



**Royal Oak
Primary School**
HONOUR LOYALTY SERVICE

Week 6, Term 3, 28 August 2024

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, bonjour, sawadee ka, ia orana, welcome!

A Message From the ROPS School Board:

At the school board meeting on August 19, we welcomed our new member Kyle Rika, appointed following the resignation of Vasana Vanpraseuth from the board. We are really excited about the valuable insights and unique perspective Kyle will bring to our team.

Our curriculum focus for this meeting was Mathematics and Statistics. The Government recently announced plans to introduce structural mathematics earlier than planned. While the board agrees that our school is well positioned to implement these changes, we recognise the challenges this rollout presents for our staff. We would like to acknowledge their extra effort in making this transition.

We also examined how the school supports our Māori and Pasifika students and spent time looking into the results of the health consultation survey. Our next board meeting is 23 September. We welcome whānau to attend our board meetings - these are an opportunity to understand the inner workings of our kura in more depth and stay informed on the current developments at ROPs.

Eco Warrior Initiative: Taumanu Reserve Beach Audit



In Term 2 the Kauri Year 5 Eco Warriors braved a cool breeze and completed a Litter Intelligence Audit at Taumanu Reserve, Onehunga Basin, along with Onehunga Primary students. ROPS has been monitoring this beach for five years now and has been contributing to the data being gathered to help identify patterns, changes and needs of



our beautiful Mānuka-o-Hotunui. The students marked out a rectangle 20m x 100m and walked in a slow line, collecting the litter in this area; it is the same place each time the survey is done. They then audited the litter by categorizing and counting. You can access this website and read the data they have collected and easily make comparisons from past surveys of the same area. Many beaches around Aotearoa are monitored in this way and all the information can be accessed from this website related to your favorite beach spot! Thank you to these parents who helped with transportation and supervision on this chilly day, Sanjay Kumar, Julius Pamintuan, Matthew Ah Mu, Anesha Pillay, and Kitaga Sonsupap.

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chilly day, Sanjay Kumar, Julius Pamintuan, Matthew Ah Mu, Anesha Pillay, and Kitaga Sonsupap. Special thanks, also, to Whaea Robyn for her enthusiasm and wonderful organisation that enables our ākonga to take part in this.

Health Consultation

Thank you to the 146 people who completed the survey and the 21 people who took the time to make extra comments. Your feedback is valued and has all been shared with the Board. It will help to inform our 2025 Health Curriculum plan. The ratings of importance of topics covered was quite consistent across the board, with Keeping Ourselves Safe leading and Bike Safety being the lowest rating - but there definitely wasn't much difference from highest to lowest rated. Again, your responses were very much appreciated - ngā mihi.

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 will be on Wednesday 4 September at 7pm in the staffroom. Have you booked a table for our fabulous Quiz Night? Be in quick, it is on Saturday 7 September and tables are going fast - check out the flier.



Secondhand Uniforms

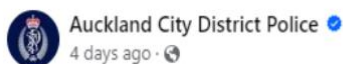
The next second-hand uniform sale is on Tuesday 10 September. We are seeking uniform donations of anything size 8 plus and long trousers of any size - many thanks in advance.

A Note from the Police Regarding Dropping off and Picking Up

If you choose to stop or park illegally you could get fined.

Stopped/parked	Fine
On broken yellow lines	\$60
Double parked	\$60
Within 6 metres of an intersection OR pedestrian crossing	\$60
Closer than 6 metres to a bus stop or on a marked bus stop	\$40
Parked in area reserved for disabled persons	\$150

POLICE



Are you planning on dropping off, or picking your kids up from school? 🚗👶

When children arrive at or leave school each day, how you park and drive can protect them or put them in danger.

Plan ahead - sometimes a meeting point further down the road might be a safer option to avoid congestion around the area.

Often drop off and pick up zones can be crowded before and after school, so allow plenty of time for school drop offs so you are not rushed and give the road your full attention.

When choosing to park near a school make sure to park safely and legally. Where and how you park matters – tamariki can't be seen if we park illegally.

If you choose to stop or park illegally you may be fined.

Olympathon

Thank you so much to all our generous contributors for supporting our Olympathon. At the time of writing this newsletter, the total is currently sitting at \$4359. This is a great result! Our winning classes for the pizza lunch were Acorns: Nīkau and Oaks: Tōtara. Congratulations and thank you for supporting our Olympathon!!!

Kahui Ako Event

Please see the event advertised below. We have two groups performing, our Tongan Group and a strings group. Come along for a great evening of entertainment. Come along on Friday 6 September at Onehunga High School. Be there before 5pm to grab some kai before the event begins.



Clearing the Grounds by 3.15pm

It is lovely that tamariki want to stay back at school and play after school, however it is important, for safety reasons, to have the grounds cleared by 3.15pm. Our teachers are often in meetings and there is no one to supervise the tamariki. Please also ensure that your child is picked up promptly at 3pm at the end of the school day.

What's coming up?

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

Term 3 2024

Week 6	26	27	28	29	30
		Samosa orders close	Hui 5:30pm		Samosa orders delivered
					Sat 31 TOM Regionals Wushu Competition Sun
Week 7 September	02 Year 0 enrolments starting day	03 Kids Sing Competition (100 Y5/6)	04 Oaks cross country - practice	05 Combined Violin/Cello Reh. 3-4pm	06 PG Quiz night (7 th Saturday)
	ROPS Tongan Lang week				

			Parent Group 7.00pm		
Week 8	09	10 Second hand uniform sale. Oaks cross country	11	12 Combined Violin/Cello Reh. 3-4pm	13 Y2 Special Singers – Informance for Whānau 2.00pm -2,30pm, Hall Sun 15 Sept – Term 3 String Recital Parkside Village
Week 9 Te Wiki o te Reo Māori	16 Year 0 enrolments starting day	17	18	19 Zone Cross Country	20 TOM National Comp – Wellington Sat 21
Week 10 Chinese Lang week	23 Board meeting	24	25	26	27 Last day of term Saturday 28th PG Market day (Greenwoods Corner)

BOT Meeting:

Our next Board meeting is on, **Monday 23 September 2024** at **6.00pm** in the staffroom. You are always most welcome to attend.
Have a happy fortnight.

Ngā mihi nui



Megan Clotworthy
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Community Notices



WE'RE TURNING 100 THIS YEAR!



...and we're having an Open Day to get to know our community better — and for you to get to know us too!

Saturday 14 September, 10am-3pm, 6 Chandler Ave

- ✂ Come and hear stories about our history and some of what we're up to today
- ☼ Meet some of the groups that gather in our space
- ☪ Have a cuppa and some home baking—or grab a sausage off the bbq
- ✂ Take some quiet time to reflect or light a candle in the church

Local crafters: get in touch if you'd like to book a table to sell your goods in the hall on the day—
admin@stjohnsroyaloak.net, 09 624 3437

ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, ROYAL OAK

Your community church since 1924



- Community run organisation aiming to encourage children's love of swimming from ages 5 and up.
- Build swimming confidence and water safety skills.
- Learn to Swim through to Competitive Squad training.
- Regular Club Nights to develop competitive swimming skills in a supportive and fun environment.



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**Onehunga War Memorial Pools,
Jellicoe Park**



<https://uk.gomotionapp.com/team/ohsc/page/home>

Eliette's
MUSIC ACADEMY

AGES
5 - 15

OCTOBER

holiday programmes

Disney
MOANA

MUSICAL THEATRE (6-13)

Sing, Act and Dance to key songs and scenes from the Moana Movie. Perform for friends and family.

**SONGWRITING &
MAKE A MUSIC VIDEO (8-15)**

Write, record and release a song/music video.

JOIN A BAND (8-15)

Workshop covers, write originals and learn key skills on how to play your instrument in a group.

LITTLE ROCKERS (5-7YRS, 2 DAYS)

An introduction to Ukulele, Piano and Drums + performing as a band.

MUSIC MAYHEM (5-10, 2 HOURS)

Learn music and rhythm skills through Bucket drumming, World Percussion and Ukulele. 2 hours of music mayhem!

SEPT 30 - OCT 11

ALBANY AND GRAFTON CAMPUSES
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Under the Sea Holiday Programme

First week of the school holidays @ St Margaret's Church, Hillsborough



WHEN

30 September - 2
October (Monday
to Wednesday),
8:30am-3:30pm
Morning, afternoon
or full day

WHERE

St Margaret's
Church, 102
Hillsborough Rd

WHO

Children aged 5-11

COST

\$10/day
\$5/half-day

BRING

Water bottle and
lunch. Children with
allergies should
bring their own
snacks

REGISTER

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