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Newsletter

Week 7 Term 4 - 27 November 2024





Colin's Korero

Athletics

The rain arrived just after last week's second cycle of events, so we have rescheduled the remaining programme to this Thursday, November 28. This is the same day the Year 3 Team travels to Maketū for their annual Rocky Shore study, so some parents and whānau may miss the athletics if you are travelling with the Year 3 Team. The Year 2 and 3 Teams had their athletics competitions on Monday of this week.







Ahurei Kapa Haka

Our senior Kapa Haka roopu will be performing at the Sir Howard Morrison Theatre on Wednesday, November 27, as part of the annual Rotorua Schools Ahurei. There are performances every night this week. Our roopu will perform after the interval, following Te Kura Kaupapa o Hurungaterangi, and before Rotorua Primary, Otonga, and Kaitao Intermediate.

Children visiting new classes

We have completed the selection process for which class each student will be in for the 2025 year, and who their teacher will be. We try to minimise the anxiety for students that a change of class and teacher can generate, by having the students meet their 2025 teacher and classmates before the end of this year. This is planned for Wednesday, December 11, at 10.30 am.

Term 4 Calendar of Events

Wed 27th November Ahurei Kapa Haka Festival (7.30pm - 9pm)

Thurs 28th November Year 3 Maketu Rocky Seashore Trip

Thurs 28th November Year 0/1 Family Picnic Day

Thurs 28th November Senior Athletics

Fri 29th November Road Patrol Fun Day
Fri 29th November FOTS Sausage Sizzle
Fri 29th November Road Patrol Treat Day

Fri 29th November Whole School Assembly (11.30am - all welcome)

Tues 3rd December Rm 15 to Kaharoa Forest Wed 4th December Fill the Bus at Westbrook Wed 4th December Central BOP Athletics

Thurs 5th December Year 4 Fun Day

Thurs 5th December Certificates Assembly - 11.30am
Fri 6th December Certificates Assemblies - 11.30am
Mon 9th December Principal's Awards Prizegiving

Junior 9.45am - 10.45am Senior 11.30am - 1.00pm

Tues 10th December Yr 2 Blue Lake Trip 9:00-3:00pm Wed 11th December Year 6 Graduation 5.45pm - 7.45pm

Thurs 12th December Principal's Treat Day

Fri 13th December End of Term 4 - last school day for the year.

Early Finish @ 12 noon

Term 1 for next year starts on Thursday, 30th January 2025

Please be advised that we have a Teacher Only Day on 21st February on Trauma Informed Practice for our staff

Library and Reading Books Amnesty

Please return ALL books this week that belong to Westbrook School.

We are doing a stock take ready for 2025 and require all our reading books and library books to be returned.

Encourage responsibility and ask your children to have a good look at home for any books that belong to our school. Congratulations Room 8 and 21 for getting all you boo Any books not returned will be charged a fee.

Thank you for your support.



Programme for upcoming Assemblies

School Assembly - Thursday 5th December

11.30-1.00pm

- Welcome
- Karakia National Anthem and Waiata
- Mr Watkins
- Student Councillor Certificates
- Year 3 Song
- Introduce 2025 Student Council
- Compost monitor Certificates
- Year 1 Sona
- Breakfast monitors Certificates
- Green Slip Draw
- Tuakana Teina Certificates
- Junior School Song
- Sound Technician Certificates
- Year 6 Song

School Assembly - Friday 6th December

11.30am - 1.00pm

- Welcome
- Karakia National Anthem and Waiata
- Kapa Haka Certificates
- Year 2 Song
- Road Patrol Certificates
- Year 4 Song
- Dynamo Awards
- Year 5 Song
- Librarian Certificates
- Senior Song
- Manaakitanga Award
- House Captain Certificates
- Announcement of the Winning House 2024



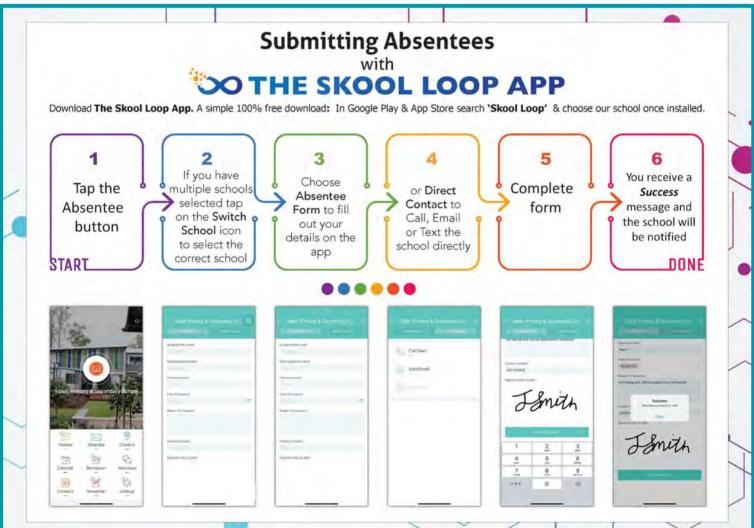
FILL THE BUS!

We are once again supporting 'Fill the Bus'

The bus will be coming to Westbrook School on Wednesday 4th December

If you have a food item or two to spare (non-perishabale), please send them to school. We will collect them in the school office.

Thank you for helping us to help others in our community.



Crediting your myKindo account

We now use Kindo to make school payments easy. Kindo is our preferred method of payment, and we encourage all our families to join.

Once you have created your myKindo account, any school credits you may have will be transferred by the school to your myKindo wallet for you to use.

Not with Kindo yet?

Simply scan the QR Code or go to https://shop.tgcl.co.nz and sign in or create an account. Registration is easy!





Complete Setup in your myKindo account

myKindo and our school Student Management System talk to each other, so it's important that you check your child(ren) are linked. This means details like classroom changes will flow through automatically as well as any payment information.

If you see a message like this, you will need to follow the prompts to link your child(ren).

Please ensure you use the same email address that we have on our system. We have detected one or more students that are not linked to school records. Completing setup will ensure you have visability of all school payment requests.

Olivia Smith

Complete Setup

Uniform Returns

If your child has a Westbrook sports uniform for Miniball,
Hockey or
Rippa Rugby

that has not yet been returned to school, please make sure we have it back by Friday so that we can redistribute them to other teams.

Please return ASAP



LOST PROPERTY

IT MUST BELONG TO SOMEONE!

Please come and check if any of it belongs to your child.



Only 7 days left to check lost property before the last week when it will be washed and delivered to a worthy cause.

Please make some time to come and check before then.





Bookings via www.migs.co.nz



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KELLY CLUB WESTBROOK UPDATE

What's been happening...

Last week was jam packed with heaps of excitement and fun ss we celebrate kids choice week! Whad two cute little visitors catch the kids eye as they explore the school. We helped practice some speeches for student counsellor, and saw some amazing maths practice.





What's happening in the holidays!







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 I 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 3 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.
- 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 4 review topics

- Finance and Asset Management Policy
- Managing Income and Expenditure
- Financial Conflicts of Interest
- School Donations and Student Activity Payments / Attendance Dues and Other Income
- Expenditure
- Asset Management and Protection
- Property Planning and Maintenance
- Prevention of Bribery, Corruption, Fraud, and Theft



Sunhats

During Term 1 and 4 all children need a sunhat with a brim at school every day. In keeping with our Sunsmart policy, they wear hats when outside and if they do not have one, will be directed to sit in the shade at break times.

We have sunhats in our house colours for sale at the school office for \$15 each.

Please also ensure your child has sunscreen on before they come to school and if you wish them to reapply it during the day, please make sure they have it with them in their school bag.

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.

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



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Congratulations
The winners from last weeks lunch
promo \$10 Credit are...(10 Winners!)

Oxford Crescent School - Dillon
Remarkables Primary - Naomi
Arthur Miller School - Oliver
One School Global - Capri
Wilford School - Kyrie
Marian View - Cruise
Lucknow Primary - Nicki
Westbrook School - Tahlei
Tatuanui School - Kenedi
Windsor North Primary - Lucy

All winners have been notified by email and accounts have been credited \$10



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.

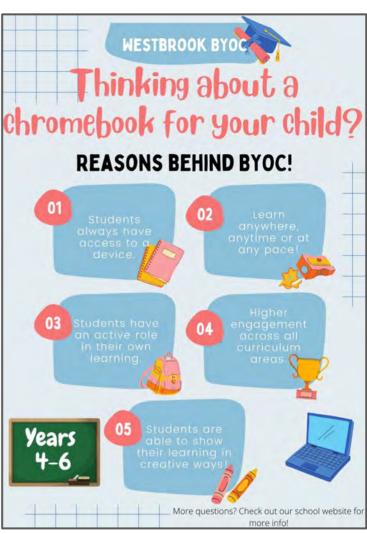
4 pieces of teriyaki chicken or salmon sushi \$5.00 a pack

Small Chicken Katsu or Teriyaki on Rice \$5.00

Large Katsu or Teriyaki on Rice \$7.00

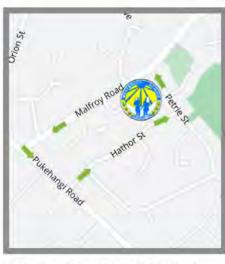
Sushi will be delivered to the classroom with the other lunches.





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.



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