

KŌKAKO NEWS

ŌROPI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 2024 TERM 4 WEEK 4



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With Term 4 well underway, there is a lot of planning and focus going into 2025. As a staff and board we have spent the past week or so discussing and mapping out our strategic priorities. One area of focus to highlight for 2025 will be the school wide Mathematics Curriculum. We have committed to a brilliant Professional Learning Facilitator, Rob Proffitt-White to work with us on the revised Mathematics Curriculum and resources we will be introducing to the school - Numicom and "Maths No Problem".

Soon I will have a draft Strategic Plan, budget and Staffing Overview to share with staff and the board. We will be seeking community feedback on this in the coming weeks before the end of the year. Then throughout 2025, we will schedule parent information sessions about the work we are undertaking.

Confirmation of your child's class teacher for 2025 will go out at the end of this term. Please remember to put in your Calendars our End of Year Prize Giving ceremony and Y8 speeches on Wednesday 4th December.

Classes are currently preparing for the Junior Sports' Day tomorrow and the Senior School Athletics is on November 20th. Our Tall Poppies interschool Year 7&8 Athletics event is November 13th.

Thank you to Rochelle Glover, our Year 7&8 teachers, and parent helpers who supported the Yachting experience for our Year 7&8s on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. A great experience for our senior students.





KŌRIMAKO CLASSES SET SAIL:

Learning, Laughter, and Adventure at Tauranga Harbour

On Tuesday the 5th and Wednesday 6th Kōrimako classes went sailing at Sulphur Point in Tauranga Harbour. The students applied knowledge that was learnt in class and transferred it to nautical skills. A series of rotations were run in the morning which helped our students appreciate the skill of sailing. The experienced staff of the RŪNĀ Yachting Organisation were helpful and quick to offer support.

Despite a capsizing or two all the students were in fine spirits and learnt a lot. The yachts which held an instructor and 3 students at a time provided a wonderful learning experience.

Scavenger hunts with compasses and swims at the beach were also a welcome change from the regular school environment. A recreation of the Americas Cup involving the small optimus yachts was also a big hit with the students.

The day could not have been achieved without the amazing support of parents and caregivers who attended and helped out.



JUMP JAM™



Wishing our amazing Jump Jam team the best of luck as they head off to compete in the North Island Regional Competition at Bethlehem College, this Saturday. The team has been training and practicing very hard, and they're well-prepared in their amazing costumes, looking polished and ready to shine!

A big thank you to the dedicated teachers who have been coaching them – Jordan, Samara, Miss Hackett and Miss Johnson. Go team – we're all cheering for you!



GARDEN TO TABLE

GROW, HARVEST, PREPARE, SHARE

The last 2 weeks were all about planting out our summer vegetable seedlings with Kea, Rūrū, Tūi and Pīwakawaka. We planted out tomatoes, capsicum, chilli, eggplant, pumpkin and courgette. We also planted flowers, like mexican sunflower and ordinary sunflower and zinnias. Last week we also used the wildflower seed bombs that Comvita has kindly sent us. The kids had fun throwing them into various garden beds. Planting flowers in between the veggies does not only look nice but also attracts pollinators and some flowers, like marigolds, can also repel some not so nice insects.

In week 2 the kitchen group whipped up a pasta bake with cauliflower and leek, a slaw with kohlrabi, apples and carrots and orange-chocolate cake. In week 3 Pīwakawaka and

Tūi Dowson enjoyed making a roast vegetable salad, lemonade and a lemon curd crumble cake.

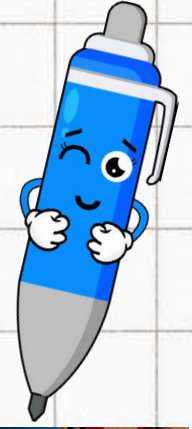


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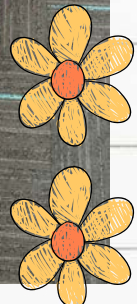
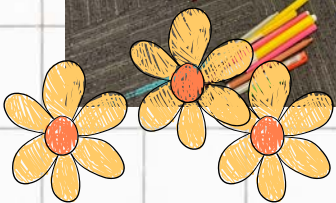


RECYCLED PENS

This year, Ōropi School students have been hard at work collecting used pens, felts, and whiteboard markers to recycle –and the results are amazing! By recycling these items, we’ve prevented 21.4 kg of plastic from ending up in landfills. Did you know used whiteboard markers can take centuries to decompose? Thanks to our students' efforts, we’re making a real difference. All collected writing tools are sent to TerraCycle, where they’re transformed into new, useful products. Join us in making a positive impact by recycling your old pens too!



Ōropi School
Enviro Club



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Week 4	4	5 Year 7/8 RUNA programme	6 Year 7/8 RUNA programme <i>Upton's Music at School</i>	7 <i>Music with Katy</i>	8 Junior /Middle Athletics Day	9	10
	11	12	13 Tall Poppies Athletics <i>Upton's Music at School</i>	14 Tech Mr Lee <i>Music with Katy</i>	15 →	16	17
Week 5	18 Tech Mr Lee	19 <i>Kapa Haka</i>	20 Senior Athletics <i>Upton's Music at School</i>	21 Marimba Festival	22 Senior Athletics Postponement <i>Music with Katy</i>	23	24
	25	26 West Cluster Athletics <i>Kapa Haka</i>	27 <i>Upton's Music at School</i>	28 Tauranga Intermediate, TGC, TBC Orientation Morning	29 Mr Lewis Tech <i>Music with Katy</i>	30	1
Week 6	2 West Cluster Hui - Pyes Pa School	3 Reports and Class Placements Sent Out <i>Kapa Haka</i>	4 End of Year Prize Giving Year 8 Speeches Year 8 Dinner	5 Meet the Teacher - 2025 /New Entrants visit	6 Junior School Trip <i>Music with Katy</i>	7	8
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TERM 2: Number of weeks - 10 **Term start and end dates:** Starts Monday 14 October - Friday 13th December

Public holidays: Labour Day – Monday 28 October **School holiday Start:** Saturday 14th December.



The start dates are as follows:

- Football Waipuna - Wednesday 30th October*
- Volleyball - Friday 1st November*
- Football Blue Rovers - Monday 4th November*
- Basketball - Monday 4th November*
- Rippa Rugby - Thursday 7th November*

Term 4 Sports Off to a Great Start!

Our students had a fantastic start to Term 4 sports! Despite a downpour at Waipuna Park, there was a great turnout for football, with the kids playing exceptionally well. We saw impressive sportsmanship, some fantastic footwork, and plenty of goals scored.

The Ōropi Spikers Year 7/8 team also had a strong start, winning their first game against the TIS Smashers on Friday night with a score of 80-60, showcasing excellent teamwork. Well done to all our players!



Be sure to check the Hero app for team draws and game times, and maintain communication with teammates and parent groups.

Canoe Slalom



Looking for a Summer Sport for your child? Maybe a new sport to try out?

JUNIOR SOFTBALL SEASON IS RESTARTING ON THE 2ND OF NOVEMBER

All games are played at Carlton Reserve at the same time every Saturday morning:
Under 8's T Ball - 9am
Under 13's Softball - 10am

All children play free! All equipment can be provided!

Check out our website for more information:
<https://www.softballwbop.org.nz/>

NOT SURE IF SOFTBALL IS THE RIGHT CHOICE? JOIN US ON OUR LAST HAVE A GO DAY!

SUNDAY 20TH OCTOBER, 10AM TO 12PM
CARLTON RESERVE, NGATAI ROAD, OTUMOETA

Any questions?
Contact Paul (WBOPSA President) on:
play@softballwbop.org.nz
021 943 338



9th Nov.

At 1.00 and 2.30pm

Waimarino

Ages 9-13 years

Luuka Jones is coming too.

Our 5 time Olympian will be there to help you out.

Great opportunity to try a fantastic sport!

Contact: Coach Irene
0220700817

Register here
or use the link



<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/290566>

Have a
Go

HOCKEY WITHOUT LIMITS 2024



TAURANGA HOCKEY ASSOCIATION IS DELIGHTED TO RUN THIS INCLUSION PROGRAMME FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH PHYSICAL AND INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES. THE PROGRAMME IS FOR PRIMARY, INTERMEDIATE AND HIGH SCHOOL AGED STUDENTS.

Programme Dates & Times:

Tuesday 12 November: 11.00am - 12.00pm

Tuesday 19 November: 11.00am - 12.00pm

Tuesday 26 November: 11.00am - 12.00pm

Tuesday 3 December: 11.00am - 12.00pm



The Tauranga Hockey Centre has access for wheelchairs.

The Programme will be delivered over 4 weeks, with sessions 1 hour each. The sessions will involve a variety of generic and hockey specific fun games and activities that encourage hand-eye coordination, fundamental movement, and agility.

If you have any questions or queries, please contact:
Community Engagement & Participation Lead:
Ruth Tuiraviravi
(e) community@tgahockey.co.nz



REGISTER NOW

The 2025 Ōropi School Teacher Lineup



Year 0/1 Sarah Weston

TEAM LEADER

Year 0/1 Anna Mulder

Year 1&2 Amy Harrison

Year 1&2 Catriona MacFarlane

Year 1&2 Jess Hackett

Year 3&4 Nick Dowson

TEAM LEADER

Year 3&4 Jordan Williams

Year 3&4 Trista Carter

Year 3&4 New Appointment, Sarah Kruger

Year 5&6 Alaina Parkinson

TEAM LEADER, fully released from classroom

Year 5&6 Luke Cowman

Year 5&6 Jenny Tappenden

Year 5&6 Ollie Lee

Year 7&8, Robert Lewis

TEAM LEADER, TEACHING DP

Year 7&8, Demelza Pendergrast

Non classroom full time teachers

Tanya Bengé - specialist programmes & classroom release

Ayn Harris - fully released Deputy Principal

Andrew King - fully released Principal

NUTS & BOLTS 2024

ADMINISTRATION

Office hours at 8.30am to 3.30pm

Email: office@oropi.school.nz

Phone: (07) 543 1479

ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school, please notify by HERO, email or phone to the school office

by 9.00am on the morning of the absence.

School office: (07) 543 1479

BUS

If you are collecting your child from school, you must **notify the office before 2pm** to allow enough time for us to update bus lists. Failure to communicate this often slows down the release of buses in the afternoon.

SIGN IN AND OUT

In case of an emergency, and for health and safety reasons, we need to know who is on the school grounds. Please report to the office if you are picking up your child early, arriving late, or if they have been at an appointment and have returned to school.

UNIFORM ITEMS

We have uniform items that are available to purchase through our school office.

Sun hat \$20.00

Polo shirt \$35.00

Hoody \$65.00

Jacket \$60.00

COOLER WEATHER

Entering cooler months brings a shift in weather, which often means unpredictable conditions. As temperatures drop, it's essential to prepare your children for potential changes in the climate. One practical step is ensuring they have a spare change of clothes readily available. Whether it's unexpected rain showers, muddy playgrounds, or simply the chill in the air, having spare clothes on hand can keep your children comfortable and protected throughout the day.

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 across the driveways of our neighbours.

Please do not park in the staff car park.



St George's Centrepoint Opportunity Shop - Greerton

Physical Address
184 Chadwick Road
Greerton, Tauranga

Mon 9.30pm - 3.30pm
Tue - Fri 9am - 3.30pm

A Special Thank You to St George's Centrepoint

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the management committee of St George's Centrepoint Opportunity Shop in Greerton for their generous donation. This contribution will go directly into our student hardship fund, helping support our students in need. We are grateful for their ongoing support of our school community.



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Tauranga 3171
07-543 0547

PLAIN PETITA PITA

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
Vegemite 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 Vegemite 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

DRINKS

Cool Ridge Water 750ml	\$4.00
Charlies 200ml Tropical Juice	\$2.00
Charlies 200ml Blackcurrant Juice	\$2.00
Charlies 200ml Apple and Orange Juice	\$2.00

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