

Week 5, Term 3, 16 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!

Trees for Survival

Last week a keen team of 56 Year 6 Eco

Warriors planted the native trees we have been nurturing at school over the past year, at Puhinui Regional Park. We revisited the site that we planted last year and added 900 more trees to the reserve in the space of two hours. Thanks must go to a great team of parents, Mike Bignell,



Mike Popovic, Janene Slough, Jodie Simich, Tai Leaf, Brian Poffrey, Rattanaorn Phosaen, and Dean Easter-Brook for the encouragement and hard mahi they gave to the children. We also had employees of The Pullman Group with us planting. The Pullman group sponsor our plants and soil as part of the Trees for Survival Programme. Thanks also to Anna

Baine and her team from the Regional Council who coordinated the day for us. Special mention also to the parent group for supplying us with a sausage sizzle on our return to school, we were ravenous! Thanks, Craig, for cooking them.



Thanks also needs to go to the students who tirelessly 'potted on' what were tiny seedlings, into P3 bags last year, so we could plant them this year. Our Year 4, 5 and 6 Eco warriors all contribute to caring for these

trees and the Year 6 group get to plant them along waterway banks and streams on farms and Regional Parks to improve water quality and the biodiversity of plants, birds and insects. We will be receiving our next batch of seedlings to 'pot on' any day now!

A huge thank you to Whaea Robyn for all her hard mahi and enthusiasm for this project. This is an annual project that is so successful every year - thank you, Robyn!



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.

Book Week 14 - 18 August

The Book Parade will be held tomorrow, Thursday 17th August, outside the hall at 11.45am. The children can come to school dressed up as a book character. They are encouraged to bring the book with them for the parade, if possible.

Notice of Teacher Only Day in Term 4: Monday 13 November

The government has allocated all primary schools a teacher only day in Term 4 to continue to provide professional learning related to the curriculum refresh. There are strict conditions regarding what days this can take place on. Our Kahui Ako has agreed, as a group of schools, to have our teacher only day on Monday 20 November. Please put this in your calendars as the school will be closed for learning that day. This date has also been approved by the Board.



Parent Group

Next Parent Group Meeting

The next meeting is being held on Wednesday 6 September @ 7pm in the staffroom.

A reminder that our annual Quiz Night is rapidly approaching:

Saturday 26 August. Contact Louise in the office to purchase your tickets.



Sharing our Learning: How Plastic Affects our Oceans by Karaka Room

Last Monday Karaka students visited some of the Year 3 and 4 classrooms to share the message they had been learning about, that plastic rubbish has a huge effect on our oceans and the creatures that live there. These photos show some of the Karaka students teaching Mānuka children about this problem and ideas on how we can help. The Mānuka students were very attentive listeners.





Yummy Stickers

Yummy Stickers = free sports equipment for our tamariki. Please gather your Yummy Stickers together over the next few weeks and send completed Yummy Sticker sheets into school by September 14th so we can collate them and send them off in time to receive free sports equipment. In past years we have received a range of equipment, such as balls, hula hoops, cricket sets and skipping ropes for free from this promotion, and these are used in playtimes and physical education lessons. Children can take these stickers to the school office or give them to their class teacher from now on. Sticker sheets are available at yummyfruit.co.nz. Thank you for supporting this promotion to help us receive free sports gear for Royal Oak Primary School students.



Matariki Poetry from Pōhutukawa Room

Waitī

A poem
Stars appear
Family feast
Celebrate Matariki
Plant crops
Māori sisters
By Sione

Stars appear
Guiding the waka
Feast
Bright lights
Cluster nine pinpricks
rising at dawn
celebrate
By Hussein

Pōhutukawa, Hiwaiterangi
Only with a
Telescope
As you look up
You find
Seven sisters
But why not
Nine?
Pōhutukawa and
Hiwaiterangi
Are too small to
See with a plain
Eye
By Ira



Waitā
god of salt water
Protects every sea animal
Waitī god of fresh water
For people to drink
Pōhutukawa remembers those
who fought in the war and *died*
I think
By Leon

Time to tell stories.
It is a time
To fly kites
Time with your family.
Time to celebrate.
Time to weave and harvest.
Matariki is a time to look at
the Matariki cluster.
Sisters shine above brightly.
By Thomas

Snippets from Kowhai Room

"What would you do if your favourite toy started talking? What would they say?"

Peter S.

They will say "Thank you for looking after me and thank you for snuggling with me. I will snuggle you, too and we'll live happily ever after."

Joseph G.

"I love you so much when you play with me. I am a triceratops."

Eva Joan F.

"I hope I'm your favourite toy. The dinosaurs are so loud, can you please tell them off?"

Manukau Road Crossing

Unfortunately, lately, we have had a couple of occasions where our Manukau Rd crossing has not been patrolled by road patrollers and/or an adult. I agree that this is problematic. However, please do understand that there are reasons for this, sometimes tamariki are off sick, or the adult is off sick or off site, and they may have forgotten to get replacements to cover - we are only human. I recently asked if you noticed this to call the office. This is great, but sometimes this may even be too late. As I have mentioned before, it takes a village. Please, if you happen to notice no one monitoring the crossing, rather than complaining, we would be more than thankful if you stepped in to cover. We do only normally cover it until 3.15pm. Thank you to those very kind folk who have done that on our most recent occasions. Your manaaki is so very much appreciated. Please be aware that we are not intentionally not covering the crossing.

What's coming up this term?

Term 3 2023

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5	14 Year 0 enrolments starting day	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 11.45	18
BOOK WEEK	Board Meeting				
Week 6	21	22 WINTER FIELD DAY	23	24	25 School Assembly Kindness cup
					26 th August PG Quiz Night
Week 7	28	29	30	31	1

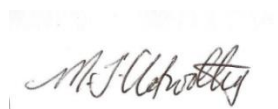
September	Year 0 enrolments starting day	Cross Country – practice at Maungakiekie		Cello/Violin Term 3 recital Reh. 3-4pm	Sat 2 TOM Regional Finals
Week 8 Tongan Language Week	4	5 Second Hand clothing Sale Cross Country – at Maungakiekie	6 Parent Group 7.00pm	7 Champion of Champions Gymnastics Competition Cello/Violin Term 3 Recital Rehearsal 3-4pm	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 18 September 2023 at 6.00pm in the Staffroom**. You are always most welcome to attend.

Have a happy fortnight.

Ngā mihi nui,



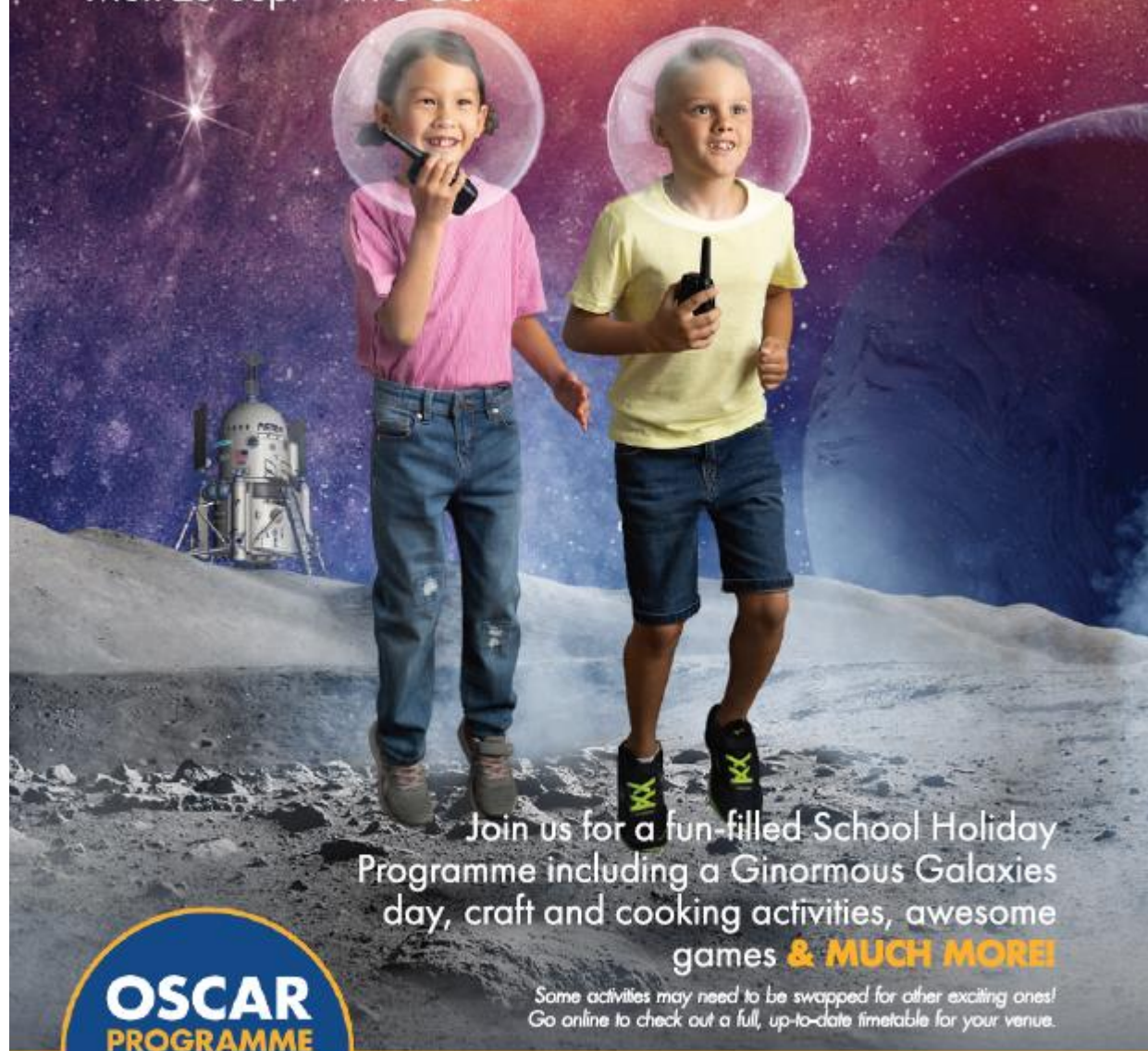
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Community Notices



HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Mon 25 Sept – Fri 6 Oct



Join us for a fun-filled School Holiday Programme including a Ginormous Galaxies 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 venue.

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OCTOBER 2023 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

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.

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 a programme. If your child/ren are collected late after the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$20 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

Prices & Session Times:

Full Week: \$260
7am-6pm

Full Day: \$57
7am-6pm

Event Day: Extra \$25
(Excluded from Full Week)

School Day: \$47
9am-3pm

Half Day: \$37
7am-12:30pm or 12:30pm-6pm

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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
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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!
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