

KŌKAKO NEWS

ŌROPI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2023 TERM 4 WEEK 2



Kia ora Whānau

The busiest term of the year is well and truly upon us which began with Calf Club Day preparations. A very big thank you for the huge level of support we had for this day. We had an amazing number of entries and it was a really positive day for the community. Thank you Kylie McHannigan, the PTA, parent helpers, and staff who put everything together. A big thank you to our sponsors noted in the programme. Please support them where possible. We raised a total of over

\$9,000. This funding will support the Fire Pit Project, Scooter Track Project, and new fencing in the Kōkako Garden.

I was made aware of some behavioural issues influenced by unaccompanied children from other schools visiting. We have discussed this as a staff, are working on a few matters, and will be putting plans in place for future Calf Club Days.

The big event we work towards now is our School Production which we are very excited about! Please mark the performance dates in your diaries and get your tickets. It is great to have a focus on the Arts for Term 4 school wide.

Being Term 4, we are now working on 2024 strategic planning, team structures, class teacher placements, and responsibilities. Once this is sorted over the next couple of weeks, we will start the placement process of children.

We will be seeking parent feedback on our Strategic priorities for 2024 in November. A notice will come out in early November explaining where our teachers will be and what year levels they will be teaching in 2024.

Ngā mihi nui

Andrew King
Principal

Board of Trustees

BOT nominations closed at 12 pm on 11th October. Thanks to Justin, Tracey, Peta, and James for their nominations. We have two vacancies to fill.

We will now proceed with the voting phase. Our team is currently preparing the voting papers and profiles. These will be emailed for online voting. In cases where valid email addresses are not available, we will mail these voting papers by Wednesday, 18th October.

The voting will close on at 4pm Wednesday 15th November.

Athletics

Athletics will be held on the following days:

Junior (Kiwi, Pīwakawaka, Kea) Thursday
26th October 11am - 12.40pm

Middle (Tui, Ruru, Te Hōkioi, Te Kōkako Year
4's) Thursday 26th October from 9am.

Senior (Year 5 - 8) Friday 3 November

WILLIAMS, Justin Charles



My name is Justin Williams and I am standing for the Oropi School Board. I have a a six year association with Oropi School to date and have seen our two daughters flourish in this awesome environment with my Son set to join in 2024 as well.

I currently have a Co-Opted roll sitting with the Board and have enjoyed the exposure this has afforded me in this short time. I think my 20years experience in Business and Technical Management roles with a strong background in Health and Safety and people management will complement and support the schools needs. I am highly motivated to use this experience to further enhance and contribute to the best little school in the Bay of Plenty.

MCINTOSH, Tracy



MOE number 1870 Oropi School
My name is Tracy McIntosh and I am standing for the Oropi School board. I live in Ohauti with my husband Eric and our four children, all of whom attended Oropi School. Amelia (Year 7), Kayla (Year 4), Lydia (Year 2), and Alex (Year 1).

I have been a registered midwife for over ten years and have been working at Tauranga Hospital for approximately 7 years. I am working at a leadership level, working on and off as shift coordinator. I preceptor student midwives and new orientating midwives to the hospital. I am also the maternity health and safety representative, and currently an active member of the SAMM (Severe acute maternal morbidity) review committee. During my kid's preschool years, I was heavily involved in a few roles at Greenpark playcentre, mainly property and I got my C3 playcentre training. When the kids began Maungatapu kindergarten, I joined the Kindergarten committee and was the grants officer for four years. I thoroughly enjoyed my time on the Kindergarten committee, supporting the teachers and the wider community. I would like to be able provide the same opportunity by joining the Oropi school Board of Trustees.

TROUGHTON, Peta



If I haven't met you, Hi! My name is Peta (like the boy) and I have 2 kids at Oropi Primary- Toby in year 4 and Juno in year 2. We live in Upper Ohauti on our family farm and live in the house my husband grew up in. Don't worry I have added a dishwasher and insulation. I grew up in Australia on Awabakal land in the Newcastle

region in a place that feels very much like Tauranga. My kids say things like esky and thongs, can laugh like kookaburras and have been taught the art of eating an ice block really fast AND are very proud Kiwis. I have loved slowly learning some Te Reo since moving to NZ over a decade ago- first through Te Wananga and then through Toby and Junos interest. We have so much to learn from our First Nations cultures. I have zero experience on boards. Zip. None. But I do have experience in speaking up, saying the hard things and advocating. I was a High School Chaplain in Australia and loved being part of that community and I valued what our team was able to accomplish for the children we educated. I believe in inclusion, giving things a red hot crack, chocolate, seeing others for the best they can be, wholistic person first approaches, honesty, kindness... and that no-one makes good decisions on an empty stomach.



Kia Ora Koutou
My name is James Price. I was born and raised in the Oropi community and am very grateful to have had the opportunity to attend Oropi school between 1992 and 2000. I have 2 children currently attending the school.

I have a keen passion for Oropi school the community and its further development and performance into the future. I have worked within the sport and exercise field following my studies at Massey University and maintain a love for Health, sport and fitness. Over the last 13 years I have worked for Oranga Tamariki in the youth justice sector which has provided me significant learning opportunities around youth development, management experience and people leadership. I am keen for the opportunity to assist the school in supporting children's learning to help them grow prepare and develop into the future.

Thanks for your consideration.
James

PRICE, James

Garden to Table

A warm welcome back to our Junior and Middle classes to Garden to Table this term. The garden is bursting into life with ideal Spring conditions (warm and showery).

Last week our Piwakawaka tamariki made Broccoli Bites - like a baked meatball but made with finely chopped broccoli florets and stalks - a zingy citrus slaw and Citrus Mini Muffins. This week's hero vegetable for Ruru, Te Hōkioi and Tui is cabbage as they make Baked Cabbage Patties with a Herb and Garlic Sauce and our popular Citrus muffins again. We are dazzled by the adventurous eaters this term - we had so many completely clean plates, kids clamouring for seconds of cabbage and broccoli and almost no waste! Ka rawe!

Last week Piwakawaka got our garden shipshape for Calf Club; tidying the beds, picking up the windfall fruit after the holidays and feeding our Spring crops. They picked up so many lemons, there was enough to make a 'lemonsake' with them! They also sowed our first corn - which has already started germinating - more cucumber and planted mesclun lettuce seedlings.

This week Te Hōkioi sowed even more corn and pulled out our bolted broccoli plants from last term. Ruru had a busy morning sowing basil seeds - both green and purple varieties although we discovered the seeds look exactly the same in seed form. Tui will be doing some more weeding and feeding on Friday, and we will start planting our summer vegetables - exciting!





Tūi News



Tūi really started term 4 off with a bang 🌟 getting stuck right into all the fun of calf club day!

We spent our play crafting our very own pom pom farm animals. Creating Tūi's very own mini farm equipped with pigs, sheeps, cows, dogs and scarecrows!



We have loved transferring our passions from play into our calf club exhibition and were so proud to share it with our Ōropi community. What a fun and fabulous way to kick off term 4, we can't wait to do it all again next year!



West cluster primary schools Kapa haka Festival



Rā Whakangahau

THURSDAY 16TH OF NOVEMBER 2023

10AM-2PM

PERFORMANCES BY:

GATE PĀ, GREEN PARK, TAUMATA, GREERTON, MERIVALE, ŌROPI, PYES PĀ,
TAURANGA SPECIAL SCHOOL AND GUEST PERFORMANCE BY TE WHĀNAU O TE

MARO HAUHAKE!

HOSTED BY GATE PĀ SCHOOL, PUKEHINAHINA

900 CAMERON ROAD, GATE PĀ TAURANGA



Our Sponsors



Wasn't Calf Club & Pet Day so much fun!

It was great to see so many children taking part, their smiling faces, the animals that stole the show and the community coming together to celebrate.

We are proud to support Oropi School.

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Rōpū Pūwhenua Year 3/4 Athletics Day

Thursday 26th October	9.00am - 10.40am (High Jump, Long Jump, Shot Put, Vortex)
	1.30pm - 2.30pm (Sprints)



Please ensure that students have a sunhat, sunscreen (applied) and appropriate footwear.

RECYCLING WEEK OCT 16-22



16 OCT

Only purchase what is made able to be recycled, reused or repurposed



17 OCT

Say no to waste! The best waste strategy is to phase waste out



18 OCT

Avoid single-use waste by opting for long lasting reusables



19 OCT

Ensure all recyclables are adequately cleaned before disposal



20 OCT

Reflect on learnings and make a commitment to minimise waste

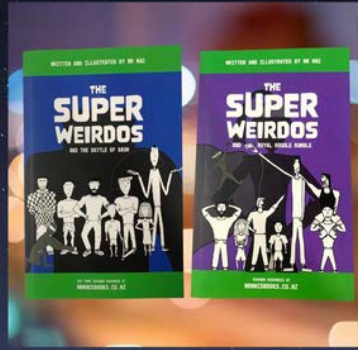


21/22 OCT

Identify all that can be reused, repaired, recovered or repurposed around the house.

MR MAC'S BOOKS

Grab the brilliant Super Weirdos books from Mr Mac! Help your kids find their love of literacy through these hilarious books as they follow Norm and Ruby journeying through space and time to understand the Alien Secrets to success! Perfect for kids aged 7-13



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In the new installment of The Super Weirdos series, Norm and Ruby grapple with the hardest challenge yet, Deathbeard! Norm finds out some incredible news about himself which allows him to learn ALL alien secrets! We have a limited number of books ordered, so grab a copy quick!




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Term 4 Important Dates

Term 4

Week 3

- 23 October Labour Day
- 25 - 27 October Food for Thought
- 25 October Tall Poppies Athletics
- 26 October Middle Team Athletics
- 26 October Junior Team Athletics 11am - 12.30pm

Week 4

- 30 October Technology @ Taumata Kōrimako Lewis
- 3 November Senior Athletics Year 4 - 8
- 3 November Gumbboot Friday

Week 5

- 7 November West Cluster Athletics
- 7 November BOT Meeting

Week 6

- 16 November Rā Whakangahau

Week 7

- 23 November Tauranga Girls College Orientation Day 9am

Week 8

- 28 - 29 November School Production

Week 9

- 5 - 8 December Year 7 & 8 Camp

Week 10

- 13 December End of Year Prizegiving
- 15 December Last school day 12.30pm

Updated 18 October



我是妹妹! Wǒ shì MÈIMEI!

I am a younger sister!

Pronounced: War Shur may may!

Order online by 9am for delivery Thursday

eZLUNCH MENU

Oropi School / Term 4 2023
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 Tauranga Crossing
 Tauranga 3171
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Free Range Chicken Petita	\$6.00
Free Farmed Ham Petita	\$6.00
Roast Beef Petita	\$6.00
Falafel Petita	\$6.00
Garden Veggie Petita	\$5.50
Marmite Petita	\$5.50
Vegetable Petita	\$5.50
WHOLEMEAL PETITA PITA	
Wholemeal Free Range Chicken Petita	\$6.00
Wholemeal Free Farmed Ham Petita	\$6.00
Wholemeal Roast Beef Petita	\$6.00
Wholemeal Falafel Petita	\$6.00
Wholemeal Garden Veggie Petita	\$5.50
Wholemeal Marmite Petita	\$5.50
Wholemeal Vegetable Petita	\$5.50
GLUTEN FREE PETITA PITA	
GLUTEN FREE Free Range Chicken Petita	\$7.50
GLUTEN FREE Free Farmed Ham Petita	\$7.50
GLUTEN FREE Roast Beef Petita	\$7.50
GLUTEN FREE Pulled Pork Petita	\$7.50
GLUTEN FREE Garden Veggie Petita	\$7.00
PETITA SALAD BOX	
Free Range Chicken Petita Salad Box	\$7.00
Free Farmed Ham Petita Salad Box	\$7.00
Roast Beef Petita Salad Box	\$7.00
Pulled Pork Petita Salad Box	\$7.00
Falafel Petita Salad Box	\$7.00
Garden Veggie Petita Salad Box	\$6.50
SIDES	
Chocolate Chip Cookie	\$2.50
Brownie Chocolate Fudge	\$2.50
Brownie Chocolate Fudge GLUTEN FREE	\$2.80
Pita Chips with Aioli Dipping Sauce (large)	\$3.90
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Health & Safety

PARKING

For the safety of everyone, please cross the road at the road crossing by the bus turning bay. Do not walk across the road on blind corner.

We encourage families to park at the Hall and walk up the path to school. Please use common sense and refrain from parking on the road & across the driveways of our neighbours.

Please do not park in the staff carpark.

CLOSING GATES

To ensure the safety of all children on site, please ensure the gate you enter and exit is securely closed once you pass through.

MORNING DROP OFF

Please consider the time you are dropping your child/ren to school and this is not to be before the first school bus at 8.15am.

SIGN IN AND OUT

In case of an emergency and for our Health and safety reasons we need to know who is on the school grounds. We therefore ask that you use the ipad at the school reception desk to sign in and out if you are staying for longer than ten minutes.

Reasons you need to use the ipad:

- **Child/ren are late. Sign in.**
- Child/ren are leaving school for an appointment or because they are sick during school time. Sign out.
- Parent/friend/family member is helping during school hours or attending a class event. Sign in and out.
- Child/ren returning from an appointment. Sign in.

Accommodation Wanted

Homestay Accommodation Wanted for International Students from China in 2024

3 weeks during February 2023

A weekly allowance of \$330 per child and \$350 per adult is paid to the Host Family all inclusive including meals being provided and transport to & from Ōropi School.

Please email andrew@oropi.school.nz for more information.

