

# MOKOIA INTERMEDIATE NEWSLETTER



TERM 4 WEEK 6 | 21ST NOVEMBER 2024

## **MATUA RAWIRI'S SHOUT OUT**

Kia Ora Parents, Caregivers, and Whānau,

This week has been an incredible showcase of the talent, creativity, and community spirit that makes our school so special. On Monday evening, we held our Family Food and Fun Fair, and what a night it was! After the difficult decision to postpone on Friday, we were rewarded with beautiful weather and an unforgettable event.

This celebration marked the culmination of our students' 10-week inquiry into trade. It was amazing to see their hard work come to life through the unique products they created, engaging games they designed, and fun activities they planned. A huge thank you to everyone who came along to support us – it was heartwarming to see our whānau and community rallying around our tamariki.

I also want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the companies and individuals who generously donated goods or services to support the event. Your kindness and generosity are deeply appreciated and play a vital role in the success of these occasions. Please take a moment to check out our thank-you page acknowledging everyone who helped make the night possible.

To our incredible staff and students – thank you for your hard work, dedication, and passion. The success of this event is a testament to your efforts, and I couldn't be prouder of what you achieved.

Finally, I'd like to wish our Kapa Haka group the very best for their competition tomorrow. Their commitment, discipline, and enthusiasm have been inspiring, and this event is their chance to shine. We know they'll perform with heart, and we're already so proud of them.

Ngā mihi nui

Matua Rawiri and the "A" Team

We are limitless! We are passionate! We are Mokoia!



## KEY DATES FOR TERM 4 2024

### Term 4 Week 7

- Monday 25th – Ahurei Competition
- Wednesday 27th – Tarawera Trail K2
- Friday 29th – Super 11 Athletics Day

### Term 4 Week 8

- Monday 2nd – Te Hiwi o Toroa
- Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th – Alternative Education
- Friday 5th – Battle of the Houses

### Term 4 Week 9

- Monday 9th – Board Hui
- Tuesday 10th – School Prom
- Friday 13th – Prize giving 10am / **Last Day Finishing at 12pm**
- Monday 16th December – Teacher Only Day

**Want to see our full school calendar**

**Follow this link: <http://bit.ly/MokCal>**

## Art in our community

A few weeks ago our very talented art extension students had an opportunity to do some painting with Marc Spijkerbosch on the Puketawhero Park mural for the Rotorua Lakes Council.

They worked so hard on developing the design for the mural with Marc, reflecting on what makes our community a great place to be, and painted their absolute hearts out for five and half hours and still managed to have the energy to clean up without being asked. Whaea Fiona thought they were so gorgeous, grateful and considerate towards Marc.

Make sure you take the time to check out their beautiful artwork the next time you're there.

## KEY DATES FOR 2024

### Term 4

Monday 14th October – Friday 13th December  
Monday 28th October – Labour Day  
Friday 13th December – Last day of year  
Monday 16th December – Teacher Only Day

## KEY DATES FOR 2025

**Term 1** – Wednesday 29th January – Friday 11th April

**Term 2** – Monday 28 April to Friday 27 June

**Term 3** – Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September

**Term 4** – Monday 6 October – Thursday 11th Dec

## Celebrations

👍 Congratulations to all students who received a merit award this week.

👍 A huge congratulations to K3 who have completed the Tarawera Trail this week. Your attitudes and effort to complete the 17km hike were amazing.







## MERIT AWARDS - KĀINGA AKO

<b>Rūmaki</b>	<b>Eva-Deane Rangirangi-Tamati.</b> Ko te pareārohi, ko te patuki o te manawa ka whaia e koe I ngā tauira o te haka. Hoake.
<b>K3</b>	<b>Danni-Lee Heke</b> - Danni-Lee gets her award for her fantastic attitude on the Tarawera Trail. Alexandria Kolsen- deserves her award for helping around the classroom without being asked. Emma Salisbury- Emma has an excellent attitude in the classroom. She goes out of her way to be helpful and can be relied upon to do any task. Dane Pearson- Dane deserves his award for academic achievement. He has made excellent progress across all subjects this year.
<b>K4</b>	<b>Mia Crossley</b> - You have shown Upoko Pakaru and courage performing at the Family Food Fun fair. You did so well singing, we were all so proud of you. It has been awesome seeing you blossom and seeing your determination in your practising and performances. <b>Roxanne Coker</b> - For always being a good friend and being a good support person to a new student. You are always doing the right thing and constantly helps in our classroom. You are a kind, caring person and I am grateful to have you in K4.
<b>K5</b>	<b>Amber Van Schalkwyk</b> - You have composed a nicely written report about 'The Pink & White Terraces'. I hope you enjoyed the visit with our kainga ako to Te Wairoa and learned more about the Tarawera eruption in the presentation from Big Dave. Ka mau te wehi!
<b>P1</b>	<b>Mikayla Williams</b> - for writing a lovely poem about the Tarawera Trail. You have used your senses, included similes and metaphors and described it beautifully. Well done! <b>Harper Moore</b> - for showing perseverance, resilience and awhi during the Tarawera Trail. You showed real manaakitanga. Keep on being you.
<b>P2</b>	<b>Tamajah-Li Kinnaird, Sam Jensen, Eben Shaw, Logan Morgan</b> - For your dedication, hard work and the enthusiasm you have displayed this week for the Kapa Haka Regionals. I am incredibly proud of you and wish you all the very best for Saturday's performance. Kia kaha 😊 <b>Sam Jensen, Jack Bradcock, Taya Manuel, Macy Green, Natalya Loveless, Seth Watt, Charlie Cutforth, Ella-Jay Rangirangi, Chance Kemp, Charlotte Hodge, Payton Stephens, Alexander Jansen van Vuuren, Ollie Managh</b> - For the support and dedication you showed by working and carrying out duties on P2's stall Monday night at the Food and Fun Fair. Thank you so much, I appreciate you 😊
<b>P3</b>	<b>Caylin Von Loggenburg, Willow Taylor, Caitlin Barrett, Abbey Garden, Lucas Dakin-Hoy, Marlowe Alton, Andrew Lee, Ryan Stevens, Cameron Guest, Renada-Jay Clayton Kent, Parker Moulin, Reon Onekawa-Timothy, Jeht Bayly</b> - for doing a fantastic job of selling our delicious products at the Family Food & Fun Fair. You spoke confidently and welcomed lots of customers. You rock! Thank you. ❤️ <b>Layla-Rose Wiringi, Eden Revill, Aramis Challis-Hati</b> - For your dedication, hard work and the enthusiasm you have displayed this week for the Kapa Haka Regionals. I am incredibly proud of you and wish you all the very best for Saturday's performance. Kia kaha 😊
<b>P4</b>	<b>Ellie Smith</b> - for the effort you put into both your products for the Family Food and Fun Fair, and your support of the Sponge the Teacher booth by allowing yourself to get sponged. You have a wonderful spirit. <b>Emma Hay</b> - for the effort you put into both your products for the Family Food and Fun Fair, and your support of the Sponge the Teacher booth by allowing yourself to get sponged. You have a wonderful spirit. <b>Leana Gaugler</b> - for the effort you put into both your products for the Family Food and Fun Fair, and your support of the Sponge the Teacher booth by allowing yourself to get sponged. You have a wonderful spirit. <b>Jess Ward</b> - for the effort you put into both your products for the Family Food and Fun Fair, and your support of the Sponge the Teacher booth by allowing yourself to get sponged. You have a wonderful spirit. <b>Abbey Garden</b> - for the effort you put into both your products for the Family Food and Fun Fair, and your support of the Sponge the Teacher booth by allowing yourself to get sponged. You have a wonderful spirit. <b>Caleb Williams</b> - for the effort you put into the Family Food and Fun Fair, and your support of the Sponge the Teacher booth. Thank you for stepping up.
<b>W1</b>	<b>Evie Dove</b> - Well done Evie you have had a great week at school! You have worked hard in all areas of your learning and have been working hard to ensure that you are completely finishing your work to a high standard. Keep being you Evie!! Ka Rawe!
<b>W2</b>	<b>Erin Amon</b> - showed true leadership and hard work through our Food Fun Fair on Monday night. MIHARO koe Erin. <b>Auron Flintoff</b> - supported his stall and fulfilled his side of his duties for the Food Fun Fair on Monday night. MIHARO koe Auron. <b>Maiah Perkins</b> - A hard worker who greeted and welcomed all those who came and bought from their stall. KAI RUNGA NOA ATU Maiah!
<b>W3</b>	<b>Paige Harrison</b> - For your dedication and hard work in making our class stall a success at the food and fun fair, thank you. You not only stayed through the entire evening painting countless faces, but also crocheted over 20 octopuses, folded numerous origami pieces, and hand-sculpted an array of clay magnets to sell. Paige, you are truly a remarkable person. Your kindness and willingness to help others never go unnoticed. Please know how much your efforts contributed to the success of our stall and how deeply they are appreciated.
<b>W4</b>	<b>Anika Greyling</b> - For your hard work, dedication, and focus in all areas of your learning. Despite your busy schedule filled with numerous extra activities, you consistently stay on top of your work and deliver it to the highest standard. You are an outstanding role model and a true pleasure to teach.



# MERIT AWARDS - TECHNOLOGY

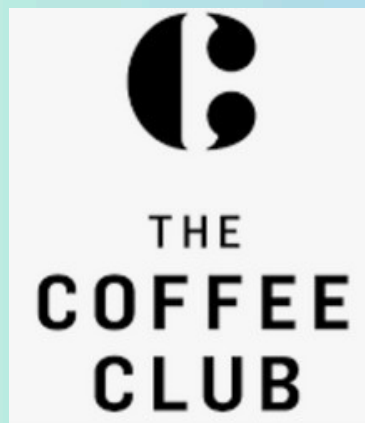
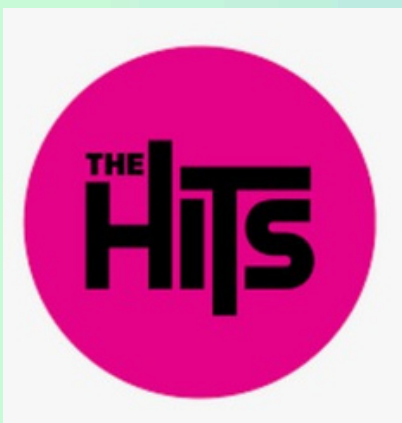
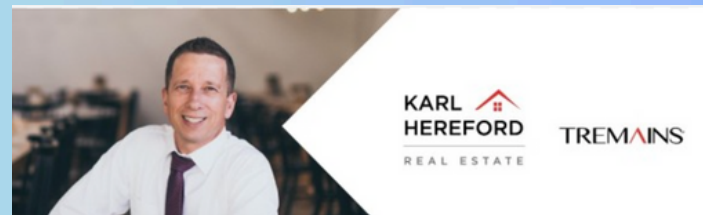
Food Technology	<p><b>Spencer Cooper P4</b> - Spencer, what an amazing term so far. I have thoroughly enjoyed watching you develop your cooking skills. I'm so so proud of your effort. Well done.</p>
Art/ Toi	<p><b>Caitlin Barrett P3</b> - Caitlin the painting that you are producing in Art is absolutely beautiful! You are such a thoughtful, hardworking and talented student. I can't wait to see what you create next. Keep shining bright!</p> <p><b>Ariana Anderson P1</b> - Ariana the thought and care that you put into your work in Art is fantastic! You have amazing skills and the painting that you are producing this term is absolutely beautiful. I hope you consider taking Art at High School! You are a star!</p> <p><b>Mia Prinsloo K3</b> - Mia the painting that you have produced this term is beautiful! Your artwork is unique and interesting, and you always approach your work with such thought and care. Thank you for quietly inspiring those around you!</p> <p><b>Ari Turkington K4</b> - Ari the perseverance that you have put into your painting in Art is fantastic! I loved seeing your excitement when you could see your skills improving and your hard work paying off. I can't wait to see what you create next. Keep up the great work!</p> <p><b>Baden Mcalpine K4</b> - Baden the positive energy and enthusiasm that you always bring to Art is fantastic! You are always one of the first people to support and encourage others in the class. Thank you for your kindness! He whetū koe!</p> <p><b>Trojhan Gene W2</b> - Trojhan the painting that you have produced in Art this term is fantastic! You are not afraid to explore new ideas, experiment and take creative risks with your work. Everything you create is so original and interesting. Ka mau te wehi!</p> <p><b>Ava Apitai W4</b> - Ava you are so talented, hardworking, and thoughtful in Art. The drawings and paintings that you have produced this term are excellent! I can't wait to see what you create next. You are a star!</p> <p><b>Samantha Webster W4</b> - Samantha I love the enthusiasm and energy that you bring to your work in Art! You are not afraid to experiment and take creative risks. You use colour beautifully and the painting that you have produced is fantastic. I can't wait to see what you create next. Well done!</p>







THANK YOU





**CHECK IT OUT!**



Monday 2nd December



9:00am until 2:30 pm



Mokoia Intermediate School

# Te Hīniro Tororo

Te Ahurei o te  
kapahaka

Ko ngā kura a te kahui ako  
ki te rāwhiti i Rotorua

Te Kura o ngā Moana.

Te Kura Takawaenga o Mokoia.

Te Kura o Ōwhata

Te Kura o Ōwhatiura

Te Kura o Rotokawa

and local ECE



## CAN YOU HELP?

The **10th Annual FILL THE BUS** is happening on **Wednesday 4 December**! This Hits bus will be visiting us to collect any donations to help fill the bus to help the Salvation Army Food bank continues to request help to assist those in need around Rotorua.

Over the next few weeks we are asking for any donations of cans and non-perishable food items. These can be delivered to the office between now and 4th of December when the bus is coming to Mokoia.



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**'Mauria te Pono - Keep steadfastly to the truth'**

## ROTORUA LAKES HIGH SCHOOL 2025 YEAR 9 SCHOLARSHIPS

In 2025 the following scholarships are available for Year 9 students:

- **Junior Academic Scholarship (5 available) - \$500**
- **Redstag Sports Scholarship (5 available) - \$500**
- **Junior Lakes Scholarship (10 Available) - \$250**

Application forms are available online on the RLHS website under the Student Services banner.

Follow the link: [RLHS 2025 Scholarships](#)

We invite applications from all enrolled students prior to 27th November 2024.

Online enrolment forms are also available on our website:

<https://rotorualakes.school.nz/>



**2025**

**ENROLMENTS  
OPEN NOW!**

**FOR ALL YR8 STUDENTS WISHING  
TO ATTEND RLHS IN 2025**

A prospectus pack can be collected from the RLHS office; this includes information about zoning, buses, uniform and the enrolment form to be completed.

Don't miss out, get in quick!



ENROL NOW:

Any queries, email the Yr9 dean:  
[hingstonh@rotorualakes.school.nz](mailto:hingstonh@rotorualakes.school.nz)

Or visit our school office

Or visit our website [www.rlhs.school.nz](http://www.rlhs.school.nz)



## CHECK IT OUT....

### New Zealand Traveller Declaration

Going overseas this summer? Everyone travelling into, or returning to, New Zealand must complete a New Zealand Traveller Declaration.

The New Zealand Traveller Declaration collects travel, customs, immigration and biosecurity information and aims to improve the safety and security of New Zealand. It replaces the paper card you used to fill out on the plane.

To make your arrival easier, do your digital declaration before your flight to New Zealand. It's free to complete.

If you're travelling as a family or group and completing multiple declarations, the NZTD app allows you to copy your travel details into another declaration, making it easier to complete multiple declarations for the same journey. The submitted declarations are then all easy to see within the app.

Head to [travellerdeclaration.govt.nz](https://travellerdeclaration.govt.nz) today!



## SCHOOL LUNCHES



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Friday**

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Take a break!**

<http://lunchonline.co.nz>



## !!IMPORTANT NOTICE!

**Lunchonline will not be  
taking orders from  
13/12/2024 to  
28/01/2025 for the  
following provider(s):**

- **Pita Pit Rotovegas**

**The reason for the  
blocked dates is: 2024  
Lunch deliveries finish  
12th December. 2025  
Lunch deliveries start  
29th January.**