

Week 2, Term 3, 23 July 2025

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!



Royal Oak Primary School School Board Elections 2025

Parent Election Notice

Nominations are invited for the election of three parent representatives to the School Board.

All eligible voters should have received a nomination form. The **date nominations will close is noon on Wednesday 30 July 2025**. No nominations will be accepted after this time.

You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself. Nomination forms should be accompanied by a signed candidate statement and photograph.

Nomination forms must be returned to Louise in the office by noon on Wednesday 30 July.

Signed: Louise White

Returning Officer

School Donations

School donations were set for 2025 at \$350 per child. We rely heavily on these donations to support many things that we provide at our school. Unfortunately, in May we only had the equivalent payments for 150 of our 430 students - that is approximately \$52,500 out of a possible \$150,500. That is less than half of our students covered by the donation - almost \$100,000 short. I understand that times are difficult and that it is a donation. There is also the opportunity to pay it off over time through Kindo. I know that it is a donation, but, due to insufficient funding from the government, we need to constantly fundraise. The more folk who contribute to the donations, the less fundraising we need to do. Please, if you are able to, we would be incredibly grateful if you could contribute your donation.

Parent Group

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 is Wednesday 6 August.

Parent Group Raffle

The Royal Oak Primary School Raffle starts this week! With great prizes up for grabs we hope you won't mind offering these raffle tickets to family, neighbours, work colleagues or friends.

Thanks to the generosity of our amazing sponsors, Manas Nanda: Barfoot & Thompson Royal Oak, and

Pak 'n Save Royal Oak we have the following amazing prizes;

1st Prize: \$2000 Pak 'n Save voucher

2nd Prize: \$500 Westfield voucher

3rd prize: \$250 Prezzy Card

4th prize: \$250 cash



PLUS... there will also be a prize for the 'top seller' student AND a prize for the 'top seller' class!

Details

- Each ROPS student will bring home one raffle book today. Each book contains 10 tickets
- Raffle tickets are \$5 each or \$40 to buy the whole book
- When you have sold your tickets, please bring the money and the ticket stubs to the collection table at Chandler Ave entrance before school. You can then pick up another book (or books) to sell if you wish.
- Payment can be made by cash or EFTPOS at the collection table.
- Remember, when you sell a ticket, write the person's name and details on the ticket stub. If someone buys multiple tickets, write their name and details on EVERY stub because they are separated for the draw!
- Raffle officially starts Monday 21st July and finishes 8th August. Raffle will be drawn on Thursday 14th August.

A huge thank you to our sponsors and to all our families for your ongoing support!

Safety at the Gate - Important Please Read!

We have on-going issues with safety at our Manukau Road gate and our Chandler Ave gate. Can I respectfully ask that you park your cars away from the entrances and walk from where you have parked. We engaged the support of our local police officer last term to help us monitor the safety at Chandler Ave and, unfortunately, she was abused by at least three adults who are connected to our school. I don't want a tragic accident to be what alerts some people to just how dangerous their drop off and pick up behaviour is. The Chandler Ave gate can get chaotic with folk driving up to the gate and dropping off. This is not safe practice, and I respectfully ask that you change this habit.

Please also do not use the Manukau Road car park entrance for drop-offs as we have staff needing to enter/exit through this gate. Also, please use the footpath if you are entering through the Manukau Road pedestrian entrance. Some people are walking the tamariki across the car park and this may result in tragedy - it is extremely dangerous for tamariki to walk across carparks.

Hīkoi

On Thursday 19 June, we gathered under the Cloud at 5.30am to begin our hikoi up Maungakiekie to celebrate Matariki. We had a good number of eager whānau who walked halfway up Maungakiekie. We paused, shared karakia, sang a waiata and took time to think of those who have passed on, reflect on the past, be grateful for the present and look forward to the future. It was a very special morning for our community.



Hot Dog notice

This is the first of our Hotdog Friday lunches. These will happen every fortnight in Term 3! Watch out for the reminders coming your way. If you would like to buy your child a hotdog (or 2), then simply send them to school with the money which the teachers will collect. At the 11.30am break, the hotdogs will be delivered to the classes! YUM YUM!!!

Hotdog Friday is coming!!!



Bring \$5 to school on Friday 25th July and you can enjoy a tasty hotdog at the first eating break.



ROPS's Got Talent: Friday 29 August 5.30pm

Perform solo or gather your friends to share an item!

Entries close 3pm Friday 1 August.

If we have more than 30 entries, we will run heats in Week 5 at break times - so items must be ready by Week 5.

Your item can be no longer than 2 minutes long. Each participant will pay a \$5 entry fee

Denver's achievement

In the holidays, Denver travelled to Christchurch to compete in a New Zealand Karate competition. He participated in the open Kumite competition, and he placed 2nd gaining a silver medal.

In the NZ schools' karate competition, he placed 3rd, gaining a bronze medal in kata for year 5/6 development grade and 2nd, gaining a silver medal in kumite for year 5/6 premier grade.

Congratulations Denver, we are very proud of your achievements.



Teacher Only Day

We have a Teacher Only Day scheduled for Term 3, please do ensure that you pop it in your diary. The date is **Friday 15 August**. The teachers will be focusing on the refreshed Mathematics Curriculum that day. School will be closed for instruction.

A Gift from the Warriors and Evo Bikes

Yesterday, representatives from the Warriors, including Dallin, (our favourite Warrior's player 😊), came to school to gift an Evo bike to one of our deserving students. Trenton was selected due to his commitment to following school values and his positive attitude to school. Congratulations to Trenton.



Intermediate Cut Off Dates

Reminder for our Year 6 parents. Out of Zone Enrolments close for most Intermediates on Wednesday 27 August (Royal Oak, ANI, Remuera, Waikowhai and others). All enrolment information can be found on their school websites. In Zone enrolments are also open, and enrolling as early as possible is appreciated by the schools, as they need to know student numbers for 2026.

Internationals

We have had a number of international students arrive since the beginning of the term. They have all settled in well. We have placed them in classrooms across the school from Year 1 to Year 5/6. It is lovely to have these visitors in our school. They are learning in classrooms and with Whaea Maria in the Kohanga Ako.

Thank You for Your Support:

Special thanks to Chubb Life New Zealand for sponsoring us with \$500 to support our STEM programme. Their support is very much appreciated!



What's coming up?

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

Week 2 July/	21 PG Raffle out	322 Mahi Tahī Evening 3.15 to 8.00pm	23	24 Mahi Tahī evening 3.15 to 6.00pm Second Hand Uniform Sale	25 Hot Dogs \$5
Week 3 July/ August	28 Year 0 enrolments starting day	29		31	01
Week 4 August Cook Island Māori Lang week		05 Y5/6 Kids Sing 2025 7.30am -1.00pm Trip 11.15am Comp. Recital 6.00pm arrive for 6.30pm Gala Concert	06 Parent Group 7.00pm	07 Duck, Duck Goose Whānau Leaders Lunch time in the hall	08 Hot Dogs \$5 PG Raffle finishes
Week 5	11 Year 0 enrolments starting day Board Meeting	12	13	14 PG Raffle drawn	15 Teacher only Day
Week 6 Tongan Lang Week	18	19 Oaks Winter Field Day 2025	20	21 Second Hand Uniform Sale	22 Hot dogs \$5 Sat 23 TOM Auckland Regionals
Week 7	25	26 Lock Down Drill	27	28 Acorns Bake Sale	29 ROPS Has Got Talent Talent


	Year 0 enrolments starting day	Oaks Cross Country		Joint Violin/Cello Reh. 3-4pm 10th Birthday Concert	Quest night for tamariki Y2 Special Singers Informance for Whānau 2.00 - 2.30pm Hall
Week 8 SeptemberChinese Lang Week Book Week	01	02	03 Parent Group 7.00pm	04 Joint Violin/Cello Rehearsal. 3-4pm 10th Birthday Concert	05 Hot Dogs \$5 5 Sept Fri 6-.00 - 7.30pm Afterschool/Evening - String Programme 10th Birthday Concert Rehearsal with alumni, Hall 7 Sept Sun - String Programme 10th Birthday Concert 2.30 for 3.00pm concert
Week 9 Cultural week	08 Year 0 enrolments starting day	09	10	11 Zone Cross Country	12 Sat 13 TOM Nationals Wellington
Week 10 Te Wiki o te Reo Māori	15 Board meeting	16	17 Hui 5:30pm	18 Second Hand Uniform Sale Oaks Bake Sale	19 Last Day of Term 3

BOT Meeting:

Our next Board meeting is on, **Monday 11 August 2025** at **6.00pm**. You are always most welcome to attend.

Have a happy fortnight.

Ngā mihi nui



Megan Clotworthy

Community Notices



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Parent Election Notice



Royal Oak Intermediate School Board of Trustees' election

Nominations are invited for the election of **three parent representatives** to the Board of Trustees of Royal Oak Intermediate School.

If you are a parent of a year 6 student who intends to enrol their child into Royal Oak Intermediate School next year, you are also eligible to be nominated as a candidate or you can nominate another person to stand as a candidate.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations can be obtained from Royal Oak Intermediate School Office or by emailing the Returning Officer on the address below.

Nominations close at noon on Wednesday 6th August 2025 and may be accompanied by a signed candidate statement and photograph. Both parts of the form must be signed.

The main voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours from noon Tuesday 23rd July 2025

The supplementary roll will close Sunday 14 August 2025.

There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at 4pm on Wednesday 10th September.

Stephanie Hett
Returning Officer
Royal Oak Intermediate School
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Royal Oak
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ani **Enrolments for Auckland Normal Intermediate 2026 are now open** **ib**

Benefits of enrolling as an In Zone applicant early:

- Enrol before August 27th and be entered into a draw to win a free school PE uniform valued at \$110
- Book your one to one enrolment kōrero with one of our teachers and leaders in November
- Attend one of our school tours knowing you have secured a place at our school
- Allows for early communication with your primary school to support your transition to ANI

Out of Zone Applications:

- Out of Zone applications are open now. You will receive a confirmation email on receipt of your application and each out of zone application will be added to our ballot which takes place on Wednesday September 3rd, 2025
- Please find the relevant information on the ANI website under 'Enrolment'
- Closing date for out of zone applications is Wednesday 27th August, 2025

Reminder of upcoming school tour dates below. These take place in the ANI MPS building (Gym) and start at 9am:

- 28th May 2025: 9am – 10:30am
- 26th June 2025: 9am – 10:30am
- 14th August 2025: 9am – 10:30am

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