



Week 7, Term 4, 25 November 2020

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!

Kia ora koutou,

It is hard to believe that this will be the second to last newsletter for 2020. What a year it has been.

Farewells:

At the end of this year we are sadly farewelling some staff members.

Becky Boyes is moving to Royal Oak Intermediate to work with slightly older tamariki. We wish Becky all the best and thank her for all that she has done to support and grow physical education and sport at our school. We look forward to continuing to build the connection with Royal Oak Intermediate.

We also bid goodbye to Julia Chung. Julia began her teaching career with us and has been an outstanding teacher in the Year 5/6 team. We have been lucky to have her at ROPS and wish her all the best at Newton Central. Kelly Ryan joined us at the beginning of the year from England. We thank Kelly for the work that she has done with our tamariki relating to anxiety and Wellbeing, it has been very much appreciated. We wish Kelly all the best at her new school.

Laura Stitt is leaving us to begin university study. Laura has worked as learning support and has been a wonderful support to many of our tamariki, always going the extra mile to make learning fun! Laura and her family have had a connection with Royal Oak Primary for many years as all her tamariki attended school here. They will be greatly missed.

Sam Forde has been with us for 9 years and has decided to take up a Bachelor of Education degree at university. Sam has provided great support over the years for a number of our tamariki and has been incredibly helpful with Physical Education and sport. We wish him all the very best for his studies.

New teachers:

You will be pleased to know that we are fully staffed for 2021. I have appointed an experienced teacher, Holly Mackie, who will be teaching Year 5/6 in the Kauri Room with Kathy Managh. Holly comes to us from Rototuna Primary School in Hamilton. She is moving to Auckland with her husband and two year old daughter. We are looking forward to welcoming her to the team at ROPS.

Absences

An urgent plea: if your child is absent, for whatever reason, please ensure that you let us know by calling the office, sending an email to admin@rops.school.nz or messaging through the absence link on the app. Following up unexplained absences is proving to be challenging and time consuming. Thank you very much to all those folk who do follow the correct procedure with this, it is very much appreciated.

Music Week and End-of-Year Music Showcase

Week 6 was a week of celebrating music at ROPS. Our Music Leaders organised a variety of different activities throughout the week including lunchtime concerts and QR trails. The talent that we have at ROPS is astounding. It was overwhelming to hear the different concerts each day...and then came the showcase. The Royal Oak Primary School 'End-of-Year Music Showcase' was held on Friday 20 November. It was an outstanding sharing of the many musical talents of our tamariki. Over 200 of our tamariki were involved in the performances - fabulous! The grand finale of 'Ode to Joy' was incredible and a credit to our talented tamariki and our extremely talented music teachers including Mrs. Cooke, Ms Hutton and, of course, the very talented Miss Giles.

Term 4 String Recital

The Term 4 String Recital took place last Sunday 22 November. It was a lovely celebration of all the work that the tamariki and the teachers have put in throughout the year, including during lockdown. It was very special to be able to celebrate face to face, as the Term 3 recital was done via Zoom. Well done to all the tamariki involved and thank you so much to Miss Giles, Ms Hutton, Mrs. Cooke and Mr. Sue.

2021 Whanau Leaders

Congratulations to the following tamariki who will be our Whanau Leaders for 2021:

Name	Whanau
Emma Jamieson	Batten
Arlo Gould	Batten
Shivesh Shetty	Cooper
Lily Forman	Cooper
Chance Flux Ton	Hillary
James Mitchell	Hillary
Sessilis Tu'akalau	Ngata
Charlotte Sanders	Ngata
Kahukura Rangi	Rutherford
Macy Stone	Rutherford
Emily Webster	Sheppard
Sophie Berry	Sheppard

2021 Planning

If you know that your child **will not** be returning next year (other than Year 6 children) please let Louise (louisew@rops.school.nz) know as soon as possible in order for us to plan accordingly. If you have, or know someone who has, a child who is due to begin as a New Entrant in Term 1 2021 please enroll them now.

Year 5/6 Athletics Results

We had a great day once we were finally able to run the Year 5/6 athletics! Congratulations to the team that was selected to go to the Zone competition.

2020 Remuera Zone Athletics Team

	1 st	2nd
Year 5 girls 60	Sessi Tuakalau	Kenzie Heather
Year 5 girls 100	Kenzie Heather	Sessi Tuakalau
Year 5 girls 200	Kenzie Heather	Prettie Nyangoma
Year 5 girls 800	Chance Flux Ton	
Year 5 boys 60	Elijah Kato	Imran Natali
Year 5 boys 100	Elijah Kato	Rory Lucas
Year 5 boys 200	Rory Lucas	Aleksander Retamales
Year 5 boys 800	Aleksander Retamales	
Year 6 girls 60	Zara Bint	Ela Egene
Year 6 girls 100	Zara Bint	Lisa Campbell
Year 6 girls 200	Zara Bint	Ela Egene
Year 6 girls 800	Greta Hunter	
Year 6 boys 60	Joshua Slyfield	Jacob Rippon
Year 6 boys 100	Ben Leaf	Haden Stone
Year 6 boys 200	Ben Leaf	Max McNamara
Year 6 boys 800	Ben Leaf	

Field events

	Year 5 girls		Year 5 boys		Year 6 girls		Year 6 boys	
Softball throw	Sessi Tuakalau	Kahukura Rangi	Shivesh Shetty	Fletcher Reid	Zoe Dodson	Jiya Jose	Adam Bolland	Max McNamara
Long jump	Prettie Nyangoma	Sessi	Jonte Senn	James Mitchell	Zara Bint	Jade Kirby	Ben L	Jacob Rippon
High jump	Sessi Tuakalau		Rory Lucas		Ela Egene		Ben Leaf	

Relay teams

Year 5 girls	Sessi	Prettie	Bailey	Kenzie
Year 5 boys	Rory	Imran	Aleksander	Elijah
Year 6 girls	Ela	Zoe K	Lisa	Zara
Year 6 boys	Max	Haden	Josh	Ben L

Zone Athletics

We had a very successful day at the Remuera Zone Athletics on Monday 20 November with Ben Leaf placing 3rd in the 800m, Sessi coming 2nd in the 60m and 1st in the 100m. Both Kenzie and Prettie made the final for the 200m and Zara B won the 60, 100 and 200m finals. A wonderful win by the Year 6 girls relay team made up of Zoe K, Lisa, Ela and Zara B. There are still results from the field events to come. What a wonderful day and it was fabulous that we got to enjoy one zone event this year. Congratulations to everyone in the team! Special thanks to Miss Boyes for all her organisation, training and enthusiasm for athletics this year.



Stumpers Results

Placing	Year 4	Year 5/6 Boys	Year 5/6 Girls	Whanau Teams	Members
1 st	Zach Oliver Lily Shannon	Patrick	Ellice	Batten 3	Fiza, Anika, Daniel, Sahil
2 nd	Ryan Arielle Alfred Jeannie	Haden	Zoe D	Hilary 1	Imaan, Zoe K, Yuxuan, Ela
3 rd	Sophie Arham Harrison Timofei	Callum	Anika	Sheppard 2	Haden, Kahu, Shobhit, Max

A Reminder: Proposed Teacher Only Day 2021

A reminder that the school year begins on Tuesday 2 February next year. Our first teacher only day for 2021 will be held on **Tuesday 9 February**. I am giving notice of this now in order for you to plan ahead as it is the Tuesday following the Monday holiday for Waitangi Day. I realise that this comes very early on in the year, but it was the only day available for the facilitators to provide training for the staff in the Pause, Breathe, Smile programme.

Music - String Programme 2021 Applications

We have extended applications of interest for our 2021 Royal Oak Primary School String Programme - **for 3 cello spaces that are still available.**

Parents of current Year 2 Students interested in this opportunity for their child are invited to fill out the application form at the end of the application letter [here](#) as an expression of both interest and commitment to the programme if selected, and return it to the office or email to the Principal meganc@rops.school.nz by **Monday 30th November 5pm.** (Please note that this date differs from the application form.)

Whānau Expo Tonight!

Have you ever wondered about what community agencies are available to support your whānau? Our Kahui Ako has organised a Whānau Expo for today, Wednesday 25th November, from 6pm at Te Papapa School. There will be a wide range of agencies/organisations coming from across all our communities as well as fun activities for the children. We are very fortunate to have Pio Terei as the guest speaker for this exciting event.

Te Iti Kahurangi Kahui Ako Pio TEREI
Whānau Expo
 night of fun, laughter and information
 Have you ever wondered about what community agencies are available to support your whānau? Come and meet them.
 Wednesday 25 November 2020
 6 - 8 pm
 (Doors open at 5.15pm, Official opening at 6pm)
 Te Papapa School
 219 Mt Smart Road, Onehunga, Auckland
 Kai and Wai for everyone • Fun Activities for the Kids • Spot Prizes and Giveaways

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Remuera Sports Morning

On Friday 20 November a team of 13 Year 6 children went to Remuera Intermediate for a sports day run by the Year 8 sports extension group. The event was run really well, with our group having two fabulous Year 8 children as leaders. They performed well winning all of their events, coming out overall winners at the end of the day. Jalen Dickie and Zoe Kalauta received most valuable player awards. It was a great day for all involved.



Totara Worm Tea!

At Royal Oak Primary we are selling worm tea for your gardens and plants, ready for spring!

- ☺ Sizes: 1l, 2l and 3l
- ☺ The prices will be: **\$2.00 for 1 litre** , **\$3.00 for 2 litre** and **\$5.00 for 3 litre**
- ☺ At level 1 Order your worm tea two ways :
 1. By emailing this address: robynmc@rops.school.nz with how much you want, your child's name and room so we know where to deliver to.
OR Come to Totara room before and after school.
 2. You can order before you pay.
- ☺ Special opening offer: Buy two 2l bottles for \$5.00!
- ☺ If you become regular purchasers of our worm tea we will issue you with a Cra-z Compost loyalty card!
- ☺ If you have empty milk bottles please bring them cleaned to the Totara Room!



Lily, Benjamin, Yu, and Moe (Cra-z Compost Totara Communications Team)

Parent Group

Disco

Thank you to everyone who came along to the discos last Friday evening. It was another great evening filled with our tamariki having loads of fun. Thank you to all those wonderful folk who helped to set up, worked on the night and cleaned up at the end. Your help is very much appreciated.

PARENT GROUP END OF YEAR PICNIC

Please join us on **Tuesday 1st December** on the field at school from 4pm for our annual Parent Group Picnic. Bring along a blanket and some food and enjoy mixing and mingling with other ROPS Whanau.

AFTER SCHOOL CAFE

A reminder that this will be held each Friday during Term 4 at 3pm so please bring along your \$1 & \$2 coins for a cupcake or an ice block.

Raffle Winners:

Thank you to all those who supported our recent raffles. Your contributions are much appreciated. The winners were:

Childrens' raffles - Claire Gooder, Yuxuan Gong

Adults' raffles - Sonja Bolland, Jenni Jamieson.

Board of Trustees

As the year draws to a close, we have reached the time when we need to sadly bid farewell to three of our fabulous Board members. Two of them, Owen Sinclair and Jude Walter, have reached the end of their tenure. I would like to thank them both for the support that they have given our kura as trustees. They have both always had the tamariki at the forefront of any decisions being made and have been fully committed to the role. Special thanks to Owen for his time spent as Chair of the Board. This is an important and demanding role. His support for the school has been outstanding. We are also bidding farewell to Tim Maifeleni. Tim and his whanau have moved out of the area, so his tamariki will be attending a new kura next year. We wish them all the very best for this move.

The final meeting for the year will be held tonight, **Wednesday 25 November at 5.30pm** in the Staff Room. **Please note this is both a different time and day to the usual schedule.** You are very welcome to attend. We will be focusing on end of year achievement data as well as developing the budget, charter, strategic plan heading into 2021.

This Christmas, ROPS staff are once again collecting items to support the Auckland City Mission Christmas Angels appeal.

If you would like to donate items for this, we are collecting the items listed below.

You can bring donations to the Rata room or staff room and if you have any questions, please email Anne Falconer at annef@rops.school.nz.

Many thanks for helping us support those in need this Christmas.

New, unwrapped gifts

- worth between \$10-\$20
- for children and adults
- no clothing please!

Non-perishable food for Christmas food parcels

- tinned soup, fruit, baked beans, fish
- pasta, rice, jars of pasta sauce
- spreads, cereals
- sugar, flour, tea bags
- chocolate, biscuits


Thank you!



Term 4 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 7	23 Y0 Enrolments Year 2/3 Athletics	24 Parent Helper Morning Tea – 10:45am in Hall	25 BOT meeting 5.30pm Year 2/3 Athletics (saving day)	26	27 9.15am school assembly Nikau and Kohekohe Principal for the Day
Week 8 December	30 Year 0/1 Athletics	1 Year 0/1 Athletics (saving day) PG picnic 4 – 7pm	2 2nd hand Uniform sale 8:30 – 9:00am Last Violin Lesson for 2020 Parent Group 7pm?	3 Awards Assembly 9.30-11.00am 1.40pm Students visit 2021 classes	4 Acorns end of the year trip- Monte Cecilia / TH ?? Last Cello Lesson for 2020
Week 9	7 Oaks Pool Trip to Onehunga Pools	8 Leavers Assembly 9.30 – 11.00am then luncheon 12.30pm Reports out	9 10.30am school assembly – staff School closes 12pm	10	11

Ngā mihi nui,



Megan Clotworthy
meganc@rops.school.nz

Community Notices

Parent Election Notice

Royal Oak Intermediate School Board of Trustees' election

The main voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours from noon Friday 9 October 2020.

The supplementary roll will close Friday 30 October 2020.

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

Voting closes at noon on Friday 4 December 2020

Louise White
Returning Officer
Royal Oak Intermediate School
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Royal Oak
Email: admin@royaloakint.school.nz



Onehunga Swimming Club

Established 1956



Registrations are NOW open for next term

Established 60 years ago, Onehunga Swimming Club is based at Jellicoe Pool, Onehunga. It is a registered charity and provides competitive and non-competitive swimming training and learn to swim lessons. We welcome new swimmers of all abilities and ages 5 and up to the exciting sport of swimming.

Squad

~ 60min & 90min/session
~ \$175 per term
~ 3 sessions a week
Wednesday 7pm,
Friday 7.30pm and
Sunday 6.15pm

Learn to swim

~ 30min & 60min sessions
~ \$100 per term for a 30min session once a week
\$120 per term for a 60min session once a week
\$160 per term for two sessions per week
~ Friday - 6pm
~ Sunday - 5.45pm

Whether you want to swim for fun or have bigger aspirations, come and find out what we have to offer at our

Book Your Trial Session Now ... manager.onesc@gmail.com

Help Needed

Home Cleaning & Light Gardening

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9.00 am - 11.30 am

Ten-minute walk from ROP

Must be comfortable around large dogs and other animals.

\$20.00 per hour

Call: 0212731331



Guitar Tuition



One on One guitar Lessons with Karl.

To your door, after school @ \$25 per half hour.

Registered Teacher, experienced guitar tutor.

Parents, contact me on **0275905278** if you are interested.

January School Holiday Programme

Monday 18 - Friday 29 January
Classes 8.00 - 11.00 am

One week \$75 per student
Two weeks \$130 per student

Fitness Squad 9.00 - 10.00 am
charged at \$10 per session

BOOK NOW!

Term 1, 2021 Bookings
Monday 2 February - Friday 16 April
From babies through to fitness squads

To book contact Michelle White,
Diocesan Aquatic Centre Manager,
09 520 9373, mwhite@diocesan.school.nz



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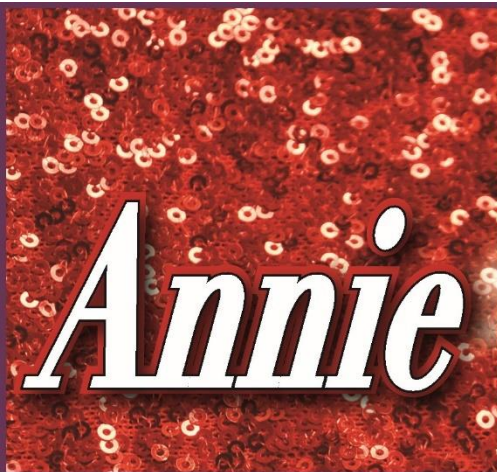
Monday 18 to Friday 22 January 2021

Monday 25 to Friday 29 January 2021

For full details and to BOOK online

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ARTZONSHOW.

Artz on Show School Holiday Performing Arts Workshop

This is a fun yet educational week for students aged 5 – 15 years.

Students participate in a range of performing arts classes, concluding the week with a performance!

11 - 15 January 2021, 9 am – 4 pm daily
Held at Raye Freedman Arts Centre,
Epsom Girls Grammar School

View our website; www.artzonshow.co.nz

or contact Hayley on either

artz@artzonshow.co.nz or 09 294 7129



ARTZONSHOW.

Artz on Show School Holiday Performing Arts Workshop

This is a fun yet educational week for students aged 5 – 15 years.

Students participate in a range of performing arts and specialised classes, for an eventful week!

14 - 18 December 2020, 9am – 4pm daily
Held at Raye Freedman Arts Centre,
Epsom Girls Grammar School

View our website; www.artzonshow.co.nz

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Parnell Trust's Summer Fiesta Holiday Programme

– awesome activities every day for 5-14 year olds from 16 December 2020 to 29 January 2021.

Parnell Trust has an amazing line-up of activities and adventures for the Summer holidays, guaranteed to keep your kids happy and active all day long! Choose from up to three activities each day in both Parnell and Epsom. Specially for busy parents, you can drop your kids off as early as 7.30am and pick them up as late as 6pm for no extra charge. See our website for details at www.parnell.org.nz/shp or phone 09 555 5193.