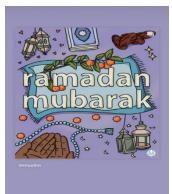


Week 6, Term 1, 13 March 2024

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!





FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT WWW.ROYALOAK.SCHOOL.NZ

Wahoo!!! Royal Oak Primary School turns 100 this year! We are now in full swing organising our celebrations. We will have our official celebrations on Friday 10 May and Saturday 11 May. More information regarding this will follow, but it would be great if you could mark these dates in your calendar and keep them free.

The plan is to have an open day at school on the Friday, which folk will register for. This will be followed by a Wine and Cheese function on Friday evening, which will also require registration. On Saturday we will be having a Centennial Community Celebration Day complete with cultural performances, food trucks and activities. This is open to all our community. More information will follow. We are hoping for the Saturday to be well attended by our current school community. The Friday Open Day is aimed more for those who attended in the past.

The Parent Group are organising the activities for the Saturday celebration and will be seeking support from our community. Please do help out where you can as this is such a special celebration for our kura.

I am currently seeking cultural groups to perform brief items on Saturday 11 May - I am hoping that cultural groups from within our kura will be able to be showcased. If you think that you could organise a cultural group performance could you please contact me at meganc@rops.school.nz.

A huge thank you to Manas Nanda, from Barfoot and Thompson, who is kindly sponsoring our Wine and Cheese evening.

Keep looking out for special Centennial notices.



Mahi Tahi/Conference Evening

Next week on **Tuesday 19 March** and **Thursday 21 March** we have our Mahi Tahi evenings. These are evenings where parents and children come along and meet with the teacher to discuss how the child has settled in and to begin to develop the home/school relationship.

Please go to <u>www.schoolinterviews.co.nz</u> and click on school interviews. Enter **68pse** (code) and follow the directions. Find your child's room name and you are ready to register. If you have more than one child please allow time to move from one appointment to the other. The collaborative spaces will have a number of slots but no designated teacher's name. Just put your name in the suitable time slot and at least one of the kaiako will meet with your whānau.

If you are unable to access the internet, please ring Louise on 6242800 and she will happily assist you.

EOTC/Camp



Last week our Year 5 and 6 students participated in three days of Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC). The Year 5 tamariki had a day of activities in school where they practised their biking skills, took on some building challenges, found their way around an orienteering course and had fun getting wet with some team games. They also experienced paddling together as a team at WERO white water rafting and reaching new heights at Extreme Edge Climbing Centre.

Our Year 6 tamariki spent 3 days taking responsibility for themselves at Camp Adair. New challenges were faced with resilience and great support from their peers. The way they cared for and encouraged each other

certainly reflected our school values of manaaki and whakaute. They also displayed whakamana as they surpassed the goals they set for themselves. Huge thank you to all the kaiako who made these fantastic opportunities possible and gave up their own family time to be with our students at camp. Our sincere thanks also go out to all the parent helpers who participated in many different ways, enabling all the trips to happen.



Oaks Classroom Music Recorder Learning 2024 Begins!

All our Oaks (Year 4-6) learn the Recorder as part of the Classroom Music Programme, with learning this instrument for 2024 starting this week!

It was a delight to see and hear our Year 5/6 tamariki resume their Recorder playing with confidence, maturity and musical control. Everyone looked so comfortable with their instruments. The hard work put in last year learning this instrument has really paid off. Their playing was so good that a few impromptu concerts for teachers happened.

And how fabulous to see our new Recorder learners in Year 4, Year 5, and Year 6 approach this new instrumental skill with such positivity and focus. What a great start to our ROPS Recorder-playing year!



Very impressive Karaka Room Recorder players this week.

A Tōtara Music Group – The start of their Recorder Journey



Parent Group News





Chocolate bar collection this Friday 15th March - We will be collecting large (180gm) chocolate bars for the chocolate trailer. These are for our Community Centennial Celebration on 11th May 2024 (more information to come about this exciting event).

In exchange for not wearing school uniform on Friday, drop off your donation to a whānau group station at one of the school entrances.

Thanks so much for your support!

Kōwhai Artists

In the Kōwhai room we have been learning about the story of Ranginui and Papatūānuku. Tane pushed Ranginui and Papatūānuku apart so that the light could come into our world.

Parent Group meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month in the staffroom. They begin at 7pm. You are all welcome to come along. It is a great way to meet other parents from our wonderful community. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 3 April.

Remember, we have a mufti day on Friday 15 March. The tamariki are encouraged to wear mufti and bring along a bar of chocolate to contribute to our chocolate trailer on our Community Celebration Day.

We drew sky patterns for the sky father and earth patterns for the earth mother and then drew strong Tane pushing them apart. We used crayon, pastel and dye. Here are just a few for you to enjoy.



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by 9am Tuesday for Sushi or 9am Wednesday for Brunch'n'Lunch.

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Need help? Visit support.mykindo.co.nz or call toll free 0800EZLUNCH (09-869 5200) 8am - 4pm Mon-Fri (except public holidays)

Easter Break

Please note that Easter break also includes Tuesday 2 April as a holiday. Your children return from the Easter break on Wednesday 3 April. Kelly Club is available on Tuesday 2 April.

Auckland Normal Intermediate Board Elections

To the parents of Year 6 students who intend sending their children to ANI in 2025. ANI are beginning the BOT election process and require the following details: both caregiver's names, postal addresses,

mobile numbers and email addresses. Please contact ANI at <u>ani@ani.school.nz</u> to provide this information if you intend for your child to attend ANI in 2025.

What's coming up?

Please do check the calendar in each newsletter as sometimes events do change.

Week 6 March	11	12	13	14	15 Grip Conference for Whānau Leaders Mufti day – Chocolate bars
Week 7 March	18 Year 0 enrolments starting day	¹⁹ <mark>Mahi Tahi evenings</mark>	20 Centennial Meeting 6pm	21 <mark>Mahi Tahi evenings</mark>	22
Week 8 March	25 Board Meeting 6pm	26 Zone Swimming	27 Centennial Meeting 6pm	28	29 Good Friday
Week 9 April	¹ Easter Monday	2 School Closed (Kelly Club operating)	3 Parent Group 7.00pm Centennial Meeting 6pm	4	5 Mufti day – Jolly Jars
Week 10	8	9	10 Centennial Meeting 6pm	11	12 Last day of term

Second hand	
uniform sale	
Summer Field	
Day	

BOT Meeting:

Our next Board meeting is on, Monday 25 March 2024 at 6.00pm. You are always most welcome to attend.

Have a happy fortnight.

Ngā mihi nui

Mat Uchootty

Megan Clotworthy meganc@rops.school.nz

Community Notices



Speech and Drama lessons at Royal Oak Primary on Mondays with Imaginaire! Imaginaire teach an exciting and fun Speech & Drama programme during the school day, inspiring creativity and confidence in our students.

We are now taking new enrolments for Term 2 – limited spaces available so get in touch as soon as possible to confirm your place. We offer a no obligation intro lesson!

Lessons include:

- Public Speaking Skills
- Acting Skills
- Positive Body Language
- Vocal Skills
- Poetry Recital
- Reading Aloud
- Speech Writing and Delivery
- Manners and Relationship Skills
- Building self-esteem and confidence

We also offer professional qualifications from Year 4 + through Speech NZ Board.

For more information and to enrol please visit: <u>http://www.imaginaire.co.nz/speech-and-drama/</u>







- Help celebrate the evolution of firefighting in Tāmaki Makaurau
- Meet the firefighters who keep our communities safe
- Learn about fire risk and safety to keep you and your whānau safe
- Meet our partner agencies
- Free admission

SUNDAY 17TH MARCH 10am - 3pm

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ST MARY'S COLLEGE ENROLMENTS CLOSING SOON

A friendly reminder that enrolments close on Friday 15 March. Please visit <u>www.stmaryak.school.nz</u> for enrolment information and online application form. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Enrolments Officer: <u>enrolments@stmaryak.school.nz</u>

