



Te Mātārere

Rotorua Girls' High School



**Creative Performing Arts Year 11 Theatre Class
who recently performed their Clown routines to
the juniors at Malfroy Primary School.**

Across the Principal's Desk



Friday 11 October 2019

Kia Ora, Rotorua Girls' whanau!

I hope that everyone in our school community are getting a chance to have a well-deserved break in these September/October holidays.

It has certainly been an action packed term. I hope that you are all able to have some time to reflect and recharge before the start of Term Four. This is a time to look again at what needs to be achieved in the few weeks the seniors have left at school, and before the junior assessment time for Years Nine and Ten. I know that most curriculum areas are offering extra support. Please ask if you need it, all teachers are here to assist in any way they are able.

Thank you for assisting with the communication around subject selections for next year. This year's option evening was well attended; pretty much all option forms are back so we can start constructing the 2020 timetable. Remember, if you have a change of mind regarding your 2020 subject selection evening, please put this request in writing to your year level Dean.

Term Three has seen huge success from our winter sporting and cultural codes. I would like to wish our Senior A Basketball team every success as they compete at the AA Nationals in Palmerston North this week. It has been a particularly long season for this team. I know they will be doing the school proud.

Well done also to Xecute, our dance troop who also competed at a national competition in Palmerston North last month. A massive thank you to the staff, Miss Biddle-Kite, Ms Donovan and Ms Morgan, who travelled down and looked after the girls.

Just a reminder that Senior Prizegiving will be held in the PAC at 5.30pm, November 5th, and NCEA externals start a few days later on November 8th. We will be getting information out to you regarding our junior assessment schedule at the start of Term Four.

Nga Mihi

Sarah Davis – Principal

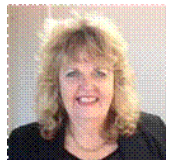
Email Addresses Needed From Parents/Caregivers

In conjunction with modern technology, our school will be moving towards communicating with parents/caregivers by email. To enable this to work effectively it is important that the email addresses which are recorded here at school for you are accurate and up to date.

It would be appreciated if you would let us know when you change your email address or provide us with one if you have not done so in the past.

We do realise that there are a number of families who do not have access to emails or the Internet. If you are one of these families, please let us know and we will endeavor to keep you informed by mail.

Student Support & Principal's Nominee *Deputy Principal – Raewyn Krammer*



NCEA ACHIEVEMENT:

We wish to congratulate the following ten students who have already passed their NCEA year level:

Level 1: (Year 11)

Level 2: (Year 12) Ashly Atchico (EVOL), Irem Aydin (EVOL), Casey Flavell-Campbell (12MAK), Denise Ruri (12TAI), Sophia Smith (EVOL), Gloria Tawake (12WIT).

Level 3: (Year 13) Geraldine Atchico (13TAI), Maia Kemp (13MAK), Raumati Lawsor (13TAI), Savana Paul-Kite (13MAK).

This brings our total of 28 students achieving NCEA at their level. We look forward celebrating further NCEA success in the next Bulletin.

NCEA FEES:

Payment of NCEA and New Zealand Scholarship fees in 2019 are for International Paying Students ONLY.

NCEA External Examinations:

The external examinations begin on Friday, 8 November 2019 and finish on Tuesday, 12 December 2019.

NCEA Final Senior Assembly:

Our final NCEA Senior Assembly will be held on Thursday, 31 October 2019 at 10.20am. Please ensure your daughter is at school this day to collect her examination timetable and admission slip and to meet our Examination Centre Manager – Mrs Colleen Walker.

NCEA Examination Timetable:



2019 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE					
DATE	TIME	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	SCHOLARSHIP
Fri 8 Nov	9.30 am		Physics	Business Studies	Calculus
	2.00 pm	Geography	German	Dance	Agricultural & Horticultural Science
WEEKEND					
Mon 11 Nov	9.30 am	Biology	Music	Media Studies	Accounting
	2.00 pm	Business Studies	Chemistry	Agricultural & Horticultural Science / German / Chinese	English
Tues 12 Nov	9.30 am		English		
Wed 13 Nov	2.00 pm	History	Te Reo Māori	Biology	Economics
	9.30 am	English			
Thurs 14 Nov	2.00 pm		Media Studies	Home Economics	Statistics
	9.30 am	Science		Making Music	History
	2.00 pm	Te Reo Māori / Art History	Geography	Chemistry	Te Reo Rangatira
CANTERBURY ANNIVERSARY DAY					
WEEKEND					
Mon 18 Nov	9.30 am	Chemistry	Chinese	French	Drama
	2.00 pm	Classical Studies	Health	Economics	
Tues 19 Nov	9.30 am	German	Biology	Geography	
	2.00 pm	Physics	Home Economics	Classical Studies	Japanese
Wed 20 Nov	9.30 am	Mathematics & Statistics			Biology
	2.00 pm		Drama	Physics	Art History
Thurs 21 Nov	9.30 am		Mathematics & Statistics		Classical Studies
	2.00 pm	Music	Accounting	History	French
Fri 22 Nov	9.30 am	Accounting		English	
	2.00 pm	Home Economics	Economics		Geography
WEEKEND					
Mon 25 Nov	9.30 am		History	Health	Physics
	2.00 pm	Te Reo Rangatira / Latin	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Sāmoan	Te Reo Māori / Latin
Tues 26 Nov	9.30 am	French	Business Studies	Calculus	
	2.00 pm	Economics		Accounting	Media Studies
Wed 27 Nov	9.30 am	Media Studies	Earth & Space Science	Drama	Chemistry
	2.00 pm	Sāmoan / Spanish	Japanese	Te Reo Rangatira / Social Studies / Psychology	Sāmoan
Thurs 28 Nov	9.30 am	Agricultural & Horticultural Science	Art History	Statistics	
	2.00 pm	Chinese	Spanish	Earth & Space Science	
Fri 29 Nov	9.30 am	Drama	Social Studies	Music Studies	Spanish
	2.00 pm	Health	Sāmoan / Education for Sustainability	Te Reo Māori / Latin	Chinese
WEEKEND					
Mon 2 Dec	9.30 am	Social Studies	Dance	Art History	Earth & Space Science
	2.00 pm		Classical Studies		German
Tues 3 Dec	9.30 am	Dance	French	Spanish	
	2.00 pm	Japanese	Te Reo Rangatira / Latin	Japanese	

☐ Assessment also offered digitally

Teaching & Learning
Deputy Principal – Aramoana Mohi Maxwell



Tēnā anō kōutou,

The end of the term is upon us and there is so much to celebrate and also focus on as we work with our senior students to make final preparations for their NCEA external examinations. Our school has been an exciting place to be in as our students' achievements showcase our commitment to *'experience success, experience tradition, experience education.'*

Our classrooms are alive and vibrant and at senior level, students are purposeful as they work towards the requirements of both internal and external Achievement Standards. The dialogue between student and teacher is anchored in learner outcomes. It is a reciprocal relationship - teachers and students alike must commit to the learning journey, and as we near the end of Term Three, we ask that whānau as our learning partners be just as purposeful in helping us achieve the academic goals that were set by your daughter/niece/mokopuna at the beginning of the year. Kia Kaha tātou!

Thank you to those of you who have shared your experiences and thoughts about our Behaviour Management System. If you would still like to share your ideas, please contact me via e-mail (amohi@rghs.school.nz) or by phoning the school (07 348 0156 ext 205) and please leave a message if I am not in my office. I will return your call. My final cut off-date for your feedback will be the end of the first week of term. Your ideas matter and that is also what informs our next steps - again, Kia Kaha tātou!

Term Four provides the opportunity to review and evaluate. There will be so many things to celebrate and it will also provide an opportunity for faculties to consider their next steps for 2020. I look forward to sharing our journey.

Whāea Aramoana Mohi-Maxwell

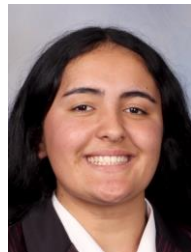
Across the Deans' Desks



Year 12 – Ngaire Tepania

YEAR 12 TERM 3

Congratulations to all the Year 12 students who have pushed themselves beyond comfort zones, fallen and stood up again, cried yet persevered, tried but failed - these things are all very important. However I believe, the most crucial part is how you bring yourself back into the right position for you. Being able to get back 'on-line' is what really matters plus who is there for you to help you stand up again.



Shay Tahana, has stepped out of her comfort zone to experience and join a fabulous group of people. She tells us about her fantastic experience.

What is the event you have been involved in and why?

I was fortunate enough to be selected for a kaupapa called Te Pōkai ao, which is a programme for students who are from Ngāi Tahu that exposes rangatahi to the ingenuity and old practices of our tūpuna in the field of mahinga kai. This programme gives Ngāi Tahu students the opportunity to learn more about the stories and tikanga of their iwi as well as an all expense paid trip to Hawaii to learn more about how the people of Hawaii apply STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) initiatives in their everyday lives to better their environment, their economy and their people.

How were you selected for this event?

You had to create a video addressing an issue that you believed was affecting our society and environment. Whatever topic you choose to address in your application video would be your topic that you would present at the last wananga in front of the boards of Ngai Tahu with the hope that they would help fund your plan. So for me I decided that our waterways are an area of concern that I wanted to bring awareness about and create better solutions.

What has been your most exciting experience so far?

Getting to meet your whānau from a different side of your whakapapa is very empowering and it makes you feel grateful while creating ever-lasting memories with your new whānau.

Who are your role models and why?

My nan is definitely my biggest role model and inspiration, and she has always taught me to always care for others and be grateful for the life you are given and what others had to go through to provide you with what you have. She was the

one person who told me to learn about my Ngāi Tahu side as she was brought up in the South Island for her childhood where she learnt those tikanga and I was brought up in Rotorua with the knowledge of my Ngāti Pikiao side. So without my nan, I would have most likely not applied for this opportunity.

What learning did you take from this experience that you will use in your Future pathway? From this experience I learned to have an open mind to what the world has on offer for you. You could be dead-set on a career pathway and then all of a sudden you realise you aren't that passionate for that type of career and you feel lost with what you plan on doing. I now have more knowledge about Hawaiian practices/ traditions, Ngāi Tahu tikanga and stories, as well as learning more about the fields of science and engineering.



At the palace of Liliuokalani



Formal dinner



Climbing up to the urupā
their tūpuna



Maahunui marae, where we of
learnt stories about the rohe



Loko'la fishpond



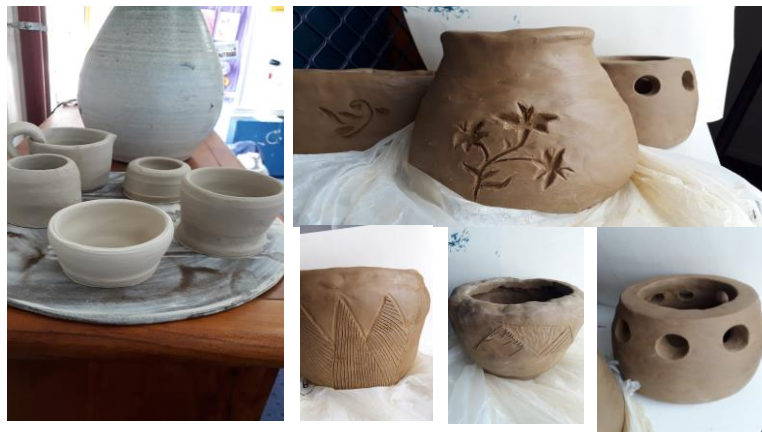
Testing water purity.

Curriculum Areas News

Art & Technology

Art and Painting

Year 10 Art have been learning to throw pots on the pottery wheel as well as making their own coil pots based on our wahine toa theme for Term Three. These will be left to dry out over the holidays and then fired next term in the kiln. The girls have had the best discipline and dedication about studio care and equipment management.



Year 10 Pottery: I am very impressed with Year 10's great attitude to the Visual Arts. These are works in progress and will be finished in a week.

Digital - NZAquabot Competition

Rotorua students have spent the past few months designing and building aquatic robots to take part in Rotorua's first NZAquaBots competition. People were invited to go along to the Rotorua Aquatic Centre on Sunday 15 September 2019, to watch the AquaBots complete a series of challenges and see who will be crowned the winner. This year we were fortunate to be a part of this first ever event where team 'RGHSBotz', from Rotorua Girls High School competed and placed 4th in the secondary school section. NZAquaBots is an underwater robotics programme for school-aged children in New Zealand. Teams are formed from Years 5 to 13 and aims to inspire students and help discover the next generation of Kiwi scientists and engineers while introducing potential engineering and robotics careers.

The 2019 Rotorua NZAquaBots Challenge consisted of three underwater competitions and a team presentation. The challenges are a test of how well the students design, build, and operate their NZAquaBots. The team presentation is a test of organisational and documentation capabilities which allows the students to showcase their design and demonstrate how well they can convey their engineering ideas and market their NZAquaBot. The challenges include completing the NZAquaBots obstacle course, a competition to retrieve the most balls, and finally, a competition called Te Arawa Navigation (Patiki Constellation). Panels of external judges from industry, government agencies and all education sectors, including tertiary level, evaluated each challenge to find the ultimate winner of the day!



Year 10 students Mehak Walia and Ngatokoitu Mare formed Team 'RGHSBotz'

Fashion

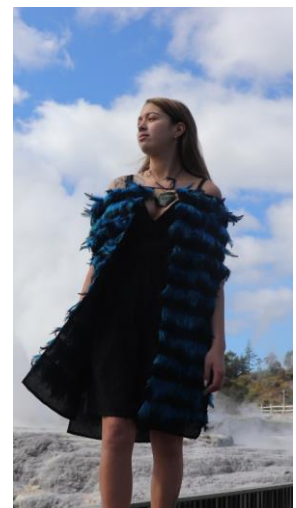
Year 10 students are in the middle of their quilt making projects.



Year 12 students have recently participated in a photoshoot at Te Puia where they got to model their finished garments in an authentic situation.

Wikitoria has created a summer dress with spaghetti straps, a gathered waist and lined bodice paired with a modern styled korowai.

Modelled by Wikitoria and Leane.



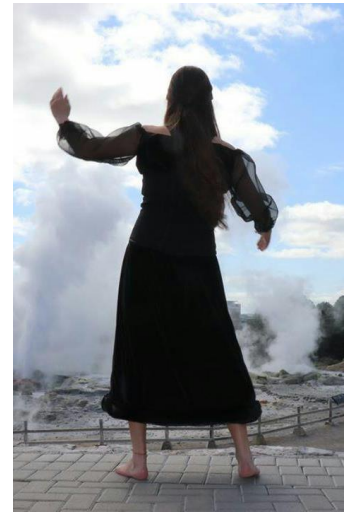
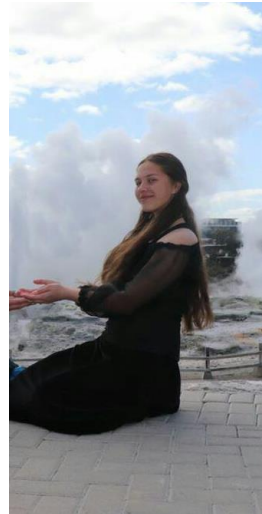
Sara has created an 80's retro inspired leisure suit. She worked with challenging stretch and satin fabrics to create her design.

Modelled by Leane, Mela and Anipātene.



Mela has created a fitted lined black bodice. This is worn over a velvet gathered dress with sheer sleeves and a fur trim.

Modelled by Anipātene.



Layla created a lycra fitted bodice adorned with feathers and a matching skirt. She worked with flax, jute string and dye to create her modern styled red harakeke piopio skirt.

Modelled by Te Rina.





Te Rina has designed a modern “little black dress” with an applied embroidery design. She has also created a modern stylised harakeke pake cape using flax, dye, jute string and feathers.

Modelled by Layla.

Creative Performing Arts

What’s Been Happening in Creative Arts?

Malfroy Primary Clown Trip



As part of their Theatre Form assessment, the Year 11 Theatre class performed their Clown routines to the juniors at Malfroy Primary.

The kids loved it! Balloons, red noses and cream pies fights all round.

Wicked Music Trip

Congratulations to our very own Laura Falconer for her part in Tauranga Musical Theatre’s production of “Wicked”. Year 11 Music students and some other lucky hanger-ons from Creative Arts, went over to the show in Week 9. It was spectacular!





Mr Red Light Theatre Trip

37 Theatre students travelled to Auckland to see an amazing new piece of New Zealand Theatre. Mr Red Light was an unpredictable watch, creatively using the context of a heist in a pie shop to explore all kinds of potentialities with the

characters involved. The writing was outstanding as were the physical gags from the talented cast. With nods to Kiwi culture and its inquiry into our identity, Mr Red Light gave theatre students plenty to write about for their up and coming exams. A fantastic trip.



Z Club News

This month we held a bake sale. Thanks to the ladies from the Zonta Club who contributed, it always adds some flair to the sale. We did a bake-off in the school kitchen the day before, plus the girls, Allison and myself bought cakes and biscuits from home. With all contributions, we made about \$300. We are happy with this as we now have the funds required to send to 'Classroom in the Clouds' to pay for a female teacher to go to the villages. We also have enough funds to support girls who have to go to Starship Hospital. This was one of the many wishlists that the girls mentioned at the beginning of this year.

We also had Claire Mahon come and talk to the girls about being a Human Rights Lawyer and her journey to be where she is today. Thanks, Claire, we all found your talk very inspirational.



We had our last meeting on Tuesday 23rd September, finishing with a shared lunch and choosing our Leaders for 2020. You may wonder why we finish at this time of the year, but it is all about Term Four being totally taken over by exams and leaving at the end of the year.

Sports News

Chiefs Cup Rugby Report

Having won the Baywide Secondary School Girls' Championship, we earned the right to represent the Bay of Plenty in the Chiefs Cup. This is where the top schools from the four Chiefs regions - Counties/Manukau, Waikato, Taranaki and the BOP play each other to find out who will represent the Chiefs at the National Top 4 Tournament in Palmerston North.

We drew New Plymouth Girls' in the first semi-final with Hamilton Girls playing Manurewa High School. On Saturday 24th August, New Plymouth Girls' travelled to Rotorua to play us. In a tough and physical encounter, which saw a season ending injury to the talented Casey Flavell-Campbell, we managed battle on and take the win 27-0. Try scorers - Rohakino Niupalau, Kimoana Niupalau, Casey Flavell-Campbell, Kishona Thapa Chettri and Kataraina Rauwhero.

Our next challenge was to travel to Hamilton to play National Champions Hamilton Girls' High School, who beat Manurewa 48-0. Despite playing our best, HGHS is a classy team and our season came to an end with a 65-5 loss. Hamilton went on to beat Manukura and Christchurch Girls' High School 57-7 in the final to claim their second National title. It does go to show that we are comparable with other top rugby schools and I am still really excited about the future, knowing that we are still a young team. The loss to Hamilton Girls' signalled the end of our season and the very last game of our three Year 13 leavers - Kataraina Rauwhero, Jasmine Hati and Wairua Lloyd. All three students were presented with a picture frame that included a citation and print of them in action on the field. We thank them for their significant contribution in growing the mana of our jersey.



Year 13 Leavers with their rugby citation - **Wairua Lloyd, Kataraina Rauwhero and Jasmine Hati**

On Thursday 26 September we held our Rugby Prizegiving to acknowledge all the players, coaches/managers and supporters of RGHS Rugby, both 15 aside and 7's Rugby.

The recipients of the awards were as follows:

- U15 7's Team: Koro Mark Future Potential Award - Matekino Kahukoti-Gray, Most Valuable Player - Mekura Papuni
- U19's 7's Team: Koro Mark Future Potential Award - Kishona Thapa Chettri, Most Valuable Player - Te Aomihi Paul
- Development Team: Most Improved Player - Carrie Rose Ripi, Koro Mark Future Potential Award - Jana Webber, Most Valuable Player - Honoria Williams
- 1st XV: Most Improved Player - Rohakino Niupalau, Koro Mark Future Potential Award - Trinity Nikora, Most Valuable Forward - Helena Dou'ble, Most Valuable Back - Wairua Lloyd, Most Valuable Player - Kataraina Rauwhero, Players Choice Award as voted by players, parents and supporters - Kataraina Rauwhero.



Left
U15 7's: MVP - Mekura Papuni
and
Koro Mark Future Potential -
Matekino Kahukoti Gray



Right:
1st XV: Most Improved Player
Rohakino Niupalau



Left
1st XV: MVP & Players' Choice Award
Kataraina Rauwhero



Right
Most Valuable Forward
Helena Dou'ble



Left
1st XV: Most Valuable Back
Wairua Lloyd



Right
1st XV: Koro Mark Future
Potential



Left
U19 7's: Koro Mark Future Potential
Kishona Thapa Chettri
MVP - Te Aomihi Paul

Right
Development Team:
Koro Mark Future Potential -
Jana Webber,
Most Improved Player - Carrie Rose Ripi,
Most Valuable Player - Honoria Williams



Finally, we also acknowledge coaches Jimi McLean and Marcus Lloyd who have stepped down from coaching. We thank them both for their involvement in growing the game at our school and for helping us to achieve amazing success. Under Jimi, we have won a National U15 7's title at the Condor 7's Tournament as well winning the North Island Secondary School U15 7's title in 2016 and 2017, followed by back to back Bay of Plenty Secondary Schools Girls' Titles in 2018 and 2019. We wish you both well.

- Carolyn Katu (TIC Rugby)

RGHS Basketball 2019

Our Basketball girls have gone from strength to strength this year under the guidance of coaches Sue and Darrell Pene.

They competed in the Bay of Plenty Junior and Senior Championships where our two Junior teams finished 1st in the A grade and 1st in the Prem 1 Grade. We also had two of our players, Hana Lacey-Rameka and Emmerson Webster, named as the MVP of both of these grades. Our Senior Prem team came runners up in the Senior Prem Grade, beating out some tough competition. Along with these achievements our Junior girls won the BBNZ Junior Prem team tournament held in Rotorua and our Senior Prem girls qualified to go to Nationals.

Our Basketball girls have been training week in and week out with our RGHS Basketball Academy, playing two games per week. They play in the local competition against local schools and our Junior and Senior Prem teams travel every Friday afternoon to play against teams in the Waikato Competition. The girls have benefited hugely from this opportunity and have displayed strong development in their game.

Our Senior A1 team is off to Nationals in Palmerston North in two weeks time. They have been preparing well and training hard under coaches Darrell and Sue Pene.

We also have a number of girls from the Basketball Academy who were selected for the Rotorua Reps

- U15 Girls A: Alyssa Webster, Carly Ohia, Hana Lacey-Rameka, Ariana Ferguson, Araha Edwards, Olivia Tahuriorangi,
- U15 Girls B: Emmerson Webster, Jade Kiel, Waimirangi Epapara, Hollie Kingi, Summer Brown,
- U17 Girls: Dekoda Roberts, Anania Tangohau, Nina Rutene, Teina Te Papa, Aimee Whata
- Rotorua Lady Geysers: Kararaina Pene, Grace McCarthy, Dekoda Roberts

We also have Araha Edwards and Olivia Tahuriorangi who have been selected for the Basketball Pacific NZ Koru Development tour to Australia in January 2020.

Players currently in the national programme are Kararaina Pene reserve for the NZ U17 Girls' while Carly Ohia and Hana Lacey-Rameka have been selected to trial for the NZ U15 Girls' this October.

Finally at the end of the year our Senior Basketball team is touring Hawaii. The girls have been fundraising and saving every cent to ensure they get to go to Hawaii to compete in the World Youth Basketball Tournament on Kona Island. The girls will also be visiting a couple of universities in Honolulu. Some are

hoping to follow in the footsteps of Pareunuora Pene and Awatea Leach, who are both attending colleges in the USA.

If you have any fundraising opportunities you would like our girls to be involved in please contact Puarito Jennings at RGHS
pjennings@rghs.school.nz

- Puarito Jennings (TIC Basketball)

Hockey

What a good season! Congratulations to all players, parents and supporters. We started in the B grade with our new uniforms, and winning that we confidently finished in the semi-final of the A grade at the close of the season. Many thanks go to our coach Jade Fleming who tirelessly steered the team in a happy and well-aimed direction.



We decided to go to National Tournament in Hamilton during September and play in the Kate Trovlove Cup. For this to happen we started fundraising, and with help from our parents we were ready to go. Many thanks and appreciation must go to Tammy Nichols, our wonderful manager, and to Analisa Fitzgerald, our assistant coach and referee. Happily, Analisa will coach the team next year.

Goodbyes must be said to our captain of two years, Liza van Rensburg, and players Geraldine Atchico and Beyonce Mudgway. All the best for University. Have a restful holiday and see you all next season.



- Caroline Beamish – (TIC Hockey)

Upcoming Important Dates

Monday, 14 Oct	Term 4 begins
Tuesday, 15 Oct	5.45pm Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, 22 Oct	1.00pm Arts, Sports, Cultural Awards in PAC
Wednesday, 23 Oct	2019 Rotorua Young Achievers Award Ceremony
Monday, 28 Oct	Labour Day – school closed
Tuesday, 29 Oct	4pm – 6pm Art and Tech Exhibition - Library
Tuesday, 5 Nov	5.30pm Senior Academic Prizegiving in PAC
Wednesday, 6 and Thursday 7 Nov	Study Leave for senior students
Friday, 8 Nov	Te Mātārere #7 online; NCEA Exams begin

2019 Term Dates

- Term 1 Tuesday 29 January – Friday 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 -Friday 6 December (78 half days – 8 weeks)

Year Level Deans Contact Details

If you have any major concerns, please contact your daughter's year level dean.

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Year 12 Dean	Ngaire Tepania	(07) 348 0156 ext 211	ntepania@rghs.school.nz
Year 13 Dean	Sarah Riley	(07) 348 0156 ext 221	sriley@rghs.school.nz
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Sports Co-ordinator



CAREERS DEPARTMENT NEWS

WHAT'S COMING UP FOR TERM 4, 2019

All students should keep an eye on the school year level Facebook pages for news on the many events and opportunities coming up! Other events will be notified VIA Facebook to students as they come in during the term.

27 September 2019	Halls of Residence Close for 1 st round applications.	Students can still apply after the closing date but will be put on a waitlist.
17 October 2019	Waikato University 2 nd round visit	For all students planning on attending Waikato Uni in 2020. Assistance with planning your papers for 2020.
24 October 2019	Trade Academy Graduation	Distinction Hotel 390 Fenton Street, Rotorua Please be seated by 9.50am. Invite RSVP to Mrs Oldman in Careers by Friday 18 October 2019

Year 13 Students should have their online Halls applications into the institutes they are planning to attend in 2020.

All programme applications are now open and students can apply now. Please come and see us in Careers if you need any help with your course applications.



STUDYLINK

Are you in your final year at secondary school?

Thinking about what's next and the best option for you when school finishes can be tough. To help with your decisions sign up for our updates.

www.studylink.govt.nz

Welcome to our fees-free update, bringing you answers to some of the most common questions.

If there's anything else you'd like to know, check out the FAQs on the [fees-free website](#).

Fees-free

Fees-free is managed by the Tertiary Education Commission (TEC). Students can check if they can get fees-free study at www.feesfree.govt.nz.

Students who are New Zealanders and will finish school in 2019, may qualify for a year of fees-free tertiary study or two years of industry training in 2020.

Find out more about the [eligibility for fees-free](#).

How to check if a student can get fees-free study

Students can go to www.feesfree.govt.nz and enter their National Student Number (NSN) to check. The majority of secondary school students should receive a 'yes - you are eligible' response.

If a student receives a 'we are not sure' response, they may need to provide further information to TEC. The fees-free website will let them know what they need to do.

How does a student apply for fees-free?

Students don't need to apply for fees-free.

Once the student has enrolled, TEC will check the student's details and if eligible, will pay the fees directly to the tertiary education provider or industry training

organisation. They can pay up to a maximum of \$12,000 incl GST per year.

Does a student still need to apply to StudyLink?

If a student only needs their fees paid they won't need to apply for a Student Loan unless their fees are over \$12,000.

If a student wants to apply for a Student Allowance or the living and course-related costs parts of a Student Loan they'll still need to apply to StudyLink.

If you've got any further questions you can check out the [fees-free website](#) or call the fees-free helpline on 0800 687 775.

The University of Otago is pleased to announce the launching of a new programme for first year Māori students.

Kia Ita University Preparation Programme is a six week summer school paper that will help prepare taurira Māori for life at university.

Kia Ita is a mix of lectures, workshops and social activities designed to have students hit the ground running.

They will learn new skills to kick-start their university journey, be inspired and welcomed here on campus.

Additionally, students will have the opportunity to meet our amazing Māori staff who will be there to support them every step of the way.

For more information visit <https://www.otago.ac.nz/maori/students/kia-ita/index.html> or email barlow.anderson@otago.ac.nz

UPGRADE WITH A TRADE EVENT



Year 12 students had the opportunity to attend an event to meet with local employers with potential job offers, both seasonal and full time, and work experience options. Students meet a range of 'real' employers as they speed meet each one in a semi-formal interview process. The event is a Ministry of Education/Youth Hub initiative.



ROTORUA GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL OPTIONS EVENING

It was fabulous to see so many parents, students and whanau at the Options Evening earlier this term. Our local tertiary providers were present to support the evening and talk about the many pathway options available to students as they continue their journey into the World of Work!

If you would like a copy of the *Future Pathways Booklet* please email Althea Oldman, Careers Advisor, for a copy and we will sent it out to you. We also hope to have the booklet available online on the school website.

Email: aoldman@rghs.school.nz





UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YEAR 13 STUDENTS

MoneyHub, a consumer finance website, has published a guide to hundreds of scholarships for any student planning to start university in 2020. The comprehensive list includes scholarships offered by every university as well as those specifically available to local students. A list of privately-funded, Maori, Pacific and International university scholarships completes the list. Applications close throughout the year, with tens of millions of dollars available. MoneyHub has also published a list of tips for scholarship success.

For more details and to find suitable scholarships, visit the [MoneyHub Scholarship page](#)

The scholarship page is free to use and always will be. Unlike GivMe, students can access the information at home and on their mobiles etc. We have published a number of tips for application success as well, designed to make the application process less stressful for your students.

ROTORUA DISTRICT CADET UNIT



Cadet Corps is a uniformed organisation for ages 13 to 18 years which provides military-based leadership, personal development and operational training including drill, first aid, land based navigation, land-based Search and Rescue, survival skills and weapons safety training.

Parade night for the RDCU is every Tuesday during school term from 6.15pm to 9.00pm at the Cadet Hall at 23 Geddes Road, Rotorua. If you are interested in joining you are welcome to come along to any Parade night.

To find out more information visit www.cadetforces.mil.nz or contact the Unit Commander Major N D Breen, NZCF on 0272910102.



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Thank you for choosing to support the Rotorua Girls High School Alumni Fund. Your donation will help build a bright future for the School - now and forever.

Rotorua Girls High School has established an Alumni Fund with the Geyser Community Foundation. Donations made to the fund will be invested by Geyser and the capital retained forever. Income earned on the capital will be made available to the School for charitable purposes every year once the fund reaches a minimum of \$50,000. To donate go to the Alumni Fund tab on the home page of the RGHS website.

The annual income could be used in a number of ways including for the benefit of students such as providing assistance to school students who are in need or suffering genuine temporary or long-term financial hardship. Income could also be used to provide scholarships and prizes, providing or improving sporting and other facilities at the School or promoting public health.

In applying the income from the fund, the School will take the wishes of the donors into account.

Giving back to the community – a new solution

The Geyser Community Foundation exists for the purpose of ensuring charitable gifts in the Rotorua and Taupo districts are managed as originally intended. Funds placed with the Foundation are invested and the capital retained in perpetuity. Every year the income earned on the capital is made available for charitable distribution.

This means that you keep giving forever and the total amount of the gift will, over time, far exceed the original capital donation. This is a very powerful way for individuals, families or organisations to provide long term benefits to their local community.

Find out more about the Geyser Community Foundation at www.geysercf.org.nz

Thank you.

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