

Week 3, Term 3, 2 August 2023

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, marhaba, oso oseyo, olà, bonjour, ia orana, welcome!

Kindness Week



The ROPS Whānau Leaders are encouraging an extra focus on kindness around our school this week. Teachers, students and Whānau leaders will be listening and looking out for acts of kindness and awarding tokens which students can post in the Whānau Group Box. These will be tallied up and announced daily.

On Friday 4 August there will be a Whānau picnic lunch, where all the students will come together (weather dependent) in their whānau groups, eat their own lunch and meet some others in their whānau. Students should wear their whānau colours on this day - this could be a whole outfit or just a touch of their whānau colour in their mufti outfit.

Ngata wear red and/or black

Rutherford wear orange

Hillary wear blue

Cooper wear green

Sheppard wear white and/or pink

Batten wear vellow.

We look forward to seeing everyone in whānau colours on Friday, as well as witnessing lots of kindness.

Enrolments

If you have a child who is due to start school within the next 6 months, or if you know of anyone who lives in zone who has a child that is due to start school within the next 6 months, please encourage them to call in at the office to pick up an enrolment form. This helps us to predict roll numbers for the coming 6 months, which impacts on the funding that we receive from the government.

Bird Monitoring and Pest Control Project

Earlier this year we were successful in gaining funding for a



STEM project created by our kura, from COMET Curious Minds. Our project has an

environmental theme and the Year 5 and 6 Eco Warriors are doing the mahi, which will continue for many years. This is our research question "How well is predator control in and around our kura working to benefit and encourage"

the native birds that are accessing our local

bird corridor via Maungakiekie/Cornwall Park. Can we use birdsong monitoring to identify evidence of the migratory movement to encourage a 'halo effect' in our surrounding

community."
The Year 6 Eco
Warriors have
been exposed

to a range of learning opportunities involving scientists, a zoo trip and visits to Maungakiekie. We are currently placing our purchased bird monitors around the kura and in Cornwall Park with the help of scientists, the Tupu Maunga Authority and the

team at Curious Minds. We will keep you updated regularly on our progress with this project. Thank you to the parents and caregivers that have given up their time to support our excursions so far.

Tu Meke Tuatara by Kohekohe Room

At the beginning of the year Kohekohe Room read and discussed the story Tu Meke Tuatara, a little kindness goes along way by Malcolm Clarke. They were inspired by the artwork of Hayley King aka Flox. Last term they collaborated with Whaea Rose to paint their own Tu Meke Tuatara which reflected their research findings about tuatara and showing kindness.







Book Week 14 - 18 August

In week 5 we will be having Book Week to promote books, invite authors to speak to the children and encourage lots of reading from our students.







During the week the student library committee will run multiple competitions in the library for all students, with prizes for both Acorn and Oak pupils. The committee has developed the competitions themselves and are very excited to get the students involved.

On Tuesday 15th Anne Kayes, an author of several junior novels will be speaking to the Year 3 - 6 students. On Wednesday, 16th August, James Russell, an author of the Dragon Defender series, will be speaking to the Year 0 - 6 students. To cover the costs of these two authors we ask that the children bring a gold coin on the day.

An opportunity to purchase books written by the two authors will be available on Wednesday 16th in the hall at 1.00pm. The title of these books are; The Dragon Brothers series, The Dragon Defender series, Children of the Rush 1 & 2, Tui Street Tales and Tui Street Heroes, Tui Street Legends. Children will need to bring cash to purchase these books. All James Russell books will cost \$20 and Anne Kayes books range from \$18 - \$23.

The Book Parade will be held on Thursday 17th August outside the hall at 11.45am. The children can dress up to match a favourite book character. They are encouraged to bring the book with them for the parade.

Cross Country Training for Oaks Tamariki

Oaks' Cross Country training takes place every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9.50-10.10am. Students run a route around the school with staff stationed at different points on the route. Please help your child to be ready for this by making sure they are wearing appropriate shoes for running on these days. Year 4-6 have their cross-country event in Cornwall Park Domain on Tuesday 5 September.

Parent Group



Next Parent Group Meeting

The next meeting is being held tonight, Wednesday 2nd August @7pm in the staffroom.

A reminder that our annual Quiz Night is rapidly approaching. Save the date:

Saturday 26 August. More information to come out very soon.



Taking Care at the Gates

Please ensure that when you are dropping off your tamariki you take extra care. If you drop your tamariki off in Crown Street, they should walk down the walkway to the Chandler Ave gate to ensure their safety. Please encourage them to do this. They shouldn't be walking through the Crown Street carpark. Please do not park in the gateway entrance to the Manukau Road carpark. This is access for staff only and it causes safety issues when unauthorised cars stop there. Children should walk on the footpath from the Manukau pedestrian gate - they must not walk through the carpark.

What's coming up this term?

Term 3 2023

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 3 August	31 Year 0 enrolments starting day	1 Second Hand clothing Sale	2 Parent Group 7.00pm		4 School Assembly Kindness cup
Whānau	11.00-12.30ANI presentation to Year 6 hall			Competition (Year 3-6	Shared Whānau Lunch

Week 4	7 Stepping Out for Yr0-2	8 Stepping Out for Yr0-2	9 Stepping Out for Yr0-2	10 Stepping Out for Yr0-2	11 Stepping Out for Yr0-2
Week 5 BOOK WEEK	14 Year 0 enrolments starting day Board Meeting	15 Author Visit Anne Kayes Yr3/4 & 5/6	16 Author Visit James Russell Yr 0-2 & Yr3-6 Authors selling Books 1.00-1.30	17 BOOK PARADE	18
Week 6	21	22 WINTER FIELD DAY	23	24	25 School Assembly Kindness cup 26 th August PG Quiz Night
Week 7 September	28 Year 0 enrolments starting day	29 Cross Country – practice at Maungakiekie	30	31 Cello/Violin Term 3 recital Reh. 3-4pm	1 Sat 2 TOM Regional Finals
Week 8 Tongan Language Week	4	5 Second Hand clothing Sale Cross Country – at Maungakiekie	6 Parent Group 7.00pm	7 Champion of Champions	8 Sunday September 10 Term 3 String Recital, 3pm, Parkside Village
Week 9 Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori	11 Year 0 enrolments starting day	12 Kids Sing 2023 Daytime Comp. Evening Gala	13	14 11.00-12.30 ANI testing for Year 6 12pm Māori language Moment	15 Sat 16 TOM National Finals Wellington
Week 10 Chinese Language Week	18 Board meeting	19 Zone Cross Country St Kentigern College – tentative date	20	21 Earth Day - whānau leaders organising	22 School Assembly Kindness cup Last day of term

BOT Meeting:

Our next Board meeting is **Monday 14 August 2023** at **6.00pm in the Staffroom**. You are always most welcome to attend.

Have a happy fortnight. Ngā mihi nui,

Megan Clotworthy meganc@rops.school.nz

Community Notices

Space for you and your baby





Friday mornings starting 13 October, for babies born (roughly) July-September 2023.



For more information and to book visit www.stjohnsroyaloak.net/space

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TANGLED ROOTS

ANNA TANG // AMRIT KAUR // ANITA MADHAV

AUCKLAND ARTISTS GROUP EXHIBITION

MONDAY 7 August - SUNDAY 13 August @ PONSONBY CENTRAL : 10am-7pm (hours may vary)

Live painting and paint carving demos, special deals on selected artworks

CELEBRATORY EVENING ON FRIDAY 11 August : 6-9pm COME AND JOIN US FOR A DRINK!



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ROYAL OAK PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL

SPEECH & DRAMA LESSONS

WHO?

Open to all Royal Oak Primary School students.

WHEN?

Lessons are held during and after school time at ROPS, on Mondays.

WHERE?

Royal Oak Primary School.

LESSONS INCLUDE...

- · Public speaking skills
- · Acting skills
- Positive body language
- · Speech writing & delivery
- Vocal skills
- Poetry recital
- · Reading aloud
- Manners & relationship skills
- Building self-esteem & confidence

We also offer professional qualifications through our association with NZ Speech Board and Trinity College of London.

For more information

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CURRENTLY SPACES FOR YEARS 4, 5 & 6 ONLY

In an ever-changing and fast-paced, technology-addicted world, it can be difficult to guesstimate what skills our children need in order to prepare them for an uncertain future.

However, there is a bedrock set of skills that have always been essential throughout history, and will continue to be for all generations to come. That is; the skills that give us the ability to communicate, to be creative, and to have a grounded sense of self-confidence.

In a nutshell this is exactly the family of skills that Head Held High speech and drama lessons are designed to develop.

At Head Held High we use hundreds of fun games and imaginative scenarios in our lessons, to teach conversation skills, confident body language, respect for ourselves and others, how to relate positively to peers and adults, public speaking skills, good manners, and harnessing creativity. All blended into a programme that all types of students love and have fun being a part of!

In addition to all of the above, Head Held high students also have the opportunity to gain globally recognised qualifications by sitting Trinity College of London or NZ Speech Board examinations.

To enrol for your no-obligation intro lesson simply visit:

www.headheldhigh.co.nz/enrol-for-head-held-high

Or, if you've got questions, we're happy to answer them! Simply email: kateimlach@headheldhigh.co.nz