



Te Mātārere

Rotorua Girls' High School

Congratulations to

**2019 Top Year 10 Student
Nadea Yee (right)**



**2019 Top Year 9 Student
Pounamu Roberts (left)**

Across the Principal's Desk



Friday 13 December 2019

Kia Ora, Rotorua Girls' whanau!

Thank you to everyone for what has been a stellar 61st year for our kura, Rotorua Girls' High School.

This term has finished with some celebration culminating with the Year 13 Leavers' Dinner and the Junior Prize Giving.

2019 has certainly been a year of change. I'd like to thank the RGHS community for the welcome that my family and I received. It has been just over 11 months since we left our home in the South Island and moved north. So much has happened for us since then, we have grown to love the forests and lakes and the proximity to extended family.

2020 has plenty of excitement with the indications right now of an increased roll, an expanded curriculum, and plenty of opportunities for teaching and learning.

Right now is a time for family, relaxation and rest!

Meri Kirihimete

Nga Mihi

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Davis'.

Sarah Davis – Principal



2019 Junior Prizegiving

On Thursday, 5 December at 9.30am we held our Junior Academic Prizegiving in the Performing Arts Centre (PAC) to celebrate the academic successes of our junior school.

Listed below are the recipients of our Top Scholars and Special Awards.

Junior Top Scholars for 2019

Nadea Yee	Top Year 10 Scholar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Achievement in Art, English, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies • Diligence in Digital Technology, Physical Education and Health • 50 NCEA 1 Credits
Pounamu Roberts	Top 9 Year Scholar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Achievement In Digital Technology, English, Food Technology, Music, Physical Education And Health, Science, Social Studies, Wananga • Diligence in Mathematics, Theatre Performance

Special Awards

Rangimahuta Renati	The Trask Junior Dance Potential Award Awarded to a student who shows potential In Dance
Alicia Sigley	Junior Drama Potential Award Awarded to a student who shows great promise in Theatre
Nadea Yee	The Junior Mathematician Award Awarded to a student who has shown an outstanding ability in Mathematics
Te Aroha Healey Forde	Heatons Technology Award Awarded to a Year 9 student who shows potential in the area of Technology
Leilani Teague	The Junior Technology Award Awarded to a junior student for overall excellence across the Technology Faculty
Raukura Ruha-Hiraka	The E H Whatarau Award Certificate for the most outstanding junior Maori Language student
Alyssa Webster	Nga Mahi A Rehia Award Awarded to a junior student for excellence in

	Performance
Honey Parker	100% Attendance For 2019
Pounamu Roberts	Year 9 Crafting Future Leaders - Academic
Arahia Edwards	Year 9 Crafting Future Leaders - Sporting
Matariki Mihinui	Year 9 Crafting Future Leaders - Cultural
Nadia Cooper	Year 9 Crafting Future Leaders – Arts
Hana Lacey Rameka	Year 10 Crafting Future Leaders - Sporting
Alyssa Webster	Year 10 Crafting Future Leaders - Cultural
Alicia Sigley	Year 10 Crafting Future Leaders - Arts
Nadea Yee	Year 10 Crafting Future Leaders - Academic

Upcoming Important Dates

Monday, 20 January	School Office re-opens
Monday, 20 January – Friday 24 January	Enrolments and Option Changes with Dean
Monday, 27 January	Auckland Anniversary Day
Tuesday, 28 January	Teacher Only Day
Wednesday, 29 January	Year 9 and 13 students; Pohiri for all Year 9 students, other new students and staff
Thursday, 30 January	Full school assembly for whole school
Thursday, 6 February	Waitangi Day – school closed
Friday, 14 February	School Athletics Sports Day - RGHS
Tuesday, 25 February	School / Class Photos
Friday, 28 February	School Swimming Sports at Aquatic Centre

2020 Term Dates

- Term 1 Tuesday 28 January – Thursday 9 April (104 half days - 11 weeks)
- Term 2 Tuesday, 28 April - Friday 3 July (96 half days – 10 weeks)
- Term 3 Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September (100 half days – 10 weeks)
- Term 4 Monday 12 October -Monday 7 December (80 half days – 8 weeks)

2020 Public Holidays

- Waitangi Day 6 February (Thursday)
- Good Friday 10 April (Friday) during school holidays
- Easter Monday 13 April (Monday) during school holidays
- Easter Tuesday 14 April (Tuesday) during school holidays
- Anzac Day 25 April (Saturday) during school holidays
Observed on Monday, 27 April
- Queen's Birthday 1 June (Monday)
- Labour Day 26 October (Monday)

2020 Year Level Deans Contact Details

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

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Yours sincerely

Sarah Davis
Principal



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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.

Your donation will help build a bright future for Rotorua Girls' High School – now and forever.