



**Royal Oak**  
**Primary School**  
HONOUR LOYALTY SERVICE

**Week 3, Term 1, 13 February 2019.**

**Kia ora, talofa lava, malo e lelei, 问候, namaste, 인사, 拜啓, mabuhay, bem vindo, fakalofa lahi atu, kia orana, kohomada, bula vinaka, huān yin, foon ying, marhaba, oso oseyo, olà, welcome!**

Dear Parents,

Already the term is flying by! It is hard to believe that we are now in the middle of Week 3! The build-up for the Carnival has begun and we are in full collection mode for pre-loved clothing and some mufti collection days - please see the Carnival notices below.

**Meet the Teacher Evening:**

During week 2 this year we had the pleasure of meeting many of you at the “Meet the Teacher” evening. Thank you for coming along and for your positive participation. To start the evening we (the senior leaders in the school) made a presentation covering a few aspects of school operations. The following link should give you a bit of an insight into the talk if you were unable to attend. [Meet the Teacher Presentation](#)

**Digital Technologies Evenings:**

Thank you to those of you who attended the Digital Technologies evening last night. It was an excellent evening, superbly facilitated by Felicity Boyd. We are so fortunate to have someone with the skill and expertise that Felicity has leading the work we are doing here. Thanks to the parents who came for the questions and we hope you felt you had them answered. Please be reminded that BYOD is an optional provision and you have every right to say no to your child if he or she is pressurising you, as with any other parental decisions.

**Parent Evenings on Digital Technology:**

Further to our evening last night, you are invited to Part 2:

Tuesday 26 February, 7.00 to 8.00pm “The Digital Technology Programme”

Followed by:

Wednesday 27 February, 11.30am to 1.00pm: **A walk through to see the programmes in action.**

We hope these planned sessions will be useful as we work our way with the children in this future focused curriculum.

## Travelwise Bike Month:

### Bike Day Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February



This month is Bike Month for Travelwise schools. The Travelwise team, composed of Year 4- 6 students are planning some activities to encourage students to bike



to school and do it safely! On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February we would like as many students as possible to ride their bikes to school. There will be a whanau competition for all participants and you can also decorate your bike if you would like to. There will be classroom prizes for this. Look out for more organisational information in ROPSCONNECT next Wednesday!

**Remember to always wear a helmet, fit it correctly and a bright vest if possible!**



### Parent Group Notices:

**BACK TO SCHOOL PICNIC** - Tuesday 19th February 4.30-6.30pm.

Come along to our Back to School Picnic, held on the school field between 4.30-6.30pm! Bring your own dinner, picnic, pizza, takeaways, snacks, drinks and something to sit on. It's a great way to meet other families in your child's class and enjoy these long sunny evenings before they fade away. We will have some sports gear out and the music on, so come when you can and join us. This is for the whole family - so please feel free to bring them all. We look forward to seeing you there. All gate entrances will be open. Ice-blocks for sale - \$1 and \$2 cash only.



### **CARNIVAL - Saturday 30th March**

Our amazing school Carnival is only 6 1/2 weeks away and it's going to be another amazing day! Soon the Raffle Ticket booklets will be sent home, with fabulous prizes up for grabs so make sure you get your friends, family and workmates to buy a booklet. There will also be notices coming home with lots of information about volunteering, mufti days and donating items. Please read them all, AND most of all, please get involved. At the moment there is only a small number of parents working hard to make it happen and we need many more helping hands please. Email us at [carnival@rops.school.nz](mailto:carnival@rops.school.nz) to let us know how you can help (toddlers are welcome to come with you during the day). Thank you!!

### **Carnival Working Bee - Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th**

Please put these dates in your diaries. We will be having a BIG working bee the weekend before Carnival, so for all those parents who can't help in the lead-up or during the weekdays - this is your opportunity to assist the kids and the Carnival in a very practical way. **Saturday 23 March 2-5pm and Sunday 24 March 8-11am.** We will send more notices closer to the time, but please put these two dates and times in your diaries now. It's a fun way to meet other families - so who wouldn't want to do that?!?

## **Carnival Mufti Day - this Friday! Book Collection Book Collection Book Collection**

This Friday is our first mufti day for the Carnival and we are after all of the books that you no longer need - children's books, kids' chapter books and grown-up books. Fiction and non-fiction is great, but please remember no outdated or old cookbooks, gardening books or encyclopaedias etc or old/yellow, damaged or musty books. Please send your child to school with a collection of books to donate this Friday and they can wear mufti. Drop off will be by the junior playground - Cutfields Corner.

### **Pre-loved clothing**

Drop offs are now open in the Rimu Room for all your good quality, pre-loved clothing. Please separate your clothes into four separate bags or boxes - men's, women's, boy's' and girls'. Please do not drop them off all mixed together. Also no lingerie, ripped, torn, stained or damaged items. Thank you. 😊

## **JOLLY JARS**

We are asking that the children bring 1 or 2 bags of small toys or other items that would be suitable to fit into a large McDonalds smoothie container. They are approximately 14cm tall.

Ideas:

- Stickers or tattoos
- Highlighters, pens or pencils (full sized pencils will fit in the containers)
- Erasers
- Marbles
- New, small toys or games
- Yo-yos, fidget spinners, small Rubik's cubes
- Mini figurines
- Craft materials (e.g. haberdashery with cotton & material patches)
- Small packs of coloured pencils or felt tips
- Packs of new hair ties and hair clips
- Small bottles of bubble liquid
- Bath bombs or small bottles of bubble bath
- Vials of glitter, pipe cleaners and packs of sequins
- Bouncy balls
- Matchbox cars
- Small soft toys

**Please do not send lollies as they need to be stored.**

### Traffic Safety:

Please ensure when you are walking with your child to school that you use the appropriate crossing. There have been some reports of adults J-walking with children. This is very dangerous and it is not a good model for our children.

Also, please be aware that traffic control are policing yellow lines. It is illegal to park, even for a moment, on yellow lines.



### Tread Lightly Caravan “Drains Game”:

Thank you to those of you who have paid for the Tread Lightly experience. It is an outstanding programme and the children are absolutely loving it. A big thanks to Robyn McConnell for getting this opportunity to our school.

### Congratulations:

Conrad McGrane recently competed in a Trans Tasman athletics competition. It was an amazing experience for all the children involved and an incredibly hard competition, sometimes competing in 30-degree heat from an 8am start to 5pm finish. He also participated in another carnival at Ryde and the temperature was 37 degrees! The age groups are slightly different in Australia, so Conrad was competing against boys up to 9 months older than him. He was the first NZ boy home in the 400m.

Conrad was at Auckland Champs this last weekend and got a 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 800 and a 3<sup>rd</sup> (missed out on 2<sup>nd</sup> by 1/10<sup>th</sup> of a second) in the 400m. Congratulations on your dedication and results, Conrad.



### Volunteers Needed:

Are you Pregnant, due in March or April and willing to be involved in a University programme?

As a student of the Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy programme at AUT I am required this year to observe a new born infant in the presence of their caregiver/s for one hour per week for a period of 12 months. The aim of this observation is to study first-hand the physical, social and cognitive development of the infant over this period of time.

If this sounds like something you and your partner would be interested in please call me on 021 1449456 and I would be happy to meet with you to discuss this further and answer any questions.

Dawn Wallath

(Currently contracted by ROPS as a counsellor two days per week)

### What's coming up?

<b>Week 3</b>	11 Year 1 enrolments starting day  Treadlightly-Drains programme	12  Treadlightly-Drains programme  Parent Evening on Digital Technology 7.00 to 8.00 <i>Timetabling, monitoring and safety</i>	13  Treadlightly Drains programme  5/6 Zone Swimming TRIALS	14  Treadlightly-Drains Programme	15  Book mufti day for carnival
<b>Week 4</b>	18  Treadlightly Drains programme	19  Treadlightly Drains programme	20  Treadlightly Drains programme	21	22  Bottle bank mufti day for carnival
<b>Week 5</b> March	25 Year 1 enrolments starting day	26  Parent Evening (2) on Digital Technology 7.00 to 8.00 <i>The programme</i>	27 Hearing and Vision testmg  Parent walk through to observe Digital Technology in action 11.30 to 1.00	28  Year 1 sleepover  BOT meeting 7.00pm	1  Lolly mufti day for carnival  1.45pm school assembly led by Kahikatea
<b>Week 6</b> March	4	5	6 Year 6 Camp  Year 5 Outdoor Ed  Parent Group 7.30pm	7 Year 6 Camp  Year 5 Outdoor Ed	8 Year 6 Camp  Year 5 Outdoor Ed

Week 7	11 Year 1 enrolments starting day  Hearing and Vision. Testing	12  Year 2 to Botanical Gardens (Matai)	13  Year 2 to Botanical Gardens (Puriri)	14	15 Teacher Only Day
Week 8	18  Year 3 and 4 to Botanical Gardens (Totara)	19 5/6 Zone Swimming  Year 3 and 4 to Botanical Gardens (Manuka)	20  Year 3 and 4 to Botanical Gardens (Pohutukawa)	21 5/6 Zone Swimming - Save day  Year 3 and 4 to Botanical Gardens (Nikau/Kohekohe)	22
Week 9	25 Year 1 enrolments starting day  3 way/student led conferences and goal setting	26  Summer Field Day - 5/6	27  3 way/student led conferences and goal setting	28 New Parent Meeting 9.00 to 10.00am (date changed)	29  Carnival Saturday 30 March
Week 10 April	1	2  Summer Field Day - 5/6 SAVE DAY	3  Parent Group 7.30pm	4  BOT meeting 7.00pm	5  1:45pm school assembly led by Kauri
Week 11	8 Year 1 enrolments starting day	9	10	11  GRIP Leadership conference 12 whanau leaders	12  Final Day term 1. School closes at usual time 3.00pm

**BOT Meeting:**

Our next Board meeting is on, **Thursday 28 February 2019** at **7.00pm**. The focus for this meeting will be curriculum planning for 2019. We will also be discussing the charter and strategic plan. You are always most welcome to attend.

Have a happy fortnight.

Kind regards,



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## Community Notices



Term one music lessons at Royal Oak Primary start the week commencing 11 February!

We offer group or individual tuition on keyboard, piano, ukulele and guitar. If you would like your child to learn music at school but have **not yet enrolled**, please enrol online at [www.lewiseady.co.nz](http://www.lewiseady.co.nz) New enrolments will be scheduled for a mid-term start (the week commencing 14 March).



### **SPEECH & DRAMA LESSONS**

#### **ROYAL OAK PRIMARY SCHOOL**

##### **LESSONS INCLUDE:**

- PUBLIC SPEAKING SKILLS
- ACTING SKILLS
- POETRY RECITAL
- READING ALOUD
- SPEECH WRITING
- BODY LANGUAGE (POSTURE, EYE CONTACT)
- VOCAL SKILLS (ARTICULATION, GRAMMAR)
- MANNERS (TELEPHONE, TABLE, INTERPERSONAL)
- BUILDING SELF-ESTEEM AND CONFIDENCE



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2019**

##### **Lessons**

Lessons are held during and after school at Royal Oak Primary School, on Fridays.

##### **Fees**

Group of five - 30 mins - \$220

Pair - 30 mins - \$300

Private - 30 mins - \$410

##### **Examinations (optional)**

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

##### **Testimony**

*"Emmeline loves her lessons! We have seen her grow in confidence, she can now speak publically and very ably with people of all ages. And there is nothing better than being complimented on your child's good manners! I can wholeheartedly recommend Head Held High to any parent, for any child."*

- Melinda Gardner

**To enrol or enquire about a free trial lesson, visit our website: [www.headheldhigh.co.nz](http://www.headheldhigh.co.nz)**

10<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

**SUNDAY 3RD MARCH 2019**

**10AM - 6:30 PM**

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## OPEN DAY

For Year 7 Enrolments in 2020

*Limited enrolments at other levels*

**TUESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2019**

**9:30 am or 1:00 pm**

in the College Hall (main school entrance – Mountain Road)

followed by a conducted tour of the College by senior boys

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