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Nga mihi ki a koutou nga koeke, matua, whanau, me nga tamariki toa o
Te Kura o Pukeroa Oruawhata - Rotorua Primary School me te tangi hoki ki a ratou kua riro
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Teaching & Learning PLD Goal 2020-2021

To actively support teachers to develop assessment capable learners within a culturally responsive, future focused (digital) learning environment. This goal is linked to the school's strategic plan:

- Strategic goal 1: Achievement in literacy and science
- Strategic goal 3: Digital literacy
- Strategic goal 4: Assessment of learning
- Strategic goal 5: Cultural responsiveness
- Strategic goal 6: Teacher inquiry

Our PLD Team: Fred Whata, Mere Simpson, Pare McCorkindale, Kath Mason, Avi Tuielu, Layla Rask, Maiou Houltham, Hinemoa Anaru.

Our PLD Actions

For the next two terms, we are focused on supporting teachers to achieve their next steps (identified in Term 1), through a variety of 'customised' activities:

- In-class modelling/coaching to support achievement of next steps identified in the AfL matrix
- One to one discussions with individual teachers on specific 'next steps' content
- In staff or team hui, engage in PLC (professional learning conversations) that contribute to next steps
- End of year video observations, student interviews and feedback discussions

We will ensure our teachers have up to four opportunities to engage in one or more of these activities.

Shadow Coaching

This will happen a little bit later in our PLD journey. In the first instance we will monitor the effectiveness of teacher practices through the PLD opportunities that we intend to lead.

When we are satisfied that the teachers and their classrooms are of the quality that they can share their good work with others, then we initiate the shadow coaching process.

To summarise - Shadow Coaching begins with the leadership team, working collaboratively and gathering the intel that gives us confidence that teachers are heading in the right direction and we can promote them across the school and, possibly across the Kāhui Ako.

Teacher Actions

- Review the matrix and confirm or modify the next step(s) you chose to focus on.
- Complete the table below so the team can schedule dates and times with you.

Solar System

Our new school solar system looks fantastic and will help generate 74% of our power needs moving forward. We will be able to invest in more teaching learning programmes from the money saved which will benefit our tamariki schoolwide.



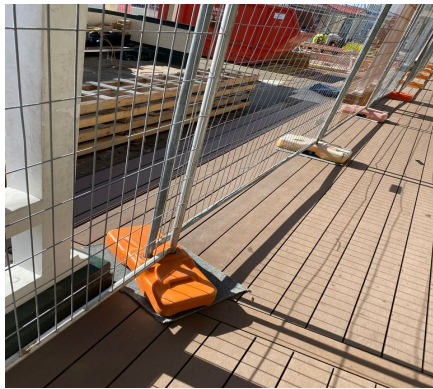
New Mural

Tangaroa and the Te Arawa Waka is our latest school mural that adorns Room 13



New School Deck

Our school deck will also be completed next week.



Pedal Ready Programme

The Rotorua Lakes Council are teaching all of our students the necessary bike safety and skills required to ride and maintain their bikes safely. The free **Matariki - Ekengia te po/Bike the night** will take place at 5.30pm next Wednesday 29 July 2020 beginning at the Redwoods Information Centre on Long Mile Road. If you are interested in your taonga taking part, touch base with Whaea Margie. This is a free event for the community of Rotorua.



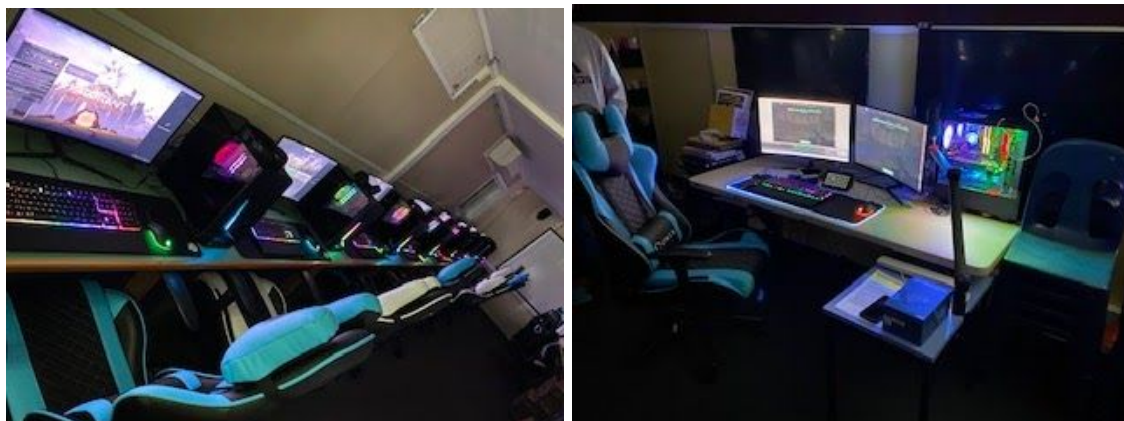
Kids Can

We are very excited to work with Kids Can to ensure our taonga are in the best possible position to learn every day. Our new **school jackets** have been kindly gifted by ASB Bank to help keep our taonga warm and dry this winter. We have also received **new school shoes** too.



Esports

Our Esports equipment has arrived and we are now planning to implement our esports programme schoolwide once we are set up.



iPads

I again encourage you to purchase your taonga an iPad. For further information and details please contact Whaea Layla: lrask@rp.school.nz

Sports

Basketball, Hockey & Netball

Our sporting codes will finally be up and running this term. Basketball at the Sportsdrome during the week and hockey and netball begin this Saturday.

Finally our school sports exchanges this term will be posted once we have confirmed dates.

Key Dates

Monday 20 July to Friday 14 August 2020	Term 3 Pedal Ready Schoolwide Programme
Friday 24 July 2020	Interhouse Competition 2pm Every Friday
Wednesday 29 July 2020	Matariki Ekengaia te po/Bike the night 5.30pm Meet t the Redwoods Information Centre on Long Mille Road
Tuesday 4 August 2020	Rotorua Lakes High School Orientation Day
Monday 10 August 2020	Science Road Show - Years 5 & 6 at RIS
Thursday 13 August 2020	Photolife
Friday 14 August 2020	Sports Exchange - Rotokawa School
Tuesday 18 August 2020	WHHS Orientation Day
Tuesday 25 August 2020	RBHS Open Evening

Thursday 20 August 2020	Staff Quiz Night - Backyard Inn RPS, Te Koutu, Rangihakahaka, parents
Thursday 27 August 2020	Staff Quiz Night - Backyard Inn RPS, Te Koutu, Rangihakahaka, parents
Friday 28 August 2020	RBHS Open Day
Thursday 3 September 2020	Staff Quiz Night - Backyard Inn RPS, Te Koutu, Rangihakahaka, parents
Friday 4 September 2020	Sports Exchange - Rotokawa School
Wednesday 16 September 2020	School Reports Issued
Thursday 17 September 2020	School Production Saturday Night Fever @ RBHS
Thursday 24 September 2020	Mufti Day Disco
Friday 25 September 2020	Last Day Term 3

Another exciting term planned for the school.

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou katoa,

Mr Fred Whata
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