



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

There can be no doubt it is now autumn. As the cooler weather hits it is important to remind students to wear warm clothing - for our senior students a further reminder to wear to correct school uniform. Hoodies are not part of the school uniform.

A quick reminder that Friday March 22nd is a teacher only day. The final 4 weeks of term have Easter in them and we have a number of short weeks. Despite this our focus remains on learning and well being.

All the best to the Year 11's who along with Mr Kairaoi will be kayaking down Lake Roxburgh today and camping along the way. We hope the weather isn't going to be too cold.

Once again please do not hesitate to make contact with the school with any issues or concerns.



HEAD STUDENT'S REPORT

Hello, everyone! I hope you're all doing well and keeping warm as we enter autumn. RAS students have been very busy lately. at Taieri, golfing. Well done, Cooper, Caleb, Jess, and Trey have been playing Golf at Taieri Golf Club and all played very well! The junior school had their athletics last Friday, and we heard they had some great results. Thank you to the senior school for helping out with the junior athletics, it is very appreciated. The Year 11s are getting ready and heading away on the kayak trip on Thursday, where they kayak from Alexandra to the Roxburgh Dam and camp halfway. They have all been looking forward to the trip. At the moment, the Year 11s and 12s are going through a business plan in commerce, which they're working hard on. The Year 9s are back from Glendhu Bay, where they had fun; they are now getting back into their routine and catching up with their work that they missed. The junior school had a visit from a representative from the



Writers Toolbox, and they are all very enthusiastic about using this tool. The juniors also had their athletics last Friday, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

SPORT'S REPORT

Senior Volleyball

The RAS boys team travelled to Dunstan to play Wakatipu High School in a tough 4-1 loss while the RAS girls travelled to Cromwell and played MAC Black. The girls played well and played 5 close sets winning 3-2, well done girls. Tonight our RAS Boys have an away game in Cromwell against Cromwell Mixed and our RAS girls have a home game at 5pm against Dunstan. Good luck to both teams.

Senior Golf

On Monday 4th of March, Caleb Darling, Cooper Welsh, Trey Whitu and Jess McKerchar competed in the Eagles Intercollegiate Golf Tournament at the Taieri Lakes Golf club. Final results are not yet in but there were some mixed reviews from our players. Thank you to Bonnie Whitu for travelling with our team.

Senior Netball and Rugby

All year 9-13 students interested in playing netball for Roxburgh Area School and rugby for Dunstan High School please see Miss Tumai so we can get some registrations started.

Small School Swimming

Year 5-8 students will be attending the Small Schools Swimming Sports in Alexandra on Wednesday March 13th beginning at 11am. Everyone is welcome.

Teviot / Small Schools Athletics

Thanks to everyone who came and supported the students competing in Athletics on Friday. It was a great day with lots of fun and healthy competition.

Some students have been selected to compete in the Dunstan Zone Athletic meet to be held at Molyneux Park on Monday 18th March.

Below are this year's champions:

Teviot/Small Schools Athletics Champions 2024

Year 3 Boys 1. Bede Chisholm (OMK) 2. Brock Hinton (OMK) 3. Louis Lee (OMK)	Year 3 Girls 1. Daisy Milne (OMK) 2. Sophia Hickey (OMK) 3. Meadow Gazeley (RAS)
Year 4 Boys 1. Henry Querel (OMK) 1. Oakley Hinton (OMK) 3. Jack Dawson (MF)	Year 4 Girls 1. Mia Chamberlain (OMK) 2. Eden McPherson (RAS) 3. Jenna Jowett (RAS) 3. Grace Dougherty (OMK)
Year 5 Boys 1. Monty Anderson (PB) 2. Kit Moore (RAS) 3. Beau Gazeley (RAS)	Year 5 Girls 1. Pippa Kerr (OMK) 2. Ellie Kingi (RAS) 3. Olivia Gare (PB)
Year 6 Boys 1. Nico Lee (OMK) 2. Max McKenzie (RAS)	Year 6 Girls 1. Ella Anderson (MF) 2. Lucy Dawson (MF)

3. Jesse Chamberlain (OMK)	3. Bailee Wells (RAS)
Year 7 Boys 1. Nathan Arnesen (RAS) 2. Andy Beel (MF) 2. Finn Anderson (PB)	Year 7 Girls 1. Freida Garden (MF) 2. Teohorere Keil (RAS) 3. McKenzi Hamilton (OMK)
Year 8 Boys 1. Mayson Kingi (RAS) 2. Cullam Anderson (RAS) 3. Kale Richmond (RAS)	Year 8 Girls 1. Sophie Groundwater (OMK) 2. Hannah Dawson (MF) 3. Meg Kirk (OMK)

The Writer's Toolbox

This year, RAS is implementing a new writing programme - The Writer's Toolbox, after a successful trial with the Year 7 and 8 class last term. The system is based on the explicit teaching of specific writing skills, in a jargon-free and engaging way—from Year 1 to Year 11. The programme gets back to the important basics, with an emphasis on crafting a range of sentences with purpose and control, as a foundation for quality and confident writing across all subject areas.



Starting from Year 5, students will also have access to the online Writer's Toolbox, which uses educational AI to provide feedback on their writing. This tool measures a student's mastery in crafting a variety of sentences, using precise language, maintaining fluency, and exercising control over their writing. Importantly, it doesn't give them the answers, but it empowers students to take charge of their writing by putting

the editing and crafting decisions back in their hands. In tandem with classroom teaching, it is up to students to revisit their work and determine how to make improvements to increase their writing strength. Already we are seeing an impressive rise in student engagement and skill, so watch this space!

Any questions or to learn more, please contact Sarah Moore.

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www.writerstoolbox.com

Glendhu Bay Camp

At Glendhu Bay camp we did a variety of activities including, rock climbing, rock jumping, and lots of day swims. The head students, Caleb and Sienna, set up a variety of activities and challenges for us, one being the Glendhu Bay Challenge which included drinking a disgusting drink. We walked up Rocky Mountain which took about an hour and a half to get up, but the views at the top were worth it. We would like to thank Caleb, Sienna, Mrs Forbes and Mrs Miller for giving up their time to come along and help out. We all had lots of fun!
Kellan



Year 11 today, on their way on Lake Roxburgh.





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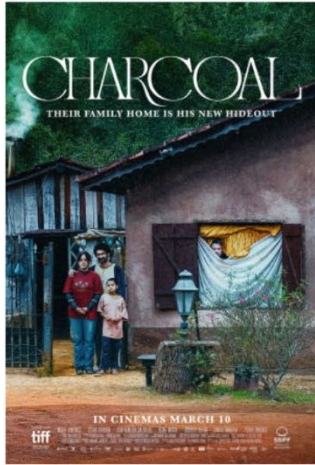
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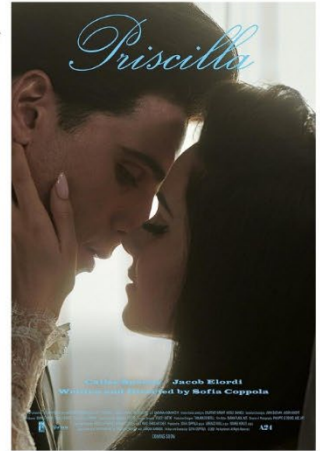
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Priscilla

Written and directed by Oscar winner Sofia Coppola and based on Priscilla Presley's book "Elvis and Me" When teenage Priscilla Beaulieu meets Elvis Presley at a party, the man who is already a meteoric rock-and-roll superstar becomes someone entirely unexpected in private moments: a thrilling crush, an ally in loneliness, a vulnerable best friend.



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