

Roseneath School Newsletter

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*Ma te kotahitanga e whai ai tātau
In unity, we have strength.*

Our school is part of the wider Roseneath community and we like to foster links to other community groups. Each Thursday afternoon a group from Upper Bridge worked with Jennifer Shennan at the Long Hall learning to play instruments of the **Gamelan Orchestra**. The Young Smile group have composed their own music and written stories to perform with shadow puppets. They performed today for their classes and parents. We'd like to thank Jennifer for the time she has put into our students.



Members of Upper Bridge have worked with Rev Cath, Ian and Olivia from **St Barnabas** most Thursdays throughout the year, maintaining the garden and composts behind the hall. A big thank you to the St Barnabas team for working with our pupils. They harvested the potatoes yesterday and planted out the garden along the path leading to Carlton Gore Road. We hope the hebes will survive the wind!

Wednesday night we had a group perform waiata and a drumming item at the St Barnabas Christmas Singalong. They sang and drummed so well entertaining the congregation. Thank you to parents who got their children to the church on such a rainy night. Our group sounded so beautiful singing Te Aho Mai Ra and Hareruia helped by the acoustics in the church.

Jenny and the Roseneath Team



Transition visits

Classes for 2026 will be meeting with their respective teachers on Monday 15 December. The Year 4 teacher, Ottolie Wilson will be joining us for this visit and will be teaching in Upper Deck. This will be an opportunity for us to meet Ottolie.

Classes for 2026

Aft - Jenni Thwaites (Miss T) Year 1
Lower Deck - Maria Malone Year 2&3
Upper Deck - Ottolie Wilson Year 4
Long Boat - Sarah Lightfoot Year 5&6
Upper Bridge - Anne Crewdson Year 7&8

Netball Term 1 2026

We are looking for more players to create a year 3&4 Netball team to play terms 1 and 4 next year. If you are interested in playing please let us know. nicola.dunne@roseneath.school.nz



Festive Singalong Thursday 11 December 6.30 pm



Please be seated at 6.15 pm. Our festive singalong is a fun family occasion with Christmas themed songs and a few Carols. The children all take part and most are dressed up for the singalong. On the night please bring your children in festive clothing and adults feel free to dress festively as well.

Te Reo o te wiki

Each week we thought we would share a te reo phrase or kupu with you that you could use at home.

Wehi nā!
Awesome!

Ataua tonu!
Not bad!

Kia tau!
Relax!

Nits

Unfortunately it is the time of the year to keep an eye out for nits in your child's hair. There are many products available these days, so please ask your chemist what would be the best plan, if you find any.

Assembly Fridays in Term 4

Week 10 -12 December Hosted by Upper Bridge

Final leavers' assembly Wednesday 17 December

Term dates for 2026

Term 1 4 Feb - 2 April

6 Feb Waitangi Day **School Closed**

23 March MOE Maths PLD **School Closed**

Term 2 20 April - 3 July

ANZAC Day 27 April (actual day is Saturday 25 April) **School closed**

King's B'day 1 June **School Closed**

TOD 2 June **School Closed**

Term 3 20 July - 25 September

7 August MOE Maths PLD **School Closed**

Term 4 12 October - 18 December

Labour Day 26 October **School Closed**

TOD 27 October **School Closed**

Enjoy After School Care Holiday Programme

If you are looking for childcare in the holidays check out Enjoy's Summer Holiday programmes.

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Standard days: \$55.00 per day/child
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*discounts available

7.30am OPEN
Roll call, Fun-Fitness Morning tea
9.30am - 2.30pm* Special holiday programme activity, Lunch
2.30pm - 5.50pm Afternoon tea, Games & Play
6.00pm HOME TIME
*times may vary
more details online

PRE-CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

15th - 23rd December

Centres:
1 St.Bernard's school hall (40 Taft Street, Brooklyn)
2 Berhampore school hall (105 Britomart Street, Berhampore)
3 Owhiro Bay school hall (96 Happy Valley Rd, Owhiro Bay)
4 Roseneath School hall (13 Maida Vale, Roseneath)

*Enrollment numbers will determine how many centres will operate. See enrolmy.com/enjoy-childcare for confirmation of which centres are operating during the holiday programme.

Monday 15 Dec	Tuesday 16 Dec	Wed 17 Dec	Thurs 18 Dec	Friday 19 Dec
Making Christmas Cards & Letters to Santa	Trip Day: Berhampore Pool	Wheels Day! BYO Wheels and helmets	Trip Day: Zootopia 2 at Penthouse Cinema	DIY Christmas tree decorations
Monday 22 Dec	Tuesday 23 Dec			
Water Fight Day! BYO towels	Crazy Hair Day & baking Xmas cookies!			

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Summer 2026

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

12th - 30th January

Monday 12 Jan	Tuesday 13 Jan	Wednesday 14 Jan	Thursday 15 Jan	Friday 16 Jan
				
Monday 19 Jan	Tuesday 20 Jan	Wednesday 21 Jan	Thursday 22 Jan	Friday 23 Jan
				
Monday 26 Jan	Tuesday 27 Jan	Wednesday 28 Jan	Thursday 29 Jan	Friday 30 Jan
				

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School Lunches 2026

We have been informed that lunchonline - which takes the orders for subway, sushi and vietnameezy, has been taken over by kindo. We are going to take this opportunity to revise these lunches, as there seems to be only a few orders each day.

We were thinking that maybe we would ask for your opinion on what would be the most popular lunch for 2026, remembering that pizzas would still be on Wednesday as that is a school fundraiser and separate from the other lunches.

If we decided to only do one other lunch for the week what would you choose -

Subway

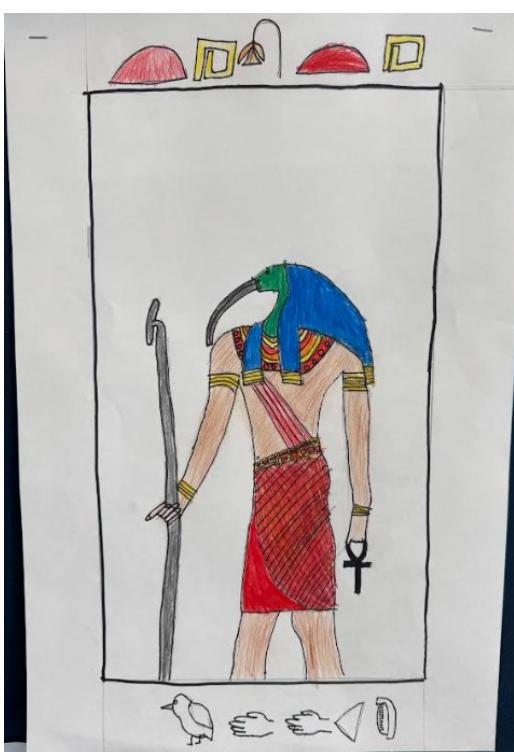
Pita pit

Sushi

Vietnameezy - Please email the office if you would like to register a choice.

Our Mahi from Lower Bridge

Year 4s walk up to Mt Victoria and some artwork that they have done recently. The dioramas are an example of their work for a sea creature competition. Their creativity has been impressive.





75 Things You Should Say to Your Child More Often



1. You matter.
2. Today is your day!
3. I'm grateful that you're in my life.
4. I love being your parent.
5. You can always come to me, no matter what.
6. I'm never too busy for you.
7. I love spending time with you.
8. You're becoming more confident.
9. You're a very good friend.
10. I love just watching you play.
11. Your best effort is enough.
12. You are important.
13. I love watching you grow.
14. Thank you for being patient.
15. I'll support you no matter what.
16. You belong here.
17. You make the world a better place.
18. I appreciate you.
19. I see you, I hear you, you matter.
20. You filled my bucket today.
21. You spread kindness everywhere!
22. You make me happy.
23. You can do anything you dream of.
24. I like you just the way you are.
25. I believe in you.
26. Just be you. That's enough.
27. Thank you, I appreciate your help.
28. I love listening to your stories.
29. You are my sunshine.
30. I'm lucky to have you in my life!
31. You can never disappoint me.
32. You are a very good friend.
33. Would you like to join us?
34. Your smile brightens my day.
35. We're so grateful to have you in our family.
36. How are you feeling?
37. Let me know if I can support you.
38. I'm thinking about you.
39. I'm sorry, I was wrong.
40. What can I do to make you feel loved?
41. I'm here for you.
42. You didn't make me mad; these are my feelings.
43. I'm always on your side.
44. I love spending time with you.
45. Can you teach me?
46. I feel so lucky to be in your life.
47. I'm proud of the person you are.
48. I love you more than all the hairs on all the bears!
49. You are beautiful to me, inside and out.
50. You can always talk to me.
51. You make my heart full of love.
52. You're one of a kind.
53. I'm grateful that you're in my life.
54. You make a difference in my life.
55. I care about you more than you can imagine.
56. I'm here for you, no matter what happens.
57. I love seeing the world through your eyes.
58. What do you want to do together?
59. I noticed how well you...
60. I respect you and your opinions.
61. We're a team, you and me.
62. You will never be in trouble with me.
63. There's only one you in the world.
64. I love your imagination!
65. I like every part of you.
66. You're an important part of this family.
67. It's exciting to watch you grow up.
68. Being your parent is my favorite part!
69. You are special to me.
70. I believe in you!
71. What does your heart say?
72. It's okay to be sad. We're all sad sometimes.
73. I know it's hard. I'm here.
74. Nothing you can do or say will make me love you less.
75. Your voice and opinion matter.

Vinnies Christmas box is at the school office



A Merry Vinnies Christmas

A Merry Vinnies Christmas offers a shopping style experience to families seeking support over the holiday period – giving people the dignity, ownership, and choice of presents for their children, without the cost.

We're calling on the community to collect and donate gifts for the **Merry Vinnies Toy Shop!** Please bring your donations of gifts to the **Christmas sing-along** on December 11th. There will be a box in the hall foyer, or drop them off at the school office on or before the 11th.

Gift Criteria: Other ways to support:

- 0-16 years old
- Unwrapped
- New condition
- Donate Christmas food
- Donate decorations
- Donate gift-wrapping materials

For more information on how to donate and access the shop, visit our website: vinnies-wellington.org.nz/christmas



Donate:

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Community Notices



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 Training Thursday evening
 (during daylight savings)
 Club Day Sunday Morning From 0930
 BMX bikes, helmets & gloves available to use
 You just need long sleeves & long pants
 GET THE WHOLE FAMILY INVOLVED
 2026 CLUB DAYS START SUNDAY 18TH JAN
 Find us on Capital BMX

RĀROA MUSIC CENTRE REGISTRATION FOR 2026

Rāroa Music Centre offers Saturday morning group music lessons for primary and intermediate school children at low cost (\$70 per year + \$40 koha or parent volunteering). We offer music basics, cello, clarinet, drums & percussion, flute, guitar, keyboard, orchestra, recorder, saxophone, ukulele, and violin.

To register for 2026 visit our website and enrol online. Registrations close 14th February 2026.

www.raroamusic.org.nz

LIVE ONLINE FAN CALL and Q & A

JESSE RANDALL

All White & Auckland FC

- Date: Sunday, 25th January
- Time: 7 p.m. NZDT
- Join FREE on Zoom

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Karori Business Association would like to invite you all
to our annual event

Christmas *in the park*

Karori Business Association would like to invite you to
Christmas carols in the park

Bring a picnic and a blanket along with friends and family to enjoy some
Christmas songs by **Nick Tansley**
Food options include: **Karori Lions** on BBQ // **Karori Playcentre** will have a stall

Thursday 11 December 2025

5:30pm - 7:30pm

Ben Burn Park, Karori 6012

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We invite you and your families to join us
for the Hataitai Christmas Community
event and Craft Market at Hataitai Centre
this Sunday, 7 December.

The Craft Market will be upstairs at
Hataitai Centre from 10am to 2pm.

The Christmas community event will be
from 11am to 1pm. There will be a BBQ,
music, a lolly scramble, kids' races and
games - Santa will be arriving at
11.45am.



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