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Newsletter

Week 11 Term 1 9 April 2025



Colin's Kōrero

Farewell Matua Ry: Sadly, I must communicate that Ryan Stuthridge, who has been teaching here since 2022, will be leaving us at the end of this week. Ryan was successful in winning a teaching position at Te Maru, the Specialist Unit at Western Heights High School. We wish Ryan all the best for his future.

Kapa Haka Performance: Congratulations to all of our students in Years 1 and 2, who performed their kapa haka waiata and haka for whānau yesterday, Tuesday April 8. Their performance was wonderful and the large crowd we had in attendance enjoyed every moment. A huge thank you to Megan Nikora and her team of support kaiako for their tutorial excellence and for supporting our students to perform so well.

Principal's Treat: Many of our students have been working hard this year to embed our school values into their everyday behaviours and work ethic. These students have earned the right to take part in our "Principals Treat Games Gallery" this Thursday. If your child has been successful they should have received a certificate inviting them to this fun occasion. We hope that next term even more students will enjoy this privilege.

Parent and Teacher Interviews: We are hosting Parent Interviews in the second week of Term 2, May 6 and 7. Please endeavor to book a time via Skool Loop to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their progress so far this year.

Year 5 Camp: Our Year 5 students are heading off to Totara Springs Camp in the first week back next term. Our students are all very excited and just a little bit nervous about the camp. This is totally understandable, but from previous experience, I am confident that our kids will have an awesome time.



Holiday Break: This Friday, April 11, is the last day for Term 1. This has been a long term, eleven weeks as opposed to the normal ten weeks. Our students deserve a couple of weeks off to rest and prepare for Term 2, which will be nine weeks, ending on June 27. Please discuss with your children the importance of keeping themselves safe during these two weeks, particularly when crossing busy roads.

2025 Calendar of Events

Term 1

Thurs 10th April
Fri 11th April
Fri 11th April

Principal's Treat Day
Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
Last day of Term 1

Term 2 starts on Mon 28th April



Wed 30th April
Fri 2nd May
Fri 2nd May
Tues 6th May
Wed 7th May
Wed 14th May

Y5 Camp
Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
Mini Marathon
Parent Interview 2.15pm-6pm (School to close 1.45pm)
Parent Interviews 3pm-6pm (normal school day)
Junior Disco 5.30pm-6.30pm
Senior Disco 7pm-8pm

Fri 16th May
Fri 16th May
Mon 26th May
Wed 28th May
Thurs 29th May
Fri 30th May
Mon 2nd June
Fri 13th June
Fri 13th June
Fri 20th June
Fri 27th June

Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
Pink Shirt Day
Year 3 Swimming (all week)
Y4 Museum visit (9.30am-11am, 12.15pm-1.45pm)
Y4 Museum visit (9.30am-11pm)
Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
King's Birthday
Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
Wear Yellow for Harold Day
Matariki
Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
Last Day of Term 2

Our next **School Assembly** will take place on
Friday 11th April in the school hall,
starting at **11:30 am**.

You are more than welcome to join us,
and see how we celebrate success.

We encourage the children to wear their house colours.



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.

Parent Interviews 2025

Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th May

This year all interview bookings will be made through Skool Loop.
The bookings are now open.

On **Tuesday 6th**, school will **close early at 1.45pm**, with the first interview starting at 2.15pm. If you cannot **collect** your child at that time, they will be supervised in the hall until 3pm.

Please note: Children will NOT be allowed to walk home at that earlier time, UNLESS the teacher has had contact from caregivers beforehand. Your child's safety is our priority.

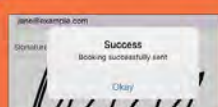
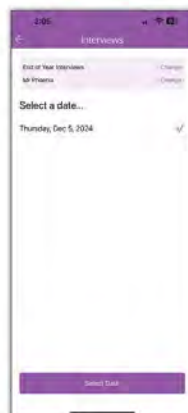
On **Wednesday 7th**, the school will close at the usual time.



Booking Interviews with



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You will receive a Success notification once you have submitted your booking



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](#)

Closing time for entry is: **9am 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. 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 your 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

Matariki is coming.....

Part of our celebrations will be a
whole school Hangi to be held on
Wednesday 18th June

Many hands make light work and
we would love your ideas

Please consider coming to our meeting
to help start organising this event

WHANAU MEETING IS NOW ON THURSDAY APRIL 10TH, 5:15PM IN THE STAFFROOM

**WE WILL BE HOLDING A MEETING TO ORGANISE
OUR HANGI AND MARAE VISITS FEEL FREE TO
COME ALONG AND SHARE YOUR IDEAS.**

*Michaela Muncaster -
muncasterm@westbrook.school.nz or
seesaw message*

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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
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Saturday 26th April

9am - 3pm

Reporoa Domain - East Road

FAMILY EVENT

- Tractor Pull
- Kids Toy Tractor Races
- Telehandler Challenge
- Kids Digger Challenge
- Fire Engine Rides
- Pony Rides
- Delicious Food Stalls
- Fireman Lolly Scramble
- Creative Art Station
- Face Painting
- Bouncy Castles
- Mechanical Bull
- Tractor Hay Rides
- Grass Sledge Rides

And Much More.....

Gold Coin Entry

Funds Raised Go To Reporoa Community Op Shop & Other
Reporoa Community Organizations/ Groups.

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If postponement due to weather will be on
Sunday 27th April



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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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www.artsvillage.org.nz/HAA
or visit us at the village!

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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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