

Week 3, Term 3, 05 August 2020

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Kia orāna,

We are already into Week 3 of Term 3. Goodness me - time flies when you're having fun!!! This is a sad time for us as our dear Leonie from the office leaves us at the end of the week. She has given 31 years of commitment and dedication to Royal Oak Primary School and she will be greatly missed. We wish her all the very best for a relaxed, enjoyable retirement with her husband, Martin. With Leonie departing, we welcome Louise White as our new Office Administrator. Louise has been working alongside Leonie 'learning the ropes' this week and will be all set to 'fly solo' next week. Welcome Louise, we know you will love working with our wonderful Royal Oak whanau.

#### Three Way Conferences

Thank you so much to all who were able to join us for conferences last week. It was wonderful to connect with so many of our whanau and a delight to have the tamariki discussing their learning with them and our kaiako. We were excited to see that we had approximately 90% attendance of whanau at the conferences. This is fabulous, so next time, we will aim for 100%.  $\bigcirc$ 

#### Donate a Book

Thank you to all those who popped into the Library last week to purchase a book to donate to our Library. Your contributions are very much appreciated and it was a wonderful way to support the school. The total value of donated books came to \$2410.00. We are especially grateful as we know that many whanau are continuing to experience difficult times in the wake of COVID-19.

#### **Slow Down Around Schools**

School is Back - please remember to drive at a safe speed around our school. This makes it safer for everyone, and students love to be able to walk, scoot or ride to school! Let's all take the time



to be kind to one another, walking to school if we can, and driving safely around schools. This includes being safe in all the streets around or nearby our school. If you are dropping off or picking up, do think about where you are parked and if it is in a safe position for all. Many thanks for caring for our tamariki.

#### COVID-19 and On-Going Health Precautions for Term 3

As we remain in Alert Level 1 and there continue to be cases of COVID-19 arriving in the country, it is vital that we keep up our hygiene routines, please remind your tamariki about the importance of washing/sanitising hands and sneezing/coughing into their elbows. Also, if your child displays any symptoms please keep them home until they are symptom free. If your child does display any symptoms, it is recommended that they get tested for COVID-19 as a precautionary measure.

### Arts Week Term 3

As a celebration of the Arts, the Acorns will be presenting their Dance Show and the Oaks will be sharing a variety of visual art.

Save the Date(s) - The Acorns' Dance Show is back!!!!

A night of oohs and ahhhs, a night of pure joy and absolute pride is awaiting you. Please save the date as you will NOT want to miss your child performing in the Acorn's Winter Warm Up Dance Show! Lots more details to follow but please make a note of these dates!

Tuesday September 8<sup>th</sup> Evening performance (6:30pm - opening night) Wednesday September 9<sup>th</sup> Grandparents Day performance (10am)

**Thursday September 10<sup>th</sup>** Evening performance (6:30pm - closing night)

As the term progresses more information about ticket sales will be sent out. The tamariki will be working very hard during the coming weeks creating, learning and polishing their dance moves!!!

### Stage lighting needed for our Acorns' Winter Warmup

A plea from the Acorns!!! We are wondering if there is anyone in our ROPS community who is able to offer their assistance with stage lighting for our dance show - Acorns' Winter Warmup! We would love to be able to have some spotlights on our performers. If you have some equipment you could lend us we would be most grateful! Please contact <u>vickys@rops.school.nz</u>

#### Parent Group

SAVE THE DATES:

#### **ROPS GARAGE SALE - SAVE THE DATE**

On **Saturday August 22nd** we will be running a huge garage sale at school with all of the fantastic pre-loved clothing, books, homewares and toys donated earlier this year. More details to come next week.

#### **QUIZ NIGHT - DATE CHANGE**

Quiz Night has been brought forward to **Saturday 5th September** so you have 5 weeks to sort out your costumes! Watch this space for more details over the next few weeks.

The next Parent Group meeting is on Wednesday 5 August at 7.00pm in the Staffroom. (Note the change in time from 7.30pm to 7.00pm) All are welcome to attend. It would be wonderful to have a great turn out to this meeting. See you there!

#### **Entertainment Books**



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https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/9919z1



#### A Note from Auckland Transport: Keeping Active in the Community

During the lockdown, it was noticeable that more people were getting out and active in their neighbourhood. It was wonderful to see so many families exploring their local area, hunting for teddy bears, leaving friendly chalk messages and learning to ride or scoot. Now that we are returning to normal, it is important that we don't lose all the benefits of being active in our neighbourhoods. So why not join or start a Walking School Bus and remind kids that they can



manage that walk or cycle to school. They certainly managed this easily during the lockdown. Being active in your own backyard grows children's independence and connection to the community, you don't have to travel far to have a great experience.

#### Toys and Food at School

Just a reminder that toys should be kept at home. If toys come to school, they may get lost, broken or taken by someone who isn't the owner! This becomes a difficult job for teachers to have to manage, therefore we don't allow toys from home at school. Also, we have had some of our tamariki wanting to bring food for others or share their food with others. This is also something that we don't do at Royal Oak (unless it is a special day of sharing that the teachers manage) as we have a number of tamariki who have severe allergies. Thank you for your support with this - particularly our Acorns' whanau.

#### Arrival at School

Please ensure that your child arrives, ready to start in his/her classroom, by 8.50am at the latest. Thank you for your support with this.

#### Term 3 Cake Stalls and Frankfurter Sales

It is that time of year again when our tamariki can enjoy a frankfurter on some Fridays and a couple of cake sales throughout the term. More information will come out as a reminder closer to the dates. We will also be having a sausage sizzle and cake sale on Grandparents' Day in Week 8 (Wednesday 9 September) ©

Friday: Weeks 4 / 5 /7 and 9: frankfurter lunches (frankfurters: \$2, vegetarian frankfurters: \$3).

Friday: Week 3 Cake sale - Whānau groups supplying baking please -Batten / Sheppard / Hillary - thank you © Friday: Week 6 Cake sale - Whānau groups supplying baking please -Cooper / Ngata / Rutherford - thank you ©

#### French Classes @ ROPS

Following on from the last newsletter, we now have some more finalised information and I have sent it out to all who had expressed initial interest, just in case you have changed your mind or your circumstances have changed and your child is now able to join in one of the two after school classes.

From the interest expressed, we are now looking at running two after school classes. I understand that there are a number of you who requested different days, however I am sure that you will understand that we had to run with the days that most of the children could attend.

Monday: 3.15 to 4.15: Year 0-2 (beginning Monday 24 August)

Thursday: 3.15 to 4.15: Year 3-6 (beginning Thursday 27 August)

If there is more interest shown, we may need to re-jig these groups. We need to open the classes with a minimum of 5 per group.

The cost for these lessons for the remainder of this term is \$130.00 per child, which will be payable to Alliance Francais. We will sort this once we have organised the classes. This payment also covers the follow-up material online.

What you need to do now:

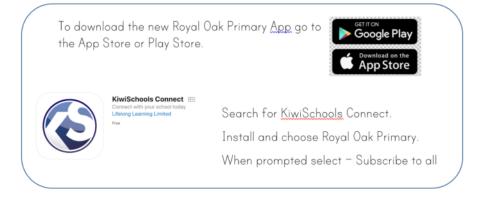
If you wish to pursue the lessons, please reply to <u>meganc@rops.school.nz</u> indicating what day (as listed above) accommodates your child's year level.

#### **Opportunity to Learn Chinese**

We have also been offered the opportunity to have Chinese language classes after school here at ROPS. Please email me at <u>meganc@rops.school.nz</u> if your child would be interested in joining these classes. They are for both Chinese speakers and English speakers learning Chinese.

#### Royal Oak Primary School App

Sign up to the Royal Oak Primary App to easily view notifications, newsletters and the school calendar from your phone.



#### What's coming up?

A very busy term ahead! Please note that the Manuka Assembly has changed from Week 5 to Week 4 due to the hall being out of action for the Garage Sale in Week 5. Thank you. ©

# Term 3 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 3 August Cook Island Language Week	3 Y0 Enrolments	4	5 2nd hand Uniform sale 8:30 – 9:00am Parent Group 7.30pm	6	7 Cake sale
Week 4	10 2pm New Parents Hui. Walk through and chat in staffroom	11 Trees for Survival Planting day Year 6 Eco	12	13 Remuera Zone Gymnastics	14 Frankfurters 9.15am school assembly Manuka
Week 5	17 Y0 Enrolments	18	19 11.30 Oaks Cross Country Practice	20 Trees for Survi val Rain off day Year 6 Eco	Saturday 22 August – Parent Group Garage
Week 6 BOOK WEEK	24 Visiting Author - James Russell 9.15 Yr1-3 10.05 Yr4-6	25 Remuera Zone Field day	26 PERFORM SHOW 9.45 Yr 5-6 11.45 Yr0-4	27 10.00 Visiting Author Yr4-6 Anne Kayes book & James Russell signing and selling bks BOT meeting 7.00pm	Sale 28 BOOK PARADE 11.45 Cake Stall
Week 7 September	31 Y0 Enrolments EPRO8 Challenge begins	1	2 2nd hand Uniform sale 8:30 – 9:00am 11.30 Oaks Cross Coun try Parent Group 7.30pm	3	4 Frankfurters PG Quiz night (Sat 5 September)
Week 8 Community Arts' Week Acorn's - Dance Oak's - visual Tongan Language Week	7	8 Acorns Evening performance	9 8.00am Staff Meeting Grandparents' Day Acorns performance for grandparents Sausages / Cake Stall )	10 Acorns Evening performance	11 EPRO 8 TBC Year5/6 8 Students. Election in Hall (Sat 12 and Sun 13) Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept Term 3 String Recital In Rata Room 2.40 pm arrival for 3pm concert
Week 9 Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori	14 Y0 Enrolments	15 Zone cross Country	16 Year 5/6 Speech Competition <b>5.30pm Hui</b>	17 Save day- Zone Cross country	18 9.15am School Assembly Pohutukawa Election in Hall Saturday 19th Frankfurters

Week 10	21	5.30pm Fono	Class photos BOT meeting	25 Last day of term – school finishes @ 3pm
			7.00pm	

#### **BOT Meeting:**

Our next Board meeting is **Thursday 27 August 2020** at **7.00pm**. The focus for this meeting will be Mathematics. You are always most welcome to attend.

Have a happy fortnight.

Ngā mihi,

Mr.J. achootty

Megan Clotworthy meganc@rops.school.nz

### **Community Notices**

Please find below a list of agencies who are providing support for those who may be having difficulty providing food for their whanau. Please forward this information to anyone you may be aware of that could be having difficulty.

1. Auckland City Mission Foodbank - If you need a food parcel call ACM 09 303 9266 and speak to the Crisis Care team. If you are successful, you will then be given a time to collect from ACM distribution centre at 15 Auburn Street, off Boston road in Grafton. Everyone must take ID with them.

2. Salvation Army food parcels - Contact the Mt Wellington Salvation Army Community Ministry 09 379 7615 – or their local Salvation Army Community Ministry (ring 0800 53 00 00 to find your local ministry). You will be given a time to collect your food parcel.

3. Presbyterian Support Northern - Call 09 309 2054 to arrange a pick up at 8 Madeira Lane, Grafton. Strictly no walk-ins and collections are strictly between 11-12am Mon-Fri.

4. St Vincent De Paul in Newton Branch – Call 09 815 6122 or email – Auckland@stvinnies.co.nz and they can deliver a food parcel.

5. Nga Whare Waatea Marae - Open Mon-Fri, 10am-2pm. Go to the marae at 31 Calthorp Close, Mangere with ID. Wait in car and staff will get to each person one at a time, asking relevant questions as needed.

6. Hills Church on Hillsborough Road can be emailed at office@hillschurch.nz Please provide details on your needs and they will do their best to provide a food parcel. Hills Church has also offered to go shopping for those that cannot leave home due to self-isolation if needed.





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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The Auckland Table Tennis Association is offering free *table tennis coaching* to Year 5 and Year 6 students from several Primary Schools including Royal Oak Primary School. No previous experience in table tennis is required. *Registration will be based on a "first come first served" basis*.

The coaching will be held on Tuesday afternoons 3.45 - 5.00 pm at the Auckland table tennis stadium, 99A Gillies Avenue, Epsom. The schedule for the 4 week coaching course is as follows:

#### Tuesday 28th July - Tuesday 18th August 2020 (4 weeks)

The course requires a commitment from registered players to attend all sessions unless a genuine reason prevents them from doing so. Parents/caregivers will need to arrange for transportation to and from the Auckland table tennis stadium.

Your child will need non-marking sports shoes, a water bottle, and sport clothing (eg. shorts, t-shirt). If your child has a table tennis bat, then they should bring this with them otherwise Auckland Table Tennis will provide a bat. You are welcome to stay. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either of the following 2 people.

Regards

Mr. Ebi Kleiser Development Coach Auckland Table Tennis Association ph. (021) 083 09994 tabletennisnr@gmail.com Mr. Shane Warbrooke Chief Executive Officer Auckland Table Tennis Association ph. (027) 270 3166 aucklandtt@xtra.co.nz

### **Evening Story Time At Onehunga Library**

Join us at Onehunga Library this winter for three evenings of stories, an author's talk and a movie.

#### Storytime with David Minty – Friday 21 August 6:30-7:30pm

Have a good laugh as David Minty reads his fun and quirky stories. Brighten a child's life by donating a new or gently used toy when you join us for this special storytime.

#### Movie time at the Library – Friday 18 September 6:30-8pm

Watch a fun children's movie with family and friends! Bring in a can of your favourite food for another child so that they don't go hungry.







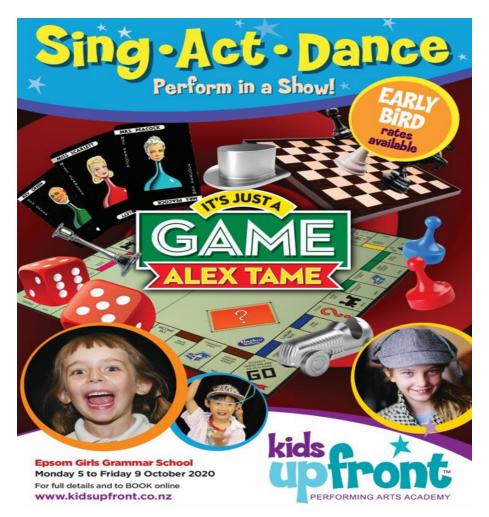
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