



**Royal Oak
Primary School**
HONOUR LOYALTY SERVICE

Week 3, Term 2, 15 May 2019.

Kia ora, talofa lava, malo e lelei, 问候, namaste, 인사, 拜啓, mabuhay, bem vindo, fakalofa lahi atu, kia orana, kohomada, bula vinaka, huān yin, foon ying, marhaba, oso oseyo, olà, welcome!

Kia ora koutou, welcome to you all.

Last week there was great excitement here as we heard the news that Megan Clotworthy is to be the new principal, starting next term. My personal congratulations to Megan who I know will do a great job here. I have loved working with Megan and watched her over the past 7 plus years slowly but surely turn into a first rate principal. I have every confidence in her ability to lead this great school and have a real sense of pride knowing how she values the work that has already gone on here.

Appointing a new principal is an enormous task for a Board of Trustees and one of the most important jobs a Board will do. It is critical to get the right person for the job while, all the time, keeping an eye of the future direction and vision for the school and its community. It is not just about choosing someone nice or flashy, but someone who has a deep knowledge of 21st century pedagogy and is able to think in a visionary way to ensure the school moves forward in the ever changing world we live in. I wish Megan all the very best as she takes over the role here. I have loved being the principal here. This is a very special community and the positivity that you show towards your children's learning and development is incredible.

This week we welcome Rebecca Wharton who is teaching here in the new Rimu Room. Rebecca has taught various age levels throughout her teaching career and we are very pleased to have her with us. Rebecca has a real passion for learning through play so I am sure she will be a wonderful asset to our Year 0/1 team. Enjoy your time with us Rebecca and a very warm welcome to you.

Last week we farewelled Nick Dowden as he moved closer to home and out of the traffic snarls around the Pakuranga/Panmure area. I wish him well in his new school. At this point in time I do not have a replacement for Nick but I am in the recruitment stage now. Jai (our assistant caretaker) is stepping up with slightly increased hours and I am very grateful to him for doing so. If anyone has an hour or two to volunteer with some gardening and ground tidying I'd appreciate your help.

Parent Group:



**Royal Oak
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Parents Group**

Thank you very much to those of you who came along to the AGM this year. A very special thanks to Angela Thompson who has agreed to stand again as president. Although Angela was planning to take a slightly back seat, the position was not filled and she has agreed to continue on in the meantime. Thank you also to Tonya McNeil who will be vice-president, Elise Pulido who will continue on as secretary

and Sam Sherer who has accepted the treasurer role. Your support for the school is greatly appreciated and the work of the Parent Group creates a very special part of this amazing school community.

As I said in my annual report to the Parent Group, *“Thank you most sincerely for the outstanding commitment you give our school and community. It is an absolute privilege to be the principal here and your work and interest in providing the best for your children is greatly appreciated. I will miss this community enormously as I head in to retirement and sincerely wish you every success for the future”*.

Pink week:

This week is a busy and thought-provoking week for the children as we focus on the anti-bullying campaign and the kindness, care and respect that we need to show one another in order to counteract bullying. Please take as many opportunities as you can to talk with your child or children about this matter. What we model and how we, as adults act, has an enormous impact on our children and the way they behave through their own lives. Watch out during the week for details as they arrive and please do come along on Friday to **Showcase Afternoon** (2.00 to 3.00pm) if you can.

Friday is a mufti day and the children are encouraged to wear pink, black or white and to bring a gold coin for a donation to support mental health awareness. There will also be a pink themed after school café this week.

Showcase Afternoon:

This Friday, from 2.00 to 3.00 we are holding the first of our showcase afternoons for the year. Showcase Afternoons are a time where we open up the class spaces and invite you to come along and join in the learning. You may be involved in an art session, or a physical education lesson or even a writing time. Whatever is on the programme, you are invited to join in. Come and enjoy working alongside your child for a while and maybe even helping with the programme.

Road Safety Week - Save Lives # Speak Up

Last week Royal Oak Travelwise students ran a successful campaign for Road Safety. During the week our team focussed on some key aspects.

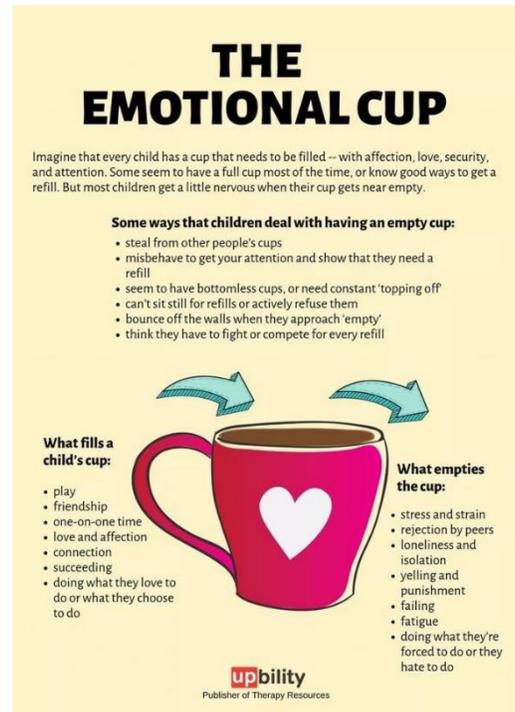
Wheels Safety Check

Travelwise students focussed on the safety of students scooting and biking to school. They recorded the students who were wearing helmets and vests and handed out golden tickets. The results from the check are as follows:

- Bike riders are being very safety conscious and are always wearing helmets
- Most scooter riders are wearing helmets, but not all!!!
- Vests are being worn by some of the cyclists and scooter riders. This is an area that really needs to be improved.

Be Bright Be Seen Day

An outstanding number of students dressed in bright colours and came to school in a Travelwise way. The winning whanau for this event was Sheppard. Well done to them!!!





Back to School Campaign

The aim of the campaign was to make drivers more aware of our crossing and the need to be prepared to stop at the lights before school and after school hours. The Travelwise team wore high visibility vests carrying bright placards displaying road safety messages.



A big thank you to our Travelwise Team who worked so hard over the week and to Kathy Managh for her leadership in this important area.

Absences and Lateness:

Please notify the office before 9.00am if your child is away for the day or is coming in to school later in the day. You can phone 6242800 and press 1 for absence or email to admin@rops.school.nz
Do please let us know early rather than waiting for us to contact you. Thanks for your cooperation.

Munch Eco Shop:

We are excited to have the Munch Eco Shop now available on Kindo. Munch is a Wellington based company offering a range of litter-less and eco-friendly products ranging from Reusable Beeswax Food Wraps and Organic Snack Bags to Stainless Steel Straws, Bamboo Toothbrushes and more. All Munch products are eco-friendly in some way, from being reusable, organic to biodegradable. Their 'Home Workforce' is made up of mums wanting to contribute to a sustainable idea. Munch is by parents for parents. You can now purchase a wide range of their products on Kindo and Munch will deliver them

to school every fortnight for you to collect at the office. For all products sold our school receives back a commission.

If you already have your free school account with Kindo set up, just click on this link to browse or order (or have a look next time you

login): <https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/handshake.shtml?&shop=Royal%20Oak%20Primary%20School>

If you are new to Kindo, you just to need to register by clicking on the following link:

https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/user_home.shtml?session=false&shop=Royal%20Oak%20Primary%20School

and you'll be able to order your child's lunch online, pay for school trips and other school or parent group activities.

What's coming up?

Tread Lightly and Royal Oak Primary School are pleased to invite you to the Royal Oak Litter Blitz, proudly supported by the Puketapapa Local Board.

Over 600 students, teachers and parents from Royal Oak Primary School and will converge on local streets on Thursday 30 May to pick up litter. The Litter Blitz has been organised as part of Royal Oak Primary Schools' participation in the Tread Lightly Healthy Waterways programme.

The Litter Blitz is a great example of students leading the way and taking action in their community to address litter and illegal dumping.

With thanks to the Puketapapa Local Board for their support.

11.30 - Karakia and Welcome from Royal Oak Primary School. H&S briefing

11.45 - 1pm - Litter Blitz in action!

1pm - students return to Royal Oak Primary School

1 - 1.45pm - Celebration BBQ for students

2.30pm - Whole school assembly to present Litter Blitz results

Volunteers are welcome to join the students on the event. If you would like to be part of the event please contact Katie Jones to register or for more information kjones@tread-lightly.org / 0221 099 207

If you are a parent from Royal Oak Primary and would like to volunteer, please let your classroom teacher know.



Term 2

Week 3	13 Y0 Enrolments - Rimu Room begins kiwisport-squash 3-6	14 kiwisport-squash 3-6	15 kiwisport-squash 3-6	16 kiwisport-squash 3-6	17 Pink shirt anti bullying day Showcase afternoon 2 to 3
Week 4	20	21	22	23 BOT meeting 7.00pm	24

Week 5 June	27 YO Enrolments	28	29 Proposed national teacher strike day	30 Money in for Samosas	31 1.45pm school assembly Totara
Week 6 Cultural awareness week	3 Queen's Birthday	4	5 2nd hand Uniform sale 8:30 - 9:00am Parent Group 7.30pm	6	7 Cultural Celebration Day Parent Group Fundraiser: Samosas arriving for delivery
Week 7 Coeliac Awareness Week	10 YO Enrolments Matariki	11	12	13 Litterblitz Saving Day	14 Mufti Day School Fundraiser/Bake Sale Coeliac Awareness Pie n Pint Fathers' evening 7.00pm
Week 8	17 Staff and class photos today in the hall.	18	19	20 Hui 5.30pm	21 Music Showcase 11.45-1.00 - Hall Movie night Saturday Parent Group 2.00pm and 5.00pm
Week 9	24 YO Enrolments	25 Sir Peter Blake Virtual Reality Under our seas programme pm - Karaka STEM - 1 session Nathan Wallis 7:30 - 9pm Mangere Bridge School	26 Sir Peter Blake Virtual Reality Under our seas programme am - Karaka STEM - 2 sessions	27 BOT meeting 7.00pm	28 Sun 30th June ROPS String Recital 1.40 pm for 2pm start: Hall
Week 10 July	1	2	3 2nd hand Uniform sale 8:30 - 9:00am Parent Group 7.30pm	4 Mid- year reports to go home	5 1.45pm school assembly Whanau Leaders

BOT Elections:

The Board of Trustees elections will be held again this year with voting closing at **noon on 07 June, 2019.**

There are 3 positions to fill.

The main roll can be inspected at the school office during school hours.

Nomination forms will be posted to all eligible persons on the school's caregiver roll and nomination forms must be received at the school office by **noon on 24 May 2019** together with the candidate's statement.

If a voting election is required then voting papers will be mailed out by **29 May, 2019.**

BOT Meeting:

Our next Board meeting is, **Thursday 23 May 2019 at 7.00pm**. The focus for this meeting will be on special interventions and programmes, including gifted and talented for 2019. You are always most welcome to attend.

Royal Oak Intermediate School

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**Gliding from the past, rising in the present and soaring to the future
Rere hau I nga wa o mua, piki atu inaianei, tere kite wa e heke mai nei**

Date: 30 May 2019

Venue: Royal Oak Intermediate School

Time: 5:30 pm

Year 7 2020 Parents' Open Evening

Parents/Caregivers and prospective students are warmly invited to attend an Open Evening and learn about the opportunities on offer at our thriving school.

A presentation will be held in our school library and you can hear about the enrolment process; hear from our students and staff and ask questions that you want answered. This will be followed by an opportunity to mix and mingle with our staff and student leaders/prefects. We will have a variety of performances detailing many of the activities which take place in our school. Supper will be served during the evening.

We look forward to seeing you there!

First Fathers of Royal Oak Event for 2019:

Calling all Dads!! The first Fathers of Royal Oak event for this year is the world famous *Pie n Pint* event. It was so popular last year we had to bring it back. Mark the following in your diary *Pie n Pint Friday 14 June School Hall 7pm*. More details to follow. Might see you there. Owen.



Parent Group Samosa Fundraiser - NEW for 2019!



We are excited to let you know that this year, instead of selling chocolates as a Parent Group, we are selling Samosas! This delicious year-round snack will delight taste buds of all ages and ordering has never been easier!!

You can just go onto Kindo through your standard log-in (or create one for free) and order and pay in a few easy clicks. Alternatively, order forms and payment can be taken to the school office. Please enclose in an envelope with your Child's name and Room Name. Orders are open until **Thursday 30th May**, with Samosas delivered to the school on **Friday 7th June**. You, or your children, will need to take them home that day and you can pop them into your freezer or eat them fresh.

Please see the separate notice coming home soon for full details. Please also spread the word to your friends, family and work colleagues - they won't want to miss this opportunity.

Why we Teach:



Congratulations to this group of Year 5 and 6 scientific podcasters. Last term they joined Nanogirl and Radio NZ at the Stardome to record their questions and ideas to make the very first of Nanogirl's Great Science Adventures Podcasts.

Last Thursday they were invited back to the Stardome for the series launch and to help rocket themselves to number one on the NZ podcast charts. Well done Christina, Zoe, Luke, Isla, Adam and Chloe.

You can listen live to Nanogirl's podcasts every Friday at 3:20pm or subscribe with your podcast app to listen anytime.

Each episode is accompanied by a video so you can do an experiment a week at home.

<https://www.radionz.co.nz/.../story/2018.../why-do-stars-twinkle>



Peace

Peace looks like an exquisite field during blossom time,
Intently gazing at the effulgent sun

Peace sounds like perfect silence,
Calmly listening to content stillness

Peace feels like an immense, but fragile tree,
With its roots seething with centuries of knowledge and wisdom and experience

Peace moves like the graceful, invisible wind,
Elegantly waltzing to nature's melodious song

Peace smells like a scrumptious cheesecake
Cheekily tantalising you with its extraordinary scent

Peace....

Aryan Sharma Year 6

Excitement

Excitement looks like flashing lights on a shoe, a burst of bubble gum

Excitement sounds like voices of laughter, a cheerful idea

Excitement feels like a car drifting on to another path, a chase rises

Excitement moves like the speed of light, a building explodes

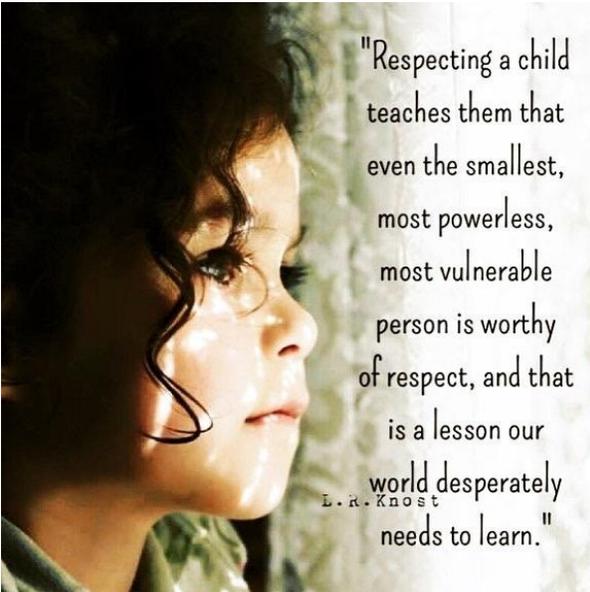
Excitement smells like butter chicken, spices tingling up my nose.

Eshan Punjwani Year 5

Have a happy fortnight.
Ngā mihi nui,

Linley Myers

Linley Myers
linleym@rops.school.nz



"Respecting a child teaches them that even the smallest, most powerless, most vulnerable person is worthy of respect, and that is a lesson our world desperately needs to learn."
L. R. Knost

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Thursday 4.30-5.30pm DANCE | SING | ACT 7-9 years
Thursday 5.30-6.30pm DANCE | SING | ACT 10-12 years
Thursday 6.30-7.30pm DANCE | SING | ACT 13-18 years

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Monday 20th May

Mystics vs Central Pulse

Doors Open: 6.30pm

Centre Pass: 7.40pm

Adult tickets start from just \$15.00 each and kids tickets only \$10 (across all price zones)

Team Ticket Pass: 10 tickets for \$110 – great value as this averages at only \$11 per ticket

Purchase tickets to this game and you automatically go in the draw to win

My Uni Education

After school classes :

Mathematics 1,2,3

Target: Year 1 - Year 13
All you need for Mathematics!
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Chinese 中文

Target: Absolute Beginner
Intermediate/ Advanced

- * Reading
- * Pinyin
- * Writing
- * Sinology

Holiday Programme 

Target: 5 - 13 years old
Our reputable programme is a right mix of academic and leisure activities which are conducted by our professional teachers

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Target: Year 1 - Year 13
Grammar, Phonics,
Reading skills, Writing

Fine Art 

- Target: 5yrs old +
- * Sketch
 - * Watercolor
 - * Design
 - * Photography
 - * Literary Sketch
 - * Cartoons
 - * Movies

After - school Homework class 

Target: Year 1 - 13
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