

ROXBURGH AREA SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

TERM 3, 17th September 2026 Week 9



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This week we celebrate Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori - Maori language week. This is a great way to celebrate the unique place Te Ao Maori holds for all of New Zealand. We want to keep the language alive and show everyone that as a nation we embrace that which is unique to New Zealand. We have a range of activities at school to highlight different aspects of tikanga Maori and I would encourage everyone to have a go at using some words or phrases of Te Reo Maori this week.

Thank you to all the parents who made an appointment for the Y9-13 parent teacher meetings - we had over 80% of whanau come and talk to us. The relationships that can be developed during these is essential to us working together to make sure our students have the best chance at success.

The teachers here at Roxburgh Area School work hard every day to provide the best lessons they can. Some of the most valuable time they have in the day is before school starts. They use this time to prepare materials and ensure the day ahead will be a success. To give them this valuable time please do not drop off your children to school before 8.30 unless you have arranged a one off exemption with the classroom teacher. We have had incidents of younger students being here as early as 8am. A quick reminder that the school is shut on Friday November 13th for a Teacher only day. Nga mihi nui

Calendar for Weeks 9-10

17 th September	Central Otago Primary Cross Country
24 th September	Sports and Cultural photos
25 th September	Last day of Term 3

HEAD STUDENT'S REPORT

Hello everyone, and welcome back to another week that has flown by. As next week is the last week of term 3, we've got to make sure we complete all of our work before the holidays start. Room 1 made rockets with moveable numberlines to help them with counting back from 20 and have been doing very well. Room 2 have been working on their visual pepeha's where they are drawing their family and their ancestral lands and heritage, they also invented their own superheroes and wrote persuasive writing to explain why their superhero is the best. In Room 5 the class has been reading surprise and have enjoyed reading it. In maths they have been working on half and doing obstacle courses in p.e, which they have been enjoying. Room 7 completed their book talk speeches, and worked very hard on them. In p.e the class are playing ki o rahi, and some of the class are away competing at Central Otago cross country, we hope you all do very well.

The Year 9s have been focusing on pythagoras in maths, and have been looking at agonistic, and antagonistic muscle pairs in PE. They also had the chance to look at the ocean through VR, which sounded like a fun experience. The Year 11s, 12s, and 13s

have all been studying hard and preparing for mock exams which have been happening within the last couple of weeks, we hope they all do well on their exams. Thank you. Meg and Isha

SPORT'S REPORT

Roxburgh Area School Cross Country Wednesday 9th September 2026

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the annual cross country.

		1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Year 11-13	Boys	Kellan McDowell Benger	Kess Richards Benher	Jeremy Davis Molyneux
	Girls	Meg Beaumont Clutha	Ruby Wells Teviot	Ruby Smith Teviot
Year 9 &10	Boys	Leo Moore Benger	Lucas Arnesen Clutha	Kaspian Knudsen Teviot
	Girls	Macy Patscharis Benger	Poppy Smith Teviot	Abigail Ledua Teviot
Year 7&8	Boys	Murdoc Sanders Molyneux	Cody Thomson Clutha	Kit Moore Benger
	Girls	Harriet Turner Molyneux	Matilda Stevens Molyneux	Marissa Mahathir Benger
Year 5&6	Boys	Ollie Davidson Teviot	Gabe McPherson Benger	Carter Wells Teviot
	Girls	Eden McPherson Benger	Isla Ellison Benger	Meadow Gazeley Molyneux
Year 3&4	Boys	Archie Davidson Teviot	Thomas McCulloch Benger	Louis Gunn Teviot
	Girls	Charlotte Wright Molyneux	Lottie McDowell Benger	Cassidy Roberts Teviot
Year 2	Boys	Finn Ellison Benger	Harlin Knowles Benger	Kurt Ecksmann Teviot
	Girls	Zoe Sutton Molyneux	Ngaria-Jade Kire-Winiata (Teviot)	Marama Cleveland Clutha
Room 3	Boys	Ryan Davidson Teviot	Manu Huenuman Clutha	Jasper Turner Molyneux
	Girls	Sophie Parker Benger	Bree Kirkpatrick Teviot	Juno Johnson Clutha
Room 1	Boys	Emerson Dance Clutha	Ryley Donaldson Benger	Tumanako Whitu Molyneux
	Girls	Maddison McCulloch Benger	Maya Murphy Benger	Ava Cleveland Clutha 4th- Harriet Dance Clutha

Cross Country

Best wishes to Murdoc, Kit, Harriet, Eden, Gabe and Ollie who are competing in the Central Otago Cross Country Championships in Cromwell today. Many thanks to Emily McPherson for helping out with transport and supervision.

Sports and Cultural Photos

Roxburgh Area School Sports and Cultural Photos will be taken in the Roxburgh Area School Gym on **Thursday 24th September** starting at 8.30am with rugby, followed by netball.

Miniball

Miniball prizegiving will be held on Wednesday 23rd September in the RAS gym at 3.15pm followed by a quick social game with the senior students. Whanau and friends are most welcome to join us to celebrate our great season and thank our coaches and managers.

Golf

Harry, Reeve and Cody had a great time and were very happy with their efforts at the Central Otago Intermediate Schools Golf tournament at Dunstan Golf Course in Clyde. Many thanks to Kate Smith who helped out on the day.



Some of our students took part in the Get 2 Go challenge which was held in Queenstown on Monday.

Top Toothbrushing Tip!

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a brush too

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