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Attendance:

If your child is going to be absent from school please leave a message on our answerphone before 9.00am stating child's name, room number and reason for absence.

Welcome back to another busy year at school. We had 18 new students start yesterday and a number of their whanau stayed for the Powhiri. Today 4 more students started and we are only about 12 students off where we ended last year. So everything is pointing towards another growth in the school. We welcome new staff members as well to Rotorua Primary: Matua Miu Phillips teaching in room 6, Whaea Jo in room 12 (Teacher Aide) and Whaea Pip in room 11 (Teacher Aide). Over the next couple of week's notices for sports, First Aid Monitors etc will be sent home with those children who are interested to be part of these. So once again welcome back to school and enjoy the fine weather while it lasts.

School Canteen:

The school canteen is open from this Friday 5th Feb and every Friday for the rest of the term.

Menu: American Hotdogs: \$3.00, Chicken or Ham Filled Rolls or Sandwiches: \$3.00, Muffins \$2.00
Fruit drinks \$1.50, Moosies: \$1.50.

Uniforms:

It is good to see all of our children in their school uniform. Our Year 7/8 poloshirt is sold at the NZ Uniform Shop on Ranolf Street opposite Spotlight. These will only sold there until the end of term 2 and then all of our uniforms including the Year 7/8 will be sold at The Warehouse.

Swimming:

Currently swimming is our main PE focus. Please ensure that your child has their togs and towels ready at school. Check with your child or your child's teacher which days your child is swimming. During the holidays a news report stated that the increase in drownings in New Zealand was connected to the number of schools that no longer teach swimming in school.

Sunsmart:

With the way the weather and the temperatures are it is important for your child to be wearing a brimmed hat that covers the neck, ears and face. One of our Shades in front of room 1 was removed to be repaired and we are still waiting for it to come back so we have less shaded areas for our children right now. Duty teachers will monitor hat use and children with no hats will be asked to play under the shaded areas. Brimmed hats can be purchased from The Warehouse.

Contact details:

If you have changed address or phone number over the holidays, please let the school office or your child's teacher know. It is important that these details are kept up-to-date incase of an emergency.

Newsletters:

Copies of the newsletter can be found on the school website, on the noticeboard outside the Principal's office and in the library window. If you prefer to receive your newsletter by email rather than hard copy please email the office at office@rp.school.nz

Term 1 Dates:

This term there are 3 weeks that are shorter.

Waitangi Day – Monday 8 February (Week 2)

Good Friday – Friday 25 March (Week 8)

Easter Monday, Easter Tuesday – Monday 28 March and Tuesday 29 March (Week 9)

End of Term 1 – Friday 15 April (Week 11)