

#### Westbrook School

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**Newsletter** 

Week 7 Term 2 11 June 2025





## Colin's Korero

**Board of Trustees Elections:** It is beneficial to our school if we have a broad representation of our school community as members of our Board of Trustees. We need people with some financial knowledge, perhaps experience with property maintenance, also a range of ethnic backgrounds would be beneficial. Committing to support us in providing a quality education for our entire school population would be a driving force for any prospective members. Please either consider standing yourself or nominating a person that you think would be a suitable Board member.

**Road Safety:** With the winter weather, we face increased health and safety concerns because of frost, rain and limited visibility when driving. There is the added temptation for parents or whānau to try to get as close as possible to school to either drop off children or to pick them up. This often results in drivers double-parking or pausing in illegal parking areas, both of which create additional dangers to our students, either accessing vehicles or crossing very busy roads. We ask that, for the sake of our tamariki, all drivers exercise due caution when parking around our school, particularly when close to our pedestrian crossings.

**Maths Teacher Only Day:** We are required to hold a Teacher Only Day next term to spend the day learning more about the new Structured Maths curriculum.

School will be closed for this on Monday, July 28.

**Structured Literacy:** All of our teachers in Years 4 to 6 are in Hamilton this week for two days of professional development in Structured Literacy. This is compulsory training under the recent legislative changes made by our government last year.

**Exciting Events:** Two events are coming up that involve the whole school this week and next week. Our school Cross Country races are scheduled for tomorrow, Thursday, June 12.

Our Matariki Hangi is planned for next Wednesday, June 18. It would be great to have whanāu here to support both of these events.

#### **Cross Country Races Tomorrow**

The weather forecast is not great for tomorrow. We have to have the names of our students competing in the Rotorua event in by tomorrow afternoon.

We may have to run the more competitive kids in a single race, with colour bands to represent age groups. This is a backup plan.

Teachers have discussed this with their classes and asked those who are keen to bring a change of clothes in case they get wet. Parents and whānau will need to watch the weather and also be prepared for this change should we need to adopt this option.

### **Principal Appointment**

Click Link below to complete

Whanau/Community Survey.

#### This survey is open until 5pm on Friday 13 June 2025

The survey is anonymous, and all responses go directly to the appointment consultant we are working with to support us in this very important decision.

## 2025 Calendar of Events Term 2



Thurs 12th June

Fri 13th June
Fri 13th June
Wed 18th June
Thurs 19 June
Fri 20th June
Fri 27th June

**School Cross Country** 

Keep an eye on Seesaw & Facebook for updates
Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome

**Wear Yellow for Harold Day** 

School Hangi

Jumping June Postponement date

Matariki

Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome

Last Day of Term 2



## NEW DATE Thursday 19 JUNE

### Jump Day - Thursday 19th June

Once again Westbrook will be supporting the Heart Foundation with a Jump Rope for Heart Day.

The whole school will participate in a range of jump activities skipping, Jump Jam, relays and bouncy castles.

The children have the option to fundraise for the heart foundation.

You can sign up online and earn wonderful prizes.



#### **FOTS Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser**

#### Friday 13th June



Sausages \$2.00 Juice \$2.00 Water \$2.00
Purchase on <u>Kindo</u> or bring \$\$\$ on the day
Orders close 9am Friday 13th June

#### 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

Our next **School Assembly** will take place Friday 13th June

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 **YELLOW** for Harold

This is a fundraiser for Life Education. Koha Welcome.



### How can you help your child at home?

Have you heard about the NEW Parent Portal?

A fantastic resource where you can find great ideas of ways to support your child's learning.

There is a Parent/Caregiver section with some really practical ways you can support your child and their learning at home.

Click here for an Introductory video

that walks you through the content.

See more information at the end of this newsletter.

## HANGI

REMINDER ABOUT VEGETABLE DONATIONS, DROP THEM OFF THIS WEEK TO CLASSROOMS OR THE OFFICE.

DO YOU OR WHANAU HAVE TIME TO SPARE ON THE 17<sup>TH</sup> OR 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE? VEGETABLE PREPRATION, FRY BREAD COOKING, SETTING UP, SERVING??? LET US KNOW.

## Whanau Day Matariki HĀNGĪ 18th June

The following year groups have been allocated these items.



Bread or onion - Year 1
Potato - Year 2
Kumara - Year 3
Pumpkin - Year 4
Carrots - Year 5



Bread or mixed herbs - Year 6

If you have some time available to help out the class teachers or with preparation and organisation please get in touch with classroom teachers or Michaela Muncaster, Room 12, (muncasterm@westbrook.school.nz).

We thank you for your support and look forward to celebrating Matariki with you.

Any donations of other items would be appreciated.

## WESTBROOK SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS - ONLINE 10 SEPTEMBER 2025

Every three years all public schools in Aotearoa hold elections for their School Boards, and this is going to happen again in 2025.

The School Board is a key part of our school because they do a lot of important things behind the scenes that while they may not be visible, are really important to keeping our School running.

Our School Board write our strategic plan, consult with our community about things that matter, make sure our finances are being spent wisely and ensure that we are giving effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi within our school. Our board is made up of Five (5) parent vacancies, the Principal and a staff rep elected by the staff.

The board have appointed Election Pilot as the Returning Officer for our election and for the election to be provided online. They have been assisting schools with elections for over 20 years and have been the only election provider accredited by the Ministry of Education to provide online election services since online elections started in 2022.

Important things like the nomination and voting forms will be sent to you by email directly by Election Pilot.

If we don't have an email address for you don't stress, because Schooled Election Pilot will send these out to you by post so you don't miss out. There are a lot of rules around School Board elections that need to be followed and the main ones are the Education and Training Act 2020 and the Education (Board Elections) Regulations 2022.

Your name and contact details have been provided to Election Pilot to enable them to deliver elections services for our school as required by legislation. They will use your contact details for the provision of election services for Westbrook School only and your details will be deleted 60 days after the election date as required by legislation.

If you have any questions about the election process, then the best people to talk to are the team at Schooled Election Pilot. You can contact the Returning Officer directly on 0800 VOTENZ (0800 868 369) or election@electionpilot.nz.

We will continue to keep you updated through the various stages of the election process, and our election date is 10 September 2025.



## Te Whatu Ora

The Dental Therapist Rebecca and her team are going to apply a fluoride varnish to the whole school who requires this to help provide extra protection to your child's teeth on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June.

Fluoride is a mineral that occurs naturally in some water sources.
Fluoride helps protect both child and adult teeth by strengthening tooth enamel. Fluoride replaces the minerals lost on the surface of the teeth during early stages of tooth decay.

#### What will we do?

1. Apply a protective coating of fluoride to your child's teeth.

#### What do you need to do?

- If <u>do not</u> want your child to have this service, or you want to discuss, please contact:
  - Phone or txt Westbrook Dental Clinic 0272010325
     or 0800 Lakes Teeth (0800 525 378)
    - teeth@lakesdhb.govt.nz







#### THEME: Matariki!

Term 2 Week 8, 16th June 2025

Weekly Activities Plan Kelly Club Westbrook

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00 - 8:15 am	Weave a Matariki Star & Structured Free Time	Who am I? & Structured Free Time	Paper Creations & Structured Free Time	Board Games & Structured Free Time	
8:15 - 8:30 am	Game: Handball	Game: Fly Seagull Fly	Game: Poi Rakau	Game: Red Light, Green Light	
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	
3:10 - 3:30 pm	Intro & Afternoon Tea Soup, Garlic Bread & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Cheese Toasties & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit	
3:30 - 3:45 pm	Game: Tap Ball	Game: Snowball Tag	Game: Stuck in the Mud	Game: Quick Fire Cricket	
	CRAFT Clay Stars	GAME Manu Ti	DISCOVERY Story of you Portraits	SPORT Makamaka	
3:45 - 4:30 pm					
4:30 - 4:35 pm	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	*
4:35 - 4:50 pm	Snack Time Popcorn	Snack Time Biscuits	Snack Time Crackers	Snack Time Vege Chips	
4:50 - 5:15 pm	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	
5:15 - 6:00 pm	Game: Mother may I? & Projects	Game: Where's Wally? & Projects	Game: Sharks, Islands & Fish & Projects	Game: Sheeps & Wolves & Projects	

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## PROGRAMME





#### BRING RETRO BACK

Let's show the parents how it's done!
Share your secrets through a paper
cup phone, skip along with
Hopscotch or take out our epic
marble tournament. What new
games can you show the oldies.



#### PREHISTORIC PALS

Today we run, stomp & roar with the dinosaurs. Let's explore what life would be like if dino's came back to life. Would you want one as a pet?



#### MOVIES

Join us for an awesome trip day to the movies to watch Elio. Please remember a big lunch, drink bottle, shoes and a hat.

\$20 extra for the day.



#### EPIC CONSTRUCTIONS

Bring your construction skills and use all sorts of crazy materials to build the tallest tower. Will it match up to the tallest buildings in the world?



P: 021 079 7737

#### COZY COMFORTS

Rainy days don't have to be boring, especially at Kelly Club! Embrace the wet weather by making your own book or board game, then cozying up with some hot chocolate and a mavief



#### BETTER TOGETHER

We are all unique and bring our own kind of spark into this world, Let's see how we can combine our differences to unite as a team.



#### WHO'S GOT THE RING

Calling all elves! Help us search the land for the lost rings scattered about! Stop along your journey to bake & create what you need to succeed on this adventure. elves! Help us search the



#### BOWLING

we go Ten-Pin Bowling. Please emember a big lunch, drink bottle, shoes and a hat.

\$20 extra for the day.



#### ALICE IN WONDERLAND

imagine sliding down that ro hole to Wonderland! What fantastical creatures will we see? The Chesire Cat? The Mad Hatter?



#### MID-WINTER CHRISTMAS PARTY

Christmas is a while away but we're celebrating early at Kelly Club! Let's get Christmassy!

FULL WEEK: \$290 FULL DAY: \$57 HALF DAY: \$39

7:00am - 12:30pm or 12:30pm - 6:00pm Phone:

SCHOOL DAY: \$47 EVENT DAY: Extra \$20

westbrook@kellyclub.co.nz 021 079 7737 Facebook: @KellyClubWestbrook Address: 362 Malfroy Road, Pomare

#### **BOOK NOW AT**

kellyclub.co.nz/westbrook

Further information: www.kellyclub.co.nz/hp#info



## JULY 2025 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

WESTBROOK SCHOOL

A timetable and full programme information is available online or at the programme venue.

Who can attend: Children aged 5-13 yrs

General Informations: We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

What do you need to bring: Shoes and appropriate clothing, jacket or sweatshirt, hat, drink bottle and food for morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.

Payment details: Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking is received. All payment details will be included on the invoice.

Work and Income OSCAR Subsidys Parents / caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a WINZ subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit www.workandincome.govt.nz.

Please note: Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Club accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst at a programme. If your child/ren are collected late after the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$20 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

#### Prices & Session Times:

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7:00am - 6:00pm 7:00am - 6:00pm (Included in Full Week)

School Day: \$47 Half Day: \$39

8:30am - 3:00pm 7:00am - 12:30pm or 12:30pm - 6:00pm

Website: kellyclub.co.nz/westbrook

Contact: Sarah Nelson

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Facebook: @KellyClubWestbrook

Address: 362 Malfroy Road, Pomare









**BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz** 







#### **Scouts and Cubs**

Places Available NOW! First Three Sessions Free!

Enquiries to Liz on 021 930107

#### Rotorua Central Scout Hall 35 Pererika St

Scouts (11-14yrs) meet 6pm, Wednesdays.

Cubs (8-11yrs) meet 6pm Thursdays.

Keas (5-8yrs) we have a waiting list.

**Enquiries to Liz 021 930 107** 





### SCHOOL LUNCH OPTIONS





Nearly End of Term 2 - Really !!!!!

Win a \$10 Lunch Credit

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.



#### **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 <a href="www.lunchonline.co.nz">www.lunchonline.co.nz</a>

#### **LUNCH REMINDERS**

Please avoid sending along fizzy drink, lollies and takeaway food in your child's lunch. Leave these 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 <u>KINDO</u> 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 <a href="https://westbrook.schooldocs.co.nz">https://westbrook.schooldocs.co.nz</a>. 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.
- 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 2 policies**

- Planning and Preparing for Emergencies, Disasters, and Crises
- Communication During an Emergency, Disaster, or Crisis
- Emergency Closure
- Emergency Management
- Disaster Management
- Crisis Management

#### **Westbrook School**





## Understand your child's learning

## Information and resources for parents, caregivers and whānau

A new webspace on <u>education.govt.nz</u> houses practical videos, activities and resources for supporting learning

that are easy to understand, empowering you to take an active role in your child's education.

An introductory video that walks you through the content is available here.

With the launch of the 'parent-friendly' versions of both our national curricula, you will know exactly what your child is learning, why it's important, and when they'll be learning it, so that you can actively support and complement your child's learning at home and have meaningful conversations with your child's teacher or kaiako.

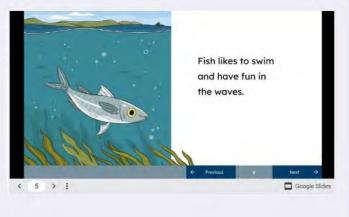




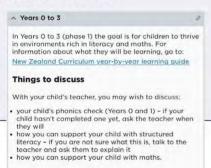
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There are practice activities for each year level that you can do with your child, and 'tips and tricks' to support learning at home. Phonics cards come with parent guidance with audio files to model the correct sounds.





There is also a guide on how to prepare for the first day of school, and tips for parent-teacher interviews.





The webspace also houses important information about how children will be assessed in the early years of schooling through the new Phonics Checks and Hihira Weteoro. It describes how parents and whānau can access additional support that their child or tamaiti might need.



As the national curriculum continues to be updated and implemented in all schools and kura over the next few years, more resources and supports will become available for parents, caregivers and whānau. We encourage you

to visit the new webspace and check out the current resources, guides and videos available. If you have any feedback or suggestions, please email us at tepoutahu.engagement@education.govt.nz

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# **Term 2 Holiday** Programme 2025

## **Perform With Confidence**

#### Move, Create, Perform - With Confidence!

Looking for a holiday activity that builds confidence and creativity? Our one-day drama programme combines improvisation, character work, mime, storytelling, and performance fun. Whether your child is new to drama or already loves the stage, they'll grow their skills, stretch their imagination, and perform with confidence!

#### Dates & Age Groups

- Tuesday 1st July Ages 8-10 (school years 4-6)
- Thursday 3rd July Ages 11-14 (school years 7-9)
- Time: 9:00am 3:00pm
- Location: AMJAZZ Studios.
  - 94 Tallyho Street, Rotorua
- S Cost: \$85 per day

**Limited Spaces - Book Now** www.withconfidence.co.nz/holidayprogramme



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