

Week 5 Term 4 2022

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

Kia ora koutou,

The year is slipping away fast!! Please do check the calendar below for upcoming events. Unfortunately, with the end of year, often comes what we refer to as 'the silly season'. We have been experiencing some behaviours that we would really like you to discuss at home with your tamariki in order to support the eradication of these behaviours. We have addressed these with the tamariki at school. There have been a number of incidents of swearing which is totally inappropriate and unacceptable in all scenarios. We are also experiencing serious misuse of toilets. Some tamariki are leaving behind a nasty mess after they have used the toilets. This becomes a health and safety issue, so please do talk to your tamariki about correct toilet etiquette, including the correct use of toilet paper, and boys lifting the seat before urinating. We would really appreciate your support with this. Thank you.

Travelwise Team wins gold!

Congratulations to the travewise team for winning gold for 2022. This is a wonderful achievement.

All their hard work organising and promoting safe and active travel was rewarded at the travelwise celebration at the Cloud last Tuesday. Thank you so much to Whaea Kathy for her mahi and the support that she gives this programme.



Important Music Notices

1) Royal Oak Primary School String Programme 2023 - Applications

We are currently seeking applications of interest for new beginners for the 2023 ROPS String Programme to learn Violin or Cello. We have 6 places for Beginner Violinists, and 3 places for Beginner Cellists.

Priority will be given to those students in Y3 in 2023.

If interested in this opportunity for your child, please click below for information (and link to online application form)

String Programme 2023 Information

All applications must be submitted by Friday 25 November 5pm.

2) Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra 'Kiwi Kapers' Schools' Concert

On Wednesday 26 October, as part of the Royal Oak Primary School Classroom Music Programme, all the Y5 and Y6 students travelled to Aotea Centre to attend an Auckland



Philharmonia Orchestra 'Kiwi Kapers' Schools' Concert.

Our Y5 and 6 students have worked hard all year with Whaea Amelia to play, sing, discuss, move to, listen to, and analyse each piece in the hour-long concert. Well, almost every piece. One item was a world premiere that told the Cook Island creation story with narrator, full orchestra and full Cook Island drum ensemble. The piece was a

wonderful surprise for everyone. The word on the playground is that the performance of music from '*Pirates of the Caribbean*' was also a favourite!

Our ROPS tamariki not only engaged with all the music in the concert positively as learners - they also showed outstanding concert attendance etiquette. This was a very important part of the learning experience, and our ROPS students shone. We are indeed a school of musicians.

Many thanks to the Year 5/6 teaching team, and wonderful group of parents who came to the concert with us.

And many thanks also to Whaea Felicity and Whaea Megan for their support of this classroom music programme initiative. It was the perfect way to introduce our Year 5 and 6 tamariki to live orchestral music! Thank you to Whaea Amelia for orgainising this wonderful experience.

3) ROPS End-of-Year Music Showcases

Whānau and friends are warmly invited to attend these Showcases to celebrate the musical learning of our Royal Oak Primary School Musicians.

Thursday 24 November - Y2-6 ROPS Choral Programme Showcase, 11.40 -1pm, School Hall

Performances by Kapa Pasifika, 'Year 2 Special Singers', Year 3/4 Choir, Year 5/6 Choir, Combined Year 3-6 Choir, and Classroom Music Programme choral items.

Friday 25 November - Y3-6 ROPS Instrumental Music Showcase, 11.40 -1pm, School Hall Performances by our Ukulele Groups, 'Oakestra', Recorder Groups, Handchimes Ensemble, ROPS String Programme Violins and Cellos, and a special item devised by the nine Music Leaders of 2022.

4) NZ Ukulele Trust 'Ukulele Jam

Last Tuesday 8 November almost 50 very excited ROPS Ukulele players, a fantastic team of parents, Whaea Annabel and Whaea Amelia travelled to the Central Auckland Ukulele Jam event held at Dilworth School Junior Campus.



What a fun morning spent strumming and singing with six other schools. Our ROPS tamariki really shone and contributed hugely to both the music and spirit of the whole event. Many thanks to all the Ukulele Group whānau for their support of the event, to the parents who travelled with the Ukulele Group for being an amazing part of Team ROPS, and to Whaea Annabel, Mātua Matt Shanks, and Whaea Amelia for their work with the Ukuleles over the year.

5) Christmas Lights Advertising

A combined Y3-6 Choir will be performing at the 'Onehunga Christmas Lights' Festival, 7pm Friday 25 November, at Jellicoe Park, Onehunga After two years without this performance opportunity due to COVID-19 interruptions we are very excited to participate in this event! The festival is a lovely family-



friendly occasion, and is FREE to attend.

Greenman Campaign

On Thursday 3rd of November a large team gathered

by the Pah Road crossing for the Greenman campaign is to make drivers more aware of to be prepared to stop at the lights before hours. The team were in their high across the crossing carrying bright placards Samantha Peterson from Auckland

placards and was a great support on the morning. Well done Travelwise Team it was a great turnout. You certainly created awareness and hopefully change!!!

number of our Travelwise

Campaign. The aim of the our crossing and the need school and after school visibility vests walking displaying a 'Green Man'.

Transport supplied the

Travelwise School



Kindness Cup October recipients



Once a month, children in our kura will be awarded a kindness certificate for showing kindness, empathy, care or service to either their peers, kura or planet. From those nominated a supreme winner of the month will receive the Kindness Cup, a box of Lego and a \$25 voucher to The Warehouse. Kindness is just about the only



thing that doubles when you share it and here our

students have proved that with a large number this month receiving certificates for their fabulous acts of kindness.

It is heartwarming to read the comments made for why they been chosen to receive a certificate.

Fabulous Ukelele Success



The NZ Ukulele Trust 'Uke-Can-Do-It' is a ukulele songwriting competition, open for entries from students in years 1-13 across New Zealand. The work must be an original song, featuring the ukulele and the work must be suitable for Kiwileles to sing and play. One of our wonderful tamariki, Aria, entered her song 'Butterfly', which she was inspired to write for her brother, Luca, who loves butterflies.

Her song was chosen as the **1st place winner** of the competition! Aria is the youngest person to have won this competition, with previous year's winners, coming from high schools around New Zealand.

As the 1st place winner, she receives a NZ Ukulele certificate and,

from the sponsors, a \$300 music voucher from the NZ Rockshop plus a Kala Tenor Archtop Chicago Red finish w/ Electronics & Case with a retail Value \$595. But the main prize is having her song published in the 2023 Kiwileles Resource and for Kiwileles schools to perform it at next year's events! The judges passed on their comments to Aria: "Your song is catchy & fun - we can see the Kiwileles rocking it! An uplifting song that reminds you how special nature and butterflies are. Kia rere atu to ukulele, to reo ataahua ki te Ao! Let your ukulele and beautiful voice fly out to the world!"

We are incredibly proud of you, Aria! Congratulations, ka pai!!

Worm Works

Look out for Worm Tea at ROPS! Proceeds going to ROPS Environment programmes Kauri students will be selling worm tea before school and some After School Café's. Find our selling tables inside the main gate. \$2 for 2L \$3 for 3L Thank you for supporting us.



Whānau Support

WHANAU SUPPORT

REACHING OUT...

We have a freezer at school full of meals which school whānau have kindly cooked and donated if anyone could use some help in the lead up to Christmas. We know this time of year can be stressful for some!

If you or anyone you know would appreciate a little helping hand, please reach out to **ropswhanau@gmail.com** and we can arrange a meal for you. We have vegetarian and meat options.

Alternatively, if you would like to join our community of home cooking/ baking to donate, please get in touch via the same email address.

Sunhats in Term 4

As we are now into the warmer months, it is compulsory for our tamariki to have their hats at kura for whenever they are outside. They must wear their hats to and from school, when outside at break times and when outside at any other time during the school day. This is a health and safety precaution, so please do ensure that our tamariki have a named hat to bring to school.

Enrolments

We are currently sorting staffing and classes for 2023. If you know of anyone who will be starting at our kura at any stage next year, can you please advise them to visit Louise in our office to alert her of the enrolment and pick up the enrolment forms.

Events Coming Up: Please do check this each time a newsletter comes out as events sometimes are subject to change. It is also very good to keep ahead of what is coming up.

	Dāhina	Dātu			Bāmoro
	Rāhina	Rātu	Rāapa	Rāpare	Rāmere
Wiki 5 14/11 – 18/11	14 Y1 Enrolments OAKS ATHLETICS	15 Oaks Athletics Saving Day/half day Lewis Eady Keyboard Lunchtime Recital (hall)	16 Oaks Athletics Saving Day/half day Lewis Eady Guitar Lunchtime Recital (hall)	17	18
21/11 – 25/11 Music Week	21 Music Week 2022 Music Week Lunchtime Uke Jam	22 Music Week Lunchtime Student Recital	23 Strings Rehearsal, Lunchtime, Hall	11:30 – 1	25 + Instrumental Showcase 11.45 - 1pm Perf. Hall Christmas Lights Jellicoe Park 7pm
Wiki 7 28/11 – 02/12	28 Y1 Enrolments	29 Zone Athletics Road Patrol Training for Year 5	30	01 Remuera Intermediate Sport morning for some Yr6 (approx15)	02 Road Patrol Training for Year 5 – catch ups
05/12-	05 BOT Meeting 6.00pm Royal Harmonics Probus Perf. 9.50-11am	06	07 Last Violin Lesson	08	09 Parent Helper Morning Tea 10.45 to 11.30am Last Cello Lesson Sunday 11 th Dec T4 String Recital 2.40pm for 3pm start Hall TBC
Wiki 9 12/12 - 16/12	12 Acorns Athletics Day (afternoon) PG picnic	13 Acorns Athletics Day (saving day)	14	15 Year 5/6 Awards Assembly am Class visits for 2023 classes (afternoon)	16 Oaks End of Year Celebration at Onehunga Pools 11-2.30 Acorns end of year celebration Reports Home
Wiki 10 19/12 - 20/12	19 Leavers Assembly and Leavers Lunch	20 10.00am whole school assembly <mark>School Closes</mark> 12pm			

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BOT Meeting:

Our next Board meeting is **Monday 05 December 2022** at **6.00pm in the Staffroom**. You are always most welcome to attend.

Have a happy fortnight. Ngā mihi nui,

Mr.J. Uchrothy

Megan Clotworthy meganc@rops.school.nz

Community Notices





Artz on Show School Holiday Performing Arts Workshop

This is a fun yet educational week for students aged 5 - 15 years.

Students participate in a range of performing arts and specialised classes, for an eventful week!

19 - 23 December 2022, 9am – 4pm daily Held at Raye Freedman Arts Centre, Epsom Girls Grammar School

View our website; www.artzonshow.co.nz or contact Hayley on either artz@artzonshow.co.nz or 09 294 7129





Epsom Community Creche, a vibrant, community-based, not-for-profit, early childhood centre, operating in the heart of Epsom for over 30 years.

> 9.00AM - 12.30PM (3.5 HOUR SESSION) \$30 FOR 2YR OLD | \$25 FOR 3YR OLD

9.00AM - 2.00PM (5 HOUR SESSION) \$42 FOR 2YR OLD | \$25 FOR 3YR OLD

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