Read at home with your child DAILY please!

BROADLANDS SCHOOL



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'The Broadlands Bulletin'

<u>Term 1</u>



Week 1 - Monday 3 - 7 January 2025



Key Dates Term 1 2025

Wednesday 12 February to Thursday 13 February - Life Education Tuesday 18 February - Duathlon / Triathlon (details below)
Wednesday 26 February - Senior - Water Skills & Swimming Sports (details to follow)
Thursday 27 February - Junior - Water Skills & Swimming Sports (details to follow)
Thursday 27 February - BOT Meeting #1 - 6.00pm
Friday 28 February - Ngāti Tahu - Ngāti Whaoa Te Toke Marae Trip - All Year 5 & 6
Monday 3 March - Fire Drill
Tuesday 4 March - Reporoa Valley Cluster Swimming (details to follow)
Wednesday 5 March to Friday 7 March - Year 5 / 6 Papamoa Camp (details to follow) Friday 14 March - Ngāti Tahu Ngāti Whaoa Ohaki Marae Trip - Year 3 / 4 Monday 24 March - <u>Earthquake drill</u>
Friday 28 March - Ngati Tahu Ngati Whaoa Waimahana Marae Trip - Rooms 4 & 5 Monday 31 March to Wednesday 2 April - Learner Conferences (details to follow)
Wednesday 2 April - CBOP Swimming (details to follow)
Thursday 3 April - BOT Meeting #2 - 6.00pm
Wednesday 9 April - Cluster Tabloid Sports #1
Friday 11 April - Book Character Day/Costumes
Friday 11 April - Last Day of Term 1
Monday 28 April - Term 2 begins



From the Desk of the Tumuaki - Ngā mihi nui, ki a koutou



<u>2025 Start</u>

WELCOME BACK! We have made an a**MAZ**ing start to the year with so much positivity in the air! These five got lost in the maze...but luckily were found safe and well!



Thank you so much for preparing your children so well from home!



and **Becky Flannery** (gardener) for making the school look so wonderfully presented for Monday's start.



This week we welcomed **Mrs Robyn Koorey** and **Mrs Maria Fitzgerald** back to Broadlands School who will co-teach for three days' / week (Monday - Wednesday) and two days respectively (Thursday - Friday).

Mrs Wilson's permanent replacement is currently being advertised for Term 2.

On **Wednesday 19 February**, **Miss Emma Cordell** will rejoin the staff for one day/week teaching literacy/writing with small groups of students whose learning we are prioritising.

Specialist Teachers 2025

Mrs Karla Shaw (STEAM/Digital Technologies) and **Sally-Ann Davies** (Visual Art) will again be providing our specialist classroom release for all classroom teachers.

Mrs Lucy Kuchlein will be returning to provide additional fortnightly teacher release in Rooms 2 & 3. As a Science specialist, Lucy will be using the **House of Science** resource kits which Broadlands School subscribes to.

Assemblies

We have two assemblies in the Learning Centre each week as follows:

Monday at 9.00am (meet/greet/reminders/admin-based) *Friday at 2.20pm* (student-lead by Heads of Houses/virtues/certificates/birthdays/class

items)

You are very welcome to attend one or both assemblies.



Classes / Staffing 2025

NE / YEAR 1 - Mrs Robyn Koorey & Maria Fitzgerald (Term 1) robyn@broadlands.school.nz / maria@broadlands.school.nz YEAR 1/2 - Mrs Kylie Parkes kylie@broadlands.school.nz YEAR 2/3 - Mrs Traleenah Bentley (Term 1) traleenah@broadlands.school.nz YEAR 4/5 - Mrs Debra Lynch debra@broadlands.school.nz YEAR 5/6 - Miss Felicity Cook / Whaea Felicity felicity@broadlands.school.nz Whaea Kasey - Office Manager



Just as a reminder and for new parents/caregiver & whanau, Seesaw is our learning sharing app which is important that you are all connected to; initially through a QR code made available through your child's teacher.



Broadlands School uses Seesaw to:

- share learning experiences with families,
- involve parents in your child's learning,
- allow the children to have a range of experience in sharing their work,
- report your child's learning achievements.

We asked our children what they like about Seesaw and they said:

- "So my family can see what I'm doing so they know I'm learning new things at school."
- "That you can send your work, that your mum and dad can look at it on their phone. Sometimes they don't see my work and I want them to."

Having parents involved in a child's learning can help in:

- more effort being put in at school,
- better behaviour in the classroom,
- higher motivation to do well,
- a better belief in themselves,
- higher school attendance.
- \Rightarrow Ask your child to show you what they have posted on Seesaw.
- \Rightarrow If you can, leave a comment on their work you can speak a comment by pressing:



⇒ If you are not connected to Seesaw or are not sure how to use it, please let your teacher know so they can help.

We are pleased to be starting with a roll of **114**, having lost only 7 Year 6's at the end of 2024 from a finishing roll of 113. A strong school roll ensures that our current staffing and

funding levels can be responsibly maintained into the foreseeable future.

This week we welcomed **Marley** (Y3), **Hohepa** (Y1), **Charlie** (Y0), **Cai** (Y1), **Jasmine** (Y0) **Briar** (Y0) and **Leon** (Y1).



Term Dates 2025

- Term 1: Monday 3 February Friday 11 April (98 half-days)
- Term 2: Monday 28 April Friday 27 June (86)
- Term 3: Monday 14 July Friday 19 September (100)
- Term 4: Monday 6 October Tuesday 16 December (102)

These dates meet the Ministry of Education's requirements for primary schools to be open for instruction for **386** x half-days in 2025.

Note: There will be TWO MInistry-approved Teacher Only Days during the year at which time the school will be closed. You will be advised of these well in advance next year.



Swimming Lessons

Swimming has started for all classes now. Swimming togs/towel are required every day. Please keep these aired out/dry as far as possible so that they do not remain in bags 'growing'! We will do our bit at school too.

OPTING OUT OF SWIMMING IS NOT AN OPTION, SO PLEASE HAVE THIS WELL-ORGANISED FROM HOME EACH DAY.

FYI, the swimming pool is currently heated to 26.5 degrees!



Te Puna Ahu Reo Marae Visits - Term 1 2025

Alongside **Felicity Nepia**, **Amanda Forrest** and kaumatua from the **Ngāti Tahu-Ngāti Whaoa Runanga Trust**, all of our classes will be involved in three two-hour marae experiences at Te Toke, Ohaki and Waimahana marae (see Forthcoming Events above).

During these visits, we will informally learn about the pohiri (welcome) and listen to korero (local iwi stories). Details of a Kahui Ako/Cluster Matariki production will be shared which is planned for Term 2 around the time of Matariki.

Details will follow, but the first marae visit will be held on the morning of Friday 28 February at Te Toke Marae.



For those students taking piano lessons this year, lessons will begin on **Thursday 13 February**. If you are interested in piano tutoring for your child, please contact **Jessica Parker** on: <u>jppianoteaching@gmail.com</u>.

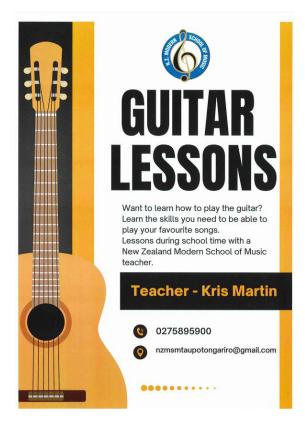


<u>Guitar Lessons</u>

Guitar lessons with **Mr Kris Martin** will begin on **Tuesday 18 February.** These will be held in the Learning Centre in a small group situation for 30 minutes each. The cost will be \$15.00/week/lesson.

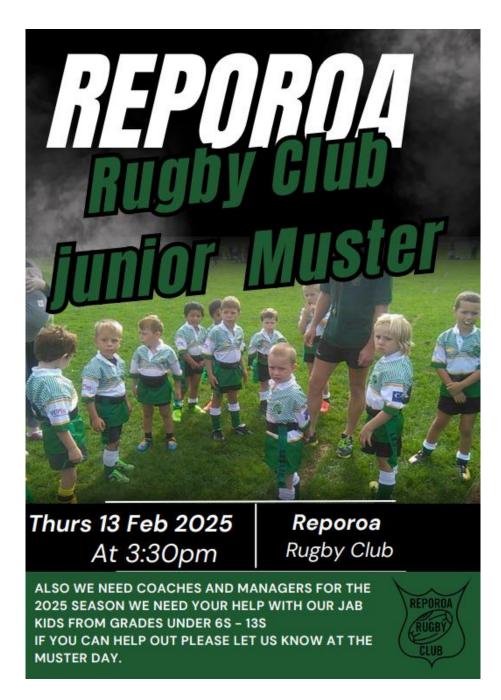
Please confirm with Kasey/Office by **Friday 14 February** otherwise your child is unable to be involved (we need your consent). Kris will invoice you directly through email, not Broadlands School, so your contract is with him.

If you have any questions, Kris can be contacted on: <u>theguitarguynz@outlook.com</u> OR below contact.



Healthy Active students enjoying the PTA water slide on the last day of 2023. Thank you to the PTA for organising this.









Nau mai ki te tākaro

MINI HOCKEY

- Years 2, 3 & 4 .
- 10 week competition beginning Friday 9th of May & concludes Friday 8th of August .
- Weekly games played between 3:30pm 4:34pm
- Cost is \$70 per player .

MAXI HOCKEY

Players each need a hockey stick, shin pads, sneakers & mouth guard

- Years 5 & 6 .
- 12 week competition beginning Friday 9th of May & concludes Friday the 22nd of August
- Weekly games played between 4:45pm 8:00pm .
- Cost is \$90 per player •

INTERMEDIATE HOCKEY

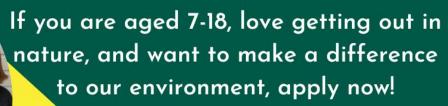
- Year 7 & 8 •
- 14 week competition beginning Wednesday 7th May & concludes Wednesday 20th of August .
- Weekly games played between 3:45pm - 7:15pm
- Cost is \$110 per player .





Join the Kids Greening Taypō 2025 Team!





New programme for high school students this year!

See 'Greening News' on our website for more information.

Applications close 14th February

www.kidsgreeningtaupo.org.nz/greening-news

Ngā manaakitanga ki a koutou

REAT LAKE TAUPO

COUNCIL

Graeme

PLEASE SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT US!

