

Westbrook School

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Newsletter

Week 8 Term 1 19 March 2025





Colin's Kōrero

COVID Checks

We have a growing number of students and staff with COVID-19 at present. I am aware that several students are currently away with illness. I respectfully ask that you test your children for COVID-19 if they are unwell. We have quite a number of vulnerable students and staff at school, whom we need to help protect from illnesses such as COVID. If your child does test positive for COVID, please keep them at home until they test negative. Please also contact us at school and let us know if they are testing positive.



RAT's Duathlon

We had around 37 of our students compete in the Rotorua Association of Triathlon and Multisport (RATS) Duathlon yesterday, March 18. This event combines a bike riding challenge as well as a running event. Hundreds of children from across Rotorua compete each year. Several of our students placed in the top 20 again this year.

Congratulations Roni and Millie Makiha who both came first in their respective events and Freya Porthouse who came second behind Roni.

Kick for a Cause

I represented our school in the annual "Kick for a Cause" charity football game at Ngongotaha last Sunday. This fun event helped raise more than \$8,200.00 for the Salvation Army. A special, huge thank you to Alice Holloway from "Wild Paradise Design", one of our mums, for sponsoring me in this event. "Wild Paradise Design" is a local web design company, so please give them a call if you need an updated website. Many thanks also to my small band of Westbrook supporters who turned up to support this event.

Gala

One week to go! Many thanks to all of you who have made donations toward our Gala. We still need help on the day to run stalls. If you can help, even for an hour, please contact our school office. Please note, school will close at 2pm that day, to allow us to set up for the Gala. See you all next Thursday!!

2025 Calendar of Events Term 1

Thurs 20th March Y3 Water Reservoir Trip

Thurs 27th March Westbrook GALA-School closes at 2pm

Fri 28th March Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome

Fri 4th April Y2 Grandparents Day
Thurs 10th 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 Y5 Camp

Fri 11th April Fri 11th April

Fri 2nd May Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome

Fri 2nd May Mini Marathon

Tues 6th May Parent Interview 2.15pm-6pm (School to close early)

Wed 7th May Parent Interviews 3pm-6pm (normal school day)

Wed 14th May Junior Disco 5.30pm-6.30pm

Senior Disco 7pm-8pm

Fri 16th May Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome

Fri 16th May Pink Shirt Day

Mon 26th May Year 3 Swimming (all week)

Wed 28th May Y4 Museum visit (9.30am-11am, 12.15pm-1.45pm)

Thurs 29th May Y4 Museum visit (9.30am-11pm)

Fri 30th May Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome

Mon 2nd June King's Birthday

Fri 13th June Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome

Fri 13th June Wear Yellow for Harold Day

Fri 20th June Matariki

Fri 27th June Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome

Last Day of Term 2

Early Closing For Gala on Thursday 27th March

School will close at 2.00pm on Thursday 30th March to allow us to set up for Gala. If it is easier for you to collect your child at lunch time (1pm), please do so.

All children must go home before coming back for the Gala at 4pm unless their parent is here helping us to set up. We are unable to provide supervision between 2.00pm and 4pm.

Thank you for your understanding.



Our annual school gala is 1 week away. We are really kicking 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).
- Brown paper bags (eg from countdown).

We are also collecting.....

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.

Can you help with a Mystery Bag Or two 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.

2025 WESTBROOK GALA STALLS AND PRICES

Thursday, 27th March 4pm-7pm

HOT CHIPS 3 TICKETS FACE PAINTING 3 TICKETS



SAUSAGES 2 TICKETS

THE WHEEL 2 - 5 TICKETS

PRIZE DRAWS 5 TICKETS

ICE-CREAM SUNDAES 5 TICKETS

> DAHL AND RICE 4 TICKETS

GAMES GALLERY
2 TICKETS
for 3 throws
Hit the Nail, Bat the Rat
Toad in the Hole, Ring
Toss

Corn Hole, Dunny Dunk

NAIL SALON 3 TICKETS

TATTOOS 2 TICKETS (large) 1 TICKET (small)

PIZZA - 2 TICKETS MYSTERY BAGS 3 TICKETS (LIMIT OF 2 BAGS at a time PER PERSON)



DRINKS 2 TICKETS



DUTCH DONUTS -1 TICKET EACH OR 3 FOR 2 TICKETS

BURGERS 5 TICKETS

LOLLY JAR PRIZE DRAW 1 TICKET CAKES & SWEETS VARIOUS PRICES



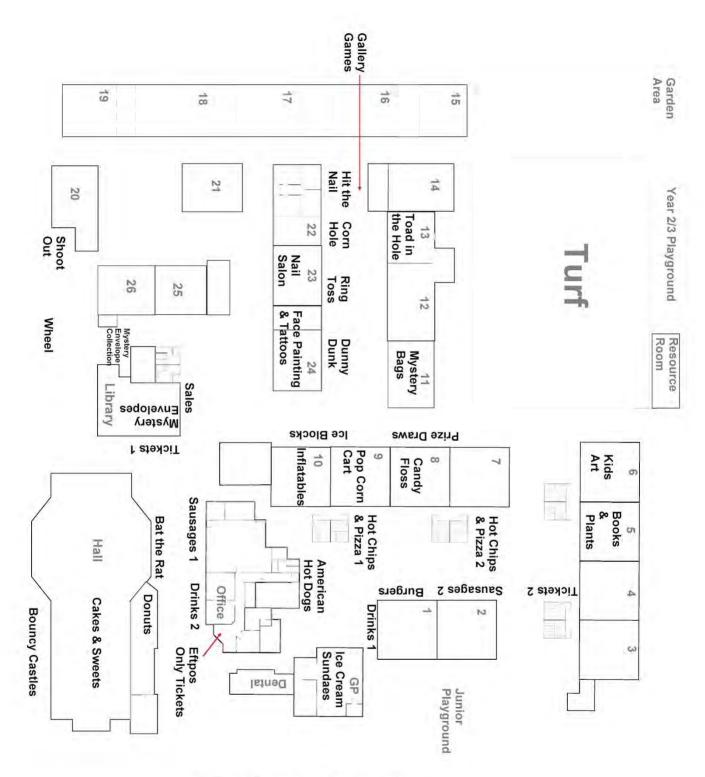


MYSTERY ENVELOPES 5 TICKETS

INFLATABLES 3 TICKETS (SMALL) 4 TICKETS (LARGE)

CANDY FLOSS 3 TICKETS POPCORN CART 2 TICKETS ICE BLOCKS 1 TICKET

Gala 2025 Map



Malfroy Road

1 Week to go Remember to pre order your tickets to save queuing on the night



Prize Draws

Entry is only \$5

You can enter for friends and family on KINDO
just remember to record their name and contact ph number
You can enter as many times as you like.

Prize Draw entries may be purchased on KINDO, Cash at the school office before 27th March or using Gala tickets on the night of the gala.



Meteor 4
Burner BBQ



Neochrome
50cm BMX Bike



2 x Auckland Bridge Climb Tickets



\$500 Voucher



Jumbo Bin of Kiln dried Firewood



Tourex 60cm 6 Speed Bike



Rotorua
Family Adventure
Pack

Cake Stall

One of the highlights of our annual gala is the cake stall.



It is always packed full of yummy goodies, the vast majority of which are donated by our amazing Westbrook families.



Please consider contributing to this with some of your own yummy baked goods



Remember to pop on to KINDO to preorder your

Gala Tickets

Can be purchased in bundles of 10

Tickets will not be available for collection until the afternoon of Thursday 27th March

You can also opt for the tickets to be delivered to your child's class

All tickets purchased are non-refundable and will be considered

a donation if unused

Gala Prize Draws

\$5 each entry So far we have
Firewood draw, \$500 ITM Voucher Draw
2 x Auckland Bridge walk voucher draw, 4 Burner Gas BBQ
Tourex 60 Cm Bike, Neochrome 50cm BMX Bike,
Rotorua Family Adventure Pack

Gala Art

Order now and it will be sent home with your child before Gala night

SKOOL LOOP

We have heard you!

Here is 1 app that will link you to all our school apps. On here you can send absentees, book interviews, log into your Kindo, Seesaw and Lunchonline!

The newsletter is loaded weekly too.

Save yourself time and space on your device and access it all from 1 place.

Downloading the Skool Loop app - a step by step guide

Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school -

- Open the Skool Loop App you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school
 or follow the country/region prompts.
- · Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- · Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- . Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.





A huge thanks to our 2025 Gala Sponsors ...



So far

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ASB Rotorva

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Kylie Trenberth (Eves)

Lady Janes

Living Colour

Makawe - bespoke hair by Toni

Mangham Civil & Drainage

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Motion Entertainment O'Sullivan Clemens PaknSave Rotorua Pig & Whistle Pita Pit (by KMart) Polynesian Spa Primal Supplements Putaranui Whanau Qizzle Reading Cinema Red Stag Timber Redwoods Tree Walk Repco Eastside Revben-Goodin whanav Rotorva Aquatic Centre Scope Cafe Springfield Golf Course St Pierre's Rotorua Te Poia Turnbull Electrical Velocity Valley Waikite Valley Hotpools Westend New World Wet & Forget (Hamilton) Wonderworld Amazement Park Woolworths Fenton Street 7orb

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.

2025 SEASON REGISTRATIONS OPEN!



Do you have a soccer player who would like to play for Westbrook Junior Soccer club in 2025?

Come and join our whānau friendly/inclusive club!

Register your expression of interest on our website

westbrookjunior.org



5th & 6th Grade (4-6 year olds) are listed under First Kicks
7th & 8th Grade (7-8 year olds) are listed under Fun Football
9th - 13th Grades (9-12 year olds) are listed under Mini Football

2025 SUMMER KICK AROUNDS



WHEN: Saturday 8th March &

Saturday 22nd March From 9.00am to 10.00am

AGES: 4-13 years old WHERE:

Westbrook Primary School Field Malfroy Road

Come and have a kick around and get a feel for our whānau friendly club.

We would love to see you all there.

westbrookjunior.org

Westbrook School's Sports Code of Conduct

We're excited to see our students enjoying and excelling in the many sports Westbrook School offers! To help us maintain a strong team spirit and represent our school with pride, please take a moment to read our Sporting Code of Conduct below. It's a guide to ensure everyone has a fun and rewarding experience.



Westbrook School

362 Malfroy Road, ROTORUA

Phone: 347 6512 www.westbrook.school.nz

Sports Expectations at Westbrook: Players, Parents and Coaches

Guiding Principles: Fun, development, respect, sportsmanship. Winning is secondary.

Player Expectations:

- Attendance/Punctuality: Attend all practices/games on time. Communicate absences to the coach ASAP.
- Effort/Attitude: Give your best effort, listen to coaches, maintain a positive attitude.
- Respect: Treat everyone with respect. No bullying, trash talk, or disrespectful language.
- Teamwork: Work cooperatively, support teammates.
- · Rules/Equipment: Follow rules, care for equipment.
- School Conduct: Students are expected to uphold the school's values both on and off the field.
 While minor behavioural issues are typically handled within the school's disciplinary system,
 repeated or serious infractions may necessitate a discussion with the coaching staff and school
 administration regarding the student's continued eligibility to participate in sports. We aim to
 address these situations on a case-by-case basis, considering the individual circumstances. We
 will endeavour to keep parents informed if there is the potential for a child to be excluded from a
 team or game.

Parent Expectations:

- Support: Encourage your child and team. Focus on effort, improvement, and sportsmanship.
- Conduct: Respect all involved (coaches, officials, players, parents). No negative comments, especially during games. Model good sportsmanship.
- Communication: Discuss concerns privately with the coach at appropriate times. No sideline coaching.
- Attendance/Finances: Attend when possible. Meet financial obligations promptly.
- Roles: Understand different roles. Respect the coach's decisions.

Consequences - Verbal/Written Warning, Suspension, Removal:

- Disrespectful Behaviour: Yelling, bullying, taunting, inappropriate language/gestures: Warning, suspension, removal.
- Disruptions: Repeatedly disrupting practices/games: Warning, suspension, removal.
- Sideline Coaching: Coaching from the sidelines after being asked to stop: Warning, removal from sidelines.
- Financial Issues: Failure to pay fees: Ineligibility.
- Aggression: Physical and/or verbal aggression (by player, parent/whānau or coach): Immediate removal.

Communication: Reviewed at season start. Open communication encouraged. Subject to review.



"TEXTURE, FORM, AND COLOUR"

TWO WEEKS OF ARTIST-TAUGHT HOLIDAY ACTIVITES 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



HOUDAY ARTS ACADEMY

APRIL 2025

Runs Tuesday to Thursday 9am - 3pm each day 12:1 Supervision Ratio Cost: \$30 per child, per day Materials provided

> Sign up online: www.artsvillage.org.nz/HAA or visit us at the village!



INTERESTED IN PLAYING HOCKEY?

FIND MORE INFORMATION AND SIGN UP ON KINDO!
Registrations close Friday 4th April.

WE WILL NEED COACHES TO RUN THE TEAMS!

Games start 10th May and will be at the Rotorua Hockey
Turf on Devon Street.

Any questions or if you can help coach please contact Sandra Lynch: lynchs@westbrook.school.nz

Westbrook Sports Uniforms

Caregivers of children who are in Westbrook School sports teams - please do not allow your child to wear their sports uniforms to training or school. They are expensive items and are for match days only, not for school or casual wear. Please encourage our sports people to treat them with respect and wear them with pride when representing Westbrook School on the sports field.

Thank you for your support.

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



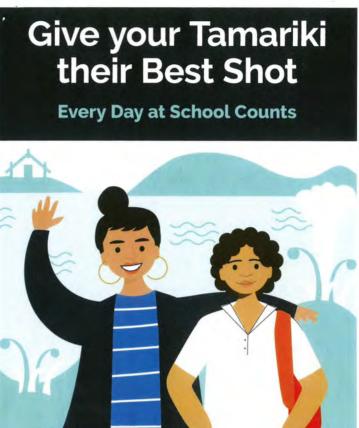
HAMILLS Rotorua

1271 Fenton Street, Rotorua 3010 Ph: 07 348 3147

Email: rotorua@hamillsnz.co.nz

FISHING & HUNTING SPECIALISTS





Rotorua Attendance

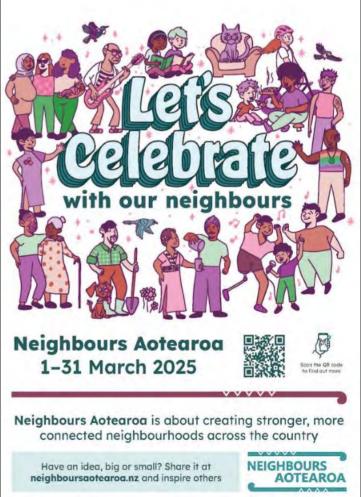
Services

Need help getting your

child to school? Contact

us on 027 808 2463





(3) @NeighboursActearoa

neighboursaotearoa.nz



Contact: Phone: Email: Website:

Programme Coordinator 021 079 7737 westbrook@kellyclub.co.nz 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!





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 <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 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.
- 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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