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Newsletter

Week 3 Term 3 30 July 2025



# Colin's Kōrero

**Jump Jam Competition:** Congratulations to our amazing Jump Jam students. They competed in the BOP Competition last Sunday and came **second**. This is a wonderful result, and a credit to the children and Jess Gerlach, their coach.



**Structured Literacy Parent Evening:** This meeting was held on July 29 in our staffroom. It was great to have 10 very interested parents turn up for the meeting, despite the terrible weather. Many thanks to Jo Fleet, Angela Donlon, Adele Moree, Michaela Muncaster and Karen Hogg for facilitating this meeting.

**Winter Illnesses:** We have several students away at present with some quite serious winter illnesses. Influenza "A" and "B" are both present in Rotorua, and we do have students suffering from both. Please keep an eye on your children, and if they are unwell, please keep them home until they are fully recovered.

**Board of Trustees Elections:** Nominations for our School Board of Trustees close at 12 noon on August 6. Thank you to those who have already nominated individuals. Please consider standing, as we need more good people to help govern our school for the next three years.

# 2025 Calendar of Events Term 3



|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| Wed 30th July        | Y2 Folk Dancing Display 2.20pm                   |
| Thurs 31st July      | Student Councillors visit Council Chambers       |
| Fri 1st August       | Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome      |
| Mon 4th August       | Bike Wise Cycle Safety Y4-6 (until Fri 22nd Aug) |
| Mon 4th August       | Y6 Science Roadshow                              |
| Wed 6th August       | Y2 Museum visits, R11/13-9.150am, R12/14-11.00am |
| Thurs 14th August    | School photos catch up day                       |
| Fri 15th August      | Whole School Assembly 11.30 - all welcome        |
| Tues 19th August     | Y6 Rotorua Intermediate School testing           |
| Wed 20th August      | Tough Guy and Gal Challenge 2025                 |
| Fri 22nd August      | MIGS Gym Competition                             |
| Mon 25th August      | Book Fair Week                                   |
| Tues 26th August     | Y6 Rotorua Intermediate School Orientation Day   |
| Fri 29th August      | Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome      |
| Thurs 4th September  | Whole School Art Exhibition                      |
| Friday 5th September | Whole School Art Exhibition                      |
| Fri 12th September   | Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome      |
| Fri 12th September   | Wacky Hair Day!                                  |
| Fri 19th September   | Last day of Term 3                               |



**Lucky Book Issue 5**  
**Out now**  
**Closes Friday 1st August**



Our next **School Assembly** will take place Friday 1st August  
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 children to wear their house colours



Below is the election timetable for your kura for the 2025 triennial school board elections

## PARENT & STAFF ELECTION TIMETABLE

|                               |                               |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| CLOSE MAIN ROLL               | Wednesday 16 July             |
| CALL FOR NOMINATIONS          | Friday 18 July                |
| CLOSE SUPPLEMENTARY ROLL      | Monday 4 August               |
| NOMINATIONS CLOSE             | 12 noon Wednesday 6 August    |
| VOTING PAPERS ISSUED          | Wednesday 13 August           |
| ELECTION DAY                  | <b>Wednesday 10 September</b> |
| CLOSE POLL                    | 4pm on Wednesday 10 September |
| COUNT VOTES & DECLARE RESULTS | Tuesday 16 September          |
| BOARD TAKES OFFICE            | Wednesday 17 September        |

If you have any questions, please contact the Election Pilot Mission Control Team.

## Nominations for Board of Trustee Elections

### Close Midday Weds 6th August

The nomination process for our School Board elections  
We have five (5) spaces for parent representatives on the Westbrook School School Board. Schooled Election Pilot is the Returning Officer for the election, they will be handling the election process and you will see communications directly from them.

Everyone who is eligible to vote in the election will receive a nomination pack (either via email or post). The info pack will contain everything you need to nominate yourself or another member of the community. (Just make sure they know about it and will accept the nomination!). It will also include information on who isn't able to be a School Board member. If you need extra forms, or want a copy of the nomination form in Te Reo Māori or another language, just contact the Returning Officer from Election Pilot directly on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or [election@electionpilot.nz](mailto:election@electionpilot.nz). You can also send in a candidate statement and smiling photo with your nomination as well.

A copy of the electoral roll is kept at the school office and is available to be checked during usual school hours.





# SPORTS NEWS



## Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge 2025

Westbrook students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 have the opportunity to take part in the 2025 Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge.

When: **Wednesday 20th August, 2025**

Where: Lakes Ranch, 79 Rotokawau Rd, Rotorua

Who: Year 3 - 6 students only

How: Own transport/carpool

Cost: \$32.50 per child

This year registration and payment for the event is able to be done online at this link: <https://eventpromotions.co.nz/tggc-junior-rotorua/>

Tips on how to register:

1. If you do not already have an EventPlus account please create one for yourself.
2. Select the option to 'Register someone else'.
3. Enter your child's details.
4. Scroll down to the Rotorua event options and select your child's relevant year group and the **Wednesday the 20th of August** option. (This is the only day Westbrook is attending, please do not choose any other day)
5. Enter Westbrook School as your School Name.
6. For the drop down box '**Collection of Bib Number and Race Goodies on the day will be by**' please select the **'Teacher'** option.
7. You will then be taken to a merchandise page, followed by the check out where you will need to ensure that you agree to the terms and conditions and then you will be able to pay the entry fee.

In order to participate as part of our school group you will need to have registered by:

**9am on Wednesday the 6th of August**

This will allow us to organise transport for our students to and from the event.

If you choose to enter your child after this date you will need to register them as an individual and you will be responsible for transporting them to/from Lakes Ranch and you will need to collect their race bib on the morning of the event.

If you have any further questions please  
email Anita Jenkins: [jenkinsa@westbrook.school.nz](mailto:jenkinsa@westbrook.school.nz)

# Keeping Ourselves Safe Term 3

The **Keeping Ourselves Safe** programme is a vital initiative designed to educate children about personal safety in a positive and empowering way. This programme, developed by the New Zealand Police, covers essential topics such as recognizing safe and unsafe situations, understanding appropriate touch, and knowing who to talk to if they feel unsafe or worried. Through age-appropriate lessons and activities, our goal is to equip your children with the knowledge and skills they need to keep themselves safe in various situations, both online and in their daily lives, fostering confidence and resilience.

If you have any questions, or you want to know what you can do at home to help, Constable Viv is running two KOS parent meetings here at school in the staffroom on **Wednesday 16th July - at 2pm and again at 6.30pm**. We would love to see you at either one of these meetings.



**UNISON'S**  
**DIGITAL SAFE SPARKS**  
**FUN, INTERACTIVE AND OPEN TO ALL**

For kids aged 5–11 ⚡ Enter by 31 October to be in to WIN!

**safe sparks**

A cartoon superhero character named Powerman. He is wearing a blue suit with a yellow lightning bolt on his chest, a yellow mask with a lightning bolt, and black gloves. He is standing with his hands on his hips, looking confident.

Unison's Digital Safe Sparks Programme is now open to all families across Hawke's Bay, Taupō and Rotorua. This short online challenge is designed for children aged 5 to 11 and helps them learn how to stay safe around electricity through animated videos, interactive activities and real-world tips.

Easy to access (no login required) Great for home, after school care or a rainy-day activity

- Finish by 31 October 2025 to be in to win 1 of 3 \$100 Prezzy Cards
- Kids who complete the programme can also receive a printable certificate.  
Start the challenge here: [www.unison.co.nz/safe-sparks-digital](http://www.unison.co.nz/safe-sparks-digital)





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## KELLY CLUB WESTBROOK UPDATE

### What's been happening...

Some more Red Nose activities to round out the week, and this week we are into the Staff Choice week. This means the staff choose their favourite activities (the kids choice week comes later in the term!!). The teacher only day was full of crafts, and arts.

The rubber band bouncy ball competition is still going!

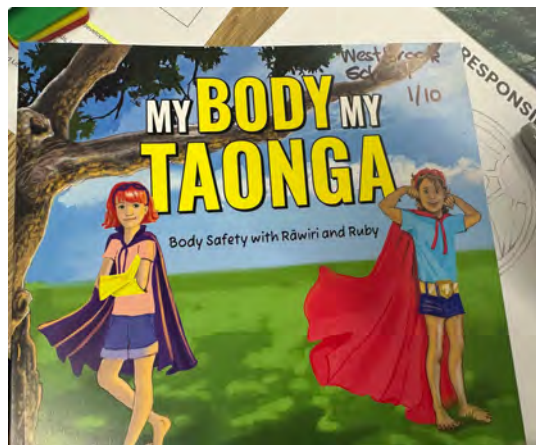


### What's happening this week!

|  <b>THEME: Ninja Warriors!</b><br>Term 3 Week 4, 4th August 2025 |  |   |  |  |  |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|
|   | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday   |
| 7:00 - 8:15 am  | Bubbles<br>& Structured Free Time  | Ninja Stressball<br>& Structured Free Time  | Paper Creations<br>& Structured Free Time  | Card Games<br>& Structured Free Time   | Board Games<br>& Structured Free Time  |
| 8:15 - 8:30 am  | Game: Handball   | Game: Fly Seagull Fly   | Game: Line Tag   | Game: Ninja Challenges   | Game: Traffic  |
| 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<br>Pasta & Fruit   | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Sammies & Fruit  | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Cheese Toasties & Fruit   | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Cookies & Fruit   | Intro & Afternoon Tea<br>Sammies & Fruit   |
| 3:30 - 3:45 pm  | Game: Tap Ball   | Game: Snowball Tag  | Game: Shuck in the Mud   | Game: Quick Fire Cricket   | Game: Capture the Flag   |
| 3:45 - 4:30 pm  | <b>CRAFT</b><br>Ninja Headbands<br> | <b>GAME</b><br>Blindfold Samurai<br> | <b>DISCOVERY</b><br>Chopstick Precision<br> | <b>SPORT</b><br>Mortal Enemies<br> | <b>COOKING</b><br>Ninja Bread Men<br> |
| 4:30 - 4:35 pm  | Tidy Up  | Tidy Up   | Tidy Up  | Tidy Up  | Tidy Up  |
| 4:35 - 4:50 pm  | Snack Time<br>Popcorn  | Snack Time<br>Biscuits  | Snack Time<br>Croakers   | Snack Time<br>Baking   | Snack Time<br>Vege Chips   |
| 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  | Game: Mother May I?<br>& Projects  | Game: Where's Wally?<br>& Projects  | Game: Shark's Islands & Fish<br>& Projects   | Game: Sheep & Wolves<br>& Projects   | Game: Line Tag<br>& Projects   |
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**BOOK ONLINE NOW AT** [www.kellyclub.co.nz](http://www.kellyclub.co.nz)



A wonderful new resource you might like to buy for your whanau. Constable Viv shared this book with our staff and some classes during our KOS sessions. We have since purchased some for our school. You can buy these directly from the publisher. [mybodymytaonga@gmail.com](mailto:mybodymytaonga@gmail.com) We got a wonderful message from the author 'Thank you Westbrook School, Rotorua for supporting body safety education for tamariki' Nga mihi Rosalind

## Reminder of our 'Rubbish' policy

We will encourage children to repack their plastic or paper lunch wrappings, yoghurt containers, or cardboard drink containers back into their lunch boxes and take them home.

This encourages more recycling and will limit our school's landfill waste.

We will also have containers for waste food scraps which we will either compost or use to feed our worm farms.



## Drop Off and Pick Up

The children have adapted to our safe system for dropping children at school and picking them up after school. This is generally working well, however we still have some concerns with drivers leaving cars unattended and parking in our drop off/pick up zone. We appreciate your support with following our systems.

Please remind your children each day where you will be picking them up at 3pm.

The five Loading Zone spaces on Malfroy Road will remain available for parents to safely drop off and pick up only. Staff will continue to supervise these sites until further notice

**Where possible, please encourage your children to get in and out of the car on the footpath side, not the road side. Ensure your child is safely secured with their seatbelt before leaving the car park area/loading zone.**



# SCHOOL LUNCH OPTIONS



Order and pay for lunches online by 8.30am  
It's simple all you need to do is register at [www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz)

## Lunch

### Westbrook School Lunches delivered to School

Pita Pit  
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It's simple; all you need to do is register at  
[www.lunchonline.co.nz](http://www.lunchonline.co.nz)  
and follow 4 easy steps to get started

- 1 Register an account
- 2 Add member/s including your child's name, school and classroom
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- 4 Select your lunch and place an order



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### 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.

## Beginners After School Art Classes with Janet Keen

Enrolling NOW for Term 3 2025  
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Rotorua.



## 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.



**WESTBROOK SCHOOL PRESENTS**

# **ART EXPO 2025**

**A STUDENT ART &  
CRAFT EXHIBITION**

**4TH & 5TH  
SEPTEMBER  
2025  
8AM TO 5PM  
DAILY**

**JOIN US FOR A SHOWCASE  
OF ART & CRAFTS FROM  
WESTBROOK STUDENTS**

**PLUS SILENT AUCTIONS  
ON ART & CRAFTS MADE  
BY WESTBROOK STAFF**

**WESTBROOK SCHOOL HALL  
KOHA ENTRY**





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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 2 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 3 policies

- [Child Protection](#)
- [Abuse Recognition and Reporting](#)
- [Food and Nutrition](#)
- [Safety Checking](#)
- [Police Vetting](#)
- [Missing Student Procedure](#)

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