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Broadlands School



Term 4 - Week 2 Monday 13 October - Friday 17 October 2025

Key Dates - Mark your calendar!



Week 3: Tuesday 21 October - Calf and Pet Day (details below)

Week 3: Thursday 23 October - Informal notification of NZEI Strike Action (see below)

🐄 Week 3: Friday 24 October - Group Day (for place-getters from Calf & Pet Day)

• Week 4: Monday 27 October - NO SCHOOL - Labour Day

- ♠ Week 4: Tuesday 28 October NO SCHOOL Teacher-Only Day
- Week 4: Friday 31 October Go Bananaz Camp for 8+ years (email has been sent out)
 - week 5: Thursday 6 November Board of Trustees (BoT) meeting #7, 6.00pm
 - Week 5: Friday 7 November Flower Show (details to come)
 - Week 6: Monday 10 November Book Fair Week (details to come)
 - week 6: Tuesday 11 November Class Photo Day (details to come)
 - Week 6: Wednesday 12 November Athletics Day (details to come)
 - Week 6: Friday 14 November Grandparents (& Special Friends) Day Note date change!
 - Week 7: Wednesday 19 November Cluster Athletics Day (details to come)
 - Week 7: Friday 21 November Room 2 'Biking for Wellbeing' biking trip to the Redwoods
 - week 8: Wednesday 26 November Central Bay of Plenty Athletics
 - www Week 9: Thursday 4 December Board of Trustees (BoT) meeting #8, 6.00pm
 - week 10: Thursday 11 December Awards Assembly, 1.45pm
 - week 11: Monday 15 December Prize Giving, Reporoa College Hall, 6.00pm
 - ₩ Week 11: Tuesday 16 December Last day of school for 2025!



Virtue Awards from this week

Monday 13 October - Friday 17 October 2025

Virtuous behaviours are acknowledged and celebrated at our weekly Friday school Assembly.

Respect, Responsibility, Resilience,

Co-operation, Cleanliness, Confidence, Excellence, Reliability, Caring, Honesty,
Perseverance, Creativity, Loyalty, Helpfulness, Courtesy, Tolerance, Friendliness, Courage,
Justice, Self-Discipline, Initiative and Appreciation

Ruma Tahi

Estelle Bullock

For writing an exceptional narrative about Birdy.

Kylah Ohlson

For moving up a reading group.

Skye Foden

For writing a great cinquain poem.

Amelia McDonald

For writing an amazing cinquain poem.

Cohen Forrest

For your enthusiasm and excellence in maths.

Ruma Rua

Laura Clarkin

For excellence in maths using the Number Line Strategy.

Harrison Carston

For self-management getting your narrative completed.

Meadow Foden

For your progress in reading. Keep it up!

Ruma Toru

Eden Gallacher

For excellence. You always strive to complete your work to the best of your ability.

William Carston

For initiative. You are always helping others and doing jobs without being asked.

Lopini Tangitau

For completing all of your assigned Seesaw tasks. Well done!

Niko Nottage

For excellence. You have been working hard on reading and maths this week. Your eagerness and positive attitude towards learning new things is outstanding.

Annalise Purvis

For your constant helpfulness around the classroom and wider school.

Riley Riddle

For your excellence and knowledge around native plants and planting.

Ruma Whā

Carter Axtens

For doing a great job at self-assessing your writing.

Ava'Lee Cooke

For becoming established as a Broadlands School independent learner.

Ruma Rima

Benjamin Carston

For demonstrating wonderful learning and a fantastic effort while mastering algebra.

Viheli Nanayakkara

For your wonderful learning during our algebra lessons.



From the Broadlands Team

Ngā mihi nui, ki a koutou



Pet Day Grocery Raffle - Food donations are gratefully received!

Thank you so much to all those who have donated food items towards our Calf & Pet Day grocery raffle!

Donations of non-perishable food items are still being received by the office up until the end of next week. There is a box in the office fover for this which is filling up very well!



Hats | Pōtae

All students are now expected to wear a **school** sunhat at morning tea and lunchtime.

We have a 'NO Hat - NO Play' policy, so those without a school hat | pōtae, will need to sit under the trees by the office. Please...NO NON-regulation hats | pōtae!

We appreciate that some hats | pōtae are on order through the office, which is fine, as we will allow some exceptions *IF* the order is underway. Thank you!

TAUP®TENNIS

Thank you for the balls Taupo Tennis Club!

A big thank you to Taupo Tennis Club for donating two bags of tennis balls to Broadlands School!!

The Taupo Tennis Club is having a Junior Club Day on Saturday 18 October - see details within the poster down below, beneath 'Community Events'.



Our Open Day

Yesterday we had our Open Day. Our school was open for prospective and current families to walk through our grounds and classrooms, to see what a day at Broadlands School looks like. This was a good opportunity for families who are still undecided about enrollment at a school, to ask questions and see what is on offer at our awesome kura!

Thank you to those who came along and took away an enrolment pack 🤤





Calf & Pet Day - Tuesday 21 October - next week!

Calf & Pet Day is next week! And we have LOTS of animals registered (woohoo!)

Our amazing PTA is busy behind the scenes planning this day.

The Calf & Pet Day is a really fun day for students and families with numerous ways to participate whether you bring along a pet or not.

Our many sponsors will be acknowledged in next week's Bulletin.

Arrival at school is at the normal time being 9.00am for class roll call, then out on to the field. Those who have a calf, lamb or dog which need to be cared for around this time may stay with them.

Place-getters from Pet Day will go on to represent Broadlands School at the **Reporoa Valley Group Day**, which will be held on **Friday 24 October** at **Reporoa Primary**. Further details will be provided to those who will be attending with their lamb, goat kid or calves.

This year's theme for *Creative and Digital Arts* is 'Animals Around the World".

Categories for this are:

- Edible Creations
- Recycled Crafts
- Digital Art
- School Art (created in class).

Students are encouraged to enter a creation into one (or more!) of these categories. Get the *creativity* flowing! (see the poster below which is also in the Office window.)



Strike Action - Thursday 23 October 2025 - Week 3



The 23 October strike keeps on growing

'It's going to be big and it's coming up fast. Only one week to go until more than 40,000 NZEI Te Riu Roa members walk off the job for a historic one-day strike next Thursday, 23 October.

Primary and area school teachers, primary principals, support staff, kaiārahi i te reo, therapists and Ministry of Education specialist staff are all on strike from 7am to 7pm. And we are far from alone. More and more workers across the motu keep joining the strike. Doctors, dentists, nurses and other public sector workers who feel the same way as we do - unvalued and unrecognised by the Government - have joined us. And firefighters will be out in support too.

The upshot? There will be 100,000 of us telling the Government it needs to invest in the basics, like education, health and emergency services.

We're not backing down from our tasks, and we're not going anywhere.'

NZEI





Book Club Book Club Orders - due by Friday 24 October - Week 3

Book Club flyers have gone home with students and you can also see the issue online here.

Orders and payment (cash only) for these are welcomed by the office, to be in by Friday 24 October.





Creative Dance with Miss Lauren from Inclusion Dance

We are so lucky to have **Miss Lauren** from **Inclusion Dance** provide our students with Creative Dance classes each week.

Currently, this class is busy rehearsing dance performances for our Grandparents' and Special Friends' Day.







The next dance term will begin in Week 5 of Term 4.

Classes will be held each Tuesday at 1.00pm over a six week period in the Broadlands Hall or the Learning Centre. Classes are open to all students. An additional class may take place on a Thursday if numbers are higher or if the Tuesday dance class clashes with other activities.

The first class will start Tuesday 4 November 2025.

The cost will be \$5.00/student/week which is a reduced amount as the school is subsidising the cost in the amount of \$1.00/student/week. The amount of **\$30.00** will be invoiced directly to you through the school and payable promptly please.

If you would like to register (or re-register!) your child for these classes, please discuss this with your child and let the Office know by Friday 30 October 2025.

my child has permission to take part in the Term 4 Creative Dance Class.		
Student's Name:	Room:	
Caregiver Name:		
Signature:		





Over these holidays, please ensure your child has their BUS VEST in their bag ready to go for next term. This is to keep them seen and safe.

For those students travelling on a Ritchies bus service, a bus vest **MUST** be worn **TO** and **FROM** school. Please have a routine and expectation sorted at home to ensure students have their vests every day at school.

You may notice some of our students now are wearing a **blue vest** - these are our fantastic **bus monitors** who help to carry out bus duties each day.





Term Dates 2026

The Board of Trustees has approved the following Term Dates for 2026.

- Term 1: Monday 2 February Thursday 2 April (84 half-days)
- Term 2: Monday 20 April Friday 3 July (106)
- Term 3: Monday 20 July Friday 25 September (100)
- Term 4: Monday 12 October Tuesday 15 December (92)

Note that these dates meet the Ministry of Education's requirement for schools to open for instruction for **382** half-days per year. They exclude Public Holidays.

For 2026, the Ministry of Education has also approved an additional two Teacher Only Days for schools to engage in professional learning around the implementation of the new curriculum. You will be advised well in advance when these are. (see official statement below)

Issue 200: Ministry Bulletin 02.09.25.

The Government has approved four curriculum half-days each year in 2026 and 2027 to support staff with planning and professional learning for curriculum and assessment changes. You will not need to make up these half-days, they are officially approved under the Education Regulations: 8(5) and 9(1).



School Communication - Absences

Just a reminder - please ensure you let the Office know of an **absence**, with a reason, by 9:30am.

This can be done by: **Txt**: 021 0291 9131

Email: office@broadlands.school.nz **Phone**: 07 333 8576 extension 1

Or via our website: https://www.broadlands.school.nz/report-an-absence/ If we don't hear from a parent or guardian, this is marked as a truancy.



School Communication - Changes to bus rolls

Please ensure that the Office and your children know how they are getting home/to activities after school, i.e. whether they are on the bus or getting picked up. This prevents confusion and undue stress at the end of the day for both students and the Office. We do not change any bus plans based on what children tell us.

If there are changes to bus plans during the day, please let the Office know by 2:00 pm; i.e.

- if a child is taking a bus different from their usual bus or;
- if they won't be on the bus that day due to getting collected from school.
- If your child is being picked up by another family adult, we MUST have your consent..

You can contact us by:

Txt: 021 0291 9131

Email: office@broadlands.school.nz **Phone**: 07 333 8576 extension 1

This ensures sufficient time to get messages out to students before this very busy time of the day and helps to ensure the bus leaves Broadlands School on time for connecting buses.



Reading to your child, or your child reading to you everyday will make a big difference!

Reading together helps to promote the development of early literacy skills including:



- Knowledge of the alphabet
 - Turning pages
- · Pointing/sweeping of the finger
- Text orientation (left to right)
- Developing word knowledge/vocabulary
- Recognising punctuation and grammatical features
- Phonological awareness- the sounds that letters and letter blends make
 - · Improving comprehension
 - Building independence
 - · Creating social awareness
 - · Developing perceptions and emotions in life.



The quantity and quality of your shared reading experience will impact greatly on your child's reading success!

Children who are readers find other learning easier!



Counselling for Families / Whānau

One of our lovely Broadlands School teachers, Karla Shaw, is currently working towards her Masters in Counselling (Narrative Therapy) through the University of Waikato (see the poster below). As part of her studies, Karla is offering **free counselling conversations** to students and/or families - in a confidential space to talk and share.

These sessions are available on **Thursdays**. Please feel welcome to contact the school Office, in confidence, if you would like more information or would like to book a time with Karla.



KÖRERO **THAT CARES**

These conversations are similar to counselling. They offer a safe, confidential, caring space to talk things through and are for children and families.



CONVERSATIONS

how to be a counsellor. That means she's learning how to listen really carefully and have and families who want to talk.



COUNSELLING

her Master's in Counselling are part of her learning journey and offer a gentle, confidential space for

ANEW **OPPORTUNITY** FOR WHĀNAU

You might want to talk about something that's been on your mind, something that's happened, or just have someone to listen. You can choose what to talk about - or not talk about!



NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO?

This is a free confidential service available on Thursdays in term 3. Children and families can pop in for a chat, or if you need more information talk to Becky or Graeme in the office.



Confidential conversations

If this sounds helpful for you or your child, ask Becky in the office for more information.

More information at the school Office.

Ngā manaakitanga ki a koutou

The Broadlands Crew

Ka kite ano

Graeme, Debra, Felicity, Kylie, Robyn, Maria, Lou, Leanne, Lucy, Karla, Halei, Maureen, Nicci, Emma, Traleenah (on Maternity Leave), Keelan (caretaker) & Becky.



Community Info of Interest



Vet Plus Reporoa Pink Ribbon Walk - Wednesday 29 October

from 5:30pm

The lovely team at Vet Plus Reporoa is once again organising the Reporoa Pink Ribbon Walk. This is a fantastic event to raise funds for the NZ Breast Cancer Foundation.

When: Wednesday 29th October

When: from 5.30p

Where: Reporoa Primary School.

What: Dress up in all of your pinks and pop your walking shoes on.



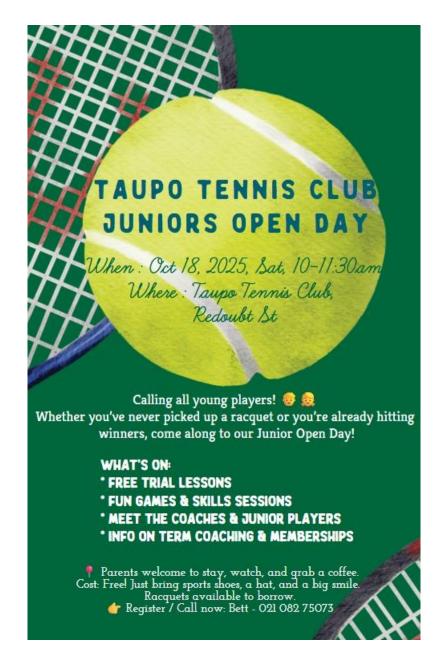




October at 10:00am

The Taupo Tennis Club is having a Junior Club Day. Any enquiries, please contact Brett on 021 08275073.

A big thank you to the Taupo Tennis Club for donating two bags of tennis balls to Broadlands School!



The Lake Taupō Basketball Association (LTBA) is inviting students to participate in their upcoming Basketball Development Programmes for Years 5 & 6 (girls and boys).

These programmes have been designed to provide young players with opportunities to develop their fundamental basketball skills, improve game understanding, and build confidence in a fun, structured environment. Our coaches focus on individual skill development, teamwork, and fostering a positive attitude towards sport and physical activity.

Programme Focus

Participants will:

- Develop core basketball skills (dribbling, shooting, passing, defense)
- Gain a better understanding of game strategy and teamwork
- Build confidence and sportsmanship in a supportive environment

For any further information, please contact:

taupobasketball@gmail.com



LTBA TERM 4, BOYS YEARS 7 & 8

BASKETBALL DEVELOPMENT

DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS WITH US

BOYS

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 22ND - 4:00 PM -5:30 PM WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 29TH - 4:00 PM -5:30 PM WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 5TH - 4:00 PM -5:30 PM WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 19TH - 4:00 PM -5:30 PM WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 26TH - 4:00 PM -5:30 PM WEDNESDAY DCEMBER 28TD - 4:00 PM -5:30 PM WEDNESDAY DCEMBER 38D - 4:00 PM -5:30 PM

PROGRAMME COST: \$60.00 Venue: AC Baths event centre, 26 AC Baths ave, taupo

REGISTER HERE



https://membership.mygameday.app/regoform.cgi?formID=116552

https://www.facebook.com/Taupobasketball Email: taupobasketball@gmail.com



LTBA TERM 4, YEARS 5 & 6

BASKETBALL DEVELOPMENT

DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS WITH US

GIRLS

MONDAY OCTOBER 20TH - 4:00 PM -5:00 PM Monday November 3rd - 4:00 PM -5:00 PM

MONDAY NOVEMBER 10TH - 4:00 PM -5:00 PM Monday November 17Th - 4:00 PM -5:00 PM Monday November 24Th - 4:00 PM -5:00 PM Monday December 1ST - 4:00 PM -5:00 PM BOYS Monday October 20th - 5:00 PM -6:00 PM Monday November 3rd - 5:00 PM -6:00 PM

MONDAY NOVEMBER 10TH - 5:00 PM -6:00 PM Monday November 17TH - 5:00 PM -6:00 PM Monday November 24TH - 5:00 PM -6:00 PM Monday December 1ST - 5:00 PM -6:00 PM

PROGRAMME COST: \$50.00
VENUE: AC BATHS EVENT CENTRE, 26 AC BATHS AVE, TAUPO

REGISTER HERE:



https://membership.mygameday.app/regoform.cgi?formID=115090t

https://www.facebook.com/Taupobasketball Email: taupobasketball@gmail.com



Variety has received \$50,000 of funding for tamariki and rangatahi living in Rotorua.

More information about how caregivers in your community can apply for this funding, is below. Families will need their valid Community Services Card.

Variety - the Children's Charity has received \$50,000 of funding for tamariki and rangatahi in Rotorua!



Our Individual Grants (IG) programme provides one-off funding for something your child needs. The good news is, your child doesn't have to be part of the Kiwi Kid Sponsorship programme to be eligible for an Individual Grant.

An Individual Grant pays for a one-off need such as...

- · Everyday essentials (such as clothing, car seats and shoes)
- School costs (including uniforms, stationery, activity fees, school camps, and school trips)
- · Digital devices for school (for children aged 8 or older)
- Extra-curricular activities (like sports lessons, music lessons, club fees, and uniforms)
- Medical fees (covering doctor's fees, prescriptions, glasses, medical, and mobility costs)
- Beds and bedding (beds, cots, bedding packs)

You can apply for an Individual Grant if you have a **valid Community Services Card** and your **child is aged between 0-18.**

Variety reviews IG applications three times a year, April, August and November.

Round	Open	Close	Decision
One	1 Aug 25	31 Oct 25	30 Nov 25
Two	16 Feb 26	31 Mar 26	30 Apr 26
Three	22 Jun 26	31 Jul 26	31 Aug 26
One	21 Sep 26	31 Oct 26	30 Nov 26



Visit variety.org.nz/get-support/apply-for-ig or scan the QR code above to learn more and apply for an Individual Grant.

















Playcentre Vacancy... still open!

Playcentre Aotearoa are inviting applications from competent administrators interested in supporting their centres to run efficiently and remain compliant.

The Kaimahi is responsible for a range of tasks including the day-to-day administrative tasks of the centre to allow centre whānau to focus on their tamariki, adult education and their community.

Start date: 29 October 2025

Days & hours: This is a permanent position with **10 hrs per week**, two mornings (Monday –

Friday). Contact: vacancies@playcentre.org.nz for a position description.





Kaimahi - Position Description

New Zealand Playcentre Aotearoa Vision/Mission:

Whānau Tupu Ngātahi - Families growing together.

Playcentre is a family organisation where:

- we empower adults and children to play, work, learn and grow together
- we honour Te Tiriti o Waitangi and celebrate people's uniqueness
- we value and affirm parents as the first and best educators of their children so that whānau are strengthened and communities enriched

Purpose of the Position

The role is responsible for completing the day-to-day administrative tasks necessary for the efficient and compliant operation of our centres. This will ensure centre whanau can focus on their tamariki, curriculum planning, strengthening their centre community, and furthering their education.

Please note this position description may change from time to time as reasonably required by Playcentre Aotearoa and you may be required to undertake additional responsibilities for which you are suitably experienced and that you could reasonably be expected to perform.

Based in Centres as specified in Individual Employment Agreement

Reporting

Kaimahi Support Lead

Direct Reports

Nil

Key Relationships

- Playcentre whānau
- Centre Advisor
- Regional Team
- Finance Team
- · Property Team
- Kaihononga Māori
 Education Team

Delegations



"Whanau tupu ngatahi - families growing together"



2025 Funsticks Hockey for Years 1 and 2

Registration is open for Taupo Hockey's Funsticks Hockey for Year 1s and 2s.



6 weeks starting Tuesday 28th October to Tuesday 9th December

Years 1 and 2

3:30-4:30pm

\$45

Register online at www.taupohockey.co.nz





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