



Week 5, Term 4, 16 November 2021

Kia ora, talofa lava, mālō e lelei, 问候, namaste, 인사, 拝啓, mabuhay, bem vindo, fakalofa lahi atu, kia orana, kohomada, bula vinaka, nǐ hǎo, huān yin, foon ying, marhaba, oso oseyo, olà, bonjour, ia orana, welcome!

Kia ora koutou,

I hope that this finds you and your whānau safe and well.

This newsletter comes slightly early this week as we will be returning to school and I wanted to share some reminders about what school will look like for those returning at Alert Level 3.2. It will be like an extended 'bubble school'. The tamariki who are returning, (please check the Plan for Return below), will be returning to their normal classrooms. They will be keeping within this class group the entire time that they are at school. They will go directly to their class on arrival at school. They will have specific areas to play in and specific toilets to use. This will all be outlined by their teachers. These guidelines must be adhered to for health and safety purposes. Arrival time is between 8.25am and 8.50am, the allocated gates will be locked until then. Pick up time for Years 0-3 is 2.45pm at the allocated gates (please see the plan below). Years 4-6 will be picked up at 3pm from the allocated gates.

Return to School Term 4 2021

Kikorangi Year 0-4 A-L & Year 5

Kākāriki Year 0-4 M-Z & Year 6

Bubble School (as enrolled)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5 15/11/21			Years 0 - 4: A-L All Year 5 Bubble School	Years 0 - 4: A-L All Year 5 Bubble School	Years 0 - 4: A-L All Year 5 Bubble School
Week 6 22/11/21	Years 0 - 4: M-Z All Year 6 Bubble School	Years 0 - 4: M-Z All Year 6 Bubble School	Years 0 - 4: M-Z All Year 6 Bubble School	Years 0 - 4: A-L All Year 5 Bubble School	Years 0 - 4: A-L All Year 5 Bubble School
Week 7 29/11/21	Years 0 - 4: M-Z All Year 6	Years 0 - 4: M-Z All Year 6	Years 0 - 4: A-L All Year 5	Years 0 - 4: A-L All Year 5.	Years 0 - 4: A-L All Year 5

	Bubble School	Bubble School	Bubble School	Bubble School	Bubble School
Week 8 06/12/21	Years 0 - 4: M-Z All Year 6 Bubble School	Years 0 - 4: M-Z All Year 6 Bubble School	Years 0 - 4: M-Z All Year 6 Bubble School	Years 0 - 4: A-L All Year 5 Bubble School	Years 0 - 4: A-L All Year 5 Bubble School
Week 9 13/12/21	Years 0 - 4: M-Z All Year 6 Bubble School	Years 0 - 4: M-Z All Year 6 Bubble School			

Important things to note:

- Years 0-4 have been split into two groups alphabetically by **surname**. (unless they have a sibling in Year 5 or 6 - see no. 3 below)
- Year 5 and 6 have been split into the two **year groups**: Year 5/Year 6 (not alphabetically)
- Any **siblings of Year 5 or Year 6 tamariki** will attend school on the Year 5 or Year 6 sibling's day - that will be their days for attendance.
- If there is a whānau with tamariki in Year 5 and Year 6, each child could attend with their allocated group **or** both attend together with a consistently chosen group- i.e both with Year 5's group or both with Year 6's group - not chopping and changing please. The group to be decided by the whānau.
- Bubble School tamariki (those who are currently already part of our Bubble School) will attend as they have been since the beginning of term. Enrolments for Bubble School are now closed. They will go to their normal classroom (not their Bubble Class).
- For those remaining at home, distance learning will continue.
- Zooms will remain for the morning schedule, however as we may have half the class at school, these may be slightly different.
- There will no longer be 2.30pm zooms as we will be sorting tamariki to depart school.
- If you are choosing for your tamariki to remain at home initially, you can still send them in later, please just ensure that you follow the plan and notify us beforehand so that we can expect them.
- Drop offs will be as follows: (no parents/caregivers onsite, please)
Whānau with more than one child: all of the tamariki in that whānau go to the gate of the youngest sibling.
8.25am - Year 0/1 and Year 6: Chandler Ave gate
Year 2 and Year 5: Crown St. gate
Year 3 and Year 4 : Manukau Rd. gate
- Pick- up will be as follows: (no parents/caregivers onsite, please)
2.45pm - Year 0/1: Chandler Ave gate
Year 2: Crown St gate
Year 3: Manukau Rd. gate
3.00pm:- Year 6: Chandler Ave. gate
Year 5: Crown St. gate
Year 4: Manukau Rd. gate
- Before/After School Care will not be operating
- Lunches will not be available - please ensure that your tamariki have lunch and a full water bottle as our fountains will be closed.
- As we are back at school, uniforms and sunhats will be required.
- Where possible, the tamariki will be outside (as per directive from the Ministry of Health), so please ensure that they have applied sunscreen in the morning.
- Please contact us if your child is just starting school and has yet to have attended in person.
- There will be no school visits at this time.

Vaccine Mandate

Please be assured that, at Royal Oak Primary School, we are adhering to the vaccine mandate and Public Health Order, and we are committed to maintaining a safe and healthy workplace for our community.

I would appreciate it if you don't ask staff about their vaccination status. This is personal business and everyone has been on their own journey with this. Thank you for your understanding.

New Enrolments/Leavers

We have a number of Year 6 children leaving at the end of this year. As we look ahead to the new year, we need to know who is leaving (other than Year 6 children) and who is coming in next year. If you have younger children, please pre-enrol them and let your in-zone friends and neighbours know that we need them to do the same. We are now looking at staffing for 2022 and need a reasonably clear picture of student numbers. Please email Louise (louisew@rops.school.nz) if you know you are leaving (other than Year 6) or have a pre-enrolment.

Classes for 2022

We are almost at the stage of the year where we look at class placements for 2022. This is a very careful and methodical process in which the teachers and senior managers look at appropriate groupings and match children with teachers and classes. We do not always place children with their friends, although we do try to keep some children known to each other together. It is a very normal part of school life for children to have new children in their class as they move further through the school. It is, in fact, very good for them socially to extend their friendship circle. If you have any social or emotional concerns regarding your child, please email Felicity, felicityb@rops.school.nz, for the Oaks' tamariki or Vicky, vickys@rops.school.nz, for the Acorns' tamariki.

Please be aware that we cannot take requests for specific teachers, sorry, and you need to know that there may be staff changes at the end of this year and groupings are not necessarily going to be the same.

Distance Learning

This will continue until the end of the year. However, afternoon zooms will cease from tomorrow, Wednesday 17 November. Morning zooms will continue, however there will be no morning zoom tomorrow morning as we will be welcoming some of our tamariki back to school. If you would like to pick up a hard pack, please contact Vicky (vickys@rops.school.nz) or Felicity (felicityb@rops.school.nz).

Second Hand Uniform Sales

Second hand uniform sales are on hold until the lockdown level is lowered.

Kāhui Ako Māori and Pacific Peoples' On-line Hui/Fono

Join the whānau of Te Iti Kahurangi Kāhui Ako, a panel of health professionals from the Auckland District Health Board, and representatives from the Ministry of Education, the Ministry for Pacific Peoples, and the Ministry of Social Development for a talanoa and Q&A session on how and why our Schools are Safe during Covid- 19 Alert Level 3.2.

Questions are welcomed and can be submitted via chat during the zoom or ask them in the breakout rooms.

We look forward to seeing you there!



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KĀHUI AKO MĀORI & PACIFIC PEOPLES ONLINE HUI/FONO



Link: [https://zoom.us/j/98647313414?
pwd=bzM3dVFWVThaYTZMTHI5RitjUIE2Zz09](https://zoom.us/j/98647313414?pwd=bzM3dVFWVThaYTZMTHI5RitjUIE2Zz09)

Spot
Prizes

Monday 22nd November

6-7pm

Topic: School is a safe place to be

- Have your questions answered
- Hear what others have to share
- Different cultural breakout rooms



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Our 6 Ways of Wellbeing at ROPS:



Please see a book below that you may find useful to share with your tamariki.

<https://phoebemorriscreative.com/superfelix>



[Super Felix – Phoebe Morris](https://phoebemorriscreative.com/superfelix)

A digital picture book about Covid-19 for kids aged 4-8, FREE/koha download, created by award-winning illustrator Phoebe Morris.
phoebemorriscreative.com

You may also find the Sparklers Parenting page helpful. 😊

<https://sparklers.org.nz/parenting/>

[Sparklers at Home](https://sparklers.org.nz/parenting/)

Sparklers is normally a classroom, wellbeing toolkit, and Sparklers at Home supports this. It holds many of the same fun wellbeing activities, but for the living room or lawn.
sparklers.org.nz

Board of Trustees

The next meeting will be held at **6.00pm on Monday 06 December**.

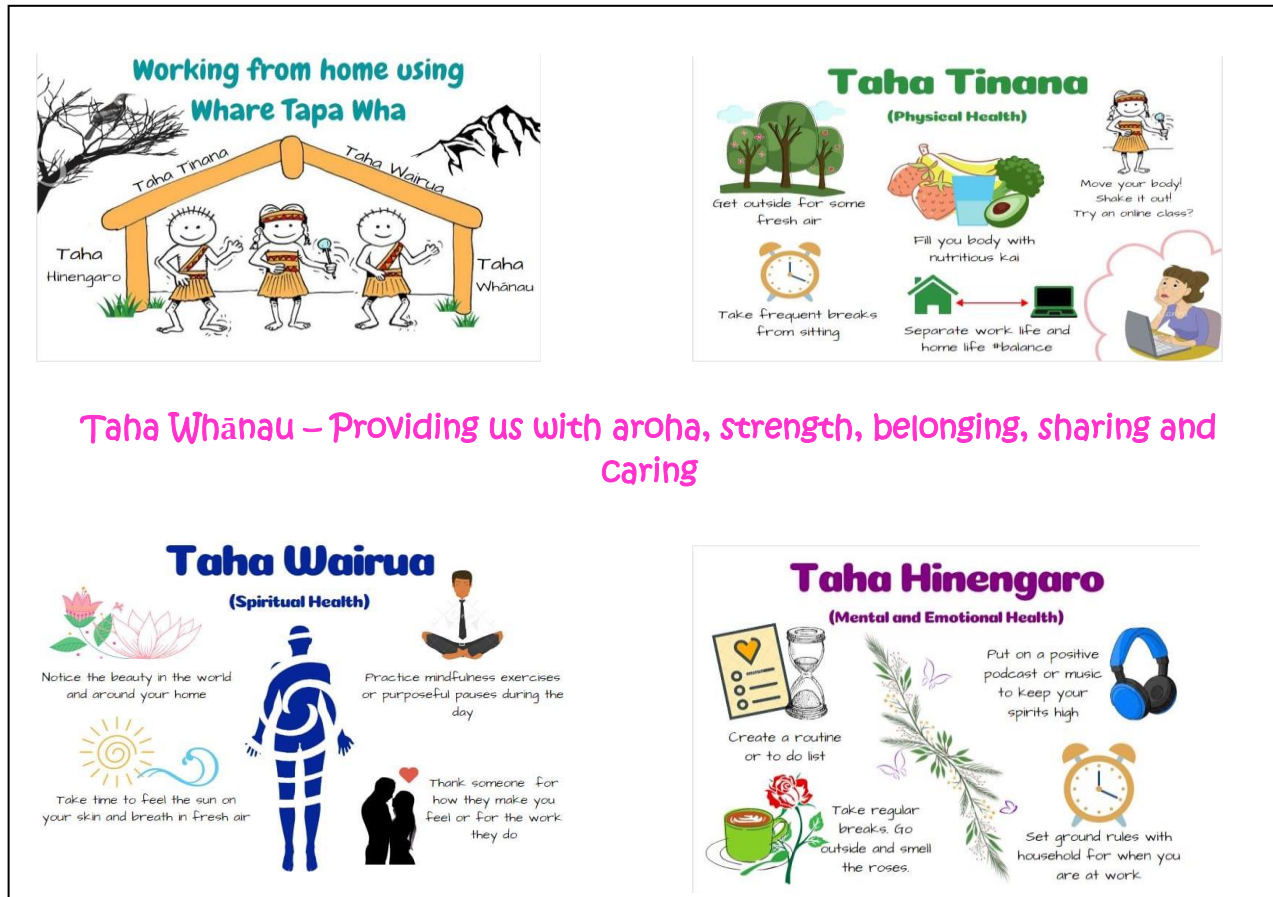
Please do take care.

Keep safe and well.
Kia kaha
Ngā mihi nui

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Megan Clotworthy', written in a cursive style.

Megan Clotworthy
meganc@rops.school.nz

Te Whare Tapa Whā (Mason Durie) to Support Your Wellbeing



Taha Whānau – Providing us with aroha, strength, belonging, sharing and caring

Lockdown Tips for whānau and communities

Please find below a short video hosted by Dr Hinemoa Elder and Nathan Wallis with lockdown tips for whānau and communities.

- <https://parents.education.govt.nz/essential-information/covid-19-information-for-parents-and-whanau/lockdown-tips-with-dr-hinemoa-elder-and-nathan-wallis/>

If your whānau are struggling right now there's lots of support in this community, so don't be shy to reach out. Onehunga foodbanks serving whānau in this area run on Wednesdays but can respond if there's a need on other days. If you've exhausted WINZ support, contact either

- New Hope Foodbank, Onehunga on 021770050 or email foodbank@newhope.org.nz

- Beat St Foodbank, Oranga, call 0800 767767

Also, food parcels are given out at St Peter's on the mall, Onehunga Embracing Families, Saturdays 10 to 12pm. Just turn up.

There are also the big foodbanks: Salvation Army 0800530000, St Vinnie's 0800680090 and Auckland City Mission 0800223663. Be patient, phone lines are busy, but they will get back to you.

A BIG thank you to those who have donated or dropped off food to foodbanks or local pataka.

Naku te rourou nau te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi. ❤️

(With your foodbasket and my foodbasket the people will thrive) ❤️

A graphic featuring a purple circle with a red ribbon banner across it that says "Christmas Special" in white cursive. The circle is surrounded by green leaves and red berries. Below the circle is the "ARTZONSHOW." logo in white and orange text on a dark purple background.

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Students participate in a range of performing arts
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Held at Raye Freedman Arts Centre,
Epsom Girls Grammar School

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or contact Hayley on either
artz@artzonshow.co.nz or 09 294 7129***

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- ★ DRAMA
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- ★ OBSTACLE COURSE

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