



DEVELOPING LEARNERS FOR LIFE

10TH MAY, 2021



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We are: **Confident, Optimistic, Unique, Respectful, Adventurous, have Grit, Enthusiastic**



The Heads-up for the week ahead.....

Monday 10th-Wed 12th May - Life Education Caravan at Waikite Valley School

Tues 11th May - Rip, Grip & Whip Mountain Bike event (22 students entered - yr 4-8)

Tues 11th May - PTA Meeting 7pm (Hall)

Friday 14th May - Intermediate Hockey starts

Saturday 15th May - Year 3-6 Hockey starts

P.T.A. NEWS

Firewood Raffle - we have 3 trailers of firewood up for prizes.

The tickets for the raffle cost \$5 each, and each family will have 10 to sell. The wood is being donated by Cam Negus (Farmers

Forestry), Scott van Twuiver (Gr8 Vans) and Brendon Adams (one trailer each).



The Targa Rally Safety Marshaling: BRYCE ROAD 1 & 3

- Marshals required: 18
- Donation offered: \$750
- Date of Event: Saturday 22nd May 2021
- Road Closure: 7:05am to 2:10pm* (We aim to have the road open earlier. 1 to 1 ½ hours is built in just in case of an incident requiring time to address)

On Friday 8th May there were 58 of our students who participated in the Mini Marathon at the Rotorua Events Centre. The students had a wonderful time and experienced a major event with all of the hype, atmosphere and excitement attached to it. Over 3000 students took part on the day! A huge thank you to all of the whanau who helped with transport and supervision :) Without you we would not be able to offer these wonderful opportunities.

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UPCOMING DATES

Saturday 29th May - Year 1-2 Funsticks Hockey starts

Wednesday 19th May - Waikite Valley School Board of Trustees Meeting 6.30pm

Tuesday 1 June - Waikite Valley School Cross Country 12pm start

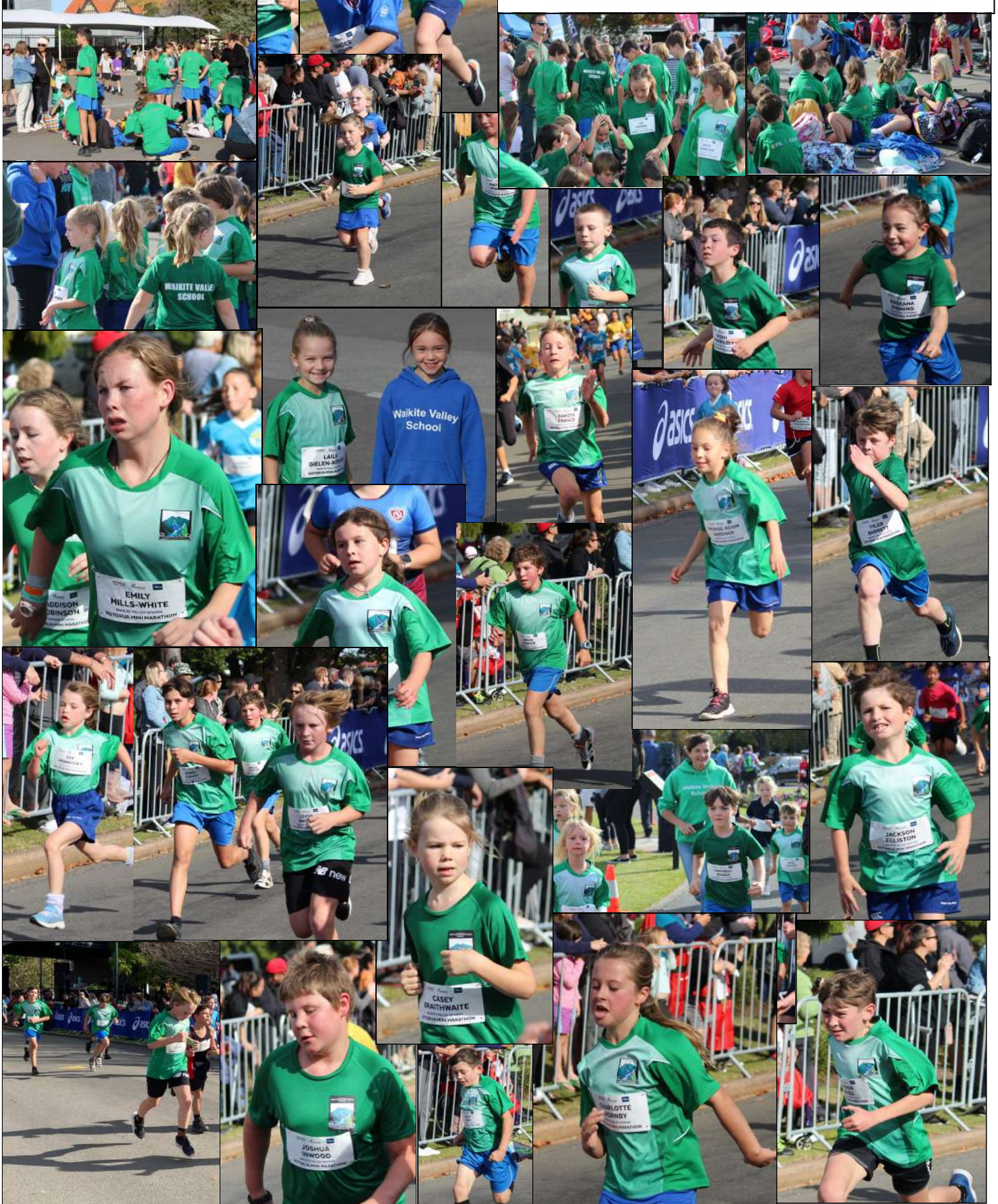
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2021

ROTORUA
MINI MARATHON

Road safety project begins



The work on the pick-up and drop-off area safety for students as they arrive at and each day.

[Watch a video about the Rural School Review here](#)



ROTORUA
LAKES COUNCIL
Te kaunihera o ngā roto o Rotorua

at
Waikite Valley School

Work to improve safety for students outside Waikite Valley School took place over the holidays.



will improve
leave school

[Road Safety](#)

During the two-week school break, Council's contractors have formalise parking, construct traffic islands to separate the parking area from the road and bus turning bay, add new signage, and construct a new footpath to enable safe entry into the school area.

This work is expected to cost around \$70,000.

In 2019, a group of students from Lake Rerewhakaaitu School presented their own research about safety in their area. Their research included speed recordings and information from their classmates and school parents. Elected members subsequently approved a safety review of all rural schools and Council's Safe and Sustainable Journeys Team worked with 16 rural schools and the Rotorua Rural Community Board to help identify and mitigate their road safety issues.

During consultation staff heard from the school principal that it wasn't just speed that was an issue but that parking, signage and bus routes were also significant concerns.

Rotorua Rural Community Board Chair Shirley Trumper says this has been an important piece of work that the Board and Council have been focussed on since 2019.

"A presentation from Lake Rerewhakaaitu School students was the catalyst for the Rural School Road Safety Review which was rolled out across all rural schools, and saw the Rotorua Rural Community Board and

Council really getting involved and wanting to work alongside the schools to make it safer for tamariki getting to and from school.

“It showed the importance of getting out and talking to the people in those communities to really understand what was going on and what the solutions needed to be. Everyone has been really supportive along the way and I’m extremely pleased to see these priority projects get underway.”



Carolyn Morris

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The Rural Schools Road Safety Review has



led to a number of priority projects identified for initial improvements, with further work to happen in stages in the coming years as funding becomes available.

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