



Royal Oak
Primary School
HONOUR LOYALTY SERVICE

Week 5, Term 1, 27 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,

As you will be aware, Megan Clotworthy submitted her resignation letter to the Board last week. You, like me (Linley), will no doubt be very sad to hear this news as Megan has been an amazing DP here for the last 7 years and there will be a void here when she leaves. She has a bright, sparkling personality and a deep commitment to the children, their parents and staff alike. She is honest and reliable, works incredibly hard and her support for the school's vision and additional operations has been incredible. Despite her long trip to Bombay and back each day, she has still attended all evening meetings and been back at school the next day with a cheerful face by 6.00am!!

I wish Megan all the very best at her new school in Pukekohe. Valley School is most fortunate to have her there and now with a 13 minute drive each way I'm sure she will relish some extra time at home each day. Megan's last day here is Friday 05 April (end of week 10). Haere pai hoa.

Paid Union Meetings:

The NZEI will be holding Paid Union Meetings in school time in the week of March 18th so that teachers can discuss progress of negotiations and decide next steps. Details will be announced soon, but most areas will have several meeting options, enabling schools to stay open and have all NZEI members attend a meeting.

Parent Evenings on Digital Technology:

Thanks again to Felicity Boyd and her team for another excellent evening on Tuesday night. Thanks also to the teachers who invited you in to see work in progress in their classrooms. We hope you have found these meetings useful and we welcome your thoughts about helping you further.

Parent Group Picnic:

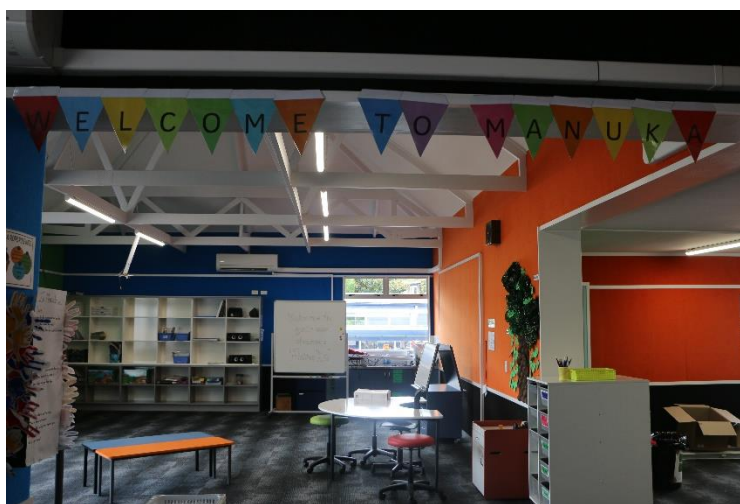
Thanks so much to the Parent Group for holding a picnic on the field last week. It was well attended and I know was greatly enjoyed by many. It is a wonderful way to meet other parents in the school and the work that goes in to setting it up is greatly appreciated.

EOTC:

This week we start our EOTC (Education Outside the Classroom) with the Year 1 sleepover on Thursday night! This is always a great experience which includes not only a sleep over but also shared breakfast and lunch at school!! There are generally very sleepy people (children and adults) by the end of the day on Friday but it is all part of the fun! A big thanks to Vicky Stewart and her team for putting this experience together for the children.

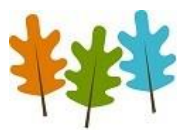
Next week our Year 5 children experience a variety of EOTC events and the Year 6 children go to camp! The Year 6 camp is eagerly awaited for from the very first time, as 5 year olds, they wave the big kids off to camp. Have a great week everyone and thanks again to the teachers and school leaders for the huge work and personal time commitment that has gone in to making these events happen.

Shifting Day for Manuka:



Thank you Manuka children and teachers for your patience and understanding. How exciting to be in your new room now!

Parent Group Meeting - Date Change.



Royal Oak
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Parents Group

We will be holding our monthly parent group meeting a **week later, on Wednesday 13th March**. It will be in the staffroom at 7.30pm and everyone is invited. We look forward to seeing all those lovely familiar faces and also lots of new ones!! Any questions please call Angela Thompson on 021 289-1650

Carnival. Sat 30th March



We have our weekly Carnival newsletter coming out shortly. Please take time to read it as we still need many more parents to sign up to help.

Carnival Talent Quest

Don't forget that if your child wants to audition for the talent quest that they need to hand in their forms by this Friday.

Teacher Only Day 15 March

Please note there is a **Teacher Only Day on Friday 15 March**. That means that the school is closed that day and the teachers are attending a Mathematics professional development day. Please think about this now so you have time to make arrangements about minding your children. You may even like a long weekend with your family!

What's coming up?

Week 5 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 testing 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
Week 6 March	4	5	6 Year 6 Camp Year 5 Outdoor Ed	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 Second hand uniform sale Year 2 to Botanical Gardens (Puriri) Parent Group 7.30pm	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

Second Hand Uniform Sale:

Please note there is no second hand uniform sale next week, it has been shifted to the week later (**13 March**) as the Mum who runs it is at camp! We are desperately seeking help with running the uniform sales. If you could spare an hour or two once a month to help with this please let us know.

BOT Meeting:

Our next Board meeting is tomorrow, **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

Youth Group for 9 – 12 year olds

Looking for a fun way to spend your Sunday afternoons? St Andrew's Epsom (100 St Andrew's Rd) is the place for you! Grow is our brand new group for 9-12 year olds starting 10th March from 4-5:30pm. For more information, please contact Sacha or Maddy at YouthAt100@gmail.com

We're working together to grow great kids



counsellors, assessment services, sports, preschools, before & after school care, vision and hearing, tutors, play therapists, extra-curricular activities, osteopaths, dentists, teen careers & motivation, psychologists, in-home childcare, OT's, speech language therapists, under 5's activities, chiropractors, baby specialists, dyslexia specialists, dieticians, physiotherapists, holiday programmes, driving instructors, dance & drama, self confidence, parent education...



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**ST MARY'S COLLEGE
OPEN DAY**
Thursday 7 March 2019
Commencing 2.30pm & 6.30pm
in the Paul Keane Gymnasium

11 New Street, Auckland
www.stmaryak.school.nz

**NOW ENROLLING
FOR 2020**

Enrolments are open for
Year 7 students and
a small number of places
for girls in other levels

St Mary's College has
no zoning restrictions

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**CLOSING DATE FOR 2020
ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS**
Thursday 21 March 2019

*Join our Mercy family
21st Century Woman of Mercy*



Sing · Act · Dance!

Perform in a Show

'The Magical Faraway Tree' April Holiday Camps

Tuesday 23rd to Saturday 27th April
(minus Anzac Day)
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DRAMA ACADEMY

Want to.....

- ...meet some others in your community?
- ...share a meal?
- ...practise your English?
- ...enjoy some home-cooked Italian food?

If the answer is yes to any of the above, please join us for a



Spaghetti
Dinner

Where: St John's Church (next to Pak N Save)
6 Chandler Ave, Royal Oak

When: The first Wednesday of each month
(except January)

The dates for the first half of this year are:
6 February, 6 March, 3 April, 1 May, 5 June

Time: 6 - 7:30pm

Cost: by Koha
(no obligation though - the meal is on us)

Everyone is welcome!
(GF, DF and vegetarian meals will be provided)



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Memory lapses getting you down?

Forgetting people's names, losing your keys and not feeling as alert as you once did?

It's probably because your brain is not in as good a shape as it used to be but don't wait until it's too late!

Brainfit

FOR LIFE

4-week class starting in Onehunga on Friday March 22, 2019 from 10 - 11.30am

\$20 donation to ROPS for any ROPS family members that sign up for 2019 classes in Onehunga or Epsom

Just like any muscle, your brain just needs a regular workout to improve your memory power and the renowned Brainfit programme could be the perfect "personal trainer" for you and your brain this year.

Brain Fit for Life™ is a 4-week face to face, group facilitated training programme that helps to build and strengthen brain connections which serve as a valuable buffer against memory loss and brain overload, regardless of age:

- Fun and engaging way to improve your knowledge of memory and brain health.
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- Easy memory tips and ideas to practice at home and share with family & friends.

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Jude Walter

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