

### Westbrook School

office@westbrook.school.nz www.westbrook.school.nz

Phone: 07 347 6512

Westbrook Dental Clinic: 07 347 6242

**Newsletter** 

Week 6 Term 1 - 5 March 2025





# Colin's Kōrero

The Education Review Office (ERO) has completed their most recent audit of our school. This process involves several visits to our school over three years. The full report will be posted on our website and shared with you on Seesaw. The following are quotes from the report:

The following findings are to inform the school's future priorities for improvement.

**Learner Success and Wellbeing** 

Outcomes are improving for the majority of learners.

- The majority of learners, including Māori students, achieve at and above expected curriculum levels in reading, writing, and mathematics; targeted interventions are in place to reduce disparity for groups of learners below the expected curriculum levels.
- Students have a positive sense of belonging and pride in their school.
- A large majority of learners attend school regularly; the school is improving towards the Government's target for regular attendance.

Students experience appropriate evidenced-based programmes that meet their learning and well-being needs.

- Students learn in inclusive environments where mutual respect and trust between learners and teachers supports good participation in activities.
- Teachers engage students in learning that purposefully builds their knowledge and skills.
- Leaders and teachers collectively inquire into aspects of teaching practice that improve learner progress and achievement.

### Ngāti Whakaue are winners!

Congratulations to Te Kapa Haka o Ngāti Whakaue on winning the title of Toa Whakaihuwaka—Champions of Matatini for 2025. Congratulations also to Ngāti Rangiwēwehi on coming second. Both are Rotorua groups.





# 2025 Calendar of Events Term 1

Mon 3rd-Fri 7th March Family Focus Week

Fri 14th March Whole School Assembly 11.30am - all welcome

Thurs 20th March 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 Y5 Camp

Thurs 27th March

Thurs 10th April

Fri 28th March Fri 4th April

Fri 11th April

Fri 11th April

Wed 7th May

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

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

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

### **BIKING & SCOOTER RULES @ WESTBROOK**

Year 5 and 6 students **ONLY** are permitted to ride bikes to school. This is due to the nature of the roads around the school. Please see the office for a Bike Licence, then hand this in to Mrs Barrett. Students **MUST WEAR A HELMET**, bike locks must be used, and students need to agree to the rules in the above licence, which is signed by parents.

We're excited to announce a scooter trial. Students from other year levels may now bring scooters to school. **For safety**, **helmets are required**. Scooters must be parked at the bike racks and are not to be used during the school day.

All bikes and scooters are brought to school at your own risk.



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.

Diagon looks depotions 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.

# A huge thanks to our 2025 Gala Sponsors ...



# So far .....

Advocate Printing
Agrodome
aMAZEme
AJ Hacket Bungy NZ

AJ Hacket Bungy NZ Aquatic Centre

**ASB** Rotorua

**Atticus Finch** 

Bunnings

you

=all=

aurejome

Burger Fuel

Canopy Tours

Capers

Cheater Bros Ltd

Citron

Click&Create

Dawson Insurance

Douglas Automotive

Hamills

Hellers

Hell's Gate

Hielke Oppers (Tremains)

ITM

Kiwi Hatchery

Kylie Trenberth (Eves)

Lady Janes

Makawe - bespoke hair by Toni

Mangham Civil & Drainage

McDonalds Rotorva

Media Works

Motion Entertainment

O'Sullivan Clemens

Pita Pit (by KMart)

Polynesian Spa

Reading Cinema

Repco Eastside

Shavnee Putaranvi

Scope

Te Poia

Turnbull Electrical

Velocity Valley

Wonderworld Amazement Park

Woolworths Fenton Street

Zorb

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.





Remember to pop on to KINDO to preorder your

Gala Tickets

Gala Art

Click to go to KINDO now.



# **HELP Please**

We are requiring ingredients for our popular Fudge and Sherbert. If you can help us out please send these into the office.

- Golden syrup
- long life milk
- Citric acid
- Baking soda
- Raro sachets
- Icing Sugar
- Butter
- Sugar
- Condensed Milk
- Cocoa









# Gala Tickets Available to purchase on Kindo now.

Save time on gala day and pre order your tickets.

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.

**Tip:** You can add money to your Kindo Account each week and then closer to the 26th choose how many tickets you would like to purchase from your credit. This means your total tickets will be in the same order.

All tickets purchased are non- refundable and will be considered a donation if unused

Remember the KINDO Helpdesk is there to help - Ph 0508 454696

# Year 5 Camp Fundraising Ice Blocks

Available every day

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.



### Checking 'my orders' on Kindo

Not sure if you have completed your order?

Go to 'my orders' on your myKindo page, and you will see your transaction history!

All your orders, top-ups and shopping items will be listed here in date order.

ers.

It's quick and easy to check and keep track of orders.



# SPORTS NEWS



# The RATS Kids Duathlon Tuesday 18th March (no postponement date).

The event is open for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 children. The **\$10** entry fee and permission slip, needs to be paid <u>via Kindo</u> no later than Friday 7th March. (Our deadlines are tight and late applications will not be accepted).

Parents/Caregivers will need to transport their child and their bike to and from Waipa Car Park on the day. The school will provide a Westbrook School uniform. Please see below for further information.

Course options:

Short Course: 500 m Run – 3 km MTB – 500 m Run (Years 3/4, 5/6) Long Course: 1.5 km Run – 8 km MTB – 500 m Run (Years 5/6)

There are no team entries, all athletes will compete as individuals.

Age Groups: - Year 3 and 4 children must enter the short course.

Year 5 and 6 children can choose which course they would like to enter - short or long.

### Race start times:

8.30am - Registrations and Transition area opens.

9.15am - All bikes must be in transition area & Race Briefing

9.30am approx. - Year 5 & 6 Short Course Race Starts

10:15am approx. - Year 3 & 4 Short Course Race Starts

11.00am approx. - Start Long Course

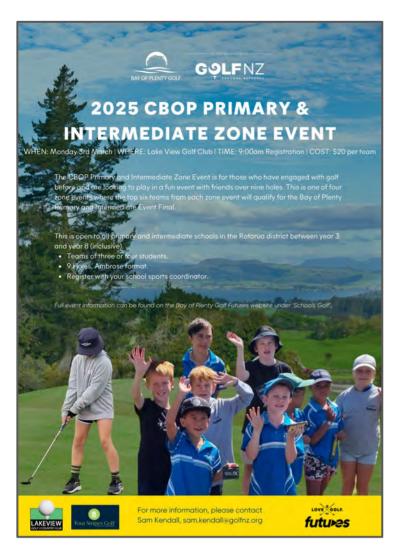
Please note start times may alter dependent on time it takes for previous races, registration numbers and weather conditions. All competitors should be ready to start from 9.30am onwards and have their bikes in the transition area by 9.15am. Children will be given a 10 minute call before each race is to start.

## **Westbrook Touch Rugby Teams**

Thank you to all the coaches and managers who have volunteered their time to support our eight Touch Teams this term. The children are enjoying their games and are showing the Westbrook Way on the field. We have had mixed results in the grading rounds. The competition rounds begin this week and continue for the following two weeks. There are no games on the 11th and 12th March. The semifinals and finals will be held on 25th and 26th March. If these dates change all teams will be notified.

### **Westbrook Sports Uniforms**

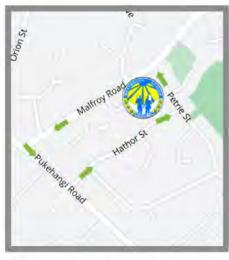
Caregivers of children who are in Westbrook School sports teams - please do not allow your child to wear their sports uniforms to training or school. They are expensive items and are for match days only, not for school or casual wear. Please encourage our sports people to treat them with respect and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





# Driving safely near our school









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.





Contact: Phone: Emgil:

Programme Coordinator 021 0797 737 westbrook@kellyclub.co.nz Website: kellyclub.co.nz/westbrook



### KELLY CLUB WESTBROOK UPDATE

What's been happening

Our theme at Kelly Club last week was 'Tongue Twisters' and what a busy and creative week it was. We cooked Cheese and Marmite Twists, made incredible Twisted Key chains, made up our own tongue twister rhymes, played Twister, plus lots of Kelly Club favourite games and sports.





## What's happening next week!

CLUB		THEME: Wildlife Week Term 1 Week 6, 10th March 2025			Weekly Activities Plan Kelly Club Westbrook
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00 - 8:15 am	Air Dry Clay Ladybugs & Structured Free Time	Calcurful Turtle Plates & Structured Free Time	Paper Creations & Structured Free Time	Board Games & Structured Free Time	Homemode Cookies & Structured Free Time
8:15 - 8:30 am	Game Handball	Gome: Fly Seoguli Fly	Gemen Line Tog	Dene: Comsultage Hiss & Tool	Game: Truffic
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 Corn Chips, Salsa & Fruit	liviro & Afternaan Tea Sammles & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Cheese Toastles & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammles & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Homemade Cookies & Fru
3:30 - 3:45 pm	Game Tap Ball	Game: Enawhell Tog	Garner Stuck in the Mud	Gome: Quick Fire Crisket	Goner Coplure the Fley
3:45 - 4:30 pm	CRAFT Belleen Animal	Squeak Piggy Squeak	DISCOVERY Scavenger Hunt	SPORT Bull Toil Rush	Chocolate Nests
4:30 - 4:35 pm	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tiely Up	Tidy Up
4:35 - 4:50 pm	Snack Time Popcern	Snack Time Biscuits	Snock Time Crackers	Snack Time Vege Chips	Snack Time Baking
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	Garnic Mather May 17 & Projects	Come: Where a Wolly?	Come Sharks, Islands & Fish & Projects	Came Sheeps & Walves & Projects	Game: Slide Tag & Projects





"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!





### 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 | genni951egmail.com

Rotorua Tennis Club, Manuka Cr. Rotorua

# Rotorua Attendance Services Tula ite herenga tangata Need help getting your child to school? Contact us on 027 808 2463

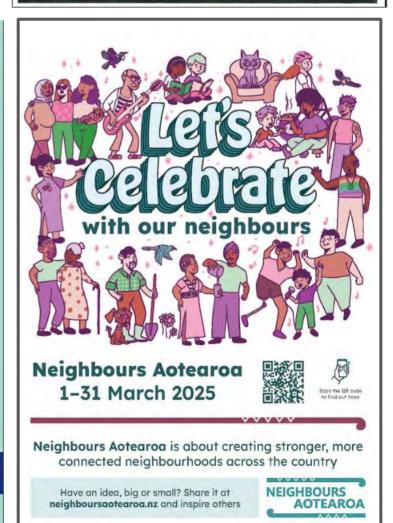
Give your Tamariki

their Best Shot

**Every Day at School Counts** 



www.rotoruabridgeclub.nz



(3) @NeighboursActearoa

neighboursaotearoa.nz

# 2025 SEASON REGISTRATIONS OPEN!



WESTBROOK

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



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







# 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



# **HAMILLS** Rotorua

1271 Fenton Street, Rotorua 3010

Ph: 07 348 3147

Email: rotorua@hamillsnz.co.nz

FISHING & HUNTING SPECIALISTS

# SCHOOL LUNCH OPTIONS

# Unchonline



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





### 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.

# **PitaPit**

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 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 <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 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

# **Westbrook School**

# **Westbrook School**

Thanks to the below businesses for sponsoring our school app:



If you would like to advertise on the XXX School Skool Loop App please email Content@skoolloop.com

To download our app: In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose School once installed.