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Newsletter

Week 10 Term 1 2 April 2025



Our Gala was a success!

Thank you to our awesome Westbrook Community for supporting our event.

We are extremely grateful to everyone who made a contribution.
We had fantastic grocery hampers
thanks to your donations.

Our cake stall was jam packed full of goodies
thanks to your baking.

We had terrific prizes in our mystery bags and envelopes
thanks to our generous sponsors.

The prize draws have been completed and the winners notified.
There was a small team who worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure the day went off without a hitch.

We are incredibly lucky to have so much support.
Despite winding up before 7pm we made
\$27,000 profit. This is outstanding!

The money raised will go towards the upgrade of our turf and new shade sails.

If you are keen to help support our amazing school with future fundraising events such as sausage sizzles and discos, please let us know.

Many hands make light work.



A huge thanks to our 2025 Gala Sponsors ...



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We are deeply grateful to our generous sponsors for their invaluable support in making the Westbrook School Gala a success every year.

Your contributions enrich our community and help create an unforgettable community event.

Gala Prize draw results

Congratulations to all our winners.



2 x Auckland Bridge Climb
Tickets

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\$500 Voucher

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2025 Calendar of Events

Term 1

<i>Fri 4th April</i>	<i>Y2 Grandparents Day</i>
<i>Thurs 10th April</i>	<i>Principal's Treat Day</i>
<i>Fri 11th April</i>	<i>Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome</i>
<i>Fri 11th April</i>	<i>Last day of Term 1</i>

Term 2 starts on Mon 28th April



<i>Wed 30th April</i>	<i>Y5 Camp</i>
<i>Fri 2nd May</i>	<i>Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome</i>
<i>Fri 2nd May</i>	<i>Mini Marathon</i>
<i>Tues 6th May</i>	<i>Parent Interview 2.15pm-6pm (School to close early)</i>
<i>Wed 7th May</i>	<i>Parent Interviews 3pm-6pm (normal school day)</i>
<i>Wed 14th May</i>	<i>Junior Disco 5.30pm-6.30pm</i>
	<i>Senior Disco 7pm-8pm</i>
<i>Fri 16th May</i>	<i>Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome</i>
<i>Fri 16th May</i>	<i>Pink Shirt Day</i>
<i>Mon 26th May</i>	<i>Year 3 Swimming (all week)</i>
<i>Wed 28th May</i>	<i>Y4 Museum visit (9.30am-11am, 12.15pm-1.45pm)</i>
<i>Thurs 29th May</i>	<i>Y4 Museum visit (9.30am-11pm)</i>
<i>Fri 30th May</i>	<i>Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome</i>
<i>Mon 2nd June</i>	<i>King's Birthday</i>
<i>Fri 13th June</i>	<i>Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome</i>
<i>Fri 13th June</i>	<i>Wear Yellow for Harold Day</i>
<i>Fri 20th June</i>	<i>Matariki</i>
<i>Fri 27th June</i>	<i>Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome</i>
	<i>Last Day of Term 2</i>

BIKING & SCOOTER RULES @ WESTBROOK

Year 5 and 6 students **ONLY** are permitted to ride bikes to school. This is due to the nature of the roads around the school. Please see the office for a Bike Licence, then hand this in to Mrs Barrett.

Students **MUST WEAR A HELMET**, bike locks must be used, and students need to agree to the rules in the above licence, which is signed by parents.

We're excited to announce a scooter trial. Students from other year levels may now bring scooters to school. **For safety, helmets are required.** Scooters must be parked at the bike racks and are not to be used during the school day.

All bikes and scooters are brought to school at your own risk.

Sunhats

During Term 1 and 4 all children need a sunhat with a brim at school every day.

In keeping with our Sunsmart policy, they wear hats when outside and if they do not have one, will be directed to sit in the shade at break times.

We have sunhats in our house colours for sale at the school office for \$15 each.

Please also ensure your child has sunscreen on before they come to school and if you wish them to reapply it during the day, please make sure they have it with them in their school bag.

Touch Rugby Term One



Freezing Hot Boys Team



Pomare Girls Team

Congratulations to all the Westbrook children who played touch rugby this term. We had eight teams representing our school.

You all played well and showed a great improvement over the term.

A big thank you to all of the coaches and managers who supported the teams.

We couldn't have done it without you!

A big shout out also to Matua Ben, - who spends many lunch hours coaching and encouraging our players.

We had several teams make the playoffs -

'Utuhina', 'Karamu' and 'Pukehangi'.

Three senior teams reached the finals.

The 'Freezing Hot' Year 5 and 6 Boys Team won their final against Selwyn. The 'Mangataitua' Year 5 and 6 Mixed Team won their final against Owhata, The 'Pomare' Year 5 and 6 Girls Team were runners-up to Whakarewarewa. Ka mau te wehi! Touch Rugby resumes in Term Four.

We will once again be organising teams and coaches then.

Thank you to Motion Entertainment who sponsor Rotorua Junior Touch Rugby.



Mangataitua Mixed Team



SPORTS NEWS



Mini Marathon

Are you interested in participating in the mini marathon this year?

Event date: **Friday 2nd May 2025**

Time: 9.00am First children start in waves

Venue: Lakefront Reserve, Rotorua. NOTE: New Venue and course

Audience: All primary & intermediate school aged children – Year 1 through 8. All children will be organised into their year groups (year 1, year 2, year 3 etc.) and will be released in waves of approximately 50-75 children at a time.

Cost: \$10.00 per child for entry fee and bus fee.

Please Enter and pay on [KINDO](#)

Last day to enter is: **Thursday 10th April 2025.**

Event Course

The new event course is a 2km loop of the Lakefront and surrounding area starting and finishing on lower Tutanekai Street. See attached map. The course will be clearly marked and marshalled, including the new boardwalk section.

Event Bibs

Event bibs and pins will be sent out to all Schools and Kura prior to the event. Race bibs are to be worn on the front of a child's shirt.

Prize Giving

The prize giving is scheduled for 11.15am on the main stage on the reserve where some spot prizes will be given out.



Touch and Futsal have finished
Please return all uniforms as soon
as you have played
your last game.



KELLY CLUB **BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

Kelly Club runs in our school hall for before and after school care.

Pop in to see the staff if you would like to find out more or contact them via phone or email to make a booking:

Email: westbrook@kellyclub.co.nz

Phone: 021 079 7737

INTERESTED IN PLAYING HOCKEY?

FIND MORE INFORMATION AND
SIGN UP ON KINDO!

Registrations close Friday 4th April.

WE WILL NEED COACHES TO RUN THE TEAMS!

Games start 10th May and will be at the Rotorua Hockey Turf on Devon Street.

Any questions or if you can help coach please contact Sandra Lynch: lynchs@westbrook.school.nz

"TEXTURE, FORM, AND COLOUR"

TWO WEEKS OF ARTIST-TAUGHT HOLIDAY
ACTIVITIES FOR CREATIVE 8-12 YEAR OLDS



Week One: 15 - 17 April

Tuesday: Junk Journals
- Creative journal

Wednesday: Claying
around - Clay day

Thursday: Sketchy
business - Draw, draw,
draw!

Week Two: 22- 24 April

Tuesday: A dying art -
Tie Dye Day

Wednesday: Statue
bro! - Sculpture Day

Thursday: Printing Day
- Anzac themed



HOLIDAY ARTS ACADEMY

APRIL 2025

Runs Tuesday to Thursday

9am - 3pm each day

12:1 Supervision Ratio

Cost: \$30 per child, per day

Materials provided

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or visit us at the village!

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child to school? Contact
us on 027 808 2463

Westbrook Sports Uniforms

Caregivers of children who are in Westbrook School sports teams - please do not allow your child to wear their sports uniforms to training or school. They are expensive items and are for match days only, not for school or casual wear. Please encourage our sports people to treat them with respect and wear them with pride when representing Westbrook School on the sports field.
Thank you for your support.

VISTAB

Vistab is kindly sponsored by

If your child is late or you wish to sign them out during the day please come to the office to sign them in/out

Westbrook School would like to thank Brad Hill and Teresa McNab from
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SCHOOL LUNCH OPTIONS

TOP TIPS FOR PARENTS WHEN USING LUNCHONLINE

- Always remember to press "Submit" once you have completed your order
- "Transactions" will show all your top-ups and purchases
- Remember to check the cut off time for your providers. To view cut-off times and menus – go to "Menus" under "Families" on the Home Page

If your child is unwell or can't attend school, log onto Lunchonline, click on to the order for this day-you will see a cancel button. This must be done before the providers cut off time for ordering (most providers are 9am on the day of delivery, but some vary - check with your school).



MISSING LUNCH PROCEDURE

- Normal procedure when there is a problem with lunches is that the child would go to the office as soon as they notice a problem.
- If the food item is not located, we ask the office staff to ring the Lunch Provider.
- The provider will either refund the family or deliver any missed or incorrect lunches to the school immediately. This way the problem can be fixed quickly.
- We appreciate your help in ensuring your children are aware of this process.



Order and pay for lunches online by 8.30am

It's simple all you need to do is register at www.lunchonline.co.nz

LUNCH REMINDERS

Please avoid sending along fizzy drink, lollies and takeaway food in your child's lunch. Leave this as occasional treat foods for at home. Children who eat a healthy lunch are better able to learn and concentrate at school.

If your child does not have lunch, we do run a Lunch Club each day. Children without lunch need to see their teacher for a Lunch Club Pass and then they go to the hall to get a sandwich.

Thank you to Kids Can for providing the spreads for our sandwiches.



SUSHI (Mondays Only)



Supplied by Sushi Bar Haru

Every Monday, sushi is available for lunch and is ordered and paid for on [KINDO](#) or at the school office.

4 pieces of teriyaki chicken or salmon sushi
\$5.00 a pack

Small Chicken Katsu or Teriyaki on Rice
\$5.00

Large Katsu or Teriyaki on Rice
\$7.00

Sushi will be delivered to the classroom with the other lunches.



Contact: Programme Coordinator
Phone: 021 079 7737
Email: westbrook@kellyclub.co.nz
Website: kellyclub.co.nz/westbrook



KELLY CLUB WESTBROOK UPDATE

What's been happening...

We enjoyed seeing everyone last week and had great fun making chocolate nests and playing some fun games like Rippa!

Next week is our kids choice week, have a look below to see what we've chosen to do.

Our new Programme Coordinator Sarah will be starting on the 31st March, please come and say Hi!



What's happening next week!

 THEME: Kids Choice Term 1 Week 8, 24th March 2025					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00 - 8:15 am	Octopus & Structured Free Time	Baking Brownie & Structured Free Time	Paper Planes & Structured Free Time	Baking Afghans & Structured Free Time	Bot down & Structured Free Time
8:15 - 8:30 am	Games	Games	Games	Games	Games
3:00 - 3:10 pm	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time
3:10 - 3:30 pm	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sandwiches and Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Brownie and Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Pizza and Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Afghan Biscuits and Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Corn Chips, Salsa and Fruit
3:30 - 3:45 pm	Games: Simon Says	Games: What's the time Mr Wolf	Games: Go home Slay game	Games: Master Tag	Games: Captains' Coming
3:45 - 4:30 pm	DISCOVERY Fun Fact Treasure Hunt	SPORT Soccer	COOKING Rice Bubble Slice	CRAFT Origami	GAME Dodge the Ball
					
4:30 - 4:35 pm	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up
4:35 - 4:50 pm	Snack Time Popcorn	Snack Time Corn Thins	Snack Time Baking	Snack Time Rice Crackers	Snack Time Rolsons
4:50 - 5:15 pm	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time
5:15 - 6:00 pm	Games & Projects	Games & Projects	Games & Projects	Games & Projects	Games & Projects
E: westbrook@kellyclub.co.nz kellyclub.co.nz/westbrook P: 021 079 7737					



BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz

Parking around the school boundaries

We have some unhappy 'neighbours' around the school boundaries. At times, they are struggling to get INTO their own driveways, particularly around 3pm, as cars are blocking the entrance way. Please remember that cars **MUST NOT be parked within 1 metre either side of a driveway**. We thank you for your respect of others.

Going Home at 3pm

We have a problem at the moment with a number of students returning to school after 3pm, either on bikes, scooters, skateboards etc. The school is a busy place for teachers after school, with meetings going on most days, as well as parent meetings and onsite after school care etc.

We respectfully request that once students go home, that they do not come back until the next day! There is no supervision after school, and we have had some near misses with children on bikes etc.

If your child has a sports practice, they need to go home and come back at the appropriate time.

SEESAW DIGITAL PORTFOLIOS

At Westbrook we use the Seesaw digital portfolio to share your child's learning journey with you. Please take the time to go on to it regularly and view or comment on your child's work. The children love to see their parents taking an interest in what they do at school. Reporting to parents about their child's progress and achievement is also done through Seesaw. If you have not yet joined Seesaw, please do so as soon as possible. Your child's teacher can assist you with this if you need help.



We invite you to visit the SchoolDocs site at <https://westbrook.schooldocs.co.nz>. Our username is "westbrook" and password "pomare". If you wish to review one of our Term 1 review topics, please follow the instructions below.

SchoolDocs Instructions for Reviewers

1. Follow the link to each policy.
2. Read the policy.
3. Click the red Policy Review icon at the right-hand top corner of the page. A new screen will appear.
4. Select your role (board member, staff member, or parent/caregiver) from the drop-down list.
5. Enter your name.
6. Submit your ratings and comments.

If you don't have internet access, the school office staff can easily provide you with printed copies of the policy and the review form.

Term 1 review topics

- Health, Safety, and Welfare Policy
- Safety Management System
- Risk Management
- Worker Engagement, Participation, and Representation
- Healthcare
- Recording and Reporting Accidents, Injuries, and Illness

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