

KŌKAKO NEWS

ŌROPI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2023 TERM 3 WEEK 10



Kia ora Whānau

We started this week with a Tauranga-wide Teacher Only Day at the Mercury Stadium for the launch of a Tauranga Moana Iwi Website Resource for teachers "Te Tai Whanake". This is a fantastic achievement to support all schools with Iwi based knowledge and understanding of our local history and landmarks.

At Ōropi School, we have opted to have mid-term elections for our Board of Trustees. This is to try and retain skills and knowledge for the

duration of a 3 year cycle amongst board members so we are not potentially losing all board members at once, at the end of a 3 year term.

Our school will be undertaking a mid term parent election for 2 School Board vacancies. This process will start with the issuing of nomination papers to our caregiver community by Friday 22nd September 2023. We have employed CES to undertake the election

on our behalf. This year with legislative change, our nomination form and full instructions on how to place your nomination into our own School's Election website will be emailed to you if we have your email address in our database or you will receive it by post if we don't have your email in our database. Nomination papers will also be available at the school office. The school will send those on to CES for processing upon receipt from candidates. Nominations close on Wednesday 11th October at 12 noon. Election day is Wednesday 15th November. We look forward to your participation in this process.

Further on in the newsletter you will see the exciting announcement confirming cast roles for our school production next term, "The Beetles". Well done to all who auditioned and congratulations to those who have secured a main character role. This is going to be a fantastic production. Don't forget to purchase your tickets!

As a senior leadership team, we have been working on a process to appoint two new classroom teachers for 2024. We have made two new permanent classroom teacher appointments. Libby Valentine and Rachelle Hodgson are leaving at the end of 2023 to go overseas. In the first few weeks of next term we will make an announcement of who our new teachers are, along with outlining where teachers

will be placed. We will farewell Libby and Rachelle next term.

A huge thank you to Robert Lewis and his team of parent and staff helpers who contributed to an amazing performance last week at the Choir Festival. Ōropi School was definitely a standout, just brilliant. Well done to all our singers! We are very lucky to have Mr Lewis' musical expertise.

Unfortunately we say goodbye to Andrew Macdonald at the end of this week. Andrew has gained a role as a Curriculum Leadership Advisor in the Ministry of Education. This role starts next month. Congratulations Andrew in this next chapter of your career. You will be missed by many for your enthusiasm, energy, and creativity that you bring to teaching. You are a great asset to education. Thank you for your time at Ōropi School as a highly valued staff member and all the best.

Have a wonderful holiday break everyone and see you all at Calf Club Day - the countdown is on for this brilliant day in the life of Ōropi School!

Ngā mihi nui

Andrew King
Principal

Jump Jam

Over the weekend we had another amazing success with the talent of our students at Jump Jam. We were entered into the Years 1-4 "Strictly Jump Jam" competition for Bay of Plenty. Our team won and will go through to the Nationals in November! Congratulations. A special thanks to Libby & Trista for training the team, the parent support and of course our contestants: Brooklyn, Juelius, Nation, Poet, Rikaia, Ruby, Sofia, Tessa, and Tukorehu! An amazing achievement.



School Production

It is with great delight that we announce the Ōropi School Musical - 'The Beetles.' Deep in the jungle of the Amazon, lives a colony of beetles beneath the tangled roots of an ancient old fig tree. For almost a year, scientist Seth and his team have been observing the beetles – collecting data and all kinds of oh-so, valuable information. But one day, bulldozers appear on the horizon and threaten the beetles peaceful existence. Seth wants to save the colony of course, but he won't be able to...not as a human anyway. So join us on stage in a flurry of song, dance and drama as we delve into the world of beetles in the rainforest with oh so much colour! '

Congratulations to the following students who have been cast as our main characters:

Fairy Queen - **Carys Barclay**

Tinkatroll - **Polly Rickard**

Monsieur Igor - **Heath Meldrum**

King Henry - **Elise Burling**

Dendy - **Connaver Martin**

Seth - **Theodore Barclay**

Paula Bug Paula - **Piper Horton**

Sylvia - **Alyssa Williams**

Lady Bug Dance / Singing Soloist - **Addi Hyde**

Beetle Bouncer - **Hugo Crabbe**

Underground Leader - **Gabriella Farmilo**

The Beetles will be shown on Tuesday, November 28 at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday, November 29 at 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Performing Arts Centre.



Speeches 🍌

Congratulations to Polly Rickard for her success with her speech where she shared her opinion why 'Bananas need to be squared.' Polly won the Year 6 school speech competition, followed by a win at the West Cluster Speech Competition at Tauriko School, and then took out second place at the Western Bay of Plenty Speech Competition at Ōmokoroa No.1 School yesterday. Seriously, Polly, you're incredible! Keep up the fantastic work.



Year 7 & 8 Problem Solving

A group from Ōropi attended the Year 7 & 8 Problem Solving Challenge at ACG last night.



Celebrating Sport

Matt Jackson, Coach from Greerton Marist, came along to a special senior assembly to share the awesomness of Mason Delany & Daniel Walters and their fantasitc season of rugby.



Ka Kite Mr Mac



Calf Club & Pet Day



ENTRIES CLOSE TOMORROW.

Entries for Calf Club & Pet Day close on FRIDAY 22 September.

Calves - must be born on or after 20 July 2023

Lambs - must be born on or after 1st August 2023

Goats - must be born on or after 1st August 2023

Chickens - must have been ordered through the school to enter in this category.

Chickens must be caged separately for ease of judging.

Other Categories:

Open Pet - medium/large pet

The medium / large section of pet day includes animals such as ponies, calves, sheep, goats, dogs, and cats. Children cannot enter their pet into this section if it is already entered into the Calf Club category but this is a great option for your friendly pet lamb from last year.

Open Pet - small pet

The small pet section includes animals such as rats, mice, guinea pigs, birds, bunnies, reptiles, chickens, and any other pet that would usually be kept in a cage or tank. All of these animals must have a pet profile or diary completed which is presented with the student's pet on the day.

Hanging Basket - One basket per child.

Check the Calf Club update for more details.

Bird Box - One entry per child. Check the Calf Club update for more details.

Hobbit House - One entry per child. Check the Calf Club update for more details.

Scarecrow - Check the Calf Club update for more details.

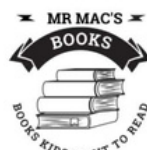
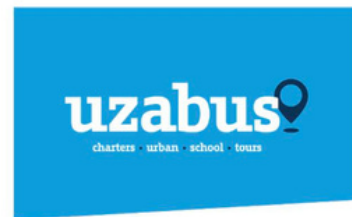
Best Dressed Pet - open to any animal. Animals must be on a lead at all times.

Possum & Rabbit Hunt

Entries close on Wednesday 11 October.

Enter on the Calf Club page of the website.

Our Sponsors





Friday 13th October 2023

From 9:30am • Animal Judging starts 10:00am

Animal Judging • Hobbit Houses • Bird Houses

Scarecrows • Hanging Baskets • Indoor Exhibits

Possum & Rabbit Hunt

Cafe • Raffle • Sausage Sizzle

& MORE!

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Kakapo Fundraiser...



Elise and Zara on behalf of Kotare Tappenden would like to thank all of the Oropi Community for supporting this fundraiser! We raised \$599.10 so we reached our target of \$500 to donate to the Conservation Department to adopt a kakapo. Thanks so much students, parents and teachers for making this possible!



CUP CAKES \$1 OR \$2
BUY AND ENJOY...



A big thanks to all the cupcake bakers and Elise our regular GTT helper for baking and helping out!

Y5/6 WINTER TOURNIE!

What a great day at the Football we are having at the Winter Tournament at Pemberton Park.



Grab it Oropi!



What a Fantastic day we had for the Winter Tournament when the sun came out shining on Tuesday morning. All of Year 5 went to Football, Hockey, Netball or Touch and played in competitive or social teams. We had a Fabulous time and the teachers thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thanks to all the parents who supported the team - you were amazing! We had some super refs and tournament helpers from our school, Mount Maunganui College and Otumohetai College. A special mention to Mr Mac who went with the students to Touch and Basketball, and Mrs Peddle for coaching our basketball teams. GO OROPI!

Now I wonder if I can catch, shoot and get this goal in!



Mrs Harris in Korea



WBOP Mountain Biking



Meyer Cheese in Schools

Meyer Cheese has partnered with Ōropi School to raise money through the discounted sale of their delicious award-winning gouda cheese.

ORDER VIA KINDO BY THE 13TH OF OCTOBER FOR DELIVERY AT THE END OF OCTOBER



THANK YOU TO MEYER CHEESE FOR KINDLY DONATING THE CHEESE FOR OUR RECENT BINGO NIGHT



Congratulations to all students who participated in the China Project this year. You represented Oropi School so well! You came back with prizes even though the standard was so high and there were more competitors!

THE CHINA PROJECT



Term 4 Important Dates

Term 4

Week 1

- 9 October Start of term 4
- 9 October Dental van arrives
- 13 October Calf Club & Pet Day

Week 2

- 18 October Year 7 & 8 Bay Maths

Week 3

- 25 - 27 October Food for Thought
- 25 October Tall Poppies Athletics
- 26 October Middle Team Athletics
- 26 October Junior Team Athletics 11am - 12.30pm

Week 4

- 30 October Technology @ Taumata Korimako Lewis
- 3 November Senior Athletics Year 4 - 8
- 3 November Gumboot Friday

Week 5

- 7 November West Cluster Athletics

Week 7

- 23 November Tauranga Girls College Orientation Day 9am

Week 8

- 28 - 29 November School Production

Week 10

- 15 December Last school day 12.30pm

Updated 19 September



RUN JUMP THROW

BELLEVUE ATHLETIC CLUB

We are the largest children's athletic club in the Bay offering a fun, positive programme for 2-14 year olds!

REGISTER NOW

Visit sporty.co.nz/bellevueathletics

SEASON RUNS OCT - MARCH

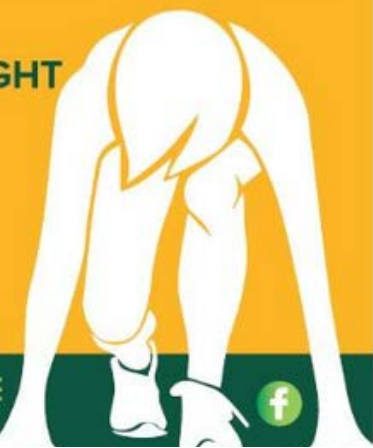
STARTS OCT 10

EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT

5.20PM

AT THE DOMAIN

TAURANGA



COME ALONG FOR ONE FREE TRIAL NIGHT!



MR MAC'S BOOKS

Grab the brilliant Super Weirdos books from Mr Mac! Help your kids find their love of literacy through these hilarious books as they follow Norm and Ruby journeying through space and time to understand the Alien Secrets to success! Perfect for kids aged 7-13



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In the new installment of The Super Weirdos series, Norm and Ruby grapple with the hardest challenge yet, Deathbeard! Norm finds out some incredible news about himself which allows him to learn ALL alien secrets! We have a limited number of books ordered, so grab a copy quick!



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WHERE: THE FREEPORT
WHEN: 26TH SEPTEMBER
12PM TIL 1PM
PERFECT FOR KIDS AGED 7 - 13

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COLOURING COMP!
LIVE MUSIC!
ADAM MCLEAN



THE SUPER WEIRDOS AND THE DEATHBEARD DOMINATION



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for delivery Thursday

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Oropi School / Term 3 2023

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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
Charlies 200ml Tropical Juice	\$2.00
Charlies 200ml Blackcurrant Juice	\$2.00
Charlies 200ml Apple and Orange Juice	\$2.00

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GIRLS AGED
7 YEARS
TO
15 YEARS

REGISTER AT TAURANGACITYBASKETBALL.CO.NZ/HOLIDAY-PROGRAMMES

GIRLS GOT GAME HOLIDAY CAMP

TUESDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2023

9.30AM - 3PM

TAURANGA GIRLS COLLEGE SPORTS HALL
(OFF 22ND AVE)

\$20 OR \$30 FOR A WHĀNAU OF 2+

Health & Safety

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. Please use common sense and refrain from parking on the road & 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.

MORNING DROP OFF

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.

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 if you are staying for longer than ten minutes.

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.

Accommodation Wanted

Homestay Accommodation Wanted for International Students from China in 2024

3 weeks during February 2023

A weekly allowance of \$330 per child and \$350 per adult is paid to the Host Family all inclusive including meals being provided and transport to & from Ōropi School.

Please email andrew@oropi.school.nz for more information.





**WAIMARINO
EDUCATION TRUST**

SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

25 SEPTEMBER TO 6 OCTOBER – 8AM TO 6PM
SENIORS: 10–13 YEARS JUNIORS: 5–9 YEARS

ALSO AVAILABLE THESE HOLIDAYS: WAIMARINO PARK DAYS! ONLY \$52 PER DAY



Our Holiday Programme provides ample entertainment for children during the school holidays.

We have a mixture of on-site activities here at the Waimarino Adventure Park, and off-site activities making the most of the attractions in our region.

- Learn Water Safety and Essential Life Skills
- Create Lasting Memories and Experiences
- Build Self-Esteem and Grow in Confidence



BOOK ONLINE

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or scan the QR code

*Full details and our T's & Cs are available online.



TESTIMONIALS

"This is the first holiday programme that my daughter has come home **BEAMING** from all her adventures. The staff are so lovely and welcoming. Highly recommend!" - Alex V.

BUS SERVICE

*We offer a **bus service** from Otumoetai & downtown Tauranga. WINZ subsidies available. Scan the QR code to find out more!

OUR ACTIVITIES

Priced from \$52 a day per child.
Turn over to see this holiday's activities & daily costs. →

JUNIOR HOLIDAY ADVENTURE CLUB PROGRAMME – \$55/DAY (5–9 YRS)

MON 25 SEPT

CARNIVAL DAY

Let's play some epic games to celebrate the start of the holidays!

TUE 26 SEPT

WHEELY COOL FUN!

Bring your wheels to Waimarino today and we will have some fun.

WED 27 SEPT

BOWLING AND PICNIC

Grab a friend to go bowling and picnicing!
(OFFSITE - EXTRA \$10)

THU 28 SEPT

QUARRY WANDER

Let's head out to Te Puna Quarry for a walk and see what we discover.
(OFFSITE)

FRI 29 SEPT

TIE DYE & MORE

Let's get crafty - make some funky creations to take home!
(EXTRA \$5)

MON 2 OCT

PLAYGROUND FUN

Get ready to PLAY! We're heading out to find some fun.
(OFFSITE)

TUE 3 OCT

WAIMARINO WATER DAY!

Grab a paddle, lifejacket and a buddy for a day on the river.

WED 4 OCT

MOVIE MADNESS

Let's watch a cool new movie at the cinema!
(OFFSITE - EXTRA \$5)
Optional - Bring extra money for popcorn

THU 5 OCT

PILOT BAY PADDLE

Let's go build sandcastles and paddle around the beach!
(OFFSITE - EXTRA \$5)

FRI 6 OCT

DONUTS & DISNEY DISCO

Finish the holidays with some yummy baking and a disney themed dance party!

ALSO AVAILABLE THESE HOLIDAYS: WAIMARINO PARK DAYS FOR ONLY \$52!!

SENIOR HOLIDAY ADVENTURE CLUB PROGRAMME – \$55/DAY (10–13 YRS)

MON 25 SEPT

NAV ADVENTURE

We are going for a wander to learn how to NOT get lost!
(OFFSITE)

TUE 26 SEPT

COZY CINEMA DAY

Join us for a cruisy movie day and some fun and games!
(OFFSITE - EXTRA \$5)
Optional - Bring extra money for popcorn

WED 27 SEPT

SPRING PADDLE

We're off for an epic SUP up the river! Don't fall in...

THU 28 SEPT

SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST!

Come along for some team bonding, bivvy making and raft building fun!

FRI 29 SEPT

CLIMBING CAMP

Join us for a morning of fun at Rocktopia, followed by a picnic lunch at the beach.
(OFFSITE - EXTRA \$15)

MON 2 OCT

CRAAAZY GAMES!

Come to Waimarino for some team building, fun and games.

TUE 3 OCT

KRAZY KAYAKING

We're off sea kayaking - let's see what we can see!
(OFFSITE - EXTRA \$5)

WED 4 OCT

MASTER-BBQ-CHEF

Let's get cooking! What you can make on a BBQ?

THU 5 OCT

SPRING INTO IT!

Are you ready for the TRYathlon? Grab a friend or go solo for a fun race around Waimarino!

FRI 6 OCT

BEACH PARTY

Pack your beach balls (and togs if you are brave)
(OFFSITE - EXTRA \$5)