

Westbrook School

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Newsletter

Week 2 Term 2 7 May 2025





Colin's Kōrero



Our children did very well at the Mini Marathon last Friday. We had over 138 students join the thousands from all over Rotorua for this event

Parent-Teacher Interviews: Our interviews were held yesterday and will continue today. Many thanks to the 180 parents who booked for more than 320 interviews over the 2 days. If you missed out on an interview, please contact your child's teacher and arrange for an interview one day after school over the next week or two.

Discos: We have two discos planned for next week. The Junior disco, for our Year 1, 2, and 3 students only (no seniors), is scheduled to begin at 5.30 pm on Wednesday, May 14. This disco ends at 6.30 pm. The Senior disco, for our Year 4, 5, and 6 students, begins at 7 pm and ends at 8 pm. All students need to be delivered to school by an adult and picked up from the hall at the conclusion of each disco. This is for Westbrook School students only - no older siblings please.





Road Safety Week: Next week is national "Road Safety Week." This is a great opportunity for parents and older whānau members to remind children about how to cross roads safely, where and when to cross, and about the dangers of driveways and roadways.



2025 Calendar of Events Term 2

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

Fri 9th May Y6 Pizza Fundraiser

Wed 14th May Y6 Marae Trip

Wed 14th May Junior Disco 5.30pm-6.30pm

Senior Disco 7pm-8pm

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

Fri 16th Mav **FOTS Sausage Sizzle**

Fri 16th May **Pink Shirt Day**

Masterpiece School Photos Tues 20 May Mon 26th May Year 3 Swimming (all week)

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

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

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

Mon 2nd June King's Birthday Thurs 5th June **Jumping June** Tues 10th June Y6 Museum Trip

Thurs 12th June **School Cross Country**

Wed 18th June School Hangi

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

Wear Yellow for Harold Day Fri 13th June

Fri 20th June Matariki

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

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.



Lucky Book Issue 3 Out now Closes Friday 9th May



Pizza Lunch Fundraiser

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

Pizza Lunch on



Friday 9th May

\$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 9th May, directly to the classroom teacher.

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

ALL Orders close Friday 9th May 9am.

Wednesday 14th May

Westbrook School Students



Sausage sizzle, drinks lollies and glo products for sale. Please contact the office if you are able to assist with sales on the night.



FOTS Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser

Friday 16th May



Sausages \$2.00 Juice \$2.00 Water \$2.00
Purchase on <u>Kindo</u> or bring \$\$\$ on the day
Orders close 9am Friday 16th May

Kiwi Competitions (English, Mothematics and Science) Registration and payment due by 3pm on Thursday 8th May



This notice is **for all parents of Year 5 and 6 students** who are interested in participating in the 2025 KIWI English, Maths and Science Competitions. This is an online competition.

The University of Canterbury is delighted to offer the Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science Competitions for Primary, Intermediate and Secondary Schools. The competitions are written by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students and closely align with the New Zealand Curriculum.

Please read the important registration notice, which was shared via Seesaw to all Year 5 and 6 parents. The notice provides more information about the competitions, including the policy regarding test papers.

Kiwi Competition (CAM exams) fees are \$10.00 per subject. The Online Competitions will be held during the last two weeks of Term 2.

Registration and payment via <u>Kindo</u> are open from today and will <u>close at 3pm on Thursday, 8th May</u>.

No late entries will be accepted.

Photo day is coming Tuesday 20 May

Masterpiece photography will be taking our School Photos again this year.
All orders will be placed through Masterpiece and cannot be accepted at school.

Click here to go to Masterpiece



KELLY CLUB BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Kelly Club runs in our school hall for before and after school care.

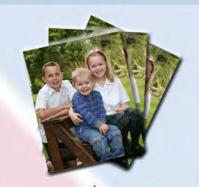
Pop in to see the staff if you would like to find out more or contact them via phone or email to make a booking:

Email: westbrook@kellyclub.co.nz

Phone: 021 079 7737

PHOTO DAY COMING SOON

Individual & Sibling
Portraits
preorder only





Pack 1	Pack 2	Pack 3	Pack 4	Pack 5
1 copy	4 copies	3 copies	1 copy 8x10, 1 copy 5x7,	1 copy 8x10,
8 x 10 inch	6x4 inch	5x7 inch	1 postcard print, 2 x Wallet size photos	2 copies 5x7
\$22	\$24	\$25	\$26	\$27

Please note packs cannot be split across multiple images

Please head to the following website or scan the QR code to order photos.



http://masterpiece.queensberryworkspace.com/wbs25

Individual & sibling portrait pre orders will close at 4.30pm Monday 19th May.

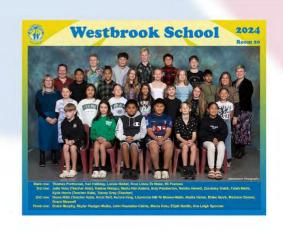
Class photos will remain online to order for the rest of the year.

Ordering with free pick up from the school will close on

Sunday 15th June.

Photo Day Tuesday 20th May





Class Photos: \$17

Pink Shirt Day Friday 16th May



This week is Bullying-Free NZ Week for 2025, ending with Pink Shirt Day on Friday, 16th May across New Zealand. Be prepared for a sea of pink that day at our School Assembly, whether it's a t-shirt, a hair tie, your socks or a tutu! We ask for a gold coin donation that can be paid either to the teacher on that day, or you can donate:

via KINDO - with all proceeds going to

The Mental Health Foundation of NZ.

Kōrero Mai, Kōrero Atu, Mauri Ora

Speak Up, Stand Up, Stand Together, Stop Bullying!

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.







SPORTS NEWS











Taekwondo / Olympic Martial Art

Build awareness, confidence, flexibility, strength, and a respectful mindset through Taekwondo. This incredible martial art is perfect for all ages and helps young individuals

Session 1: Mondays:

Otonga School Hall, Otonga Rd. Rotorua

Time: 6:30 PM - 7:20 PM (Beginners)

Session 2: Fridays:

Westbrook School Hall, Malfroy Rd. Rotorua

& to 8 pm (Adult/colour belts)

Contact for More Information! Email: Taekwondo.Training.m@gmail.com

Text: 02040 797219







Contact: Phone: Email:

Website:

Programme Coordinator

one: 021079 7737

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KELLY CLUB (VENUE) UPDATE

What's been happening...

This week we celebrated our Magnificant Mothers, by making a mothers tree creation, sharing all about our mothers and using our wonderful creative and explorative minds to show them how much we love and appreciate them. We had fun and enjoyed spending time with each other.





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.







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

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.
- 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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Reminder of our New 'Rubbish' policy

From this Term, we will be encouraging children to repack their plastic or paper lunch wrappings, yogurt containers, or cardboard drink containers back into their lunch boxes and take them home.

This encourages more recycling and will limit our school's landfill waste.

We will also have containers for waste food scraps which we will either compost or use to feed our worm farms.

Beginners After school Art Classes with Janet Keen

Enrolling NOW for Term 2,3,4, for 2025
Drawing, Painting, Mosaics.
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 3.30pm to 4.30pm and 4.35pm to 5.35pm

Small classes, friendly, safe, quiet, organic environment.

All Enquiries welcome:
Phone/text 027 351 3887 or email janet@jkeen.net.
374 Clayton Road

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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Email: rotorua@hamillsnz.co.nz

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