

# ROXBURGH AREA SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 4<sup>th</sup> June 2026 Week 7



### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I have been to a number of meetings in recent weeks where the discussions were around all the changes happening in the education sector. We are in a time of unprecedented change and as an area school we are dealing with all of the changes. I have heard messages about changing timeframes, potential resources coming, a desire to consult on draft documents and a plethora of other promises from the Ministry. The one take away I took from all the messaging, all the promises and all of the changes is that the students in select year groups are the guinea pigs for ideological changes. The other key take away for me is the teachers across the country simply want to do what is best for the students in front of them. This is certainly true of Roxburgh Area School and the staff here. We all want to make sure the students have the best possible chance of academic success. We appreciate the need for change when it is necessary and I can assure the teachers are working hard behind the scenes to stay up to date. However, with the changes unfolding we also acknowledge the need to involve our families more. One of the key aims is to raise the level of basic literacy and numeracy for every child.

There are simple things every family can do to help at home. Encourage and model reading on a daily basis. Establish consistent routines where reading and homework are the priority at set times. Talk about what has been learnt each day. Set up a space dedicated to study and learning in the house and reward the use of the space. Simply put, make learning a priority and talk more about the success' had at school and what you can do to help. We want to work together to make sure the young people of the Teviot Valley can find success under the new system and still have fun at school.



Year 7 boys working with Amos, busy taking pellets apart to use the wood for making cellphone holders.



### HEAD STUDENT'S REPORT

Hello everyone, welcome back to another week where everyone is busy in their classes. Room 1 has been busy learning about patterns, and they are doing artwork on their family/background for their Pepeha. Room 2 has been busy with reading and spelling and is learning about how

paper made. Room 5 has been doing inverse relationships and division in Maths. They have been working on structuring narrative and how C turns to S. Room 7 has been busy learning how to knit, and they are finding out what thermoregulation is. In Maths the students are working on what equivalent fractions are and the soft C rule.

The Year 9s have been learning about the food pyramid in PE and about nutrition. They have also been learning about graphs in Maths, which sounds interesting, and they are finishing up work on their speeches. The Year 10s have also been learning about the food pyramid. In Maths they have just completed their Numeracy exams and we hope they all have done well with this. In English they presented their speeches this week, and in Social Studies they are starting to write essays on The Russian Revolution, and comparing this to the events in the novel, *Animal Farm*. The Year 11s have been learning about the PH scale in Chemistry, and they have also been doing trigonometry in Maths. In English they are writing reports about advertising. Year 12 are still working very hard on all their assessments, which include, Osmoregulation in Biology and Close Viewing and Reading Responses in English.

(Just one little message from Room 5 to you all is - they hope you all have a 67 week!)  
Thanks everyone and have a great week ahead!

Meg and Iesha

### **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

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

Applications close 4pm Friday 12 June 2026.

## Dance Curriculum at Roxburgh Area School In Term 2

We are excited to have Manuel from Dance Curriculum visiting your school! Manuel has taught thousands of students across Aotearoa, New Zealand, and can't wait to show you what your children are capable of through the program. Our program works in groups of similarly aged students for 30-40 minutes each day. Lessons focus on structured learning of challenging dance routines, improvisation skills, and performance techniques. We're working towards a dance concert on Friday, 19 June, which you're warmly invited to attend. There's no charge for the concert, so feel free to bring along family and friends to celebrate your child's learning.

There will be more information soon



### **SPORTS REPORT**

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

There was no basketball last week due to King's Birthday.

This Monday 8th of June

RAS Boys are playing WHS APEX Preditors

6pm at HOME - Please come along and support them.

RAS Girls game has been rescheduled to Monday June 22nd as they are away for Otago Secondary Schools Netball Tournament.

#### **Central Otago Netball**

2 tough games for both Senior A and Senior B last week. Finding it tricky to adapt to unfortunate calls the teams struggled to find their flow. With that in mind, there is always heaps to learn from such games. All the best for games this weekend.

The senior A team is heading to Dunedin early on Sunday morning the 7th of June to compete in the Otago Secondary Schools Tournament. We wish the girls the best of luck for this tournament.

#### **Roxburgh Rugby Club**

**Roxburgh Rippas** - both teams had a great game under the sun in Tapanui on Friday night. Lots of great rips and tries scored from both teams. This week we are mixing our teams up in preparation for the upcoming Millers Flat tournament. Our rippas are off to Lawrence this Friday and we wish both teams the best of luck.

**Roxburgh Roosters have a home game on Saturday 6th June** - Get down to the Rugby rugby field at 10am to support.

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

We are well on track to accomplish our fundraising goal. We would like to thank EVERYONE for supporting us on our journey. Please keep an eye out for our scratchie and grocery raffles that are out this week.

#### **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.**

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

## Netball Draw - 6 June

|                        |       |                     |       |
|------------------------|-------|---------------------|-------|
| Teviot Gold (yr 3/4)   | 12.00 | V Matak Kiwi        | Ct 3  |
| Teviot Sparks (yr 5&6) | 11.00 | V Cromwell Warriors | Ct PB |
| Teviot A (yr 7&8)      | 12.00 | V St Gerard's Steel | Ct PB |
| RAS B                  | 1.00  | V DHS 10 Green      | Ct PB |
| RAS A                  | 2.00  | V CC Snr C          | Ct CR |

## DRIVETECH CENTRAL

### Defensive Driving - June 2026

**When:** Tuesday 16th June 2026 at 5:30pm - 7:30pm

**Where:** Dunstan High School, 12 Enterprise Street, Alexandra

### **This course is spread over 5 sessions and includes:**

- Four classroom sessions - (2 hours each)
  - 16 June
  - 18 June
  - 23 June
  - 25 June
  - 5:30pm until 7:30pm
- One in-car practical session (1 hour - TBA)

The classroom sessions are interactive and engaging with topics and group discussions covering real-life scenarios. After the four classroom sessions, a one-hour in-car practical drive and assessment will take place.

The practical session should be in your own road-worthy car. Practical driving times are scheduled to suit, the drive must be completed within 60 days of the last in-person session.

People who complete this course reduce the restricted licence period by 6 months if under 25 years, or 3 months if over 25 years of age.

People on a learner licence can complete this course as long as they are confident enough to complete the 1-hour practical drive.



### WANTED

Relief Cleaner for the school.

Please contact the school office on 03 4468460 if you

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## Central Otago REAP

Rural Education Activities Programme

### WE ARE HIRING

### QUALIFIED COUNSELLORS

To work in Primary Schools in the West &  
Central Otago area

### HELP SHAPE POSITIVE FUTURES

Applications close 5pm, 12th June 2026

For more information click QR code or  
email: [manager@coreap.org.nz](mailto:manager@coreap.org.nz)

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[www.coreap.org.nz/courses](http://www.coreap.org.nz/courses)



## 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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