

ROXBURGH AREA SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

TERM 3, 6th August 2026 Week 3



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Well done to all those who have made it to school this week in very cold conditions. With a high of 2 degrees on Tuesday it can be a struggle to get out of bed on these cold mornings. Regular attendance as described by the Ministry of education is being at school 90% of the time. That equates to no more than 4 days off per term before attendance starts to impact on learning. Our rate for Term 2 was 72% - the national average is around 50%. The figure for Roxburgh has risen from 52% 4 years ago in Term 2 to the current rate. Collectively we are doing an amazing job of getting young people to school. We cannot, however, relax our vigilance and as teachers and parents we need to make sure young people attend school everyday they can. This year the Board also needs to establish a new Strategic Plan for 2027-29. This is where we look at the big picture and determine what is important to our school and our wider community. Part of this process is community consultation where parents and community members can come into the school and let us know what is important to them. What is working well or what we need to develop? Come to the school library on Tuesday August 25 at 7pm and let us know what is important to you. There will be drinks and nibbles and the opportunity to talk to members of the school board.

Nga mihi nui



A big thank you to Chris Foggin for taking the time to work with our students through the Community of Bike Ambassadors (COBA) programme! The students gained valuable hands-on experience learning essential bike safety and basic maintenance.



HEAD STUDENT'S REPORT

Hello everyone, this week has been another busy week and we hope you have all enjoyed it. Room 1 is continuing with their paintings on the earth and are about to start with paintings of the moon. The class is also about to start PMP this term, which they are really excited about. Room 2 has been learning about the letter K and they coloured in a Kiwi. Room 2 has been learning about the Commonwealth Games and what sports get played, they have also been doing well in their persuasive writing, and they have been finishing work around Matariki. Room 5 have been busy in Maths as they work on column addition. Room 5 has also been learning about the Commonwealth Games and reading a text about Erika Fairweather as she is a New Zealand swimmer who competed in the Commonwealth Games. Room 7 continues to learn about Ancient Greece, in Maths the class has been doing statistics and they have been training for the upcoming cross country.

Year 9 has been writing short stories in English and they have been focusing on having plot twists to make them more interesting. They have also been looking at lactic acid in PE, and they have been learning about Volume in Maths.

Year 10 have been doing physics in Science, and they have been looking at issues around the ocean in Social Studies. They have also been learning about algebra in Maths. Year 11 have been doing an assessment on latent heat in Science. They have also been doing an assessment in PE on analysing a volleyball serve. The Year 12s and 13s have been continuing an assessment on analysing a volleyball serve, focusing on explaining the use of the muscles and how they each play their part when doing an effective standing volleyball serve.

We are now 3 weeks into Term 3 and we can see that everyone has been working very hard to complete all their work and assessments. That's all from us this week and we hope you all enjoy the rest of your week. Thanks
Meg and Isha



Influenza

We are currently seeing an increase in illness, including flu and stomach bugs, among our students. If your child has been vomiting, please ensure they remain at home for a full 48 hours after their last episode before returning to school.

SPORT'S REPORT

NETBALL DRAW FOR 8TH AUGUST

12pm	Teviot A V CC8A	Court 3
10 AM	RAS A V DHS 10A	Court MD
11AM	RAS B V DHS Senior Gold	Court MD

Central Otago Netball

Both Senior netball teams have made it to the semi finals.

RAS B sitting comfortably at the top of the table but will need to keep their composure as the opposition will want to come out fighting.

RAS A are taking on DHS 10A this weekend which will be a tough game and will go down to the wire. All the best to both teams.

Claybird Shooting

Roxburgh Area School is hosting our interschool claybird shoot on Friday 21st August. We will host Blue Mountain College, Lawrence Area School, South Otago High School and The Catlins Area School. We have a team of keen shooters looking forward to this event.

Millers Flat 7 A-side Tournament Year 7 & 8 Team

What an awesome tournament our girls had. We won all our pool play games and made it through to the semifinals. The girls ended up 3rd overall, such an outstanding effort. Congratulations girls.

Good luck for your last two weeks of your netball season



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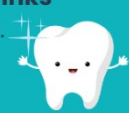



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