

TE RIRIU WILLIAMS

TOI OHOMAI HOSPITALITY AWARD (For Excellence in Food and Hospitality)

*Year 12*

PRECIOUS JOIE BRAVO

NAFISA KHATOON

*Year 13*

JUVILYN HEATH

*ENGLISH FACULTY*

FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S AWARD AREA – (ENGLISH) - \$100 book voucher from the Women's Educational Trust

TAMAR FITZGERALD

SHEILA PEACOCKE CUP (For Excellence in Year 13 English)

ISOBELLA COOK

DRAMA SCHOLARSHIP (For the Top Drama Student – Year 12)

ANGEL HETA-NGAHURU

TESSA McMILLAN MEMORIAL AWARD (for the most creative writer, financial assistance with tertiary study \$250)

DAYTONA TE KOWHAI

*HUMANITIES FACULTY*

TRAVEL CAREERS & TRAINING TROPHY (Awarded to the Top Year 12 Tourism Student)

TE WAIWHAKAATAATA AORANGI



SIR GEORGE SEYMOUR TOURISM TROPHY (For the Top Year 13 Tourism Student)

CHANTE PAUL

CLEVELAND CUP (For the Top History Student)  
(Geoff to present)

ISOBELLA COOK

*MARAUTANGA FACULTY*

NGAROKITAWHITI ANARU MEMORIAL TROPHY (for excellence in the Māori Language) + Book

TE AO LEACH

TE WHARE PORA AWARD (Kohine Raukura)

TE AO LEACH

TAINI MORRISON TROPHY (For the top Senior Māori Performing Arts student in Year 13)

AROHA RAPANA

TE WHETU TROPHY (presented by Mrs Manutai Bennett) + Book  
(For Best All Round Māori Achiever in Academic and Cultural areas)

TE AO LEACH

*MATHEMATICS FACULTY*

THE RILEY GILBERT-BURNE CUP (For Most Promising Year 11 Maths Student)

TIANA KAPENE-HAMILTON

THE HAMPSON CUP AND AWARD (For the Outstanding Year 12 Mathematician)

JI YEON KIM

BARBARA CUMMING AWARD (For the top Senior Mathematician, \$500)

THU PHAN

*PHYSICAL EDUCATION FACULTY*

TOP SENIOR DANCE STUDENT TROPHY (For Commitment, Dedication and Passion in Dance)

KATARAINA RIRI

TRASK SENIOR DANCE POTENTIAL AWARD (For Dancer Showing Most Potential)

HUMARIA HIGGINS

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC AWARD (\$40 voucher)

TEINA CASSIDY

TAKI KO TE ATA AWARD

ALLANNAH TAPARA

*SCIENCE FACULTY*YEAR 11 SCIENCE AWARD (For Distinction in Year 11 Science)+ BOOK GIFT

SHEAN ATON

YEAR 12 SCIENCE AWARD (For Distinction in Year 12 Science)+ BOOK GIFT

KRISTIA PARAS

THE ROYAL SOCIETY AND AWA BOOK OF NEW ZEALAND SCIENCE  
(Top Year 13 Science Student) + BOOK GIFT

RAWINIA TE WHARE

## E-VOLCANICS

## 2018 KOREAN LANGUAGE AWARD

(for outstanding Performance at Year 11)

IREM AYDIN

GATEWAY AWARDS - EXCELLENCE IN THE WORKPLACE

## YEAR 12

KODI BALLER ANGEL

## YEAR 13

MARINA MOANA MCGARVEY

TRADE ACADEMY AWARDS -YEAR 12 2018 TRADE ACADEMY TOP STUDENT IN  
LEVEL 2 HAIR, BEAUTY & RETAIL COURSE

PAIGE LETT

YEAR 13 2018 TRADE ACADEMY TOP STUDENT IN  
LEVEL 3 CONSTRUCTION COURSE

BRITTANY COOTE

1. MURIEL COONEY MEMORIAL AWARD (Award to assist a Year 12 student  
with studies at Rotorua Girls' High School in 2019 - \$100)

TIAKIAWA REWETI

2. THE MANDY JANE PITT MEMORIAL TROPHYA student who always strives to do her best academically and culturally  
exemplifying the school values on a daily basis.

TE RIRIU WILLIAMS

**3. ANNETTE OAKLEY MEMORIAL TROPHY** (For all round excellence in Sports, cultural, academic excellence in Yr13 - \$200)

TE AO LEACH

**4. THE KRISTI-RAE RURI-GARDINER MEMORIAL TROPHY**

(Given in memory of Kristi-Rae who was killed in a car accident in 2010. Kristi-Rae had an outgoing, caring personality and was a very able sports woman. This trophy is to go to a like spirit and is nominated by the Year 13 students)

ALLANNAH TAPARA

**5. WESTEND NEW WORLD SCHOLARSHIPS**

(To assist students with their tertiary study in 2019 - \$2,000)

- Leadership / Academic (\$1,000)

TE RIRIU WILLIAMS

Leadership / Academic (\$1,000)

ISOBELLA COOK

**Celebrating Academic Excellence**

We congratulate the following recipients who received academic awards at the 2018 Junior Prizegiving on Thursday, 13 December 2018



**2018 Top Scholar and Junior Dux – Lexie Brothers (left) and 2018 Runner Up to Dux) – Rosemary Barron (right)**

**Year 10**

**ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL 10AKO PRIZELIST**

NICARDI	STEVENS	SECOND	DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY
		SECOND	FASHION AND TEXTILES
		DILIGENCE	ENGLISH
		DILIGENCE	INQUIRY LEARNING
		JCEA	EXCELLENCE
HAYLEY	CRESSWELL	FIRST	CHINESE
		JCEA	EXCELLENCE

JADE	MCCORMACK-BEVIN	FIRST JCEA	PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH MERIT
CHANTELLE	UERATA	FIRST JCEA	THEATRE PERFORMANCE MERIT
MANAIA	PEETI	FIRST DILIGENCE JCEA	WANANGA SPORTS PERFORMANCE MERIT
TAI-MIKAERE	UTUTAONGA-TAIT	FIRST DILIGENCE JCEA	MUSIC ART MERIT
ROSEMARY	BARRON	FIRST FIRST= SECOND SECOND SECOND SECOND SECOND JCEA	FASHION AND TEXTILES ENGLISH INQUIRY LEARNING MATHEMATICS PHOTOGRAPHY AND DESIGN SCIENCE SOCIAL STUDIES EXCELLENCE
LEXIE	BROTHERS	FIRST FIRST FIRST FIRST FIRST FIRST FIRST= JCEA	ART INQUIRY LEARNING MATHEMATICS PHOTOGRAPHY AND DESIGN SCIENCE SOCIAL STUDIES ENGLISH EXCELLENCE

#### ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL 10ARO PRIZELIST

VARDA	KORDE	SECOND SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE JCEA	SCIENCE MATHEMATICS INQUIRY LEARNING SOCIAL STUDIES EXCELLENCE
MAEA	HAY	FIRST= DILIGENCE JCEA	ENGLISH MUSIC MERIT

IRIS	PAUL	FIRST DILIGENCE JCEA	SPORTS PERFORMANCE MATHEMATICS MERIT
ISABELLA	SIMMONS	FIRST FIRST FIRST= SECOND JCEA	INQUIRY LEARNING SOCIAL STUDIES ENGLISH PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH EXCELLENCE
MARIANNE	FERNANDES	FIRST FIRST FIRST SECOND SECOND SECOND JCEA	MATHEMATICS PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH SCIENCE INQUIRY LEARNING MUSIC SOCIAL STUDIES EXCELLENCE

#### ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL 10AWHI PRIZELIST

EBONY	FARMER	FIRST SECOND JCEA	WANANGA FOOD TECHNOLOGY MERIT
ANJU	MATSUMOTO	FIRST SECOND JCEA	MATHEMATICS SCIENCE MERIT
HAYLEE	ROLFE	FIRST SECOND DILIGENCE JCEA	ENGLISH THEATRE PERFORMANCE SOCIAL STUDIES MERIT
DAEYAL	BIDDLE	FIRST SECOND SECOND DILIGENCE JCEA	INQUIRY LEARNING MATHEMATICS PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH WANANGA EXCELLENCE
TE AURERE	REWETI-WIPAKI	FIRST DILIGENCE DILIGENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES MATHEMATICS ENGLISH

DILIGENCE	PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH
DILIGENCE	SCIENCE
DILIGENCE	WANANGA
JCEA	MERIT

HELENA	DOU'BLE	FIRST	SPORTS PERFORMANCE
		FIRST	SCIENCE
		FIRST	PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH
		SECOND	INQUIRY LEARNING
		DILIGENCE	THEATRE PERFORMANCE
		JCEA	EXCELLENCE

### ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL 10MANA PRIZELIST

SHAYDE	TAYLOR	SECOND	INQUIRY LEARNING
		SECOND	PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH
		SECOND	SCIENCE
		DILIGENCE	ENGLISH
		DILIGENCE	MATHEMATICS
		DILIGENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES
		JCEA	MERIT

KHATANA	POHOIWI	FIRST	DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY
		JCEA	MERIT

MINDY	PRADITDUANG	FIRST	DANCE
		JCEA	MERIT

NISHA	TAWA	FIRST	FOOD TECHNOLOGY
		FIRST	SCIENCE
		FIRST	SOCIAL STUDIES
		JCEA	MERIT

RAIHA	MAHAKI	FIRST	MATHEMATICS
		FIRST	RUMAKI
		SECOND	ENGLISH
		DILIGENCE	SCIENCE
		JCEA	EXCELLENCE

LOUISE	OLIVER	FIRST	ENGLISH
		FIRST	PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH
		FIRST	INQUIRY LEARNING

SECOND  
SECOND  
JCEA

MATHEMATICS  
SOCIAL STUDIES  
EXCELLENCE

**ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL      10PONO PRIZELIST**

MYKAELAJH	PEEK	SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE JCEA	SPORTS PERFORMANCE SCIENCE SOCIAL STUDIES MERIT
KIMALYN	SMITH	SECOND SECOND DILIGENCE JCEA	SCIENCE WANANGA ENGLISH ACHIEVED
MATARIKI	ITI-WHITE	FIRST DILIGENCE JCEA	PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH INQUIRY LEARNING MERIT
TRELYSE	LINDSAY	FIRST FIRST FIRST SECOND DILIGENCE JCEA	ENGLISH MATHEMATICS SOCIAL STUDIES INQUIRY LEARNING PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH MERIT
DANISHA	TE KAAWA	FIRST FIRST SECOND  SECOND DILIGENCE JCEA	INQUIRY LEARNING SCIENCE PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH SOCIAL STUDIES MATHEMATICS MERIT

**Year 9**

**ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL      9AKO PRIZELIST**

CARLY	OHIA	SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	SCIENCE FASHION AND TEXTILES INQUIRY LEARNING EXCELLENCE
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HOLLY	ROPATA	SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	MATHEMATICS MEDIA STUDIES SCIENCE EXCELLENCE
ALICIA	SIGLEY	FIRST SECOND FCEA	ENGLISH SOCIAL STUDIES EXCELLENCE
LAHAINA	KIEL	FIRST FIRST FCEA	NGA MAHI A REHIA PHYSICAL EDUCATION / HEALTH EXCELLENCE
ROSANNE	FERNANDES	FIRST DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	SCIENCE ART HAUROA MATHEMATICS SOCIAL STUDIES EXCELLENCE
NATASHA	KIHI-MARSHALL	FIRST SECOND SECOND SECOND FCEA	MATHEMATICS ENGLISH INQUIRY LEARNING PHYSICAL EDUCATION / HEALTH EXCELLENCE
LILLI	HARRIS-DOBBS	FIRST FIRST FIRST FCEA	CHINESE INQUIRY LEARNING SOCIAL STUDIES EXCELLENCE
ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL			9ARO PRIZELIST
RAUKURA	RUHA-HIRAKA	SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	RUMAKI ART DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY MEDIA STUDIES PHOTOGRAPHY AND DESIGN EXCELLENCE
MEHAK	WALIA	SECOND SECOND	INQUIRY LEARNING MATHEMATICS

		SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	SOCIAL STUDIES ENGLISH FOOD TECHNOLOGY SCIENCE MERIT
BELLA-ROSE	WHARERAU- SKIPWITH	FIRST  FCEA	NGA MAHI A REHIA  MERIT
SHONDIVO	HURIWAI-BOYTE	FIRST FCEA	ENGLISH MERIT
JORGIA	KUMEROA	FIRST FIRST FIRST FIRST FIRST SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	INQUIRY LEARNING MATHEMATICS PHYSICAL EDUCATION / HEALTH SCIENCE SOCIAL STUDIES ENGLISH FASHION AND TEXTILES MUSIC EXCELLENCE
<b>ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL</b>			<b>9AWHI PRIZELIST</b>
CHLOE	ZLAHTIC	FIRST DILIGENCE FCEA	INQUIRY LEARNING FOOD TECHNOLOGY MERIT
HINEPUKOHURANGI	GILLESPIE	FIRST DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	SCIENCE FASHION AND TEXTILES NGA MAHI A REHIA ACHIEVED
LISA-RAY	TIOKE	FIRST FIRST DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	ENGLISH SOCIAL STUDIES ART DANCE INQUIRY LEARNING MEDIA STUDIES RUMAKI THEATRE PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE
TE AROHA	VERCOE	FIRST SECOND	PHYSICAL EDUCATION / HEALTH INQUIRY LEARNING

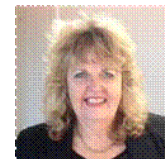
		DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	ENGLISH MATHEMATICS SOCIAL STUDIES MERIT
MARTHA	WHATA-LEEF	FIRST FIRST SECOND SECOND SECOND DILIGENCE FCEA	MATHEMATICS NGA MAHI A REHIA ENGLISH PHYSICAL EDUCATION /HEALTH SOCIAL STUDIES PHOTOGRAPHY AND DESIGN MERIT
ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL		9MANA PRIZELIST	
SHADAE	HARRIS	DILIGENCE FIRST DILIGENCE FCEA	MUSIC PHYSICAL EDUCATION / HEALTH INQUIRY LEARNING EXCELLENCE
AMIORANGI	MOHI	FIRST DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	RUMAKI MATHEMATICS SOCIAL STUDIES EXCELLENCE
ELIANA	EPAPARA	FIRST SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	NGA MAHI A REHIA SCIENCE DANCE FOOD TECHNOLOGY EXCELLENCE
NEILA	CURTIS	FIRST SECOND SECOND SECOND SECOND DILIGENCE FCEA	INQUIRY LEARNING ENGLISH MATHEMATICS NGA MAHI A REHIA SOCIAL STUDIES THEATRE PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE
ZARA	LE COMTE	FIRST FIRST FIRST FIRST SECOND DILIGENCE	ENGLISH MATHEMATICS SCIENCE SOCIAL STUDIES INQUIRY LEARNING DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

		DILIGENCE FCEA	PHYSICAL EDUCATION /HEALTH EXCELLENCE
	<b>ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL</b>		<b>9PONO PRIZELIST</b>
ARIANA	FERGUSON	DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY MATHEMATICS MUSIC MERIT
JADE	KIEL	SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	SCIENCE ENGLISH INQUIRY LEARNING EXCELLENCE
HINEMOA	RAUPITA	SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	PHYSICAL EDUCATION / HEALTH MEDIA STUDIES SOCIAL STUDIES MERIT
LEILANI	TEAGUE	SECOND SECOND SECOND SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	ENGLISH INQUIRY LEARNING MATHEMATICS SOCIAL STUDIES ART PHYSICAL EDUCATION / HEALTH EXCELLENCE
SOFIA	ROSSI-BAKER	FIRST FIRST DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	NGA MAHI A REHIA PHYSICAL EDUCATION /HEALTH FASHION AND TEXTILES THEATRE PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE
NADEA	YEE	FIRST FIRST FIRST FIRST SECOND DILIGENCE DILIGENCE DILIGENCE FCEA	ENGLISH INQUIRY LEARNING MATHEMATICS SCIENCE SOCIAL STUDIES NGA MAHI A REHIA DANCE FOOD TECHNOLOGY HAUROA EXCELLENCE

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## ***Student Support and Principal's Nominee Deputy Principal – Raewyn Krammer***

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CONGRATULATIONS to Geraldine Atchico (Year 12) who received a Scholarship from Otago University to attend their Genetics Research on Campus project during summer school from 13 to 18 January 2019.

This is a fabulous and well deserved opportunity for Geraldine, our second student this year to receive a on Campus experience this year.

Mrs Krammer - Deputy Principal - Student Support

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## ***From Across the Desks of the Year 10 and 11 Deans***

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### **Year 11 Dean - Ngaire Tepania**

Thank you all very much for the hard work and tremendous effort you have all shown these past few weeks. I know there have been many school and outside events that you are a part of which adds to the hectic pressure of your workload and expectations.

There are a few things to remember for the last Term of this year:

- Roman sandals are uniform for next term, you can wear Roman sandals with your new senior uniform
- Go and look at the new uniform for next year, try it on and see how it fits
- Study time is important - allow time each day to study in a quiet place.



## Year 10 - Janaye Biddle-Kite



### CHANGE OF YEAR 11 UNIFORM FOR 2019

In 2019 our Year 11 students will require the following uniform items:

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|------------------------|---------|
| • Senior Skirt (Black) | \$80.00 |
| • Navy Blue Tie        | \$28.00 |
| • White Blouse         | \$55.00 |

These items can be purchased from the NZ Uniform shop.

Students will continue to wear the maroon school jersey and the navy blue soft shell jacket, black roman sandals in summer and black shoes and black stockings in winter.

If you have any concerns please contact the Year 11 Dean for 2019, Janaye Biddle-Kite - [jbiddle@rghs.school.nz](mailto:jbiddle@rghs.school.nz)

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## *Learning Areas News*

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### *Humanities*

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#### **Maara Kai Project**

The Rotorua Museum Education Department have a vegetable garden behind the Children's Art House in the Government Gardens (that's the green house along Queen's Drive). Usually, they have primary and intermediate students come along and learn about Maori traditional gardening methods and then help plant. This year, they invited a couple of high schools to participate; in the end we were the only school that managed to make it on Friday, 2 November 2018.

I took five girls (Hayley and Te Aurere from 10 Awhi, Jade, Kaya & Rouge from 9 Pono); we learned about the maramataka (the lunar calendar), examined historic photos of

gardening, and learned how to prepare kumara for planting. Along with a team of museum staff and other community helpers, the students and I planted kumara, potatoes and yams.

Next year, the harvest from the garden will be donated to Love Soup, and the girls have been invited back to help harvest in about May. Thought this would be a great initiative for us to introduce here at school next year.

### **Beyond the Grave Project**

This project is to commemorate 100 years since the end of WW1. The museum instituted a project to help clean the graves of WW1 soldiers in Rotorua Cemetery. They spent several months planning this project with the RSA, the Heritage and Research team at Te Aka Mauri, and the Rotorua Lakes Council. All five high schools were invited to send four students along to help with the cleaning. I took Heriata and Tai-Mikaere from 10 Ako, and Alicia and Lili from 9 Ako.

We were there on Monday morning 5 November 2018, along with students from RBHS. Other schools went later in the day. After a karakia and discussion of respect in a cemetery and a brief history lesson on WW1. We were all issued with aprons, gloves, scrubbing brushes, buckets etc, and set to work clearing away moss and lichen from the headstones and berms.

The students all enjoyed the work and represented the school well. There will be a day of commemoration activities on Sunday 11 November 2018 at the Government Gardens if anyone is interested in going along.



## *Important Dates To Diary*

Monday, 21 January	School Office re-opens
Monday, 21 January – Thursday 24 January	Enrolments and Option Changes with Dean
Friday, 25 January	Teacher Only Day
Monday, 28 January	Auckland Anniversary Day
Tuesday, 29 January	Term 1 begins for all students-Pohiri for new principal Sarah Davis
Thursday, 31 January	Year 9 Meet the Teachers Afternoon
Wednesday, 13 February	School Class Photos
Tuesday, 19 February	School Athletics Day tbc; postponement day
	Friday 22 February
Wednesday, 27 February	School Swimming Sports Day
Wednesday, 6 March	10.20am Prefect Investiture and Top NCEA Scholars Assembly

### 2019 Term Dates

- Term 1 Tuesday 29 January - Fri 12 April (106 half days – 11 weeks)
- Term 2 Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July (98 half days – 10 weeks)
- Term 3 Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September (100 half days – 10 weeks)
- Term 4 Monday 14 October -Thursday 12 December (80 half days – 9 weeks)

### 2019 Public Holidays

- Waitangi Day 6 February (Wednesday)
- Good Friday 19 April (Friday) during school holidays  
RGHS 60th Reunion
- Easter Monday 22 April (Monday) during school holidays
- Easter Tuesday 23 April (Tuesday) during school holidays
- Anzac Day 25 April (Wednesday) during school holidays
- Queen's Birthday 3 June (Monday)
- Labour Day 28 October (Monday)



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