

Week 7 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,

Staff Leaving

At the end of each year sometimes we need to farewell some of our lovely staff as they continue on their educational journeys. This year we farewell Najmeh Heidarian who is off to teach at a school that is much closer to her home. Najmeh has been with us for four years and she will be missed.

Libby Marriott is also leaving us. Libby has been with us for the past 18 months and joined us to cover parental leave just as the lockdowns were ramping up through COVID. Her flexibility through that difficult time was very much appreciated. She has taught in Year 5/6 and in Year 2 and will be missed.

We are also celebrating Whaea Kirsty's (Hardie-Boys) retirement. Whaea Kirsty has been with us for an amazing 27 years. She has been a taonga for our kura with her knowledge of Te Reo and tikanga. Whaea Kirsty has worked with tamariki across our kura and has also led our Kapa Pasifika and Rōpū Rangatahi for many years. We are truly thankful for all that she has done to support our tamariki and whānau.

These wonderful kaiako have made such valuable contributions to our kura and community. I would like to thank them for the gifts they have brought to our kura and wish them well for their journey ahead.

Classes for 2023

We are at the stage of the year where we look at class placements for 2023. This is a very careful and methodical process in which the teachers and senior leaders 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. However, 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.

Music Week 2022

What a wonderful week of music-making we had at ROPS last week! Monday lunchtime saw a Ukulele Jam performance shaped by Music Leaders Aria, Cleo, Ellie, Isabel, Ranya and Taylor. The programme of songs they chose was so positive and fun, and entertained an appreciative audience of students and staff. On Tuesday we had a student lunchtime recital organised and hosted by Music Leaders Miji, Miguel and Nara. This comprised six items including two Ukulele Ensembles, two piano solos, a violin solo and a violin, cello and piano quartet sharing a student arrangement of 'We Wish you a Merry Christmas' including tastefully played sleigh bells! The rest of the week's performance activities were two large combined Music Showcases performed for whānau, students and teachers. On Thursday we had the Y2-6 Choral Programme Showcase involving over 170 singers in our three year-levelled choirs, and also including an amazing performance by Kapa Pasifika. On Friday it was the turn for our Instrumental Music groups (Ukulele, 'Oakestra',



Recorder Ensemble, Handchimes), ROPS String Programme Violins and Cellos to shine. A special Music Leader 'Tango Team' ensemble finale was a fitting celebration of musical student leadership.



Congratulations to all the tamariki who performed over the week, and to the nine Music Leaders of 2022 for their event organisation, and hosting of both Showcases with aplomb and commitment. So many musicians, so much talent shared, and so much joy! Special, special thanks to Whaea Amelia for her outstanding commitment, dedication and organisation!!

Onehunga 'Christmas Lights' Festival - Friday 25 November

Over 100 Y3-6 students attend this event in Jellicoe Park on Friday night to perform as a combined Y3-6 choir. Everyone was so excited to sing, and looked very festive! What a great atmosphere to be a part of! The choir, as the opening act of the event, was outstanding. Every student gave their absolute all to the performance, and Whaea Amelia said she could not stop smiling! Each song was met with huge applause! Congratulations to all students who performed. They were stand-out representatives of our kura. Royal Oak Primary School is most definitely a singing school.



Many thanks to all whānau for ensuring the tamariki's positive participation, and also huge appreciation to Whaea Maria, Whaea Felicity, Whaea Vicky and Whaea Jill for their support at the event. Special thanks, once again, to Whaea Amelia for her outstanding encouragement and support to get the ROPS choir to open Onehunga Christmas Lights.

The Acorns have a busy couple of weeks coming up:

Monday 12th December - Acorns Athletics Day followed by the Parent Group Picnic

Details to come out this week. It's sure to be an exciting day of races and fun so save the date if you can!

Friday 16th December - Acorns End of Year Celebration

A fun day of building and problem solving to celebrate the great year we have had! We will need a few parent helpers so volunteer if you can.

Parent Group

PARENT GROUP END OF YEAR PICNIC & RAFFLE PRIZE DRAW

Please join us for an end of year celebration on the school field after the Acorns' Athletics Day on **Monday 12 December from 2.30pm**. There will be drinks and a sausage sizzle available for \$2 each, or you can bring along your own picnic food. We will be drawing the ROPS raffle at 4.00pm.

We hope to see you there!

RAFFLE TICKETS - 1st PRIZE \$2,500 PAK'nSAVE VOUCHER

Thanks for your tremendous support with raffle ticket sales so far. A reminder that once you have sold your tickets, please bring the money and the ticket butts to the collection table outside the school office between 8:30-9:00am until **Friday 9th December**. You can also pick up another book to sell if you wish. Payment can be made by cash or Kindo. Please note: The Kindo payment is only available for whole book purchases of \$20. And a big thank you to our major sponsor **PAK'nSAVE Royal Oak** who have made this fundraiser possible. We hope you can come along to the Parent Group end of year picnic on Monday 12 December for the live draw at 4.00pm.

SILENT AUCTION ON NOW!

Grab yourself a great bargain at our Silent Auction which runs until 5pm Sunday 4 December. Thanks to our generous local businesses and our very own Whaea Megan for auctioning a Principal for A Day Prize - how cool would that be?!

Head over to www.32auctions.com/rops22 to check it out.



This is the website we use for our other silent auctions so you may already have an account. If you don't, please visit www.32auctions.com/users/new and follow the steps to creating your account. Happy bidding and good luck!

Oaks' Athletics Results

YEAR 4		60m	100m	High Jump	Long Jump	Softball Throw
1 st	Girls	Isla Smith	Isla Smith	Aurora Bird	Mila Le Masurier	Isabel Hutcheson
2 nd		Aurora Bird	Aurora Bird	Isabel Hutcheson	Isabel Hutcheson	Riley Siebert
3 rd		Mila Le Masurier	Isabel Hutcheson	Olivia Rika Riley Siebert	Isla Smith	Mila Le Masurier
1 st	Boys	Brodie Barnett	Brodie Barnett	Brodie Barnett	Luka Warby	Zane MacDonald
2 nd		Malakhiy Muavae	Malakhiy Muavae	Thomas Dodson	Brodie Barnett	Brodie Barnett
3 rd		Luka Warby	Kobe Helleur	John Henderson	Kobe Helleur Caiden Flux Ton	Kobe Helleur

YEAR 5		60m	100m	High Jump	Long Jump	Softball Throw
1 st	Girls	Zara 'One'one	Zara 'One'one	Olivia Sanders Charis Tuaiti Silika	Charis Tuaiti Silika	Zara 'One'one
2 nd		Olivia Sanders	Olivia Sanders	Esme Battson	Esme Battson	Charis Tuaiti Silika
3 rd		Charis Tuaiti Silika	Charis Tuaiti Silika		Olivia Sanders	Sophia Simich
1 st	Boys	Siaosi Pasa	Siaosi Pasa	Aidan Liggett	Aidan Liggett	Toby 'One'One 'Eveni Langi
2 nd		Jah Mita	Jah Mita	Siaosi Pasa Harry Botha	Max Leaf	Noah Stone

3 rd		Malik Sulaiman	Malik Sulaiman		Jah Mita	Antonino Vatuvei
YEAR 6		60m	100m	High Jump	Long Jump	Softball Throw
1 st	Girls	Emily Morrison	Emily Morrison	Harriet Dodson	Emily Morrison	Ayvah Kirkland
2 nd		Florence Robertson	Florence Robertson	Emily Morrison	Harriet Dodson	Harriet Dodson
3 rd		Harriet Dodson	Harriet Dodson	Florence Robertson	Emily Poole	Kathryn Agbayani
1 st	Boys	Zach Beale	Zach Beale	Zach Beale	Zach Beale	Zach Beale
2 nd		Lee Dun	Lee Dun	Lee Dunn	Lee Dunn	Ryan Rooke
3 rd		Alfred Gong	Alfred Gong	Ali Ibdah	Alfred Gong	Timofei Letunov

Zone Athletics

4x 100m Relay

Year 5 Boys - 1st!! Aidan Liggett, TJ Fineanganofu, Malik Sulaiman, Noah Stone

Year 5 Girls - 3rd Olivia Sanders, Charis Tuaiti Silika, Zara 'One'one, Esme Battson

Year 6 Boys - 5th Lee Dunn, Ali Ibdah, Ryan Rooke, Alfred Gong

Year 6 Girls - 8th Cleo Myers, Harriet Dodson, Florence Robertson, Emily Morrison.

A team of 21 tamariki attended the Remuera Zones Athletics Day at Pakuranga Athletics Club on Tuesday. Fourteen schools participated in the event, entering their top two students into events (except the high jump, which was only for the top student from each school). Thanks to the wonderful tamariki who showed our school values and were outstanding ambassadors for ROPS and to the parents who helped during the day. Thank you to Whaea Mel for organising the team.

High Jump

Harriet Dodson - 2nd

Aidan Liggett - 4th

Olivia Sanders - 5th

Zach Beale - 5th

Ball Throw

Zara 'One'one - 1st

Noah Stone - 3rd

Toby 'One'one - 8th

Charis Tuaiti Silika - 9th

The team included: Olivia Sanders, Aidan Liggett, Florence Robertson, Ali Ibdah, Zara 'One'one, Emily Morrison, Zach Beale, Lee Dunn, Charis Tuaiti Silika, Noah Stone, Toby 'One'one, Max Leaf, Timofei Letunov, Ryan Rooke, Harriet Dodson, Esme Battson, Ayyah Kirkland, Malik Sulaiman, Cleo Myers, Alfred Gong & TJ Fineanganofu. The following tamariki placed among the top 10.

800m Finals

Olivia Sanders - 7th
Florence Robertson - 10th

200m Final

Emily Morrison - 1st
Charis Tuaiti Silika - 8th

60m Final

Zach Beale - 3rd

Long Jump

Aidan Liggett - 3rd
Charis Tuaiti Silika - 3rd
Emily Morrison - 9th

English Language learners' Screen Printing

As an end of year activity, Year 5 and 6 English language students are involved in a screen-printing activity planned and designed by them. Students worked collaboratively with peers to complete the screen-printing task.



Rōpū Rangatahi

Two of our Rōpū Rangatahi tamariki ran a te reo Maori competition for classes this fortnight to win the Korero award. Classes kept a chart of how many pieces of huarakau they were eating each day, and making the chart have as much reo as possible. The winning Oaks class was Kahikatea and Acorns was Nīkau. Tino pai rawe!



Book Returns

Library Books, Donated Library Books and Classroom Readers

All above books are to be returned to school please. At the Chandler Ave school gate there will be a box for you to return any of the above books. This includes any books purchased for donation to our library in Term 3.

Whānau Support



The poster is for 'Whānau Support' from Royal Oak Primary School. It features the school's logo at the top, which consists of three stylized leaves in orange, green, and blue, followed by the text 'Royal Oak Primary School'. Below the logo, the words 'WHĀNAU SUPPORT' are written in large, bold, white capital letters. Underneath this, the phrase 'REACHING OUT...' is written in smaller white capital letters. The main body of the poster contains three paragraphs of white text on a dark blue background. The first paragraph states that the school has a freezer full of meals donated by school whānau and offers help in the lead up to Christmas. The second paragraph asks if anyone would appreciate a helping hand and provides the email address ropswhanau@gmail.com for arranging a meal, noting that vegetarian and meat options are available. The third paragraph offers an alternative for those who want to join the home cooking/baking community, also directing them to the same email address. The entire poster is framed by a thick orange border.

Royal Oak Primary School

WHĀNAU 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.

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.

Term 4 2022

	Rāhina	Rātu	Rāapa	Rāpare	Rāmere
Wiki 7 28/11 – 02/12	28 Y1 Enrolments	29 Zone Athletics Road Patrol Training for Year 5	30	01	02
Wiki 8 05/12- 09/12	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
Wiki 9 12/12 - 16/12	12 Acorns Athletics Day (afternoon) Parent Group 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 School Closes 12pm			

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,

M. Clotworthy

Megan Clotworthy
meganc@rops.school.nz

Community Notices



KELLY CLUB

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Wed 21 – Fri 23 Dec & Mon 9 Jan – Fri 3 Feb

Join us for a fun-filled School Holiday Programme including an Ice Ice Baby Day, craft and cooking activities, awesome games & MUCH MORE!

Some activities may need to be swapped for other exciting ones! Go online to check out a full, up-to-date timetable for your school.

OSCAR PROGRAMME SUBSIDIES AVAILABLE!
*Conditions apply

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DECEMBER 2022 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

ROYAL OAK PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEK 1

Mon 12 December	Tues 13 December	Wed 14 December	Thurs 15 December	Fri 16 December
SCHOOL DAY Book in for the last few days of before- and after-school care for 2022. Head over to our website to make a booking.	SCHOOL DAY Book in for the last few days of before- and after-school care for 2022. Head over to our website to make a booking.	SCHOOL DAY Book in for the last few days of before- and after-school care for 2022. Head over to our website to make a booking.	SCHOOL DAY Book in for the last few days of before- and after-school care for 2022. Head over to our website to make a booking.	SCHOOL DAY Book in for the last few days of before- and after-school care for 2022. Head over to our website to make a booking.

WEEK 2

Mon 19 December	Tues 20 December	Wed 21 December	Thurs 22 December	Fri 23 December
SCHOOL DAY Book in for the last few days of before- and after-school care for 2022. Head over to our website to make a booking.	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL Book in for the last few days of before- and after-school care for 2022. Head over to our website to make a booking.	CIRCUS FUN Step right up! We are going to have fun at the circus with some juggling, clown races and a whole lot of holiday cheer!	SANTA'S LITTLE HELPERS Join us for a day of giving back. Bring a loose donation for those in need and prepare special cards so you can put a smile on someone's face.	XMAS EXTRAVAGANZA Join us for all things Christmas. Games, baking, crafts and an awesome end of year Christmas party!

FULL WEEK: \$250 (7am-6pm) **FULL DAY: \$53** (7am-6pm) **SCHOOL DAY: \$43** (8am-3pm) **HALF DAY: \$33** (7am-12.30pm or 12.30pm-6pm) **EVENT DAY: Extra \$20** (Excludes non full week)

OSCAR PROGRAMME SUBSIDIES AVAILABLE

BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz



ARTZONSHOW.

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 classes, concluding the week with a performance!

16 - 20 January 2023, 9 am – 4 pm 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*



ARTZONSHOW.

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
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Ngā Hau Māngere

Temporary bridge closure
28 November to 9 December



Permanent anti-slip deck surfacing

We didn't get good weather while working in winter, so we need to come back now to apply the permanent deck coating. The bridge will close temporarily so we can get this work done.

Bridge closed from:

10am Monday 28 November to 7pm on Friday 9 December
(weather dependent)

We'll be working as quickly as we can. If we get the work done sooner, we will open the bridge before this date.

During this time, you will be able to cross the Manukau Harbour via the SH20 underpass and security guards will be on duty.



For more information, contact
email omb@nzta.govt.nz
phone **0508 623 266**



28-11-19

Too Young for Kindy? We Can Help.

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

ENROL NOW | MORE INFO

epsomcommunitycreche.co.nz

epsomcreche@gmail.com





speech & drama

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

HEAD
HELD
HIGH

sibling &
bring-a-friend
discounts available!

dates & location?

**Ponsonby Community Centre, OR
Pinehurst School (Albany)**

**Monday 19th - Thursday 22nd December
9am - 3pm each day**

(Except Thursday 22nd at Pinehurst School, which will
finish at 1pm that day, and be discounted accordingly)

prices?

- 1 day = \$80
- 2 days = \$150
- 3 days = \$210
- 4 days = \$280

Siblings = 10% discount.

Bring-a-friend = Mention the friend who
recommended our holiday programme to you
and you'll both get a 10% discount.

*Sibling discounts and bring-a-friend discounts may not be used in
conjunction with each other.

who for?

For students in **Year 1 to Year 5**.
Open to children from all schools.

please bring

Morning tea, lunch, water bottle.

what's in it for the kids?

Head Held High holiday programmes are full
of fun, learning and creativity for students
aged Year 1 to Year 5. The programmes are
taught by the same professional, enthusiastic
and caring teachers who teach our speech
and drama lessons across Auckland during
the school terms, and they pack the day with
speech and drama games and activities that
kids love.

Designed by HHH founder - Kate Laurence -
each day will be as FUN as possible for the
children, whether they're having their first
taste of speech and drama or are
experienced campaigners with Head Held
High.

It's really important to us that all students feel
welcome and comfortable, regardless of
their level of previous speech & drama
experience or interest. Our teachers are
experts at reading the individual
requirements within a group, and the holiday
programme games and activities will be
delivered in ways that are engaging and
challenging to all individuals' skill levels,
simultaneously.

enrol or enquire

www.headheldhigh.co.nz/holiday-programmes

Holiday Programmes

December 19 to 23rd
January 9th to 27th

Make the most of your holidays with a fun-filled learning experience!
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ROBOTICS USING EDISON
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ANDROID APPS
GRAPHIC DESIGN
ROBOTICS USING MBOT
DEVELOP UNITY 3D GAMES
ROBLOX PROGRAMMING



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09 815 0825

Greymfriars Church

The Holly, Jolly Holiday Programme

19th-23rd December

Mon - Friday
9am - 3:30pm
Full week \$100 p/child
Daily Cost \$22 p/child

3:30pm - 5pm (aftercare)
Daily cost \$15 p/child

Activities:
Arts & crafts • Team games •
Activity stations • Bible
conversations • Kahoot quiz
•Biscuit decorating • and much
much more!

Morning and Afternoon tea provided.
Please bring packed lunch

See full details on our website.
<https://www.greymfriars.org.nz/holiday.html>
Email: holiday@greymfriars.org.nz

