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Principal Report

Term 3 2026
Week 7

Welcome Back!

It's wonderful to see all the smiling faces returning! This week, we also welcomed seven new students. We wish you all a fantastic journey here at Lake Rerewhakaaitu School. I am deeply grateful to our staff for their unwavering support while I was away, and we are all eagerly looking forward to welcoming Mr. Whalley back next week!

Today, we farewell Matua Noshan, who has been with us for Terms 1 and 2. We wish him all the best in his future endeavours! We hope you enjoyed your time here at Lake Rerewhakaaitu.

A Reminder About Our School Value: **RESPECT**

Respect for ourselves, one another, and our school is our core value. When we embody this principle, our community and the world become a better place. A great way to foster respect is through ongoing discussions and by modelling respectful behaviour. We can ask ourselves: What does respect look like, feel like, and sound like? *Together We Grow.*

At the end of last term, our students participated in some exciting sporting events. Congratulations to;
Our BOP Cross Country representatives:

8yrs girls: Lucy finished in 29th place

8yrs boys: Finn came in 12th, while Rocco took 48th

10yrs boys: Taituha finished at 36th

It was a challenging competition, but everyone gave their best effort! We are incredibly proud of each and every one of you.



Also to our Lake Rerewhakaaitu students, and past students, who proudly represented their teams at this year's Tai Mitchell Tournament.

Current students; Hohepa and Nikau were selected to represent Galatea, while Hine proudly represented the Rotorua Gold Girls team. We were also thrilled to see former students continuing their rugby journey, with Blair, Jonty, Noah and Ryan representing Galatea, and Hemi representing the Rotorua Gold team.

Being selected for Tai Mitchell is a significant achievement, recognising not only rugby ability but also commitment, teamwork, and character. We are incredibly proud of all these young athletes for representing their whānau, schools, clubs, and our community with pride. Ka pai also to those who also support them to make their dreams come true.

We have a variety of free Period products available for ākonga to use at school and at home. Students can take as many as they need for their full cycle and ongoing cycles. These are in the sickbay, staff toilet or contact Carla in the office. For more information check out healthnavigator.org.nz and search "Menstruation"

To the children and staff at Lake Rerewhakaaitu School. Thank you very much for the lovely basket of goodies and card. I appreciate your thoughts.

I have enjoyed driving you all to and from school and also trips away here and there.

I have driven at least 3 generations of families in my driving career.

To all those families, thanks for your endless respect, patience and kindness.

Thanks again,
Ian Cave



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Office Hours

Monday: 9.00am - 3.00pm
Tuesday: 9.00am - 3.00pm
Thursday: 9.00am - 12.30pm
Friday: 9.00am - 3.00pm

Important dates

July

Tue 28 PTA Meeting 7pm
Wed 29 Board Meeting 7pm
Fri 31 Phonebook cutoff

August

3 - 5 Rākau Camp
Mon 10 Science Roadshow
Wed 26 Tough Guy & Gal
Fri 28 Daffodil Day fundraiser

September

Wed 9 Board Meeting 7pm
Thu 10 LRS Speeches
Tue 15 Cluster Speeches
Wed 23 Cluster Winter Sports
Fri 25 Whanau Dance Performance, Term 3 Ends

October

Mon 12 Term 4 Starts
Sat 17 LRS Pet Day
Fri 23 Group Day @ Waikite Valley
Mon 26 Labour Day STAT

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Kia ora koutou,

Dancing Around the World in Term 3!

Ready, set, move! Term 3 is shaping up to be an active and colourful term.

In Performing Arts, we're exploring dance traditions from around the globe. The children will learn how different cultures use music and movement to celebrate, tell stories, and bring people together. To complement our dancing, our topic on the human body will show students just how amazing their bodies are—connecting the dots between the muscles that help us dance, the bones that keep us standing tall, and the hearts that power it all!

Kia pai tō rā,
Tupu Class

TUPU

CLASS
Snippets

We have had a fantastic start to the new term, and it has been wonderful to see everyone return with positive attitudes, smiling faces, and a willingness to learn. We are also excited to welcome 3 new students to our classroom this term. They have settled in quickly and are already gelling well with their classmates, making new friendships and becoming valued members of our class community. The classroom has been full of energy, enthusiasm, and excitement as students reconnect with friends and teachers after the break. It has been pleasing to see everyone settling in so smoothly and approaching each day with confidence and a positive mindset. Students have been participating enthusiastically in classroom activities and making the most of every opportunity to contribute and learn. We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead, with plenty of engaging experiences, special events, and opportunities for personal growth. students.

RAKAU



🐶🐱🐰 You can start to choose your pets for Pet Day!

It's that exciting time of year again—Pet Day is just around the corner! Children are already buzzing with enthusiasm as they prepare to choose and raise their special pets.



17 Our School Pet Day:
Saturday, 17th October

📍 Group Day:
Friday, 23rd October @ Waikite Valley School

For those interested in raising a lamb or calf, please note that these animals must be born between 20th July and 25th September 2026 to be eligible.

To help your child get started, check out the helpful Rearing Booklets available on our website:

🔗 <https://www.lakerere.school.nz/publications>



Kia ora whānau,

We have an exciting term ahead in Mahuri! In literacy, students will be developing their speech writing and presentation skills, learning how to organise their ideas and speak confidently in front of an audience. Our inquiry and arts learning will focus on dance, where we will explore how different cultures celebrate, tell stories, and connect with others through movement. Students will have opportunities to learn about dances from around the world and create their own dance sequences.

In mathematics, we will be building our understanding of fractions through hands-on activities and problem-solving tasks. Later in the term, students will enjoy taking part in Winter Sports in Reporoa, where they will have the chance to demonstrate teamwork, perseverance, and good sportsmanship.

We also have some special events to look forward to, including the Science Roadshow and Daffodil Day, where students are encouraged to dress in yellow to show their support. It promises to be a busy and enjoyable term filled with new learning opportunities and memorable experiences.

Ngā mihi,
Whaea Kylie

MAHURI

Hi everyone,

This looks like a fantastic opportunity for young athletes. Current New Zealand Warriors players Leka Halasima and Jacob Laban will be sharing what they've learned on their journey from junior rugby league to the NRL and answering students' questions live. Because they're still early in their professional careers, the advice they share is especially relevant for young people chasing their own sporting goals.

17 Wednesday 5 August
🕒 Join from 6:15 pm (tech check)
🗣️ Live Q&A 6:30–7:30 pm
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What tamariki need most

in the first weeks back

The start of a new term can bring a mix of excitement and nerves. For many tamariki, the biggest question they're carrying is:

Where do I fit?

Feeling like we belong helps tamariki feel confident, resilient and ready to learn.



Before they leave for school, try reminding them:

- "I'm looking forward to hearing about your day."
- "I'm on your team."
- "If today feels hard, we'll work it out together."



When they come home, try asking:

- Who did you enjoy spending time with today?
- Did anyone make you laugh?
- Was there a moment you felt really included?
- Did you notice someone who looked like they needed a friend?



A new term doesn't need to start perfectly, but a great term **starts with connection.**



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All tamariki leave home carrying an invisible backpack.

We can't always take away the worries inside it, but we can make sure they also carry certainty that there is someone **on their team.**

Opus Orchestra, the professional orchestra for the Waikato and Bay of Plenty, warmly invites you to join us on a journey of musical discovery and experience the music of Ludwig van Beethoven – one of the most beloved composers of all time – in a completely new way. Perfect for curious young minds – and student tickets are only \$10!

BEETHOVEN UNWRAPPED

WHERE: St. Johns Presbyterian Church, Victoria Street

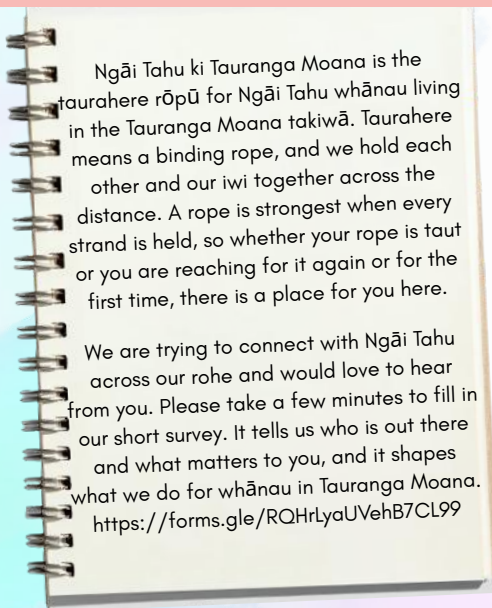
WHEN: Saturday, 25 July, 3:00pm

TICKETS: Please click here (Adult \$40, Seniors \$35, Students \$10, Family \$90) (Fees apply) We also have very limited "Inside the Orchestra" seats, which allow patrons to sit amongst the players on stage during the performance – a totally unique experience! Strictly limited at \$200.00 each

Door sales subject to availability

In a new concept developed by Opus Orchestra in 2025, Michael and the orchestra will "unwrap" the music in the first half of the concert—bringing out key themes, rhythms, and harmonies, and sharing insights into Beethoven's ideas and emotions through the music itself. This is not a lecture, but an invitation: an open, playful, and informal way to get closer to Beethoven's genius. After a break with the chance to chat to the musicians over a drink, the orchestra returns to perform the entire symphony in full. With new understanding and familiarity, the second half becomes an unforgettable listening experience.

Whether you're stepping into an orchestral concert for the very first time or you're a lifelong Beethoven fan, Beethoven Unwrapped! is designed to welcome everyone. We hope to see many students in the audience on Saturday!



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- Strong attention to detail.
- The ability to follow instructions and learn quickly.
- Strong communication and customer service skills.
- Experience working with people from diverse backgrounds.
- Good planning and organisational skills.
- Confidence using technology.
- The ability to remain calm and professional in busy environments.
- Experience using Microsoft Office (required for some roles).

He aha e whai ake nei | What's next?

To see a list of roles available refer to <https://work.elections.nz/work-at-general-elections>.

Get your application in now, some roles start as early as July. All roles include compulsory paid training, and you do not need a CV to apply.

To apply for this role, click 'apply'. You will need an email address to register on our careers site.

If you have been referred by someone, please ensure you include this in your application.

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So if you'd like to share a struggle, celebrate a success, raise a concern, or simply have a cuppa and chat with other parents and carers in your area, you are always welcome at our Parent Support Group. Drop in for as long or as short a time as you want.

Upcoming dates:

Every 2nd Thursday of the month during school term only
Thu 13th August
Thu 10th September
Thu 12th November
Thu 10th December

Venue

The Rusty Bros Bar and Cafe
1263 Amohia Street
Rotorua 3010

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Event contact

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