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Newsletter

Week 6 Term 2 4 June 2025



Colin's Kōrero

Family Focus Week - This Week: Over the past two years, we have planned for a week in the middle of each term to be declared a "Family Focus Week" or "Whānau Focus Week". The purpose of this week at school is for teachers to plan fun and creative activities for our students to enjoy. We also encourage our parents and Whānau caregivers to plan some fun activities for the whole family during this week. This could mean turning off devices and playing board games, or perhaps taking a walk to a local park for the kids to play on the equipment. This week is our Term 2 "Whanau Focus Week," so please enjoy some fun activities with your family if you can.



Tackle 5's Success: Last week, our Boys and Girls Tackle 5 Teams competed in the Eastern BOP Champs. The weather conditions were terrible, with heavy rain and some significant wind at times. Both teams completed the day unbeaten, winning the competitions. The girls' team were defending champions, having also won in 2024. We are very proud of how both teams played each match, but also of their conduct on and off the field. Both teams will now compete in the BOP CHIEFS Finals on June 25.



Board of Trustees Elections:

Electoral Roll closes - Wednesday 16 July.

Our elections are being run using a digital platform this year, so it is important that we have all parents' and caregivers' correct email addresses before this date.

Please update your contact details with the school office if you are unsure.

Principal Appointment

The Westbrook School Board want to make sure that we understand what is important to our community as we look for the next Tumuaki | Principal for our kura. We encourage all members of our school community to complete this survey so that we have as much information as possible about what we need in the new Tumuaki | Principal for our kura. Click Link below to complete [Whanau/Community Survey](#).

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 5th June	Jumping June <i>May postpone due to weather</i>
Fri 6th June	Pizza Fundraiser
Tues 10th June	Y6 Museum Trip
Thurs 12th June	School Cross Country
Fri 13th June	Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
Fri 13th June	Wear Yellow for Harold Day
Wed 18th June	School Hangi
Thurs 19 June	Jumping June <i>Postponement date</i>
Fri 20th June	Matariki
Fri 27th June	Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome
	Last Day of Term 2



We are watching the weather if it doesn't improve we may postpone until Thursday 19 JUNE

Jump Day - Thursday 5th 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. Information will come home today. You can sign up online and earn wonderful prizes.

Pizza Lunch Fundraiser

As part of our fundraising for Year 6 Camp, we are offering a
Pizza Lunch on



Friday 6th June

\$2.00 per slice



Three flavours to choose from:

Simply Cheese

Ham & Cheese

Pepperoni



[Kindo](#) orders open now. [Click here.](#)

Cash payments only accepted Friday 6th June, directly to the classroom
teacher.

As this is a fundraiser, we are unable to refund any orders.

ALL Orders close **Friday 6th June 9am.**

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.

Whanau Day Matariki HĀNGĪ

Hāngī Day Date: 18th June

We are organising a ground hangi.

We are asking for donations of food, each year group has been allocated an item to bring.

Larger items like pumpkins donations only need to be a ¼ or a piece.

Donations can be given to classroom teachers and

it would be great if they could be at school by Monday 16th June.

We are trying to include the children in as much of the preparation as possible on the
17th June.

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).

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



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

Any donations of other items would be appreciated.

Matariki H āngī 2025 UPDATE



Volunteers Needed

Monday 16th June

Are you able to dice onions for the stuffing?

Tuesday 17th June

The school will be preparing vegetables for the hangi and getting our hangi pit ready.
Are you able to help the children peel and cut vegetables? Are you able to cut pumpkin and kumara for us? Cut up onions? Can you help make stuffing?



Wednesday 18th June

We will be laying and bringing up the hangi and serving up our hangi for lunch.

Are you able to come help lay the hangi and bring it up?

Are you able to come along, set up serving tables and help serve the food?

Please contact

Michaela Muncaster - send me a message on Seesaw or email me at:

muncasterm@westbrook.school.nz

or to the classroom teachers on Seesaw or the school office



Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand

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 13th 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 **do not** 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**





Contact: Programme Coordinator
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KELLY CLUB WESTBROOK UPDATE

What's been happening...

This week we have made Ocean slime, whipped up some Ocean Jelly with blue jelly, crushed up cookies, chocolate fish and a Tiny teddy relaxing under an umbrella. Our tamariki used their creativity skills to make a Scepter.



What's happening this week!

 KELLY CLUB		THEME: Staff Choice Term 2 Week 6, 2nd June 2025			Weekly Activities Plan Kelly Club Westbrook	
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
7:00 - 8:15 am		Structured Free Time	Structured Free Time	Structured Free Time	Structured Free Time	
8:00 - 8:15 am		Game:	Game:	Game:	Game:	
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 Sammies and Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Cheerios and Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Spaghetti Buns	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies and Fruit	
3:30 - 3:45 pm		Game: Stick in the Mud	Game: Where's Wally	Game: Heads down Thumbs up	Game: Rainbow Rush	
3:45 - 4:30 pm		Discovery Talent Show	COOKING Mini Sliders	CRAFT Wizard Wands	GAME Run the Gauntlet	
						
4:30 - 4:35 pm		Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	
4:35 - 4:50 pm		Snack Time	Snack Time	Snack Time	Snack Time	
4:50 - 5:15 pm		Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	
5:15 - 6:00 pm		Projects	Projects	Projects	Projects	

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🎭 Wizard of Oz Inspired Holiday Programme 🎭

Follow the yellow brick road and step into the magic of The Wizard of Oz in this unforgettable school holiday experience filled with singing, dancing, and theatrical wonder! Expect a day full of imagination, creativity, and confidence-building. Whether your child is a budding performer or just loves to sing along at home, this programme is the perfect way to celebrate the magic of musical theatre!

✨ What's in Store: ✨

- **Sing & Dance** Like one of the crew with Annarie and Sarah-Marie
- **Meet the Cast!** Enjoy an exclusive meet & greet with some of the members of the show's cast. Ask questions, take photos, and hear what it's like to perform on stage.
- **Watch the Show!** Enjoy popcorn and a drink during intermission — our treat!

When: Wednesday 9th July
Time: 10am - 4pm (drop off from 9.30am)
Cost: \$85 pp
Ages: 5+ years

Drop off: LPAC Studios
1215 Hinemoa St, Rotorua
Pick up: Sir Howard Morrison
Centre foyer, Fenton St

Spots are limited to 20 — book early to avoid disappointment!

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MATARIKI DRONE SHOW & NIGHT MARKET

ROTORUA LAKEFRONT | KOURAMĀWHITIWHITI
19TH & 20TH JUNE
NIGHT MARKET 5PM-9PM | DRONE SHOW 8PM
FREE EVENT

CENTRAL PLATEAU SAFEZONE

ka tango i tetahi kainga ki te whakatipu tamaiti

Magazine



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The publication is aimed at primary aged Tamariki and we thank Safekids Aotearoa (Starship Digital and Community Engagement) for editorial.

Our shared vision is that every child in Central Plateau Region and Aotearoa New Zealand enjoys a childhood free from traumatic, unintentional injury

To access magazine on your PC go to:

<https://communitysafety.co.nz/magazine.php?m=273>

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 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 [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.

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 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](#)

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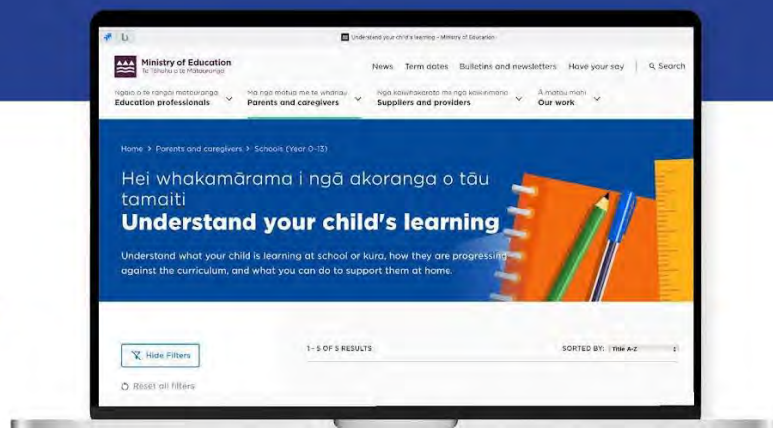
Understand your child's learning

Information and resources for parents, caregivers and whānau

A new webspace on [education.govt.nz](https://www.education.govt.nz) 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](#).

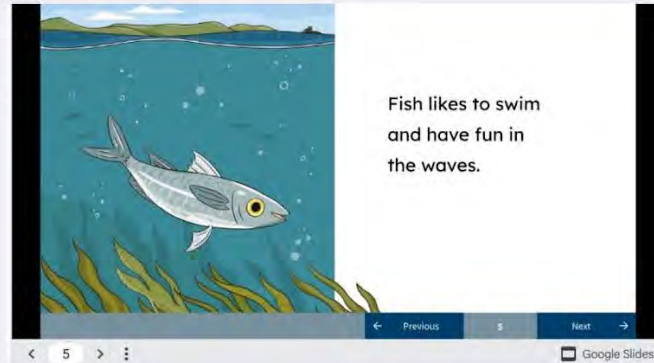
With the launch of the 'parent-friendly' versions of both our national curricula, you will know exactly what your child is learning, why it's important, and when they'll be learning it, so that you can actively support and complement your child's learning at home and have meaningful conversations with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



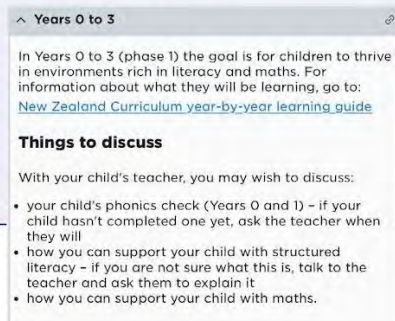
To navigate the website, you can choose which curriculum you want to learn more about and then go to your child's year level.



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



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

 **Cost:** \$85 per day

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