



Week 5, Term 1, 09 March 2022

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, bonjour, ia orana, welcome!

Dear Whānau,

We have been reasonably lucky with COVID-19 not impacting our kura to a great extent...so far. However, we are noticing an increasing number of tamariki either isolating or reporting as positive with COVID. We are anticipating that the number of positive cases will increasingly affect our staff and tamariki. We may even reach a point where we experience staffing shortages due to the need to isolate. We do anticipate that this may coincide with increased student absences and will endeavour to manage for as long as possible before considering the need to double up classes or close classes. Fortunately, the majority of our tamariki continue to be healthy and actively attending school. We continue to ensure that we are doing all we can to provide a safe, healthy environment for them by operating tight bubbles, staggering breaks, promoting good hygiene practices, cleaning, sanitising, mask wearing (Years 4-6, all staff, and Years 1-3 by choice) and ensuring that the rooms are well ventilated.

Please continue to monitor for any symptoms, particularly if you are notified of a positive case within the class.

**Symptoms of COVID-19**

- A new or worsening cough
- Sneezing and runny nose
- A fever
- Temporary loss of smell or altered sense of taste
- Sore throat
- Shortness of breath

Other symptoms include diarrhoea, headache, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, malaise, chest pain, abdominal pain, joint pain, or confusion/irritability.

For more information, go to [covid19.govt.nz/health-and-wellbeing/about-covid-19/covid-19-symptoms/](https://covid19.govt.nz/health-and-wellbeing/about-covid-19/covid-19-symptoms/)

### Commemoration Garden Nominations

We are applying to 'Matariki Te Rakau', for a grant to plant a native tree commemorative garden within the school. The garden needs to commemorate a special person from our community. We are asking the ROPS school community for input into the decision of whom to celebrate. This person can be a historical figure, from centuries ago, through to a person that has effected our community positively in more recent times. Our community, would include Royal Oak, Maungakiekie/Cornwall Park and the edges of surrounding suburbs like Onehunga. The person will have made a difference in this community or in their field of work. They may have demonstrated innovation or entrepreneurship, improved the lives of others, or exemplified selfless voluntary service. We will need to supply details of their community impact and/or achievements. If you would like to nominate a person, please email Whaea Robyn at [robynmc@rops.school.nz](mailto:robynmc@rops.school.nz). We will short list nominations and then bring it back to the school community and students of ROPS for a final vote. We can do the research, but it would be very helpful if you could give the reasons for your nomination briefly and supply any background information or contacts and resources that would help us gather more details about them. Thank you in advance for helping us make this decision!



### Parent Group

As a parent or caregiver of a child at ROPS you are automatically part of the Parent Group and are invited to come along to our monthly meetings at 7pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month. This is a great way to meet new parents and your children get so many positive benefits in seeing you involved in their school. This year the Parent Group will be continuing to work on various fundraising initiatives which we know our kids and community love so much.

### Vacancy - Parent Group Secretary

One of 4 Exec roles on the ROPS Parent Group, you'll join a team of enthusiastic parents who work closely with Megan Clotworthy and the leadership team at ROPS.

The Secretary is responsible for distributing the agenda and meeting minutes; managing the Parent Group inbox and general admin and liaison support as required.

It's a great way to lead by example for your kids and get hands-on, meet fabulous like-minded parents and share your community spirit.

If you'd like to know more, have any questions or would like to put your name forward, please send an email to: [parentgroup@rops.school.nz](mailto:parentgroup@rops.school.nz)

### Whānau Support 2022

The Whānau Support initiative has been running for a few years and was set up by ROPS Parent group as a way of our school community supporting each other in times of need. When families at our school are facing challenging times such as: illness, significant injury, sudden income issues or loss of a loved one, we would like to help in practical ways.

Due to the ongoing challenges of COVID we are changing the way we offer assistance. This may take the form of a food hamper of non-perishable food and practical household items, pamper pack or a supermarket voucher. We plan to have the packs already made up to distribute as required.

We have three co-ordinators: Rebecca Jamieson, Andrea O'Brien and Jenny Kemps with children across the school. However, our real contributions come from our amazing Whānau Support community, who provide items for the packs or donations toward the contents. There is no commitment needed and certainly no pressure. We are grateful for any contributions you are able to make.

If you would like to be part of this community, or have any questions, please email [ropswhanau@gmail.com](mailto:ropswhanau@gmail.com)  
Ngā mihi nui,  
From the Whānau Support team  
Jenny Kemps, Rebecca Jamieson and Andrea O'Brien

### Connecting with Whānau:

#### Mahi Tahī (Working Together) Evenings:

Thank you to all the whānau who were able to attend our Mahi Tahī afternoons to meet the Kaiako. These were very successful, and we were thrilled that people took the time to come along and meet the Kaiako. We are planning on having more Mahi Tahī discussions towards the end of the term. These will be more focused on the individual tamariki. A note about these will be coming home soon. The platform on which these will be delivered will be dependent on what stage of the traffic light system we are in. More information to follow.

### Whale's Tales

You may have noticed a number of whale's tails on display around our city.

#### Karaka Presents their Mini Whale Tail for the Whale Tales' Trail

Harcourts, Greenlane, kindly donated the mini whale's tail for a class to decorate for the trail that is presently on around Auckland. Karaka put their hand up to work on this and loved the process.

The Karaka tamariki researched the Bryde's Whales to find out as much as we could about them. We were excited that there is a large group living in the Tīkapa Moana o Hauraki /Hauraki Gulf. Project Jonah presented a Zoom lesson and we learnt even more about these majestic mammals, as well as other local sea creatures.



Students then worked in pairs and triads to brainstorm thoughts and ideas for our Whale Tail design theme. The unanimous decision after group and class discussion was to share the message of keeping our oceans clean and that litter humans drop gets into the sea and animals' habitats.

Next, working in small groups, the children discussed their designs and worked together to draw out their pictures. Many of them went for the same background colours. A large group were also interested in the Māori patterns and their meanings related to the ocean and whales. Completed designs were displayed on the back wall in class for consideration and a few designs were combined to create the final choice.



The light blue front of our whale tail design depicts the clean, healthy ocean with healthy sea life, how it should be. The underside has a darker blue, showing what occurs beneath the surface due to human debris, such as plastic bags, which sea creatures get tangled in or mistake for food. Māori patterns represent the moana (sea) and ngutu kura (whale fluke) which symbolises respect for the sea and nature as well as speed, strength and protection.

### Sun Hats

Please do remember that it is compulsory to wear a sunhat in Term 1. Please ensure that your child’s sunhat is named as these get put on and taken off many times during the school day and can be easily misplaced.

### Second-Hand Uniform Sales

Special thanks to Liddy Sanders and Denise Fisher who are now running the second-hand uniform sales. The next sale will be on Wednesday 6 April at 8.30am just inside the Chandler Ave gate.

### Teacher Only Day

Please note that we have a **Teacher Only Day** scheduled for **Thursday 14 April**. The school will be closed for instruction that day as the staff will undertake some professional learning. It is the day before Good Friday, so school officially ends for the term on Wednesday 13 April at 3pm.

### Manukau Road Crossing

For the safety of our tamariki, please ensure that if you or your tamariki are crossing Manukau Road, that you use the pedestrian crossing by our Hall gate. This is the safest way to cross what is an extremely busy road.

### What’s coming up?

Due to being in the red-light zone of the COVID Protection Framework, we have very few extra-curricular activities happening. As we move into orange, the number of activities will increase. Please do check the calendar below for what is coming up this term. Make sure that you do check each newsletter as things may be added or changed according to what zone we are in. Items with question marks are yet to be confirmed.

## Term 1 2022

	Rāhina	Rātu	Rāapa	Rāpare	Rāmere
Wiki 5 07/03 – 11/03	07 Y1 Enrolments	08	09	10	11 Student Leadership applications due in
Wiki 6 14/03 – 18/03	14	15	16	17	18 Assembly to launch Fun Run

<b>Wiki 7</b> 21/03 – 25/03	21 Y1 Enrolments	22	23	24	25
<b>Wiki 8</b> 28/03 – 01/04	28 6.00pm BOT Meeting	29	30	31	01
<b>Wiki 9</b> 04/04 – 08/04	04 Y1 Enrolments	05 Mahi Tahī evening 3:15 - 8	06 Uniform sales <b>Fun Run</b> <b>Parent Group meeting</b>	07 Mahi Tahī evening 3:15 - 8	08 <b>Fun Run</b> <b>PG Picnic – afternoon????</b>
<b>Wiki 10</b> 11/04 – 14/04	11 <b>Fun Run</b> (Saving day)	12	13	14 Teacher only Day <b>School Closed</b> Cello Lessons in Lieu – Zoom	15 Good Friday <b>School Closed</b>

**BOT Meeting:**

Our next Board meeting is on, **Monday 28 March 2022 at 6.00pm**. You are always most welcome to attend.

Have a happy fortnight.

Ngā mihi nui



Megan Clotworthy  
[meganc@rops.school.nz](mailto:meganc@rops.school.nz)

## Community Notices

**Online After School Classes Available:**  
**Contact: Isabella Song: [isabella.song@cassiedu.com](mailto:isabella.song@cassiedu.com)**

Number	Subject	Course Description	Date&Time	Fee (materials included)
1	Chinese	Each lesson has an interesting topic; Learn Chinese pinyin and Chinese characters through songs, videos and activities. Practice dialogue in Mandarin; Learn to write Chinese characters;	<b>Tuesday and Thursday</b>  3.15-4.15pm 1 Hour	<b>\$15</b> /class/person
2	Drawing	Guiding students to develop an initial awareness of colour; Understanding the composition of a picture and developing spatial layout skills; Learning the use of colour and the use of painting tools; Students will master a variety of painting techniques and understand the characteristics of various painting forms; Learn to use painting techniques to express what they feel, know and think;	<b>Monday or Friday</b>  3.15-4.45pm 1.5 Hours	<b>\$25</b> /class/person
3	English Reading	Welcome to our Reading Club for kids, where we encourage young readers to discover great books, share new stories, explore important topics, and have some bookish fun! From book-themed activities to discussion questions to interviews with the authors, you will find plenty of inspiration for a great conversation	<b>Tuesday</b>  4.30-5.30pm 1 Hour	<b>\$15</b> /class/person



4	Math	<p>Our Mathematics classes attempt to improve students academically &amp; intrigue their interests.</p> <p>The CPA teaching approach will be applied in this class. The method uses a three-step learning model, which consistently introduces concepts in a progression. It moves from the concrete to pictorial representation and then on to the more abstract (Concrete, Pictorial, Abstract or CPA).</p> <p>Students learn not only to know how to do something but also why it works. Our Syllabus followed NZ Curriculum and give students a training on various mathematics question types. Through our classes, students can gain a thorough understandings of the concepts, improve their problem-solving skills, and develop creative and critical thinking skills. Our classes will inspire confidence as the student progresses.</p>	<p><b>Thursday</b></p> <p>4.30-5.30pm 1 Hour</p>	<p><b>\$15</b> /class/person</p>
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**ST MARY'S COLLEGE**  
**Enrolments for St Mary's College are now OPEN for 2023**

A virtual welcome to St. Mary's College will be held on **Monday 14 March at 7.00pm.**

Please go to our website [www.stmaryak.school.nz/enrolment/enrolments](http://www.stmaryak.school.nz/enrolment/enrolments)  
for the link and more information about the enrolment process.

Enrolments close **Thursday 24 March 2022**

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### Virtual Welcome

Thursday 24 March 2022  
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### NOW ENROLLING FOR 2023

Enrolments are open for  
Year 7 students and  
a small number of places  
for girls in other levels

St Mary's College has  
no zoning restrictions

*For more information  
see our website  
[www.stmaryak.school.nz](http://www.stmaryak.school.nz)*



**CLOSING DATE FOR 2023  
ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS**  
Thursday 24 March 2022

*Join our Mercy family  
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**KELLY CLUB**

# HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

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## APRIL 2022 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

**ROYAL OAK PRIMARY SCHOOL**

A timetable and full programme information is available online or at the programme venue.

**Who can attend:** Children aged 5-13 yrs

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**General information:** We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

**What do you need to bring:** Shoes and appropriate clothing, jacket or sweatshirt, hat, drink bottle and food for morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

**Payment details:** Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking is received. All payment details will be included on the invoice.

**Work and Income OSCAR Subsidy:** Parents/caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a WINZ subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit [www.workandincome.govt.nz](http://www.workandincome.govt.nz).

**Please note:** Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Club accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst at the programme. If your child/ren are collected late after the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$15 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

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**Prices & Session Times:**

**Full Day:** \$50    **Event Day:** Extra \$20  
7am-6pm

**School Day:** \$40    **Half Day:** \$30  
9am-3pm                      7am-12:30pm or 12:30pm-6pm

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**Website:** [kellyclub.co.nz/royal-oak](http://kellyclub.co.nz/royal-oak)  
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**REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN  
GO TO: [www.onehungasports.net](http://www.onehungasports.net)  
OPEN DAY Sunday 13th March  
10am - 12pm at our Waikaraka park  
clubrooms Captain Springs Road.**

Onehunga Mangere football registrations for this season will be on @ the clubroom's -  
Onehunga Mangere football club,  
Mangere Domain,  
Domain Road,  
Mangere Bridge  
Dates -

Registration open 9<sup>th</sup> February - & then  
31st March 2021 Online Registrations close

The registration system is an on-line system, so if you want to register, you can go on to our website now to register, or pop up to the club on any of the dates & times above.

For further information or to register visit the club website, - [www.omuaafc.org.nz](http://www.omuaafc.org.nz)

Or you can contact me - detail's below.

Grade's available;

First kicks ages 4-5, - these session's are held on Monday night's  
& junior / youth - ages 6-19.

Senior's - 20 year old's & above.

Last year, we had 25 team's in the junior & youth rank's, which included 5 'all girls' team's

And in senior football, 7 men's tems - including our NRFL div 2 & reserve team's, + 3 senior women's team's

So if you are interested in playing soccer this season, look out for the registration's sign's or register via the website, & we'd look forward to seeing as many kid's - boy's & girl's, or ladies & gent's - playing soccer this year.

FYI - Our 1<sup>st</sup> team gained promotion lat year, as champions', to NRFL division 1 .

For any information, or if you any question's at all, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thanks & regards,

Kelvin Davies

Junior / Youth co-ordinator - Onehunga Mangere football club

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Contact Details:  
**Lisa Duffy, Enrolment Office**  
**Ph: 524 8108 x 7323**  
email: [enrolments@st-peters.school.nz](mailto:enrolments@st-peters.school.nz)  
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