

Term 1 2019

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	28 January	29 January School starts Term 1	30  Wai-Swim Lessons	31  Wai-Swim Lessons	1 February  Wai-Swim Lessons
2	4 February Wai-Swim Lessons	5 Wai-Swim Lessons <b>Newsletter</b> Corn Meeting, 3.00 pm at school	6 <b>WAITANGI DAY</b> School Closed	7 Wai-Swim Lessons	8 Mobile Dental Clinic Wai-Swim Lessons <b>Assembly</b>

# Rotherham School Newsletter 30 January 2019

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## Rotherham School Swimming Sports 2019

On: Thursday 21 February  
(pp Monday 25 February)  
At: Rotherham Community Pool  
Time: 1.00 pm  
*Everybody is welcome to come along  
and cheer on the children*

### Our Upgraded Foyer



**Inspiring Exceptional Learners**



Plenty of Cloud?

Even on a cloudy day, UV radiation is all around you. Light cloud in a blue sky can even make sunburn worse as the UV radiation reflects off the clouds. Remember to cover up, seek shade and wear sunscreen when outdoors.

**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Tuesday 12 February 2019,**  
**7.00 pm in the school library**  
*You are welcome to join us.*

2019 Amuri A&P  
Show Wearable Art  
Categories:  
School Children – a garden: 'silver bells and cockle shells'  
Adults – 'a floral tapestry'  
Have you entered yet?



South Island Women's Polo Tournament  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> February  
Amuri Polo Club Grounds  
School Rd. Culverden.  
1pm start  
Gold coin entry.  
Donation to Breast Cancer Foundation.



Lisette Burrows



Douglas Spraying

Remember the Community Dental Service preventive mobile is visiting our school in week 3 – refer to the attached notice.

Welcome back to everybody as we start 2019 at Rotherham School "the best little school in North Canterbury." I hope you have all enjoyed a relaxing and restful holiday break with your families and are ready for another successful and happy year learning at Rotherham School.

Over the holidays we had major renovations in the foyer area with new carpets and sliding doors. It was a big task to empty all the resources from the area at the end of Term 4 and I would like to say a big THANK-YOU to Renee and Ben Dampier-Crossley, Guy and Marie Blomfield and Sara and Kevin O'Neill who came along to help us shift. It is very exciting and the area is looking very smart! The renovations are part of a 2-stage upgrade as we focus on the toilet area next.

A welcome back to our *wonderful staff members* – Mrs Macfarlane, Mrs Barbara, Miss McLellan and Mrs Rutherford who are the classroom teachers. Mrs Popplewell is our awesome office administrator and Mrs Francie Devine is our cleaner who has done a fantastic job over the holidays keeping our school clean and tidy.

As we start school we have **new leaders** – our **Year 6 students** have the opportunity to organise Assemblies, the responsibility of House Leaders and as Bus Monitors. Congratulations to those students that do have areas of responsibility in their new positions – Liv, Matthew, George and Joe.

We have started the year with our **Wai-Swim programme** which involves trained instructors coming from the Dudley Aquatic Centre to take the children for swimming lessons. Please remember togs and towels every day and also check that all clothing is named as it makes it a lot easier getting dressed. *To accommodate the Wai-Swim programme we have changed our lunch hour from 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm.* **The Rotherham School Swimming Sports are on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February.**

We are expecting very *hot temperatures* this week so please ensure your child has a big water bottle at school each day. We are a Sunsmart school and it is our policy that each child needs to wear a school hat every break time and we will have plenty of sunscreen available.

A special welcome to all the new children and families that have started at Rotherham School – Leo Chick and Brody Clark who had birthdays in the holidays and turned 5 years old. We also welcome Lotte and Oliver Thomas who have joined the Junior Room and Arley Bensted who has also started into the Junior Room.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February is Waitangi Day and the school is closed. Please chat with your child about the meaning of Waitangi Day as we will have a small focus on the importance of Waitangi Day at school.

Have a good week  
Ginny Macfarlane

### **WANTED**

A Teacher Aide Position is available at Rotherham School working mainly in the Junior Room for Term 1. If you are interested please contact Mrs Macfarlane.

### **Teacher Only Day**

On **Friday 22 February** there is a *Teacher Only Day* where the school is closed to the students. The staff are involved in *Professional Development with other schools as part of our COL (Community of Learning) – Tipu Maia.*



**There will be a CORN MEETING at school on Tuesday 5 February at 3.00 pm.**

Help from every family will be needed so we look forward to your wonderful support.



### **"Either way it's 20K" – Important Hurunui Road Safety Message**

Please share this timely and important road safety message

<https://www.facebook.com/hurunuiroadsafety/>.



This is a first, locally led road safety education campaign targeting vehicle speeds passing stationary school buses.

The **Either way it's 20K** video was produced by members of the Hurunui Road Safety Committee, and features local police, students from Cheviot Area School and their bus driver Sue Coll. Sue has been driving school buses for a

total of 29 years and originally brought the issue to the attention of the HRSC in 2018.

Thank you for your support. We hope this local collaboration will be well received, the first of many locally led and featured road safety campaigns, and most importantly keep our kids safe on our roads.