



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term Three - 14 September 2023



## Focus on Learning

With the weather improving teachers are considering how to get the best learning from our 12 weeks remaining in the year.

Our professional learning has emphasised recently the importance of continually reviewing what has been learned so that it sticks. One of the ways we do this is called 'spaced retrieval practice' meaning that we deliberately space out opportunities to review and remember previous learning during a day, over a week, and over the year.

## Home Practice

You may have seen information come home from your child's teacher about opportunities for home practice. While our staff are committed to providing effective learning opportunities at school, additional practice at home will enhance student growth. If each parent listened to their child read - in the car, while making dinner, or sitting on the couch together for just 5 minutes a day - that would be 2750 additional hours of reading for our school.



When you do read with your child or listen to them read please ask them to read out loud, and if they get stuck on a word - remind them to sound it out - but if they've had a go at that, just tell them the word and focus on enjoying the book together. Also look out for ways to encourage reading throughout the week - suggest they bring a book in the car to read while waiting, when grandparents visit - read a chapter to them.

Looking for opportunities to practise basic math with your child will also support their learning. Early counting and basic facts can be practiced when washing the dishes, driving in the car, or counting steps when walking.

However, we understand that some days are more hectic than others, and home practice won't be possible every school day. We appreciate your support where you can and know every bit will make a difference for the progress of students.

## Donations and Activity Donations

Thank you to families that have been able to contribute so far. These contribute towards being able to offer additional support for students, running the pool, our resources, and upkeep of our grounds and facilities. The cost of our annual kahawrite magazine printing is paid for from these donations. A free copy will be distributed to families where they have contributed via donations. You can also purchase a copy by requesting one from the office at \$12 each by the end of term 3 (22nd of September).

## Well done to our intermediate hockey teams for a fantastic season which has just come to an end.

They showed great team spirit with players always willing to make up numbers in the other team when needed. Congratulations to The Kaharoa Gold Team which placed Runner-Up in this year's B Grade.



Kwik Sticks - Kaharoa Blue Team - Year 7/8



Kwik Sticks - Kaharoa Gold Team - Year 7/8



## Notices:

### Quick Survey - Planning for our Strategic Plan

Please answer this anonymous 3 question survey to help the Board, Leadership Team, and Teachers revisit our school strategic goals for the next three years. Due Wednesday next week, 20 September. [Strategic Plan Survey](#)

### The Kaharoa Basketball Great Shootout 2023

This years basketball teams have nearly finished the 2023 season. Next week we will be having a fundraising event for balls and uniforms for next year. You can sponsor your favourite player in the **Great Shootout 2023!** Watch them on Wednesday, 20 September at the end of the school day, to challenge themselves to as many hoops as they can shoot in 3 minutes!

Each basketball player will have an information/sponsorship sheet sent home with them today.

### Congratulations Harlestone!

**Harlestone Hartley** and his Ngongotaha U11's won the Central Bay of Plenty Rugby Championships, beating Whakarewarewa 63-12! A huge congratulations to Harlestone and the team!

He was also selected earlier in the year for a CBOP U11 representative team to face a touring Australian team the Manly Marlins and is now headed to Taupo this weekend to compete in the Global Games for a tournament against teams from all over New Zealand and overseas. Good Luck Harlestone!

### Kaharoa Kokako Trust

KKT is a local community group focused on improving the ecosystem in the Kaharoa Conservation Area. We welcome your help in this, and our special focus on kokako, long-tailed bats and rare plants. If you are interested in being involved, please contact us:

[kaharoakokako@gmail.com](mailto:kaharoakokako@gmail.com)

## What's on?

### 17 September

PTA's Kaharoa Cull Weigh-In, 11am

### 20 September

**Kaharoa Basketball Great Shootout 2023**

Straight after school, 2:50pm

### 22 September

**Last Day of Term 3**

**Whole School Assembly 2:30pm**

Basketball Court - parents & caregivers are welcome

### 9 October

**First Day Term 4**

### 13 October

**Ag Day**

### 14 October

**General Election**

Voting available at Kaharoa School

### 23 October

**Labour Day - No School Today**

### 26 October

**Year 5/6 Sports Exchange with Ngongotaha Primary School**

## Recent Whole School Emails

- Kaharoa Snapshot (sent 6 Sept)



### Basketball Champions! 🏆

Hot off the press... Congratulations to our Basketball team, The Kaharoa CrossUps who won the Rotorua Miniball League Intermediate Boys C Grade last night!

It was a close game with a score of 28-27. They played hard and were humble in victory. We can be extremely proud of them!

Thank you to coaches and manager and the parent helpers and supporters... we couldn't have done it without you!

### Upcoming High School Enrolment Events for our Year 8s and their whānau

(other enrolment events being offered by all local high schools can be found on our website):

[Rotorua Girls' High School](#) - **Open Evening** for prospective students and families at 5:30pm, Thursday 14 September.

[Rotorua Boys' High School](#) - **Open Day\*** for year 8 boys interested in attending in 2024 from 9am to 2:45pm, Friday 15 September. Please arrange your own transport for your son to attend the Open Day and let the office know they will not be at school that day via the school app or phone call.



## Community Notices:

### Glenholme School 75th Jubilee

1948 - 2023

20th October 2023



### Glenholme School 75th Jubilee Celebration 20th October 2023

This year we celebrate the 75th Jubilee of Glenholme School. The Jubilee will be a chance to celebrate our history. Past pupils, staff and board members are invited to join our celebration. There will be the opportunity to look through classrooms, share a lunch together and reminisce along with a Celebration Dinner.

To register go to [www.glenholme.school.nz](http://www.glenholme.school.nz) and click **Register** here. Registrations close on Monday 9th October.

### KCA Invites you to their Garage Sale

The Kaharoa Community Association (KCA) is hosting a [Community Garage sale](#) at the Kaharoa Hall on Saturday 7th October 2023, from 9am-12pm. This is your opportunity to have a spring clean and turn the no longer needed into some \$\$ for yourself or a cause. See our website for more details and how to book your table.

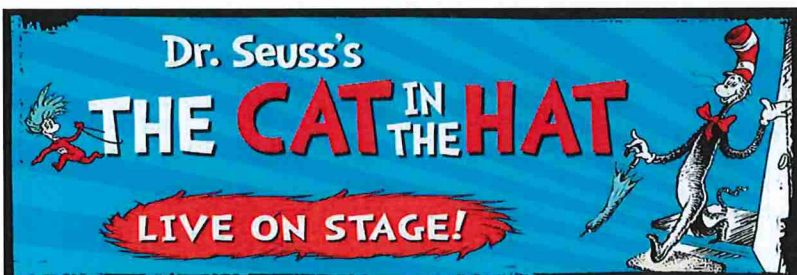
### Learn to play Badminton!

Rotorua Badminton Club offer [junior and youth badminton sessions](#) on Wednesday evenings 4-5:30pm during school terms at the Rotorua Badminton Hall, 24 Tarewa Place, Rotorua. Adult sessions also available.

### TECT Park Campaign

TECT Park have been running a campaign to gather community ideas for future development. If you complete their survey before 17 September, there are some prizes up for grabs. [TECT Park Campaign & Survey](#)

**Keep an eye on our website for community opportunities being offered. These will be shared either on the main homepage or the "Community News" page.**



### The Cat in the Hat - Live on Stage...

is coming to the Sir Howard Morrison Centre in Rotorua during the September school holidays!

For more information on the show, visit their Facebook page:

[www.facebook.com/Catinthehatnz](https://www.facebook.com/Catinthehatnz) or

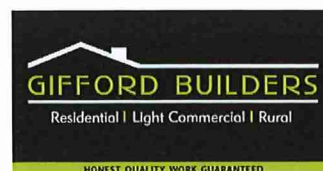
their website: [www.catinthehatlive.com](http://www.catinthehatlive.com)

## Please Support Our Sponsors

Click the logos below for more information about our sponsors.

If you're interested in becoming a sponsor and advertising your business here, please contact [sarah@kaharoa.school.nz](mailto:sarah@kaharoa.school.nz)

**blue hum**  
communication design





# Kaharoa School Events Fridge Poster

## Term 4, 2023

9 October	<b>Monday - Start of Term 4</b>
11 October	<b>PTA Meeting - 7pm.</b> Held at school. All welcome.
13 October	<b>Ag Day</b>
14 October	<b>General Election</b> Kaharoa School will be set up as a Voting Place.
19 October	<b>Preschool Visits in Room Kowhai for new entrants, begin for Term 4 - 1:20pm</b> For families who are enrolled to start and have made arrangements to attend with the school office.
23 October	<b>Labour Day - No school today</b>
25 October	<b>Targa Rally in the Kaharoa area</b> Possible road closures - more information will be publicised when available.
26 October	<b>Year 5/6 Students Sports Exchange, 11:30am</b> Students will join with Ngongotaha Primary School for a day of team sports.
30 October	<b>Kaharoa School Board Meeting - 5:30pm.</b> Held in the Boardroom, all welcome.
1 November	<b>Vision and Hearing Screening - Year 7 students</b> Our local vision and hearing nurses will attend Kaharoa to undertake screening of our Year 7 students.
3 November	<b>Gumboot Friday</b> - Raising funds to provide FREE and timely counselling for young people. Please encourage students to wear their gumboots and bring a gold coin donation.  <b>Wheels Day</b> Students can bring their bike, scooter or skates/skateboard to school and use their 'wheels' supervised during morning tea and lunch. Helmets and appropriate footwear (not gumboots!) required.
8 November	<b>Kaharoa School Athletics Day</b>
13 November	<b>Teacher Only Day - No school today</b> As per MOE allocation for new curriculum teacher Professional Learning & Development.
18 November	<b>Hamurana Flyer</b>
24 November	<b>Water House Sports</b> House Sports Day with a water theme.
27 November	<b>Kaharoa School Board Meeting - 5:30pm.</b> Held in the Boardroom, all welcome.
28 November	<b>Rotorua Boys High School Orientation Day</b> Students enrolled at RBHS in 2024 to attend for the day. Parents to arrange own transport.
29 November	<b>CBOP Athletics</b> Qualifying students will compete in the CBOP competition held at Rotorua International Stadium #3.
1 December	<b>Bus Monitor Reward Day - Rotorua Aquatic Centre</b> Bus monitors are invited to attend a fun reward day hosted by our local police.
5 December	<b>Sports Prizegiving and Volunteers Morning Tea</b> All coaches, managers, BBQ helpers, Friends of the PTA, PTA, and other volunteers are invited to a thank you morning tea which will be held after our Sports Prizegiving
7 December	<b>Student-Led Conferences</b>
11 December	<b>Reports due to go home</b>
12 December	<b>Year 8 Prizegiving and Graduation, 1-3pm</b>
13 December	<b>Meet the Teacher for 2024 - 9am</b>
14 December	<b>Thursday - Last Day for Term 4</b>