

KŌKAKO NEWS

ŌROPI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2023 TERM 2 WEEK 8



Kia ora Whanau

It is nice to be able to celebrate that we have had two Ōropi students qualify for the Bay of Plenty Cross Country. This is a massive achievement. Well done to Heath Meldrum and Olive Shaw who both placed 4th in their age groups.

It is also exciting to see our 51 member Choir participants 'gearing up' for the Choir

Festival in Term 3 with a combined rehearsal on Wednesday at Tauranga Intermediate.

From next week, it is very busy as we head towards the end of term!!

- We have a group of Korean teachers visiting our school on June 20th. They are travelling all the way from Daegu, in South Korea
- A reminder that we have Dr Sarah Aiono

- running a Parent Information Evening on June 21st, 5:15 - 6:15pm in the Multipurpose Room. Sarah is a leader in her field nationally and internationally. We will hear about the role of Play Based Learning based on her research and how it all fits into our school curriculum. She has recently returned from a Conference in Scotland where she presented. We are very lucky to be able to lock in a time with Sarah. Please put this in your calendars!!
- Parent - Teacher Interviews are on June 22nd
- On June 26th we have an opportunity for the parent community to attend a consultation evening on the WBOP District Council Strategic Plan with grazing table & drinks provided + prizes to be won! Please support this cause. Because Ōropi School has agreed to run this event, we will receive a donation from Council in appreciation of our support.
- June 30th Matariki!!

Andrew King
Principal

Chicken orders

It's time to place an order for chickens. See HERO for full information. Orders close on Friday 30 June. Delivery date is 11 August.

Parent Teacher Interviews

On Thursday 22 June School will close at the earlier time of 12.30 and we will be holding parent teacher interviews from 1pm until 7pm. The purpose of these interviews will be to give you an academic update of your child's progress, needs, and where they are achieving within the curriculum. This information will be available and live through HERO.

Bookings are open now in HERO.

Matariki Hāngi meals

Matariki celebrations are coming up on Friday 30 June. We have caterers providing delicious hāngi meals at \$10 each. We invite all parents, grandparents, and friends of the school to celebrate with us. Whānau are welcome to join classroom activities and the hāngi lunch.

Order your meals now in Kindo.

Matariki

During Matariki we celebrate our unique place in the world...

Nau mai Haere mai

FRIDAY 30 JUNE 2023
9.30 AM AWARDS CEREMONY

ŌROPI MEMORIAL HALL
12.30 PM HĀNGI LUNCH
AT ŌROPI SCHOOL

HĀNGI MEALS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE IN KINDO BEFORE THURSDAY 1 JUNE.
CHICKEN AND VEGE OPTIONS AVAILABLE.

Oropi School PTA Proudly Presents:



KNOWLEDGE-ATHON 2023

all funds raised go towards a new outdoor water-play area for all students!

- Questions will be sent home on Friday 26th May so students can learn them
- Get family & friends to sponsor you!
- Knowledge-Athon will be held during class on Thursday 15th June
- Results will be shared Friday 23rd June



SPOT PRIZES TO BE WON



ENVIRO CLUB UPDATE

TERM 2, 2023



Our School Enviro Team have been working hard to create a more sustainable environment for Oropi School. As part of their efforts, they have been setting rat traps to protect the flora and fauna around our school.

We are delighted to inform you that we have caught our second rat in one of the Predator Free BOP traps! If you would like to trap rats at your home, please come and see us in Kotare P for your FREE Predator Free BOP rat trap.



Earlier this term we visited Precious Plastics to see how the bottle tops that we have collected are recycled. It was awesome to be involved in the sorting and shredding process and see the newly made products. If you would like to be more environmentally sustainable by reducing the plastic waste in our landfills, bring your CLEAN bottle tops to Kōtare P.



PYES PĀ - ŌROPI - OHAUITI

COMMUNITY KŌRERO

COME & HAVE YOUR SAY ON THESE TOPICS

- Community Resilience
- Growth & Development
- Climate Change
- Economic Development
- Waste Minimisation
- Speed Management, Transportation & Roading
- Representation

SPOT PRIZES

WIN 1 of 7 \$100 Supermarket or Mitre 10 Vouchers
Plus 2 \$150 Petrol Vouchers

Monday 26th June

Ōropi Community Hall | 5.30 - 7.30 pm
Food, tea and coffee provided

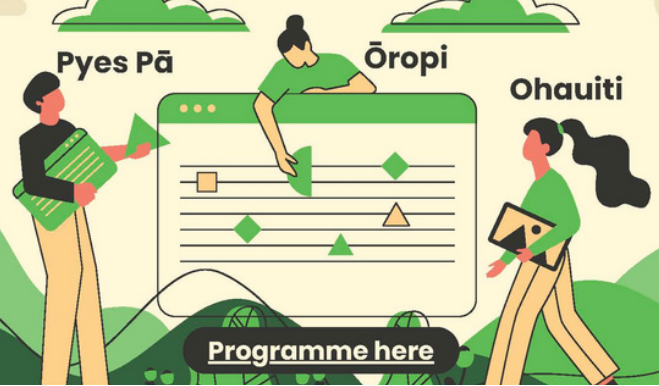
RSVP HERE

Or email Ōropi School - sports@oropi.school.nz

Pyes Pā

Ōropi

Ohauiiti



THIS WEEK IN RURU

We have been so busy in Ruru this week! From tea parties to cup stacking, there has been lots of learning happening.

Here we are making casts and gloves. We are measuring and cutting our fabric and using a hot glue gun to stick everything together. We are testing our products over and over to ensure that everything is up to quality! Once it fits perfectly, we are adding hearts and other colourful bits of fabric for decoration. Next week we are going to learn how to create our designs by sewing!



We have all been in a mood for a party so we turned into little party planners and organised a tea party. We had our table set with a tablecloth, plates, and cups. We even made presents for each other and had cake. So fun!



We have enjoyed cup stacking for a few weeks now. We love challenging ourselves to make the tower higher and higher each time. Kicking the tower over although sad, is SO satisfying!

We watched videos of professional cup stackers. They stack so fast! We are going to challenge ourselves and see how fast we can stack our cups.

Garden to Table

After a rainy first half of the term, we have finally had fine weather to enjoy for the past couple of weeks. We were lucky to win 120 seedlings from Zealandia - who supply the 6-cell punnets of vegetables and herb seedlings to garden centres - so planting them out has filled our garden sessions. Our junior and middle classes have had lots of practice planting out and caring for all the varieties of lettuce, cabbage, broccoli, silverbeet, celery, cauliflower, beetroot, spinach and parsley that we won. Thank you for your support Zealandia!

Our chickens have been off the lay for a few weeks while they grow new feathers so Piwakawaka made them a nice bowl of warm porridge to help boost their protein. It must have done some good because later that morning we got our first egg for a month!

With the weather cooling we have turned to winter classics in the kitchen. Ruru and Te Hokioi made a Pumpkin & Spring Onion Pasta Bake which is a delicious and more nutritious version of macaroni and cheese. On the side they made a Kale and Mandarin Salad and Tea Biscuits which incorporate three autumn fruits; mandarin, feijoa and persimmon. Piwakawaka and Kea made a warming Vegetarian Chilli in tortillas they made from scratch and an Apple, Feijoa and Rhubarb Crumble for dessert; one of those great recipes for any time of the year depending on which fruits are in season.

Last Friday we held an Open Day for visitors to see Garden to Table in action. We had a large group of guests from Fairhaven School, St Mary's and wonderful student leaders from Aorangi School in Rotorua. Kea were awesome role models for Ōropi School and on a beautiful Winter morning they showed off Garden to Table at its very best. Tino pai Kea!







SINCE 1899

Oropi School

be all you can be | whāia te matauranga



WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

Have your business exposed to 500+ people and help support Oropi School

We would like to take this opportunity to invite YOU to become a sponsor or to provide a donation for this years Calf Club & Pet Day held on Friday 13th October 2023 to support our raffle fundraiser, or in support of food stall requirements.

**All contributions are recognised on the day
SPONSORSHIP ADVERTISING IS WELCOME**

Your business would be advertised verbally on the day, in all flyer and booklet information that goes out and on our school website, newsletter and facebook page.

If you wish to take advantage of this opportunity to support Oropi School we would love to hear from you.

Contact the school office on 543 1479 or email office@oropi.school.nz.

thank you  **YOUR SUPPORT MAKES
ALL THE DIFFERENCE!**

Netball

The Ōropi Kokako netball team came up against the Bethlehem College C team on Saturday. Ōropi started strong, taking out the first quarter, unfortunately we were unable to continue the momentum and Bethlehem took the win 22-12. The team continue to improve game on game, with some impressive intercepts, accurate shooting and hard work to find space. They all display excellent sportsmanship and a fabulous attitude in their practices and their games. Bring on next Saturday's game!



Sport @ Ōropi

TOUGH GUY & GAL CHALLENGE, Yr 3-8 -
Friday 21st July

When signing up for [Junior Tough Guy & Gal Challenge](#) please make sure to click the box for Oropi School when it asks about collection of bibs. After registering, please fill in the [School registration form for transport](#).



Term 2 & 3 Important Dates

Term 2

Week 9

- 19 June Reports published in HERO
- 19 June Tennis with Andy
- 19 - 22 June Kōrimako Kim @ Technology
- 21 June Sarah Aione 5.30pm
- 20 June New Entrant Visits
- 22 June Parent Teacher Interviews. School closes at 12.30pm
- 23 June Hāngi orders due today

Week 10

- 27 June New Entrant Visits
- 27 June BOT Meeting
- 30 June Calf Club chicken orders are due
- 30 June Matariki celebrations including Hāngi lunch.

Term 3

Week 1

- 19 July Tauranga Girls' College Year 8 catch up

- 21 July - Tough Guy & Gal

Week 2

- 27 July Tauranga Girls' College Open Evening

Week 3

- 31 July Book Week
- 2 August Choir Rehearsal TIS

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TAURANGA MUSICAL THEATRE PRESENTS



ROALD DAHL'S Matilda THE MUSICAL

BOOK
DENNIS KELLY

MUSIC & LYRICS
TIM MINCHIN

21 Sept to 7 October 2023

Baycourt Community And Arts Centre **Tauranga**

BOOK NOW Tickets: [ticketek.co.nz](https://www.ticketek.co.nz)

Baycourt Box Office: 07 577 7188

mediaworks. Tauranga Musical Theatre Inc.

Order online by 9am
for delivery Thursday

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Oropi School / Term 2 2023



2 Taurikura Dr
Tauranga Crossing
Tauranga 3171
07-543 0547

PLAIN PETITA PITA

Free Range Chicken Petita	\$6.00
Free Farmed Ham Petita	\$6.00
Roast Beef Petita	\$6.00
Falafel Petita	\$6.00
Garden Veggie Petita	\$5.50
Marmite Petita	\$5.50
Vegemite Petita	\$5.50

WHOLEMEAL PETITA PITA

Wholemeal Free Range Chicken Petita	\$6.00
Wholemeal Free Farmed Ham Petita	\$6.00
Wholemeal Roast Beef Petita	\$6.00
Wholemeal Falafel Petita	\$6.00
Wholemeal Garden Veggie Petita	\$5.50
Wholemeal Marmite Petita	\$5.50
Wholemeal Vegemite Petita	\$5.50

GLUTEN FREE PETITA PITA

GLUTEN FREE Free Range Chicken Petita	\$7.50
GLUTEN FREE Free Farmed Ham Petita	\$7.50
GLUTEN FREE Roast Beef Petita	\$7.50
GLUTEN FREE Pulled Pork Petita	\$7.50
GLUTEN FREE Garden Veggie Petita	\$7.00

PETITA SALAD BOX

Free Range Chicken Petita Salad Box	\$7.00
Free Farmed Ham Petita Salad Box	\$7.00
Roast Beef Petita Salad Box	\$7.00
Pulled Pork Petita Salad Box	\$7.00
Falafel Petita Salad Box	\$7.00
Garden Veggie Petita Salad Box	\$6.50

SIDES

Chocolate Chip Cookie	\$2.50
Brownie Chocolate Fudge	\$2.50
Brownie Chocolate Fudge GLUTEN FREE	\$2.80
Pita Chips with Aioli Dipping Sauce (large)	\$3.90

DRINKS

Cool Ridge Water 750ml	\$4.00
Charles 200ml Tropical Juice	\$2.00
Charles 200ml Blackcurrant Juice	\$2.00
Charles 200ml Apple and Orange Juice	\$2.00

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Need help? Visit support.mykindo.co.nz or call toll free 0800 EZLUNCH (09-869 5200)
8am-4pm Mon-Fri (except public holidays)

TAURANGA BMX OPEN DAY!!

WHEN

**Sunday 18th June
10.30-12.30**

(Rain off day 2nd July)

WHERE

**280 Cambridge
Road** Tauranga

COME AND GIVE BMX AGO – FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

WEB ADDRESS:

WWW.SPORTY.CO.NZ/TAURANGABMX

FACEBOOK:

[WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/TAURANGABMXCLUB/](https://www.facebook.com/TAURANGABMXCLUB/)

**ALL AGES
WELCOME**

**YOU WILL
NEED:**

- BIKE
- HELMET
- LONG PANTS
- LONG SLEEVE TOP -COVERED SHOES -GLOVES -
- RECOMMENDED LIMITED BIKES &
- HELMETS AVAILABLE TO HIRE

**STRIDER BIKES & MTB
WELCOME!**

**SAUSAGES &
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE**

EMAIL: taurangabmx@gmail.com



Nuts & Bolts 2023

ADMINISTRATION

Josie Third and Kylie McHannigan make up the amazing admin team. Office hours at 8.30am to 3.30pm

View further information on our school website:

www.oropi.school.nz

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/OropiSchool>

ACCIDENTS AND ILLNESS AT SCHOOL

Teachers are on duty at all times during the morning and lunchtime breaks.

Accidents of minor nature are treated at school in the sick bay/medical room.

Parents, or a nominated adult are contacted if an accident is of a serious nature. If parents and designated emergency contacts are unable to be contacted, the school will use discretion in obtaining medical aid. Parents will be notified if their child becomes ill and needs care at home.

ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school, please notify by HERO, email or phone to the school office by 9.00am on the morning of the absence.

School office: (07) 543 1479

Email: office@oropi.school.nz

LOST PROPERTY

It is amazing how quickly the lost property box fills up with unnamed brand new clothes and shoes.

Please remember to clearly name all items of clothing. Unnamed articles of clothing can be found in the lost property bins outside some classrooms.

SIGN IN AND OUT

In case of an emergency and for our Health and safety reasons we need to know who is on the school grounds. We therefore ask that you use the ipad at the school reception desk to sign in and out.

Reasons you need to use the ipad:

- Child/ren are late. Sign in.
- Child/ren are leaving school for an appointment or because they are sick during school time. Sign out.
- Parent/friend/family member is helping during school hours or attending a class event. Sign in and out.
- Child/ren returning from an appointment. Sign in.

KINDO

Working together with Kindo, Ōropi School offers you a fantastic way to view and pay for all your child/children's school needs online. No cash, no paper, no hassle!

You can:

- view and make full or part payments on your family account

- register and pay for sports events and trips
- support fundraisers
- order school lunches.

More information can be found on our website.

SUN SAFETY

Ōropi School is a Sunsmart Accredited School. In accordance with our Sun Protection, regulation school sun hats are to be worn during break times in terms 1 and 4. They can be purchased from our school office. Children without sun hats will be directed to stay in designated shaded areas.

UNIFORM ITEMS

We have uniform items that are available to purchase through our school office.

Sun hat \$20.00

Polo shirt \$35.00

Hoodie \$65.00

Jacket \$60.00

START OF SCHOOL DAY

We understand that students are keen to arrive at school and this is encouraging; however, before school, teachers use this time to meet and prepare for learning. They are not actively supervising students in the playground. Please consider the time you are dropping your child/ren to school and this is not to be before the first school bus at 8.15am.

PTA

We have a very energised group of parents on our PTA. They have been passionate about providing for our teachers and students. There are many facilities and school equipment that have been provided through their dedicated efforts. If you are interested in being a part of this please make contact by emailing oropi.pta@gmail.com

PARKING

For the safety of everyone, please cross the road at the road crossing by the bus turning bay. Do not walk across the road on blind corner.

We encourage families to park at the Hall and walk up the path to school, especially while the road works are being completed. Please use common sense and refrain from parking across the driveways of our neighbours.

Please do not park in the staff carpark.

CLOSING GATES

To ensure the safety of all children on site, please ensure the gate you enter and exit is securely closed once you pass through.

ATTENDING SCHOOL

Oropi School is committed to ensuring that all of our students get the most out of their education, and wants to support our students to maintain regular attendance.

Students who attend school regularly learn more and achieve better results.

As parents, you have an important role in ensuring that your child attends school whenever it is open, unless there is a good reason for his/her absence. Acceptable reasons for absence include sickness or serious family circumstances, such as bereavement. Where there is a good reason for absence, please contact our school to let us know as soon as possible.

Your role in ensuring your child's regular attendance is so important that if you allow your child to miss school without a valid reason, you can be prosecuted under the Education Act 1989. While Oropi School does not want to prosecute any parent for their children's absence, we do take regular attendance seriously. We will be monitoring all unexplained absences and if students frequently miss school without an explanation being provided, we will be contacting parents to request a meeting and to work with you to encourage better attendance.

If the unexplained absences persist, we will send a formal warning letter, and may involve other agencies, such as the Truancy Service, to follow up on the reason for the absence.

Please work with us to support your child to attend school regularly.

Attendance is important and every day counts.

Keeping your contact details up to date

Remember to keep your contact information up to date with the office. We must be able to contact parents and caregivers if necessary, especially if your child is unwell. This includes your phone numbers, physical address, and email address.