



Westbrook School

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Newsletter

Week 3 Term 1 - 12th February 2025



Colin's Kōrero

Brilliant Start to 2025:

After nearly three weeks at school, we have only had one day so far this year, with less than 92% attendance. That is a great start to the year as it means that our students are getting settled into their new class routines, getting to know their teachers and classmates, and beginning to tackle the learning requirements and new curriculum for the 2025 school year.

Structured Literacy and Maths:

Our teachers have had two Teacher Only Days, with one still to come on February 21, learning about the content and delivery pedagogy required to teach the new Structured Literacy and Structured Maths curriculum we are implementing this year. This is also very new to your children. Our children will be doing several assessment tasks associated with these new approaches to learning so that our teachers can determine a starting point for each child and their learning requirements.

The Westbrook FOTS (Friends Of The School)

Will hold our first meeting next:

Wednesday 19 February 6pm

In the Staffroom

We will talk about our stalls for this year, add in any new stalls and make an action plan for the next few weeks.

All are welcome. Bring a friend! Many hands make light work.

We hope to see you there.

For more information contact Angela Donlon

donlona@westbrook.school.nz

2025 Calendar of Events

Wed 12th February
 Thurs 13th February
 Fri 14th February
 Wed 19th February
 Thurs 20th February
 Fri 21st February
 Tues 25th February
 Thurs 27th February
 Thurs 27th February
 Fri 28th February
 Mon 3rd-Fri 7th March
 Fri 14th March
 Thurs 20th March
 Thurs 27th March
 Fri 28th March
 Fri 4th April
 Thurs 10th April
 Fri 11th April
 Fri 11th April

Y6 Whānau Evening (5pm-7pm)
 Y1 Popsicle Day
 Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
 FOTS Gala Meeting 6pm in the staffroom
 Y4 Whanaungatanga Evening (4.30-6.30)
Teacher Only Day
 Y1 Redwood Trip
 Y1 Redwood Trip postponement day
 Y2 Community Walk
 Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
 Family Focus Week
 Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
 Y3 Water Reservoir Trip
Westbrook GALA
 Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
 Y2 Grandparents Day
 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
 Tues 6th May
 Wed 7th May
 Wed 14th May

 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

Y5 Camp
 Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
 Parent Interview 2.15pm-6pm (School to close early)
 Parent Interviews 3pm-6pm (normal school day)
 Junior Disco 5.30pm-6.30pm
 Senior Disco 7pm-8pm
 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 Musel visit (9.30am-11pm)
 Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
 King's Birthday
 Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
 Wear Hellow for Harold Day
 Matariki
 Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
 Last Day of Term 2



Year 5 Camp Fundraising Ice Blocks



Available every day

The Year 5 Team will be selling ice blocks to raise money for their upcoming camp. Ice Blocks are \$1. Payment can be made on [KINDO](#). Sorry no cash sales available. The ice blocks will be available daily for several weeks.

Year 5 Camp

Week 1 Term 2

Wednesday 30th April - Friday 2nd May

We are going to Totara Springs in Matamata

The Year 5 team will be going to camp at the start of Term 2 this year. In the next few weeks, the parents will receive more information about the camp and how to apply to attend as a parent helper. Now is the time to start thinking about making regular payments to cover the camp contribution.

It costs \$264 per child to attend camp.

As a school, we would appreciate a \$100 contribution for each child to attend.

The rest of the fee will be covered by the school, fundraising and a generous donation from the FOTS (Friends of the School)

You can make regular payments on Kindo or pay a lump sum.

There are just over 10 weeks until camp so If you start paying \$10.00 a week from now you will be paid before camp starts.

If you are able to assist another family financially, please let us know. We would be truly grateful.



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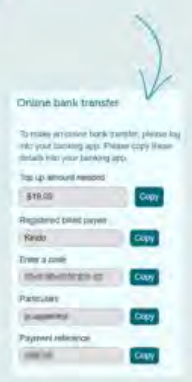


myKindo: changing an automatic payment

myKindo is our preferred method of payment. If you have an automatic payment set up going into our school bank account, can you please update this.

- Login to your myKindo account - <https://shop.tgcl.co.nz> and select myKindo wallet
- Under the Online Bank Transfer are all the details you need to set up an Automatic Payment with your bank.
- Include your unique payment reference number so we can ensure the funds are transferred into the correct account.

ⓘ You must include your unique Reference number (your payment reference number) so we can ensure the funds are transferred into the correct account. Even though funds are taken instantly from your account it can take time for them to reach us. **Please allow up to 2 working days.**



WESTBROOK SCHOOL GALA

THURSDAY 27th March, 4pm - 7pm

Helpers needed

Remember to pop along to the Gala meeting in the staffroom

Next Wednesday 19th February All welcome.

Come along and lend a hand to get our Gala started.

If you are unable to attend and wish to help please contact

The office 07 346512 or Angela Donlon donlona@westbrook.school.nz

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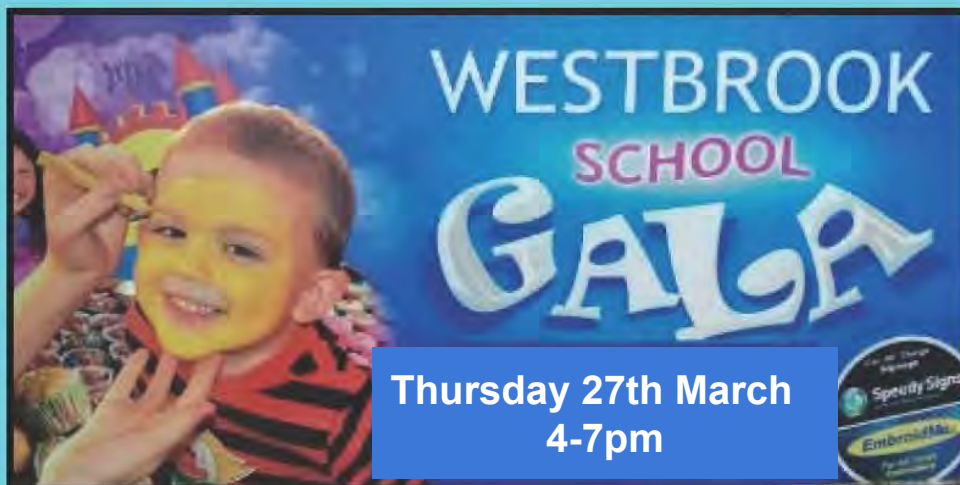
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We are deeply grateful to our generous sponsors for their invaluable support in making the Westbrook School Gala a success every year. Your contributions enrich our community and help create an unforgettable community event.

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How Can You Help ??

When you do your weekly shop, please add in a little something for the Gala e.g. a packet of pasta, jelly, biscuits, packet mix or a can. We always need sugar, butter, coconut and cocoa for making sweet treats! Yum yum! Yes, we do accept bottles of wine!



You could clean out the pantry! Send along any non-perishable, unopened goods that you no longer want or need. Please check the dates though.



Do you have unwanted, unused Christmas or birthday presents? We'll take them off your hands. They might make someone else happy!

Plants or produce. Do you have seedlings, plants, bulbs or produce from your garden you can donate?



Books! Is it time for a clean out and reset? Send us your books. We would love to take them off your hands. Cook books, picture books, novels, we love them all!

Are you planning a trip to the \$2 Shop, Kmart or The Warehouse or somewhere similar? Could you grab a few bits and bobs for our mystery bags? Multipacks are always a good idea.



We want this to be our best Gala ever!
You can be a part of that success!
Thanks for your support!





GALA - 2025



Can you help with a Mystery Bag or 2 for Gala?

- Mystery bags are bags filled with goodies that children will like, such as lollies (wrapped), marbles, hair ties, balloons, small toys, stickers etc.

ITEMS MUST BE NEW, NOT USED.

- Mystery bags are sold at the gala for \$3 each.
- Please send along the filled bags to school.
- If you prefer you can send items for us to fill a brown paper bag, so it is a "mystery" to the child who buys it.

WESTBROOK SCHOOL GALA THURSDAY 27th MARCH, 4pm



Our annual school gala is coming up again, so we need to kick into action!

We need lots of help to make our gala a huge success. If you have friends or family contacts that own or work at a business, please approach them to ask for a gala donation. We are seeking donations of cash, vouchers, goods or services to use as raffle and wheel prizes.

Please have a clean out at home and begin sending the following items to school:

- Clean ice cream containers
- Small to medium sized cardboard boxes suitable for grocery hampers
- Any unwanted gifts or items you have that we could use as prizes (must be NEW, not used)
- Books, CDs, DVDs (no video tapes or magazines please)
- Non-perishable items such as canned and packet food (please check the expiry date)
- Brown paper bags (eg from countdown)
- We are also starting to collect.....

Canned, bottles or packet food - non perishables only please.

These are used to make up food raffles for the wheel. Bottles of wine are also great for grocery hampers.

- Please leave donations at the school office

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY



Our next School Assembly will take place this Friday 14th February in the school hall, starting at 11:30 am. We encourage the children to wear their house colours. You are more than welcome to join us, and see how we celebrate success.

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Family & Friends

Clients who list and sell with Kylie, or have been referred to her, will receive a 10% discount on commission

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JUNIOR TENNIS TERM 1 2025

**ROTORUA
TENNIS CLUB**



Junior tennis is on every FRIDAY during Term 1 @ Manuka Cres.

Junior club days are about fun games, with ball and court sizes adjusted for different age groups, and match play when ready. You do not need any equipment to start, just show up and have a go!

Every Friday:

- 3.30-4.15: Primary and Intermediate / New players
- 3.30-5.00: Secondary School and those younger players able to play full matches with normal balls.

Full year membership are available if you try tennis and decide that you like it :-). Besides junior club days, you have access to the tennis courts all year round, Saturday "Interclub" matches, and are invited to join in tournaments. Professional group coaching is also available separately.

Contact Nick | genni951@gmail.com

Rotorua Tennis Club, Manuka Cr, Rotorua

Give your Tamariki their Best Shot

Every Day at School Counts



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**ROTORUA
BMX CLUB**

CONTACT

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Rotorua BMX Club

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17 Waipa State Mill Road
Rotorua
New Zealand

EMAIL:
rotorua@rotorua-bmx.com

**Welcome to Rotorua BMX Club
and our Start Up to Race
programme for beginners.
Terms 1 and 4.**

'Start Up to Race' is a fun, skills-oriented development programme that introduces kids to the sport of BMX. There is a big emphasis on fun and learning, fun and friendship, fun and going fast, fun and riding bikes.

When: Starting January 30th 2025
Thursdays 4.30pm - 5.15pm (session 1)

Suitable for:

- 7 years and under
- New to BMX or no gate experience

Thursdays 5.30pm - 6.30pm (session 2)

Suitable for:

- 8 years and older

Where: Rotorua BMX Track
Corner of State Highway 5 and Waipa State Mill Rd

What's Involved:

- **Coaching:** focusing on skills and development, A fun environment helping kids build their confidence and technique.
- **Gear needed:** bike, long sleeve top and long pants; closed in shoes, gloves, helmet (full face when using the gate), under 8 years old must also wear elbow and knee pads.
- **Hire option:** BMX bike \$5 per night (limited availability), helmet, gloves, and pads \$5 per night; Hire available from 4.15pm.
- **Cost:** You will need to purchase a Club Membership plus a Race Licence. These will be valid until the end of the 2025 year. There are more details about what membership you will need here: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/rotorua-bmx/Become-a-Member>

**Need help? Email rotorua@rotorua-bmx.com or
message us on Facebook 'Rotorua BMX Club'**



Fun, Friendship, Adventure

**Guide units are starting back for 2025, and
have space for your daughter!**

**Guides is a great way to make friends, boost
self-esteem, build confidence and learn new
skills.**

**We take girls aged 5-17, and always welcome
new leaders (18+).**



SCAN ME

<https://girlguidingnz.org.nz/>
0800 222 292

Beginners After school Art Classes with Janet Keen

Enrolling NOW for Term 1 2025

Drawing, Painting, Mosaics.

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 3.30pm to 4.30pm and 4.35pm to 5.35pm

Small classes, friendly, safe, quiet, organic environment.

From age 7 and upwards.

Enquiries welcome:

Phone 027 351 3887 or email janet@jkeen.net.

374 Clayton Road
Rotorua.



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2025 CBOP PRIMARY & INTERMEDIATE ZONE EVENT

WHEN: Monday 3rd March | WHERE: Lake View Golf Club | TIME: 9:00am Registration | COST: \$20 per team

The CBOP Primary and Intermediate Zone Event is for those who have engaged with golf before and are looking to play in a fun event with friends over nine holes. This is one of four zone events where the top six teams from each zone event will qualify for the Bay of Plenty Primary and Intermediate Event Final.

This is open to all primary and intermediate schools in the Rotorua district between year 3 and year 8 (inclusive).

- Teams of three or four students.
- 9 Holes, Ambrose format.
- Register with your school sports coordinator.

Full event information can be found on the Bay of Plenty Golf Futures website under 'Schools Golf'.



For more information, please contact
Sam Kendall, sam.kendall@golfnz.org



WESTBROOK BYOC



Thinking about a chromebook for your child?

REASONS BEHIND BYOC!

01

Students always have access to a device.



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Learn anywhere, anytime or at any pace!



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Students have an active role in their own learning.



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Higher engagement across all curriculum areas.



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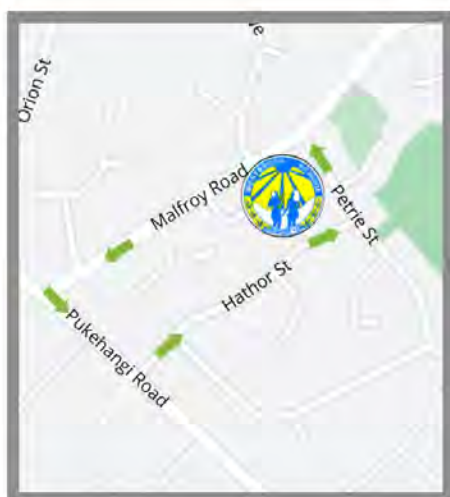
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Students are able to show their learning in creative ways!



More questions? Check out our school website for more info!

Driving safely near our school



NO
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NO THREE
POINT
TURNS

Plan your route so you don't have to U-turn or 3 point turn on Malfroy Road.

These movements are unpredictable and dangerous for other road users and for our tamariki on the path.

When using the pick up area please keep moving if:

- There are no spaces available to pull into.
- Your child is not there.





Taekwondo Term #1, 2025

Join the Olympic Martial Art: Self-Defence & More! 🌟 All new Members Welcome!

Unlock Your Potential

Build awareness, confidence, flexibility, strength, and a respectful mindset through Taekwondo. This incredible martial art is perfect for all ages and helps young individuals

Locations & Schedule:

Session 1: **Mondays:**

Otonga School Hall, Otonga Rd.
Rotorua

Session 2: **Fridays:**

Westbrook School Hall, Malfroy Rd.
Rotorua

- **Time:** 6:30 PM - 7:20 PM (Beginners) & to 8 pm (Adult/colour belts)
 - *Attending: both sessions is highly recommended, but enrolling in one is perfectly fine.*

Contact for More Information!

Email: Taekwondo.Training.m@gmail.com

Text: 02040 797219

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 **Hamills Rotorua** for sponsoring the **Vistab** system for the safety and security of our children



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SCHOOL LUNCH OPTIONS



Welcome Back to 2025 PROMO!

**Ten Winners to be drawn this week -
\$10 Lunch Credit each!**

**Buy a lunch this week and be in the
draw to win!**

**All orders this week go in the draw to win a
\$10 lunch credit.**

Ten winners will be drawn.

Terms

Winners will be drawn randomly. Open to all
Lunchonline schools with lunches available between
10th February to 14th February 2025

Kind Regards

Trudi, Susan, Connie & Jeanine



www.lunchonline.co.nz



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](http://www.kindo.co.nz) 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.

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 3 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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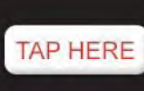
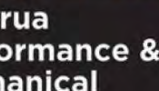


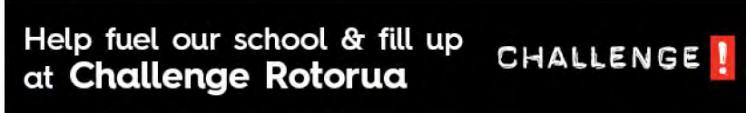




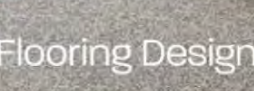




















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