

# ROXBURGH AREA SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 28<sup>th</sup> May 2026 Week 6



### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We are now over half way through this term and boy has it flown by. The long weekend is happening at just the right time for many and I am sure we will all make the most out of it.

One of the first things I noticed when I came to Roxburgh Area School was the friendly nature of the students - how welcoming and respectful they were. The use of our RiPPeR values and how staff were able to use this to install values into the students was something that struck me as entirely positive. Most of the time this is still the case and our students make us proud every day. On the odd occasion a small number of students stray from these values. We see this both in the classroom and during sports matches. We encourage our students to be respectful of those around them. Whether that be towards their teachers or opposition players. Respect means doing what is asked of you by your teacher and giving the work your best shot. In a sports team it means accepting the refs call with grace and not mocking your opponents. When that competitive spirit is racing we all need to keep our values to the forefront and treat those around us with respect - our own teammates, the officials and the opposition players. This is something we will be highlighting here at school.

Nga mihi nui

### HEAD STUDENT'S REPORT

Welcome back everyone to another busy and exciting week. We hope everyone is keeping up with their work. Room 1 has been busy with different stations where they are playing with shapes, play doh, memory games and a water station. This sounds very exciting and hopefully they are enjoying it. Room 2 is learning about the letter U and they have been drawing inside of the shape U. They have also been learning about verbs and adjectives. Room 5 are making posters for job advertising. In P.E they have been playing miniball and been doing some problem solving. In Room 7 they are doing some writing about Kensuke's Kingdom, while in Science they are learning about wool and have been busy learning how to knit. On the 11th of June some of them will be heading up to Wanaka to compete in the Central Otago ripper tournament and we hope they all do well.

Year 9 has been busy doing a Math test in algebra, and they have been doing well with planning and writing their speeches in English. They have also been focusing on nutrition and food groups in PE, and looking at the periodic table in Science. The Year 10s have been getting ready for their numeracy assessment and we wish them all the best of luck! They have also started their essays, where they will compare the allegory of Animal Farm with the Russian Revolution. The Year 11s have been focusing on Kinetic energy in Physics and in Chemistry they are currently looking at combustion. Year 12 have been busy with their internals in most of their subjects, which they are making good progress on. The year 11,12, and 13 PE class had the opportunity to go

to the Wales farm where they had some horse riding lessons. We hear that all students that attended this had a lot of fun and really enjoyed riding the horses, and seeing some cute puppies!

That's all from us this week, we hope you all have a good rest of your week.

Meg and Iesha

### Horse riding trip

On Tuesday the senior PE classes visited the Wales' farm to try out horse riding. It was great to see everyone challenge themselves, some just by plucking up the courage to stand near a horse, and others who climbed



aboard even when they didn't think they were going to be brave enough. Everyone who rode progressed to the point that they felt confident to go independently, and some even got as far as trotting and cantering.

A big thankyou to Jeremy and Jessamy Wales, Mrs Wales, Michaela McLister, and Gill Forbes who helped with getting the horses ready, leading horses, and offering riding instruction.



As a bonus, we saw a newborn foal (just two hours old)!

### SPORT'S REPORT

#### Netball Draw - 30 May

Teviot Gold (yr 3/4)	11.00	V Cromwell Dream Team	Ct 3
Teviot Sparks (yr 5&6)	10.00	V St Gerard's Magic	Ct PB
Teviot A (yr 7&8)	11.00	V TTs Jaguars	Ct PB
RAS B	12.00	V DHS Snr Red	Ct PB
RAS A	11.00	V DHS 12A	Ct MD

#### **Central Otago Senior Basketball**

Our RAS Boys played the WHS Year 12 boys in a competitive match and showed great determination throughout the game. The team continued to work hard on both offence and defence and are developing well as a unit.

Unfortunately, our RAS Girls team defaulted this week due to a lack of numbers available. There are no games this Monday due to King's Birthday weekend. Competition will resume on Monday 8 June.

#### **Central Otago Netball**

Both senior netball teams had solid performances over the weekend. Players showed strong full-court defensive pressure to create turnovers and are continuing to develop their attacking combinations and court movement. It was pleasing to see the teams building confidence and improving their understanding of basic structures and gameplay.

#### **Roxburgh Rugby Club**

**Roxburgh Rippas** hosted Lawrence, Heriot and Tapanui at home last weekend, with a great turnout of players across all teams. There was plenty of learning happening throughout, along with some fantastic leadership shown by our Year 2 players. It was awesome to see everyone giving things a go and continuing to build their skills and confidence.

Our wee Rippas are off to Tapanui on Friday night — we wish all teams the very best.

A huge thank you again to Fresh Choice Roxburgh for sponsoring our Rippa teams this season. We are extremely grateful for your continued support and all that you do for our players and community.

**The U8 Roxburgh Roosters** had a cool start in Ranfurly on Saturday morning as they took on the mighty Maniototo Maggots. The Roosters came away with a convincing win, showing plenty of grit and determination throughout the game. Our young tacklers put in a huge effort and showed they are absorbing everything from their training with Coach Bots.

**Roxburgh Roosters have 2 home games coming up on Saturday 6th and 13th June.**

### **New Zealand Area Schools Tournament**

Our fundraising effort continues for our Whangarei trip at the end of June.

- “I’ve got your back” tees - Thank you to our friends and whanau of the school for supporting this fundraiser. Students will wear your names with pride while they are away at tournament.
- WOOD/MASSAGE raffle - this has been sold and we will draw this prize on Friday.
- Teviot Community Market - Thank you for supporting our team there in the kitchen, there will be more goods available at the next market on Saturday 20th June.

Keep an eye out for more raffles coming up soon.

### **Senior School Tracksuit Pants and Hoodies**

**There have been a number of notices sent out requesting the return of senior school tracksuit pants and hoodies following the SISS Volleyball Tournament and Southern Area Schools Tournament.**

**We encourage all senior students to please check at home and return any school-issued items to the school office by Wednesday 3 June.**

**If these items are not returned by this date, students will be charged for replacement costs.**

### **Roxburgh Area School – Examination Centre Manager**

Roxburgh Area School is seeking an Examination Centre manager (ECM) to run NCEA and NZ Scholarship examinations in 2026.

The smooth and successful running of an exam centre is important for all students participating in these examinations.

The ECM must have a high level of digital literacy and experience with applications such as Microsoft Word and Excel, with the capability to develop competence with new applications quickly.

The ECM must also have a high level of organisational skills with great attention to detail, strength in following processes precisely and confidence in leading people of all ages.

The position requires you to complete an online training programme and attend a one-day training session with NZQA in August. The position requires you to complete several administrative tasks to plan and prepare for the exams. You must be available to work for the entire exam period (Tuesday 10 November to Friday 4 December).

For further information, and to request a full job description, please email Jason Moore at [jasonm@roxburgh.school.nz](mailto:jasonm@roxburgh.school.nz).

Please send your CV and cover letter to:

Jason Moore

Deputy Principal

Roxburgh Area School

78 Scotland Street

Roxburgh 9500

Or as an email attachment to [jasonm@roxburgh.school.nz](mailto:jasonm@roxburgh.school.nz)

Applications close 4pm Friday 12 June 2026.

## MĀORI LANGUAGE COURSE

Maori Language Course

The Teviot Valley has the opportunity to host a Māori Language course run by the SIT. After a 5 year absence the very popular Level 1 and 2 Te Reo course is coming back to Roxburgh. starting later this year.

The course needs 25 keen participants to run.

Previous participants are welcome to do the course again. If we do not get the numbers for this course then we will miss out on the opportunity.

If you are interested, please email Paul McDowall

on [paul.mcdowall@roxburgh.school.nz](mailto:paul.mcdowall@roxburgh.school.nz) by Tuesday 2nd June.

## Sports Hoodie Order Form for Senior and Junior Students (Last Day to Order)

We are once again taking orders for our Sports Hoodies. These hoodies are able to be worn at PE and at sports events when representing Roxburgh Area School only - they are **not to be worn** as part of the school uniform - and are for all students.

**Year 9-13 students** have the option to add their name on the back - first name or surname or blank. (This is not an option for Years 1-8). The hoodies are navy blue sports fabric and will have the school crest embroidered on the front upper left chest. Samples are available to try on for sizing, please see Ms Tumai (Senior) or Mrs Robb (Junior).

Order must be in by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May. Payment must accompany all orders.

### Adult Sizes (With Names) \$82

**Small** (54cm) half chest measurement

**Medium** (57cm)      **Large** (60cm)

**X-Large** (63cm)      **2X-Large** (66cm)

**3X-Large** (69cm)      **5X-Large** (75cm)



### Junior Sizes (No names on back) \$60

**6,8,10,12,14**

Please pay to the Roxburgh Area School Account – 020953-0051018-00

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Name on back on hoodie for Year 9-13 only.</u>

**VINCENT SKI CLUB INC**  
**Lodge based on Coronet Peak,**  
**Queenstown**

The Vincent Ski Club has vacancies available for High School students Years 9 -13 from the Central Otago area wanting to experience a fun week of skiing whilst staying up on the mountain at Coronet Peak during the July school holidays.

The approximate cost is \$250 for 5 days of accommodation and all food (ski pass and gear hire are extra). Camp runs from Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> of July to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July

For more enquiries, please email  
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