



**Royal Oak  
Primary School**  
HONOUR LOYALTY SERVICE

Week 7, Term 3, 2 September 2020

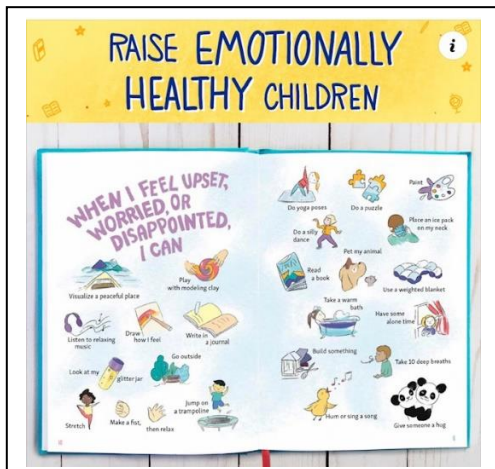
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Kia ora whānau,

Spring has sprung, the mornings are getting lighter and the weather is slowly warming up. It is so lovely to be moving into warmer weather, albeit in COVID-19 Alert Level 2.5! Spring has definitely sprung at our farm. We had our first lamb arrive on Saturday and then twins on Sunday! Mother nature is a wonderful thing. It is so lovely to watch how the ewes nurture and protect their young.



Snippets for this Week:



## “Alert Level 3 Bubble School”



During Alert Level 3, we had three “bubbles” operating at school. These were in the Kowhai Room, the Manuka Room and the Kauri Room. Each bubble had up to 9 tamariki at any one time. The tamariki worked on a range of



activities including their distance learning. They had lots of fun! Thank you to all the wonderful ‘bubble’ teachers who came in to support our essential workers’ tamariki.



## Donated Books

If you very kindly purchased a book that was to be donated to the Library, we would love to have them back in order for them to be accessioned. Many thanks for your generosity.

## COVID-19 and On-Going Health Precautions at Alert Level 2.5

The updated guidance is that when there is community transmission, masks can help reduce the spread of COVID-19. As part of the guidance for this resurgence of COVID-19, the New Zealand public are being encouraged to update their emergency kit to include masks for all household members. These could be reusable, or single use. This is a preparatory measure. There is an expectation that, particularly for adults when out in public, masks are worn at Alert Level 2.5. Masks are not compulsory for tamariki attending school, however many of our tamariki are wearing them. They are mandatory for folk over 12 years old on public transport.

Masks are one component of the fight against COVID-19 strategy. Good hand hygiene, keeping your distance so that you are not breathing on or near others, staying home when sick, testing, efficient contact tracing and our strict border measures remain fundamental to minimising transmission of COVID-19.

### Matai Room

As the roll grows in our New Entrant room, we welcome Laura Duffy who will work alongside Chelsea Aitken supporting our youngest tamariki. Laura will be with us on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays until the end of term. Vicky Stewart will work in the Matai Room on a Wednesday, with Renee Von Huben in on a Thursday.

### Parent Group

The next Parent Group meeting is tonight, Wednesday 2 September, at 7.00pm. Due to being at Alert Level 2.5, only allowing gatherings of up to 10, this is being run via Zoom. The link has been sent out to members of the Parent Group.

### Entertainment Books



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### Year 5 and 6 Cross Country

As we are not able to have gatherings outside of the school setting of more than 10 people, we were unable to have our cross country race at Cornwall Park. We made the decision to offer the race to those Year 5/6 tamariki who were keen and we would run it on the track that they have been training on during fitness time. The race took place today. Congratulations to the following tamariki:

Placing	Year 5 Girls	Year 5 Boys	Year 6 Girls	Year 6 Boys
1st	Chance Flux Ton	Aleksander Retamales	Greta Hunter	Ben Leaf
2nd	Macy Stone	Shivesh Shetty	Zara Bint	Max McNamara
3rd	Kenzie Heather	Lake Stephens	Ela Egene	Callum Bradshaw



### 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. 😊

### Term 3 Cake Stalls and Frankfurter Sales

As we are in Alert Level 2.5, these have been postponed until further notice. We will let you know as soon as possible when we plan to run these again.



### Opportunity to Learn Chinese

We have been offered the opportunity to have Chinese language classes after school here at ROPS. Please email me at [meganc@rops.school.nz](mailto:meganc@rops.school.nz) 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

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### What's coming up?

**Please note that many of our events have had to be removed from our calendar.** This is due to the change in Alert Level and the related restrictions. Our wonderful Arts' Week will still take place this year - we just need to decide how we do this. It is no longer practical to have it as planned in Week 8 as the tamariki have not had enough time to rehearse their dances or create their art pieces. Watch this space for further information. Unfortunately, Grandparents' Day is also cancelled. We apologise for any inconvenience, but I am sure that you can understand that this is completely out of our control. We will update you with any new dates and times as we are able to. Thank you for your on-going understanding, support and flexibility. 😊

## Term 3 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 7 September	31 Y0 Enrolments EPRO8 Challenge begins	1	2 11.40 Year 5/6 Cross Country  Parent Group 7.00pm: zoom	3	4
Week 8 Tongan Language Week	7	8	9	10	11 EPRO 8 TBC Year5/6 8 Students.  Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept Term 3 String Recital via Zoom 3pm
Week 9 Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori	14 Y0 Enrolments	15	16  Year 5/6 Speech Competition??  5.30pm Hui??  Alert Level dependent	17	18 9.15am School Assembly Pohutukawa Alert Level dependent  Frankfurters (TBC) Alert Level dependent
Week 10	21	22	23  5.30pm Fono ?? Alert Level dependent	24 Class photos  BOT meeting 7.00pm	25  Last day of term – school finishes @ 3pm

### BOT Meeting:

The Board of Trustees met on Thursday 27 August. Due to Alert Level 3, the meeting was held by Zoom.

- Every sector of our community has been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, and the school community has had to adapt to meet these challenges. The Board is grateful for the way in which Megan and the Senior Leadership Team have managed and guided this community and for the dedication and skills of our teachers in facilitating online learning. Thank you also to you, the families, for quickly adapting to new ways of doing things and for supporting one another.
- The curriculum report for this meeting was mathematics. Sandra Powell and Jill Shears gave a report focused on the second year of implementing learning through a problem-solving approach.
- Late last year the government announced a special School Investment Package (SIP) funding for schools. The capital injection was granted to 'accelerate works at schools that would otherwise be deferred due to a lack of available funds and our school was allocated around \$393,000. The key project at ROPS will be to build a shade structure between the hall and Kauri room to provide a space for our tamariki to play and gather, sheltered from the rain and

sun. This is due to be built over the summer. Other projects will include an upgrade of the administration block and playground equipment.

- The 'mid-term' elections for the Board will be held towards the end of the year with the official Election Day (the day on which the voting closes) set for Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December. There will be an election for two parent trustees. Nominations will open in October and we encourage parents to start thinking about appropriate candidates now. There will be further information about this in coming weeks.

Our next Board meeting is **Thursday 24 September 2020 at 7.00pm**. The focus for this meeting will be Local Curriculum.

Have a happy fortnight.

Ngā mihi,



Megan Clotworthy  
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## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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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A collage of six advertisements for dance classes. At the top left is the 'DANCE OF LIFE ACADEMY' logo with the address '1 Pearce St, Onehunga'. To its right is a large pink box with 'KIDS DANCE CLASSES' in yellow text and the tagline 'Nurturing the joy of dance in your child through Excellent, Caring &amp; Inspirational Teaching!'. Below these are three smaller boxes: 'Cygnetts Ballet for 7 - 11 yrs' with a photo of ballerinas, 'Tiny Tutus Ballet for 5 - 6 yrs' with a photo of a young girl at a barre, and 'Leap &amp; Learn CREATIVE DANCE for 2.5 - 4 yrs' with a photo of a young girl dancing. At the bottom left is a box for 'KIDS DANCE FUSION Ballet, Jazz &amp; Hip Hop for 7-10 yrs' with a photo of children. At the bottom right is a blue box with 'ENROL NOW' and 'NZBALLET.CO.NZ'.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT KATHY AT (021) 0294 7554

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

**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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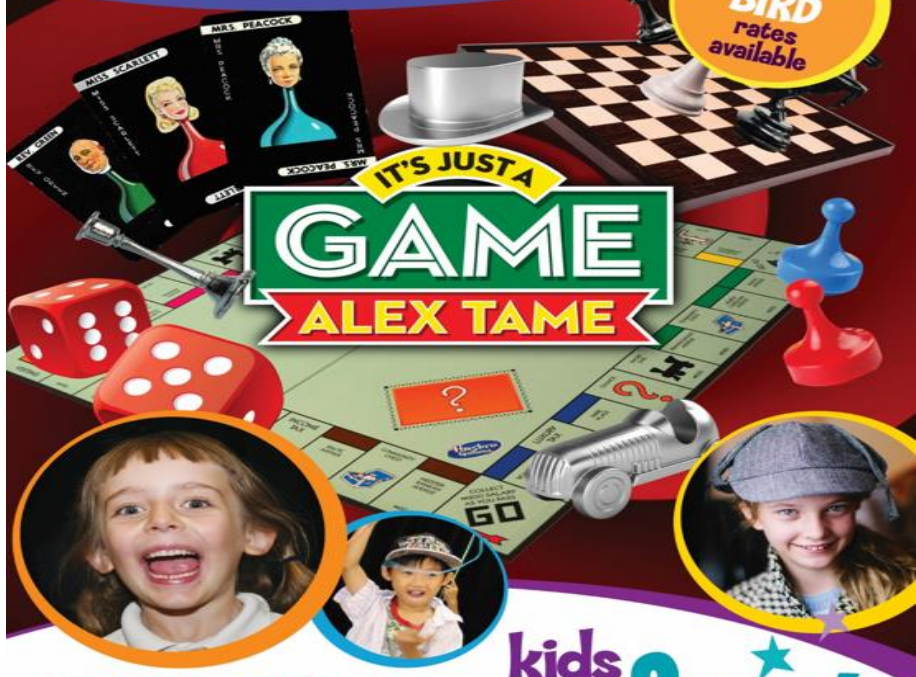
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