



TERM 1, 13th February 2025

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

A very warm welcome to the 2025 school year. As always Term 1 is incredibly busy. With swimming, athletics, school wide events and triathlons our students have plenty going on. With any school event we love to have whanau support at school supporting and celebrating so come on down if you have the opportunity. This Thursday afternoon we have Year 9-13 swimming sports.

I would like to welcome 5 new members of the teaching team. In the Primary area we have Ms Sophie Wispinski who is teaching in Rooms 2 and 5. We welcome back Mrs Nicole Snell from maternity leave into Room 5 for 3 days a week. Ellyce Kristel joins us in Room 1 for 2 days a week. In the Secondary end of the school we welcome Ms Hania Coll - she is teaching Science and Math. For the first time in many years we now have a specialist Technology teacher - Mr Clement Lind is here 2 days a week teaching Y7-10 technology. We are incredibly lucky to have such a talented and enthusiastic group join the team at RAS.

The beginning of every year brings a few issues as we all settle back into the routine of school life. If there are any issues you would like to discuss please do not hesitate to make contact with the school.



Room 1 sent the Roxburgh Volunteer Fire Brigade a large thank you card in appreciation for all their hard work last week fighting the Town Hall fire.



JD's World of Magic, came to entertain the Junior school today in the Gym.



SPORT'S REPORT

Term 1 is always jam packed so please take note of our following dates for senior sports/events. Friends and whanau please feel free to come along and support your students in the upcoming events.

Senior Swimming

Senior swimming sports for all year 9-13 students will be held at Roxburgh Pool on **Thursday 13th February** from 1 - 3pm.

Challenge Wanaka Triathlon

Meg Beaumont and Luc Michot are away to Wanaka on **Friday 14th February** for an Otago Secondary Schools Triathlon and entering as individuals. This is a 400m open water swim, 20km bike and 3.5km run. All the best for our students.

Central Otago Golf Tournament

We have a team heading away to the CO Golf tournament in Cromwell on **Monday 17th February**

Format: Competitive 18-holes (Teams of 3 with best 2 scores counted) 1pm tee off. Leaving school at 10am.

Central Otago Senior Volleyball Competition

Practices are underway for our senior boys and girls volleyball squads with the start date of the 6 week competition being **Thursday 20th February**. All the best to our teams in the upcoming competition.

RAS Triathlon

This has been rescheduled for **Monday 24th of February**. New Entrants - Yr 4 start at 1pm, Years 5&6 start at 2.10pm, Yr 7&8 start at 2.00pm and Yr 9-13 start at 1.45pm from the swimming pool.

Senior Athletics

Senior athletics sports for all year 9-13 students will be held on **Thursday 27th February** from 9am. We are excited to host the Lawrence Area School students for another year.

NEW BLACK SHORTS FOR SENIOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION

WHO NEEDS THEM?

All Year 9 - 12 students are required to wear the new black school shorts for Physical Education and all sport events.

COST & ORDERING DETAILS

Price: \$32

How to Order: All orders can be placed through the school office.

DEADLINE:

We kindly ask that all students be wearing the new black shorts alongside their navy Physical Education t-shirt by the end of Term 1.



Head Lice

There has been some cases of head lice in the school. Could you please check your children's hair. There is shampoo available from Highland Pharmacy.





Book School Interviews Online

Years 1-8 Parent-Teacher interviews will be held at the following times:

- 3:30pm - 5:30pm Tuesday 18th February.
- 3:30pm - 5:30pm Wednesday 19th February
- 6.00pm - 8.00pm Wednesday 19th February

Teachers: *Megan Kitto (Room 1), Belinda Milmine (Room 2), Nicole Snell & Sophie Wispinski (Room 5), Deborah Darling & Sarah Moore (Room 7)*

To book your interviews, go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code in your browser, and enter the event code **2w6c4** Then follow these three simple steps:



First enter your name, your student's name, and your email address.

If you need to book for more than one student, change the "Book for x students" setting, and enter the other student's name.



On the next page, pick the teachers you want to meet.

First select the Room, then choose from the list of teachers.



Then you'll see a timetable showing when your chosen teachers are available. Simply click on the times that suit you.

When you have finished, your interview timetable will be emailed to you. And you can return to the site and enter the event code **2w6c4** again to change or cancel your interviews.

If you don't have internet access or are having any problems booking, please call Debbie at the school office, (phone 03 4468460) who will be able to make a booking for you.

TERM 1 2025 (11 Weeks)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
Week 1	3 FEB First day of Term 1 for all students Full school assembly	4 FEB	5 FEB	6 FEB Waitangi Day	7 FEB		
Week 2	10 FEB	11 FEB Cricket Coaching	12 FEB	13 FEB Joel & JD's World of Magic - You've got the Power Show Y1-8 9.15am 9-13 Swimming Sports 11-3pm	14 FEB 9-13 Challenge Wanaka		
Week 3	17 FEB Swimming Lessons Y1-8 Senior Golf Tournament (1-5.30pm)	18 FEB Swimming Lessons Y1-8	19 FEB Swimming Lessons Y1-8	20 FEB Swimming Lessons Y1-8 Senior Volleyball	21 FEB Swimming Lessons Y1-8 Senior Touch (4-8pm)		
Week 4	24 FEB Triathlon 1.30pm	25 FEB	26 FEB Small Schools Swimming (Y4-8) Alexandra	27 FEB 9-13 Athletic Sports Senior Volleyball	28 FEB		
Week 5	3 MAR Eagles Intercollegiate Golf Tournament Dental Bus here	4 MAR Year 9 Camp Glendhu Bay (TM, HC)	5 MAR Year 9 Camp Glendhu Bay (TM, HC) Uni of Otago Visit Y13 2pm Small Schools Athletics - Y 1-8 @ RAS Sports Leaders W/shop (Yr 12)	6 MAR Year 9 Camp Glendhu Bay (TM, HC) Senior Volleyball	7 MAR Year 9 Camp Glendhu Bay (TM, HC) Small Schools Athletics P/P		
Week 6	10 MAR Yr 13 Bio to Portobello Year 8 HPV	11 MAR Yr 13 Bio to Portobello	12 MAR Yr 13 Bio to Portobello	13 MAR Senior Volleyball	14 MAR OSS Athletics		
Week 7	17 MAR	18 MAR Dunstan Zone Primary Athletics	19 MAR	20 MAR HPV Round 1 Senior Volleyball	21 MAR Teacher only Day - Ka hui Ako (RAS)		
Week 8	24 MAR Otago Anniversary Day	25 MAR Yr 5/6 Activity Day	26 MAR CO Primary Athletics Bannockburn Camp - Y5-6	27 MAR Bannockburn Camp - Y5-6 (DD, SW) Sexwise workshop Y9-13 (am)	28 MAR Bannockburn Camp - Y5-6 (DD, SW)		
Week 9	31 MAR Yr 12 Bio to Portobello	1 APR Top Bike	2 APR	3 APRIL School Photos - Class and Portraits Student Coach Workshop Senior Volleyball	4 APR		
Week 10	7 APR	8 APR	9 APR	10 APR Kapa Haka exchange Lawrence	11 APR Last day of Term 1		

BANANA BOXES

The School has a large amount of Banana boxes available if anyone would like to come and collect some.



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