

ROXBURGH AREA SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 30th April 2026 Week 2



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The preparations are ramping up for the Southern Area School Tournament next week. All of our Y9-13 students are involved in competing or helping out for the 3 days of the event. We have a whole school powhiri next Wednesday to welcome the 6 other schools with 150 students and 30 odd adults on site. I would like to invite you - our parents and wider community to attend events over the course of the three days and watch the amazing young people of the Teviot Valley compete.

Every term the Board reviews key policies that impact on the school. We have previously listed here login details for the new website we use that stores all of our policies. These are generated by Schooldocs and they tell us which policies to review over a three year period. The login details for all parents and students to look at the site are

<https://roxburgh.schooldocs.co.nz>

Username: roxburgh

Password: teviot

This term the board has reviewed the following policies - EOTC Governance Roles and Responsibilities, Education Outside the Classroom, EOTC Risk Assessment and Management, Swimming Off Site, Daily School Bus. Please feel free to login and review these policies as a parent or student. Feedback on what we do is always appreciated.

I look forward to seeing many of you next week.

Nga mihi nui

HEAD STUDENT'S REPORT

Hello everyone.

We're now into the second week of term, and it's been great to see everyone settling back into routines. There has already been plenty happening and we are really looking forward to the many opportunities ahead. Like the annual Area Schools Tournament which is being held here at Roxburgh Area School. This is a good opportunity for students to really show RIPPER Values and represent our school with pride.

Room 1 were so excited to see their ANZAC Ted's displayed at the pharmacy. They have also been learning about the ANZAC Parades. In Maths they have been matching numbers to shapes using small blocks. They also have exciting Mystery readers come in every Wednesday and Friday to read some fun picture books to them.

Room 2 has been focusing on writing and drawing pictures based on their pieces of writing. In addition to this they have been focusing on the *oi* and *oy* sounds, as well as practicing the Waiata that the whole school will sing at Area Schools Tournament.

Room 5 has been doing lots of planning for their upcoming writing test. They are also learning about tsunamis, how they are formed, and the damage that they can cause. In Maths they are doing the order of operations which seems to be a good challenge for them. Room 7 have been trying out a new website to practice their timetables skills.

They have also been reading a book called *The Ice breaker*, a non-fiction book, which

is about Sir Ernest Shackleton's 1914 endurance expedition. Room 5 and Room 7 have been doing lots of exciting preparation and training for their upcoming Ripper Rugby Tournament which the students are all very excited for.

The Year 9s and 10s have both been preparing their speeches that they will soon be presenting in English, their topic is, *If I Could Change One Thing* and we hope they all do well. In P.E both Year groups have been learning about human anatomy, which they have been working very hard on. The Year 10s have been busy with playing netball in P.E and in Science they have been learning about digestion. The Year 11s have been busy with assessments and are also learning about anatomy in P.E. The Year 12s have been writing methods in Biology and continue to do assessments in their classes. Some Year 13s continue to go to Gateway and Trades throughout the week, which they have been enjoying. It seems that everyone is working hard in their classes and getting used to being back into the school routine.

Meg and Iesha.

HEATED LUNCHES

Heated lunches have started. Please wrap in tin foil or oven proof container (no plastic), with name and room number written on in permanent marker.

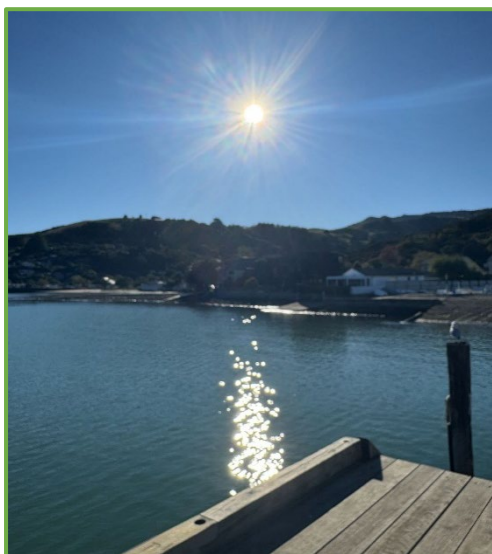
IRD TAX CREDIT YEAR ENDING MARCH 2026

Claim back from Inland Revenue 33% for any contribution or donation paid to the school for curriculum expenses (including camps). If you would like a receipt or information, please see Devon at the school office.

AKAROA LEADERSHIP CAMP

During the second week of the April holidays Cam and Ruby got selected to have the opportunity to spend the week at Akaroa Leadership Camp with students from Area Schools all over New Zealand. The camp is in Wainui, which is straight across from the beautiful town of Akaroa. Akaroa is around an hour and half drive from Christchurch.

Unfortunately on the drive up we did get to the camp late as there was an accident on the roads which had us sitting in the van, not moving for 3 hours! This was definitely a



test of patience for the students, as we didn't have much reception, in which we actually ended up just playing volleyball on the side of the road. Instead of arriving at the camp at 5:30pm we ended up getting there at 9:00pm.

Once we were actually at the camp we were split into groups with people from lots of different

Area Schools. These groups were who we were going to be with each day during our activities. At the start lots of our small activities were icebreakers to help us get to know one another. Over the next 3 days we got to experience lots of big



activities that were run by instructors. Some of these were, raft building, search and rescue, coastering, big swing and high ropes. These were all activities that we don't normally get the opportunity to have a go at, so we made sure that even if it was a bit nerve wracking and we were being pushed outside our comfort zones, we would give everything a go! We also got to spend a morning in Akaroa to just look around the town. One of our favourite activities was probably the coastering where we had to swim around rocks in the ocean and jump of large heights into water, everyone was super encouraging.

Overall, we were both really lucky to have sunny, warm weather which made the activities super enjoyable. We both strongly recommend considering applying for Akaroa Leadership Camp, you'll make awesome memories and meet lots of cool people! **Ruby Smith**

SPORTS REPORT

Netball Draw - 2 May

Netball begins for the 2026 season this Saturday. Remember short nails!! Have fun!

12.00	Teviot Gold (yr 3/4)	V Maniototo Lightning	Ct 8
10.00	Teviot Sparks (yr 5&6)	V Maniototo Magic	Ct 4
12.30	Teviot A (yr 7&8)	V Maniototo Steel	Ct MD
1.30	Teviot A (yr 7&8)	V Terrace Emerald	Ct MD
11.30	RAS B	V DHS 9 Ruby	Ct PB
12.00	RAS B	V DHS 12 A	Ct PB
12.00	RAS A	V DHS 9A	Ct NW
1.30	RAS A	V Envy	Ct NW

Central Otago Senior Basketball

Competition starts on Monday 4th May.

Our Girls team is hosting DHS Red on Monday at 5pm - Come along and support our girls.

Our Boys team is playing their game on Wednesday at 4.05pm during our Area Schools Tournament. You are more than welcome to come and support them during this game and for the entire tournament.

Central Otago Netball

Good luck to our teams playing and umpiring netball this weekend. It is grading day which means it will be a very busy day for all involved.

Roxburgh Rugby Club

Year 3

Our first year tacklers have their very first game this afternoon and we are very excited to watch them grow over the season.

Roxburgh Roosters v Alexandra Armadillos

4:30pm

Molyneux Park

If you are in Alex, come along and support our budding players.

Year 0,1&2

Rippa Rugby started on Friday night for our Roxburgh/Millers Flat teams. It is

awesome to have so much interest in this sport for our youngest players. Both teams learned did extremely well and our older players worked really well with our first timers. Congratulations to the following who got awards.

Roxburgh Player of the day Tumanako Whitu

Roxburgh Coaches award Miller Sparrow

Millers Flat Player of the day Tukaha Moore

Millers Flat Coaches award Harriet Wood

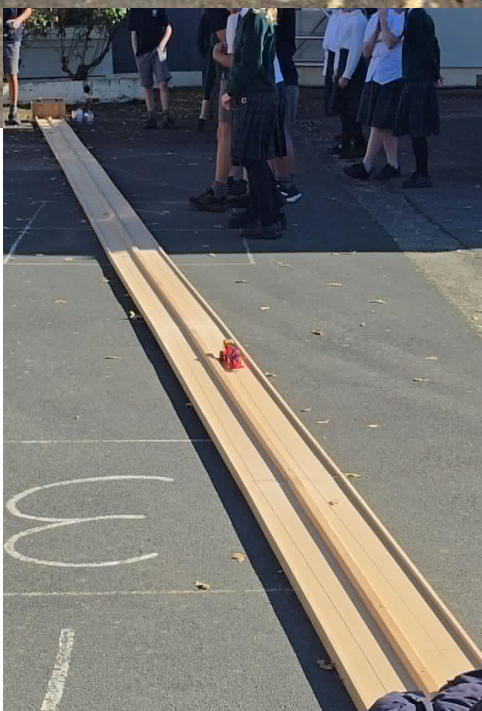
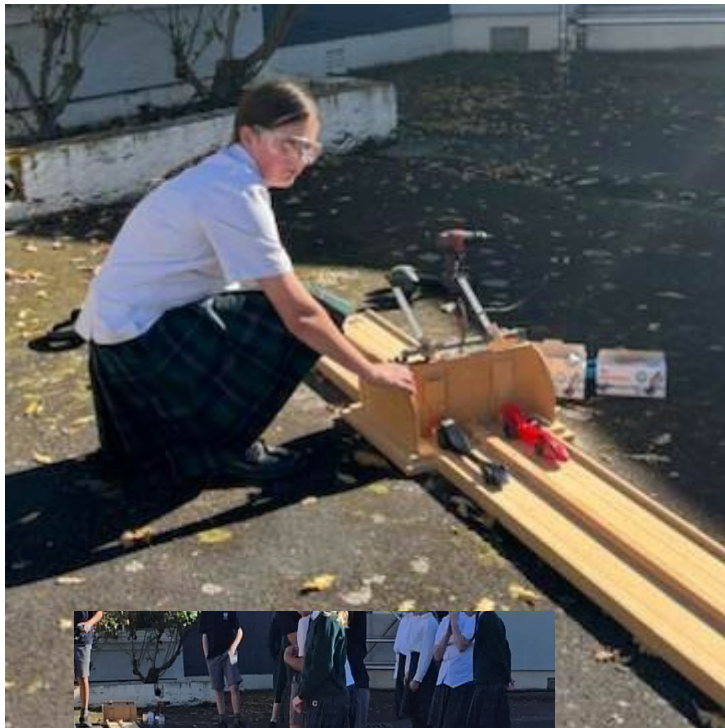
4:15pm Tap-off in Tapanui this Friday.

Southern Area Schools Tournament

This is just around the corner and there has been a lot of preparation going into this tournament by all students and staff. Please come along when you can to support our students and our visiting schools and help to create an awesome and positive experience for all.

We would like to thank our community for your generosity over these three days. Our Hosts, the people who have donated their time and expertise whether its medical advisor, referees, sport coordinators and coaches. It truly does make this tournament run smoothly. A full community effort.

Please see timetable below.



The Year 9 & 10 Technology class are learning about aerodynamics and material properties. They designed CO2 Rocket cars and tried them out today with great success.



**Southern Area Schools Tournament
Timetable
Wednesday 6th - Friday 8th May 2026**

Wednesday 6th May	Thursday 7th May	Friday 8th May
<p>10.30am Visiting schools arrive, assemble outside gym at 10.50am</p> <p>11am Powhiri & opening ceremony - RAS gym</p> <p>12pm - 3pm</p> <p>Girls Basketball - RAS gym Mixed Football - RAS Field Rugby Trial - Roxburgh Rugby Club Quiz - Whare</p> <p>3pm - 5pm</p> <p>Boys Basketball - RAS Gym Mixed Ki-o-Rahi - RAS Field Petanque / cornhole - Mini Field</p> <p>5.45pm - Host families collect billets</p> <p>6.30pm MEAL - staff</p>	<p>8.30am - Students assemble in home rooms</p> <p>9am - 12.30pm</p> <p>Netball - RAS courts <i>Followed by Trial</i> Boys Volleyball - RAS Gym Claybird Shooting - Gun Club</p> <p>1.00pm - 4.00pm</p> <p>Boys Netball - RAS Courts Girls Volleyball - RAS Gym Card games / chess - Whare</p> <p>4.30pm Host families collect billets</p> <p>7.00pm - 9.00pm "2000's" themed Social at RAS gym</p>	<p>8.30am - students assemble in home rooms</p> <p>9.00am - 11.00am</p> <p>Mixed Rippa Rugby - RAS Field Mixed Badminton - RAS Gym Pickleball - RAS Courts</p> <p>11.30am - Closing ceremony and farewell</p>

Pulse Well-being survey - Report to parents on 2025 data

Our Year 5 - 13 students took part in the Pulse Well-being weekly survey from May until December 2025.

Well-being question (How are you feeling this week?) 0= I need help 1=Feeling great

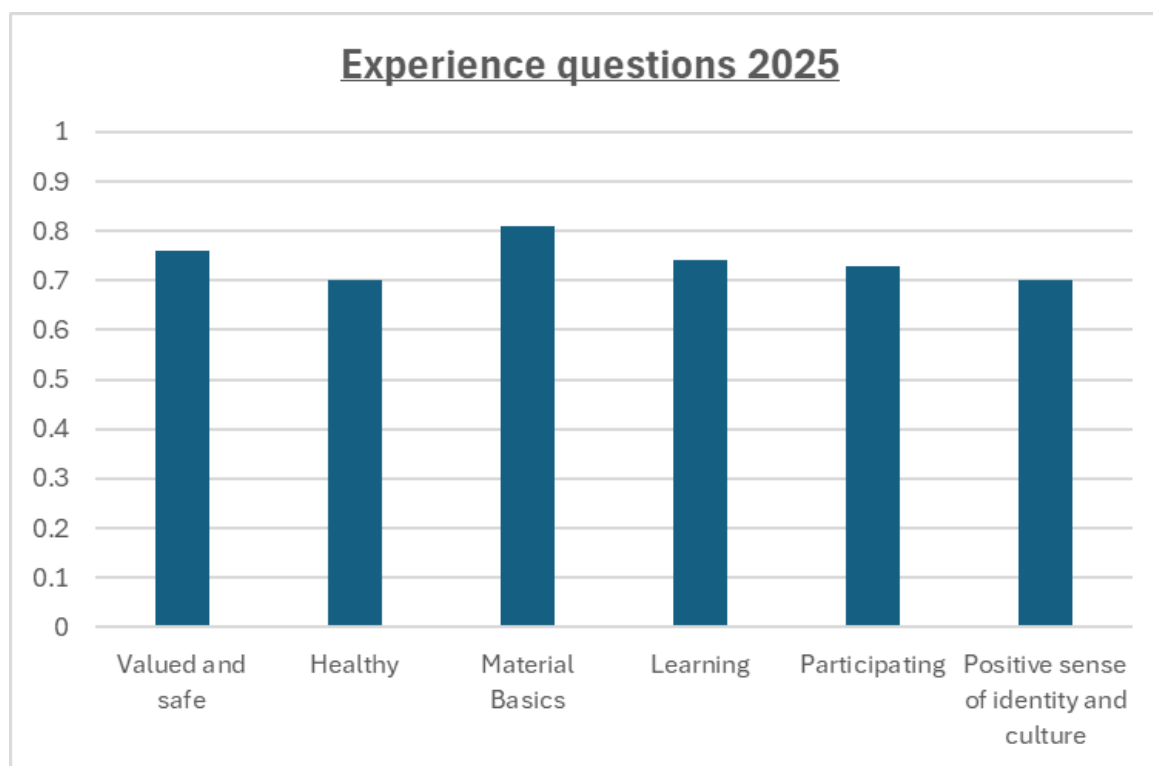
Whole school data:

Term	1	2	3
Well-being score	0.73	0.74	0.77

Experience statements:

Experience statements fall into 6 broad categories:

- **Valued and safe** (connections, school climate, home climate, bullying)
- **Health** (positive emotions, emotion regulation, self-image, activity, food)
- **Material Basics** (Home environment, Nutrition)
- **Learning** (Engagement, Teachers, perseverance, academic self-image)
- **Participating** (Friendships, activities, resilience, motivation, confidence)
- **Positive sense of identity and culture** (Belonging, peers, expectations, identity)



0 = Low 1 = High

To celebrate:

These are the statements we scored highest on:

My family loves me (0.91)

I have adults at school that care about me (0.9)

To think about:

These are the statements we scored lowest on:

I am hardly ever satisfied with my performance (0.48)

I have role models I can look up to at school (0.55)

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