



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We had another busy week onsite here at school with our small schools athletics day yesterday. Well done to everyone who competed and a huge thanks to the teachers for making it run so smoothly. Events such as these do rely on the goodwill of teachers and I am thankful we have such an amazing team here at Roxburgh.

A reminder to parents about attendance. This is a huge focus for the Ministry this year and we are required to follow new steps if students are absent for a set amount of days. A quick summary is if students are absent for between 5 and 10 days we are required to send a letter raising our concern. If a student is absent for 11-15 days a meeting with the school is now required. If a student has more than 15 days in a term absent from school we are required to involve outside agencies such as truancy services. This is not something we take lightly but situations where students are absent through choice such as family holidays during term time the Ministry insists these are followed up.

A reminder that there is a Teacher only day on March 21st. With camp for Years 5 and 6 coming up please do get the payment for this to the office ASAP - if there are any families with financial constraints please contact me directly as there are ways the school can help. Have a great weekend everyone.

Nga mihi nui

HEAD STUDENT'S REPORT

Hi everyone! It has been a busy start to this week, with lots of learning, creativity, and sports happening in the classrooms.

In Room 1, the students made popcorn, which was such a fun activity for them! They even have pictures of themselves with the popcorn on the walls, along with words that describe it. While learning about shapes and numbers, they have been getting really creative with how they explore these concepts.

The Year 5's have been writing stories about the worst injuries they or their family members have had, which was interesting to hear about. They have also just started preparing for camp at the end of March, which I'm sure they are super excited for.



The Year 2, 3, and 4 students have been learning about different words ending with -tch, -or, and -us. They have been having a great time expanding their vocabulary. They were also very excited for athletics on Wednesday.

The Year 7's have been reading journals and learning about the history of New Zealand. They have been getting very creative and making neurographic art, which looks amazing. We can't wait to come back next week and see their finished work. The Year 9s have been preparing for camp for most of the week, and they've been so excited about it. They left Tuesday morning for Glendhu Bay and will be gone until Friday. We hope you're all having a great time!

The seniors have just started their NCEA studies, and it's been a lot of work for them. They are adjusting to the increased workload, but they're tackling it with determination and focus. It's definitely a challenging time, but we're confident they'll rise to the occasion! It's been a week full of energy, creativity, and growth across all year levels. We look forward to seeing everyone continue to progress, and we can't wait to see all the amazing things happening in the coming weeks. Keep up the great work, everyone!

PTA MEETING
 There will be an AGM for The Roxburgh Area School PTA on Thursday 10th April at 7pm in the school Learning Centre. All parents are welcome.

SPORT'S REPORT

JUNIOR SPORTS REPORT

Teviot/Small Schools Athletics Champions 2025

Year 3 Boys 1. Lyric Taputoro-Tilyard (OMK) 2. Robbie McCorkindale (MF) 3. Hugh Matheson (PB)	Year 3 Girls 1. Bindi Milne (OMK) 2. Belle Taylor (OMK) 3. Lily Arnesen (RAS)
Year 4 Boys 1. Bede Chisholm (OMK) 2. George Savage (TAR) 3. Ollie Davidson (RAS)	Year 4 Girls 1. Frankie Pyle (PB) 2. Daisy Milne (OMK) 3. Sophia Hickey (OMK)
Year 5 Boys 1. Judd Paterson (OMK) 2. Tim Craigie (MF) 3. Jack Dawson (MF)	Year 5 Girls 1. Mia Chamberlain (OMK) 2. Eden McPherson (RAS) 3. Grace Dougherty (OMK)
Year 6 Boys 1. Monty Anderson (PB) 2. Harry McEwan (OMK) 3. Beau Gazeley (RAS) 3. Kit Moore (RAS)	Year 6 Girls 1. Ellie Kingi (RAS) 2. Charlie Ground (OMK) 3. Pippa Kerr (OMK)
Year 7 Boys 1. Nico Lee (OMK) 2. Max Craigie (MF) 3. Jesse Chamberlain (OMK)	Year 7 Girls 1. Lucy Dawson (MF) 2. Ella Anderson (MF) 3. Rhythm Taputoro-Tilyard (OMK)
Year 8 Boys 1. Nathan Arnesen (RAS) 2. Andy Beel (MF) 3. Thomas Hore (MF)	Year 8 Girls 1. Freida Garden (MF) 2. Teohorere Keil (RAS) 3. Macy Patscharis (RAS)

Senior Volleyball

The RAS Boys showed great teamwork and leadership in their recent match against a much-improved MAC team. Captains Max and Blake led with confidence, guiding their teammates throughout the game. Their composure under pressure and strong decision-making kept the team focused and motivated. As a result, the team secured a 3-0 victory.

Senior Volleyball Draw - Thursday 6th March

RAS Girls vs WAKA Senior B at 5pm - Please meet at the office at 3.05pm

RAS Boys vs WAKA at 6pm - Please meet at the office at 4pm

Golf

On Monday 3rd March, Jess McKerchar competed in the Eagles Intercollegiate Golf Tournament at the Cromwell Golf Club. It was a tough field of golfers, but Jess enjoyed her round. Results aren't yet in, but well done, Jess!

Senior Athletics

It was a fantastic day filled with strong competition between the students of Roxburgh Area School and Lawrence Area School. The spirit of sportsmanship and determination was evident throughout the day. Congratulations to all those who participated and well done to each and everyone of you for making the day a success.

Senior Athletics Champions 2025

	1 st Overall	2 nd Overall	3 rd Overall
Under 14 Girls	Crystal Skipper	Poppy Smith	Vanessa Weatherall
Under 14 Boys	Kale Richmond	Kaspian Knudsen	Braxton Roberts
Under 15 Girls	Kahtaralise Keil	Ruby Wells	Charlotte McNeish
Under 15 Boys	Jeremy Davis	Kellan McDowell	Noah Nichol
Under 16 Girls	Savanna Weatherall	Marissa May-Crawford	Ruby Smith
Under 16 Boys	Trey Whitu	Aidan Smitheram	Mayson McPherson
Senior Girls	Gabby Beaumont	Jessica McKerchar	Meg Beaumont
Senior Boys	Blake Buchan	Max Steele	Jude Moore

Athletics Special Mention

Jeremy Davis has broken the school record in the Long Jump for the U15 boys! The previous record was 4.73m, and Jeremy exceeded that with an impressive jump of 4.8m. Kudos to you, Jeremy, for setting a new benchmark! Jeremy is heading to the Otago Secondary Schools Athletics meet on Saturday 15th March. We wish him luck.

Representative Teams

Basketball - Congratulations to Blake Buchan for being selected for the Central Lakes Under 18 Basketball Team! This is a fantastic achievement and a testament to Blake's hard work, dedication, and talent on the court. Well done, Blake!

Volleyball - Well done to Blake Buchan, Max Seele, and Jess McKerchar for making the VolleySouth U19 Volleyball Teams after their trials in Queenstown! This weekend, they'll be heading to Invercargill for a tournament, and we wish them all the best of luck.



Small School's Athletics



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