

KOKAKO NEWS

OROPI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER TERM 3 WEEK 10



Kia ora Whanau

Firstly, a big thanks to you all for adhering to our Level 2 guidelines, we know they add complexity to life at school but really do appreciate your support whilst we work to keep our children safe.

We have had a very busy week here on staff, this term we said farewell to Amanda King who is moving on to a new challenge in her teaching career starting in Term 4 as well as Amy Oswald who is off to have some much

needed rest before welcoming a new baby in Term 4. We welcome back Nicole Miller who has taught music at Oropi school back in 2019 and will be teaching in Piwakawaka for the remainder of the year. We also said a short farewell to Mr King who has taken sabbatical leave until the end of 2021 and will be back to share all his new learning and insights with us in 2022.

A big congratulations to Mr Mac and his

whanau, who welcomed a new baby boy into the world... Angus Benjamin Macdonald.



At this time of year we begin to think about 2022, staffing, budget, school structure, and will soon be starting to create our 2022 classes. Each year our teams here spend a long time considering social and emotional needs, academic needs, the type of teacher and learning environment that suits each of our tamariki. We spend hours and history would suggest we do a very good job of this. However, we do like to offer an opportunity each year for our parents to share information they would like us to know that we may not ordinarily know as part of this class creation process. If there is anything you would like us to know (that you think we don't already) you are also welcome to put this in writing to me via email by 5th November 2021.

Please keep in mind that we always look to place children carefully every year. My email is ayn@oropi.school.nz

Lastly from me, this term has been an unusual one. Our team, whilst still really positive, are tired and we encouraged them to leave their laptop closed for some part of the break to rest, recharge and be ready for what is a short but very full term heading into summer. Please have a safe and restful holiday break if you are able, take opportunities to connect with your kids, to make memories and we'll look forward to seeing you all back next term.

Ayn Harris
Acting Principal

Enrolments for 2022

If you have a child turning 5 in 2022, please remember to enrol on the school website as soon as possible. Click on 'Enrol Now' on the home page of the website - www.oropi.school.nz

Year 7 & 8 in 2022

Please complete the google form if you have a current Year 6 or 7 child at Oropi. Check Hero for the link to the form.

Parent Teacher Interviews

These are scheduled to take place on Monday 15 November from 8.30am - 6.30pm. The school will be closed for learning and teaching but will be open to parents that have booked online for interviews. Scan the the QR code here to make a booking.



Garden to Table

It was a fortnight of pumpkin; our beautiful fairytale pumpkins were easy to cut and a delight to eat. Last week our junior classes of Tui and Piwakawaka Oswald created Cabbage, Kale and Pumpkin Gratin with salad and a tasty treat of Pumpkin Prune and Chocolate Bars. Then this week Kotare and Pukeko made Pumpkin Falafel with herby yoghurt sauce and Flatbread and for dessert a Pumpkin and Cinnamon Tart. Who knew you could make so many dishes with the humble pumpkin!

The junior classes had a chilly and windy time in the garden and as it was their last Garden to Table session for the year, we did a fun scavenger hunt, answering questions by finding things around the garden. First they did some mahi, planting cabbage, cauliflower and cornflowers, making more compost, looking after our chickens and weeding out one of our beds that got a bit overgrown over lockdown. This week Kotare and Pukeko have had two main jobs, helping prepare for our plant sale at Calf Club and getting our garden beds prepared for our summer vegetables to plant next term. They worked hard this week on the wheelbarrows and shovels and really earned their kai!

These were the last Garden to Table sessions for the year for these six classes. We really hope that you have enjoyed gardening and cooking with us this year and that you've learned something new that you can take home with you. Roll on Term Four and lots of summer planting and delicious goodies!

The garden needs us so we are glad to be back in action with all our keen Oropi gardeners! It was a very windy day for Tui Hodgson and because we had seeds to sow, we sowed large seeds that wouldn't blow away while we worked.



Year 7 & 8 Hockey



This winter Mason and Mackenzie have been playing Hockey for Pyes Pa Panthers in the Intermediate level.

It was Mason's 2nd year of Hockey and Mackenzie's 1st year.

They had an amazing time playing with the Pyes Pa Panthers which consisted of 4 girls and 4 boys. On Friday night they were able to play their final game which had been postponed due to lockdown. It was the play off for 1st and 2nd place in the 7th division against Omokoroa Tornadoes. After a goal to goal nail biter, Pyes Pa won 5-4. After the game the team were awarded with medals.

Year 7 & 8 Netball



Oropi Korimikos had their final netball game last Saturday. After getting a default win the week before because the other team pulled out, the girls were keen to play.

Unfortunately the other team had again pulled out, so we ended up doing a parents/siblings/friends versus Korimiko's game. No scores were kept but there were plenty of goals and rule breaks. It was a fun game.

Calf Club Update

Please see the Calf Club newsletter for all information relating to Calf Club in Week 1.

UPCOMING DATES

All dates are subject to covid levels.

OCTOBER

22

Calf Club & Pet Day

NOVEMBER

1

Year 5 & 6 Kids Can Ride

3

Marimba Festival
HPV Vaccines Year 7&8

8 & 9

Korimako Lewis @ Technology

10 - 13

Korimako Anna / Te Kokako @ Technology

15

Parent Teacher Interviews
School closed for instruction

17

Year 4 - 8 athletics

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7 & 8 athletics

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Junior school athletics Year 1 - 3

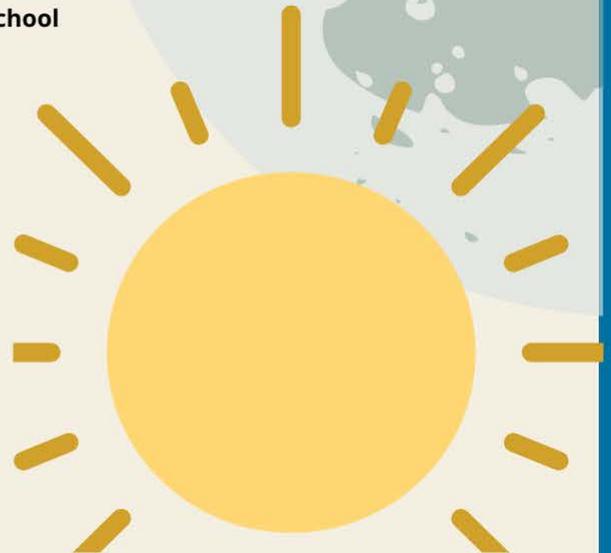
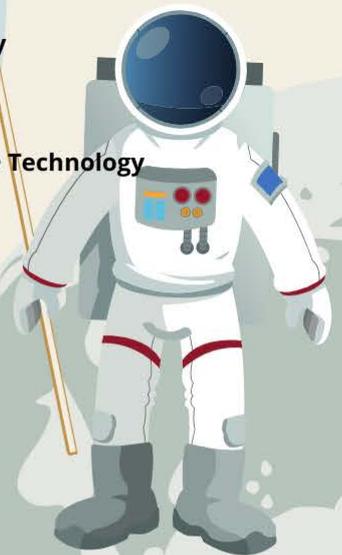
DECEMBER

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End of year prize giving

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Last Day of School



Parking & Road Safety

We would like to remind everyone of a few road safety and parking tips to ensure everyone's safety:

- Please do not park in the bus turnaround area. This is for School buses only.
- Please respect our neighbours by not parking in front of their driveways.
- We encourage all families to park at the hall and use the walkway to School.
- ALL visitors coming from across the road should be using the road crossing at the front of the school. This is manned by the road patrol crew before and after School. We do not encourage anyone crossing the road on the blind corner by the staff carpark entrance.
- The mobility carpark is for mobility card holders only.
- The staff carpark is for staff only and is not to be used as a drop off area or parking for parents at any time.
- The three visitor carparks at the front of the School are available to use until 2pm and then must be left available for our after school care vehicles.
- The legal speed limit when passing a stationary school bus picking up or dropping off children is 20km/h. This applies to traffic passing in either direction, regardless of the usual speed limit.



School Photos

School photos will arrive during the school holidays and will be handed out during Week 1 of term 4.

Parents & Visitors on site

It is important that everyone remembers to scan the Covid tracker code when entering the school grounds. If you are visiting or helping out in classrooms at Level 1&2, you must come to the office to sign in. At Level 3&4 no parents are permitted on site.

Keeping Ourselves Safe

Please check Hero for information about Keeping Ourselves Safe posted on 21 September.

Keeping Ourselves Safe has been designed to give students the skills to keep themselves safe in a range of situations.

It has three overall aims:

- to develop and strengthen children's skills to keep themselves safe with other people;
- to support and encourage abused children to get help from caring adults;
- to make teachers and parents/caregivers more aware of the need to keep children safe from abuse by adults or other children.

Keeping Ourselves Safe will be led by your child's teacher.

To be successful, Keeping Ourselves Safe needs your help and support. Your child may have homework activities to work on with you. It is important that you participate as much as possible and talk to your child about what they have been learning.

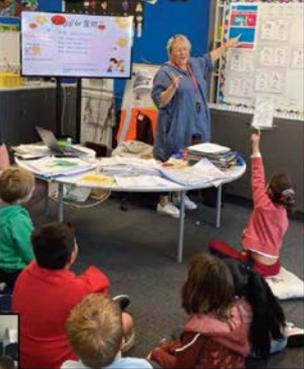
PHRASE OF THE DAY

NEW ZEALAND CHINESE LANGUAGE WEEK
26 SEP - 2 OCT 2021

New Zealand Chinese Language Week
www.nzclw.com



TAI CHI



TREASURE HUNT



WE'VE HAD SO MUCH FUN ATTENDING WORKSHOPS, LEARNING NEW LANGUAGE, PLAYING GAMES, LISTENING TO STORIES AND MUSIC AND RELATING TO OTHERS.

MOON CAKES



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leadership



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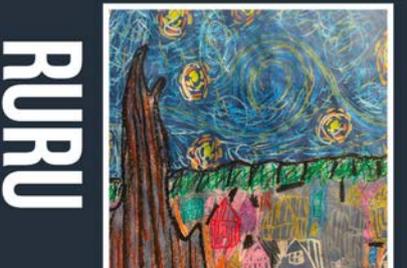
following passions

Ruru has had a fantastic first three terms filled with discovery creations, relationship building, art masterpieces and fun in the sun. This Year 4 class is full of fun, positive and encouraging students who always put their best foot forward. We are looking forward to Term 4 with more of our favourite outdoor activities and a chance to further explore our passions.

When I'm 100 I'll have gold teeth. I might even have a million dollars! I'll live in a villa and I'll be in a wheelchair.
Eddie



When I'm 80 I will be in a wheelchair, living in a nice little cottage on the highest mountain. I will have a teeny tiny mole (like Madonna) and a huge, furry monobrow. A unipig horn, some green hair and good sparkly braids!
Polly



RURU



RURU 2021

Hero - New School App

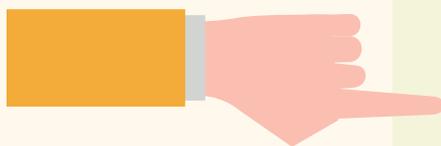
We are delighted to launch our new communication and reporting system, Hero. An online sharing platform with complementary smart app.

Hero allows schools to customise an online environment that enables teachers, students, and families to view and share content anytime, anywhere on any device. The software is secure, easy to use and brings together all school-related information in one place.

With Hero, you have the ability to:

- read and comment on posts relating to your child's learning
- view information on your child's progress and goals,
- read and comment on school notices sent to the class or groups your child is part of
- respond to school notices such as surveys and trip permission requests
- view school term dates
- view a school calendar of events
- notify the school if your child is absent or late
- navigate to other school-related webpages
- customise your account by adding a profile images

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Hero

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Log in to customise your account and view:

- Student learning stories, progress and goals
- School notices
- Surveys and Trip Permissions
- School term dates
- School calendar
- Absence notifications
- Navigation to other school-related webpages and more!

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Friday 08 Monday 11
Wednesday 13

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Cost:
\$39
per child per day

IGOR CVJETKOVIC
Development Officer
Tauranga City Basketball Association
021 116 9309 | dev.coach@taurangacitybasketball.co.nz

Please follow the below link to register players <http://taurangacitybasketball.co.nz/register>
If you have previously registered a player please use your existing login and password.



TCBA Development Programme NAVIGATORS

The Programme consists of weekly coaching sessions led by experienced coaches where basic fundamentals are introduced in an age relevant manner within FUN activities and drills. Players need no experience to attend.

These squads do not play in a weekly competition – we encourage all participants to play for their own school teams. The Junior Development Programme is designed to supplement/complement the Tauranga City Basketball Representative programme and school basketball programmes.

For information of coaches leading sessions please go to <https://taurangacitybasketball.co.nz/development/meet-the-coaches>
Please follow the below link to register players <http://taurangacitybasketball.co.nz/register>. If you have previously registered a player please use your existing login & password.

- Players will need to bring the following to each session:
- Drink Bottle
 - Comfortable sports clothes to train in
 - Sports Shoes (trainers / sneakers)
 - Warm clothes to wear after training

RACHEL GWERDER
Director of Development
Tauranga City Basketball Association
021 874 490 | development@taurangacitybasketball.co.nz

TCBA DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME NAVIGATORS

TERM 4 DATES

SQUAD: UNDER 7'S			
✦ YEAR OF BIRTH: 2014 & 2015			\$ 50
📅 TUESDAY OCT 26 NOV 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 DEC 7, 14			
📍 MEMORIAL HALL, QEYC		🕒 4:00PM - 5:00PM	

SQUAD: UNDER 9'S - OPTION 1			
✦ YEAR OF BIRTH: 2012 & 2013			\$ 50
📅 TUESDAY OCT 26 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 DEC 7, 14			
📍 QEYC		🕒 5:00PM - 6:00PM	

SQUAD: UNDER 9'S - OPTION 2			
✦ YEAR OF BIRTH: 2012 & 2013			\$ 45
📅 THURSDAY OCT 4, 11, 18, 25 DEC 2, 9, 16			
📍 TRUSTPOWER ARENA		🕒 4:00PM - 5:00PM	

SQUAD: UNDER 11'S - OPTION 1			
✦ YEAR OF BIRTH: 2010 & 2011			\$ 50
📅 TUESDAY OCT 26 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 DEC 7, 14			
📍 QEYC		🕒 6:00PM - 7:00PM	

SQUAD: UNDER 11'S - OPTION 2			
✦ YEAR OF BIRTH: 2010 & 2011			\$ 45
📅 THURSDAY OCT 4, 11, 18, 25 DEC 2, 9, 16			
📍 TRUSTPOWER ARENA		🕒 4:00PM - 5:00PM	

SQUAD: UNDER 13'S - OPTION 1			
✦ YEAR OF BIRTH: 2008 & 2009			\$ 60
📅 WEDNESDAY OCT 27 3, 10, 17, 24 DEC 1, 8, 15			
📍 TIS		🕒 5:30PM - 7:00PM	

SQUAD: UNDER 13'S - OPTION 2			
✦ YEAR OF BIRTH: 2008 & 2009			\$ 60
📅 THURSDAY OCT 28 4, 11, 18, 25 DEC 2, 9, 16			
📍 TIS		🕒 5:30PM - 7:00PM	

SQUAD: UNDER 15'S - OPTION 1			
✦ YEAR OF BIRTH: 2006 & 2007			\$ 60
📅 TUESDAY OCT 26 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 DEC 7, 14			
📍 QEYC		🕒 5:30PM - 7:00PM	

SQUAD: UNDER 15'S - OPTION 2			
✦ YEAR OF BIRTH: 2006 & 2007			\$ 60
📅 FRIDAY OCT 29 5, 12, 19, 26 DEC 3, 10, 17			
📍 TIS		🕒 5:30PM - 7:00PM	



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WEEK 1.

TUES 5TH OCT ROTORUA CENTRAL SK8PARK
WED 6TH OCT BLAKE PARK MT MAUNGANUI
THURS 7TH OCT EDGECUMBE SK8PARK

WEEK 2.

TUES 12TH OCT GORDAN SPRATL PARK PAPAMOA
WED 13TH OCT WHAKATANE SK8PARK
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11th - 17th October

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