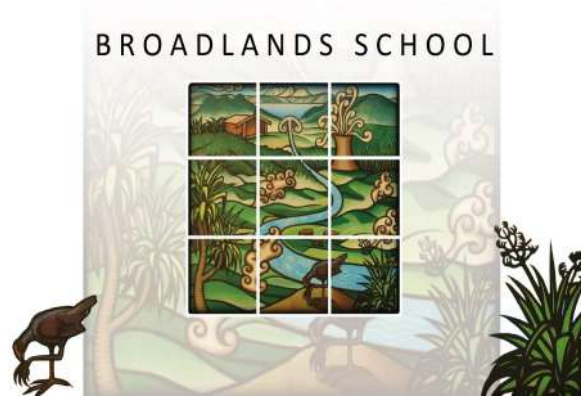


★Easter is just around the corner!
Have a restful weekend everyone★



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'The Broadlands Bulletin'

Term 1 - Week 8

Monday 23 March - Friday 27 March 2026

Key Dates for Term 1 - Mark your calendar!



🐝 Week 9: **Wednesday 1 April** - Sport BOP sports at Reporoa Primary - Years 1-3 / Tabloid Sports Reporoa College - Years 4-6 (details to follow)

🐝 Week 9: **Thursday 2 April** - Book Character Day (details to follow)

🐝 Week 9: **Friday 3 April** - Good Friday **SCHOOL CLOSED**

HOLIDAYS



Virtue Awards

Monday 23 March - Friday 27 March

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 Tahí

Skye Foden

For the excellent job you did when “stretching the sentence”.

Ruma Rua

Aubree Millar

For outstanding progress with your reading.

Evelyn Hay

For outstanding progress with your self-management and focus during learning time.

Ryan Elsworth

For outstanding focus and independence during draft writing and publishing.

Ruma Toru

Bradyn Fitzgerald

Israel Wills

Kruden Wills

Harrison Carston

John Stoddart &

Luke Allan

For barking up the right tree, helping spread the bark around the Junior playground.

Ruma Whā

Teagan Millar

For perseverance in reading. Your confidence in one-to-one reading with Whaea Lou has had a real boost! Keep it up Teagan!

Isabelle Gallardo

For excellence in maths. You have been working hard to learn to count backwards in 1's from 20. Ka Rawe!

Ruma Rima

Mila Hathaway-Dodunski

For reliability. Mrs Parkes can always trust you to do your morning checklist and Busy Bees responsibilities.

Jasmine Beveridge

For reliability. Mrs Parkes can always trust you to do your morning checklist and Busy Bees responsibilities.

From the Broadlands Team

Ngā mihi nui, ki a koutou



Join the PTA!



PTA AGM

On the evening of **Monday 23 March**, the **PTA** held its AGM at Vine Eatery & Bar.

At this time, the following Officers for the coming 12 months were elected:

- * Chairpersons - **Nicci Bullock**
- * Secretary - **Lauren Bell**
- * Treasurer - **Shanae Nottage**

Thank you also to the current outgoing Officers for their dedicated service to the Broadlands School PTA:

- * Chairpersons - **Celeste Wills** (in 2025/26)
- * Secretary - **Nicci Bullock**
- * Treasurer - **Rachael Martelli**

Thank you also to the PTA for the three significant donations they have pledged this year:

* Year 5 & 6 Camp 2026 - **\$2500.00**

* Classroom resources - **\$2500.00** (\$500.00 / class)

* A new PE Shed - **\$20,000.00** (their major fundraising item for 2026)



Senior Year 5 & 6 Camp 2026

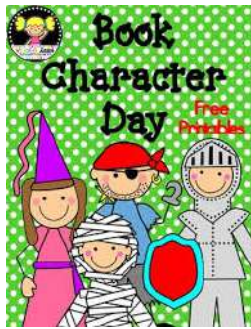
Day 3: White water rafting and mountain biking on the Tongariro River Trail (below)



Thank you to Mr Taylor for all the organising behind the scenes and for participating in the mountain biking on Day 3 and to Kasey Wills, Shanae Nottage, Candice Riddle, Rachael Martelli, Amanda Fitzgerald, Hamish Lee, John Allan, Peni Te'ufou, Brad Snowdon,

Brad Fitzgerald, Rob Cowan, Roger Stoddart, Dale Foden, Kim Wills and Andrew Bell for the support you gave to the students during camp.

Thank you also to **Whaea Felicity and Mrs Lynch** for also attending and running camp over the three days! Very successful adventures for all!



Book Character Day



A few ideas for you for next Thursday!



Broadlands School Website - Updated

On the updated Broadlands School website, www.broadlands.school.nz, can be found the following updated or new documents:

1. **Attendance Management Plan** (a Board-approved and new Ministry of Education-required document)
2. **School Calendar** (showing key dates and annual events)
3. **Broadlands School Charter 2025** (which includes the Annual Implementation Plan, Strategic Plan and Achievement Targets and Target Outcomes from 2025)

WE INVITE YOU TO HAVE A READ OF THESE AND OTHER IMPORTANT DOCS WHILST YOU'RE THERE!



Reporoa Valley Cluster - Tabloid Sports 2026

Kia ora, Broadlands Parents/Caregivers & Whānau,

We have our annual summer Cluster Tabloid Sports coming up with details as follows:

Date:

Wednesday 1 April 2026 (April Fools' Day). NO postponement date.

Venues:

- Reperoa Primary School (Years 1-3)
- Reperoa College (Years 4-6)

Events:

The students in Years 0-3 will be divided into teams to participate in a '**Fun 4 U Day**' run by **Sport BOP**. Teams will be made up of students from four schools within the Reperoa Cluster.

The students in Years 4-6 will be divided into teams to participate in a variety of sports (such as Chicken Run, Tic-Tac-Toe, Last Man Standing, Scatterball, Change Soccer and Cross Over Ball).

Transportation:

Ritchies buses will depart Broadlands School at 9.20am with the first event starting at 10.00am. We will arrive back at Broadlands School by approximately 2.00pm.

Clothing & Equipment:

- ✓ School **CTL** sports top & shorts provided (these **MUST** be returned at the end of the day and **NOT** taken home)
- ✓ Sunhat (black school hat)
- ✓ Warm top (black school thermal/school polar fleece/sports hoodie)
- ✓ Sports shoes
- ✓ Medication (if required. To be held by a teacher or supervising parent)

Food & Drink:

Sufficient food and drink (strictly water **ONLY** please) needs to be provided for morning tea and lunch. Highly sugared food or drinks should **NOT** be brought along OR provided by parents at the event.

Parental Supervision:

Although our groups do move from activity to activity very responsibly, if you are available to supervise a team, your assistance would be greatly appreciated. 😊

If you are able to help supervise a team, please let the school office know or email debra@broadlands.school.nz with your name, child's name and Junior or Senior supervision choice.

We look forward to seeing you there on the day.

Debra Lynch
Health & Physical Education Lead Teacher



Broadlands School Board –

Casual Vacancy for a Parent Representative

A casual vacancy has occurred on the school board for an elected parent representative.

The board has decided to fill the vacancy by selection.

If 10% or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Request for a by-election should be sent to:

Ross Shaw

Presiding Member / Chair

Broadlands School Board

2986 Broadlands Road

RD 1

Reporoa 3081

By: Friday 17 April 2026



Learner Conferences

Just a few to catch up on ASAP next week. *Thank you* for taking the important time to be here with us this week!

Attendance



Late Arrivers - Early Leavers

We understand that there are the occasional and **genuine** reasons for a child being late to school, or picked up early. However, we do ask that this does not become habitual as the start and end of each day are very important for children with their daily routines.

We appreciate your support with this.



School Communication - With Staff

Open three-way communication (teacher/parent/tamariki) is important to us.

The means of communication with Broadlands School are as follows (in no particular order):

1. Phone:

(07) 333 8576 (Landline to reach Office & Principal)

021 0291 9131 (For absences/important messages only)

(027) 291 9171 (Principal - if specifically needed / in urgent situations)

2. Email:

Mr Graeme Taylor - principal@broadlands.school.nz

Ms Felicity Cook / Whaea Felicity - felicity@broadlands.school.nz - Year 5 & 6 | Room 3 -
Ruma Toru

Mrs Debra Lynch - debra@broadlands.school.nz - DP / Year 4 & 5 / Room 2 | Ruma Rua

Miss Tayla Nicholson - tayla@broadlands.school.nz - Year 2 & 3 / Room 1 | Ruma Tahī

Mrs Kylie Parkes - kylie@broadlands.school.nz - Year 1 & 2 / Room 5 | Ruma Rima

Ms Lou Wright / Whaea Lou - lou@broadlands.school.nz - NE & Year 1 / Room 4 | Ruma Whā

Miss Emma Fernandez / Whaea Emma - office@broadlands.school.nz - Office

3. Seesaw - our learning sharing tool. Classroom teachers will have you fully set-up here.

4. Broadlands School website

www.broadlands.school.nz

5. Appointments to see your child's teacher about their learning can be made by **email**, **phone**, **Seesaw** or **in person**. For a quick chat, please just call in (before or after school is best).



Bus Vests

We would have an approximate **95%** compliance rate at the moment which is quite pleasing...just the daily poor excuses, such as...

"I've lost mine!"

OR

"I left it at home!"

OR

"My Mum didn't give it to me"

Bust vests must either **be worn OR** in at **school bag** at school or at home.



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!



School Accounts

Student account statements are sent out around the 20th of each month. Please ensure your child/ren's school account is paid by the due date.

If you know you have an overdue account, please make contact, be it by email or just pop into the office.

We do have a few families who have an automatic payment set up to come out each week. This is a good way to manage payments. The school is happy to talk about a payment plan with you if this would be helpful. Please get in touch with the Office about this.



School Communication - Absences

Just a reminder - please ensure you let the Office know of an **absence** 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 providing a **REASON**, then this is marked as a 'T' - Truant!

Note: It is a legal requirement for a reason to be provided.



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 or

★ 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



Reading at home

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!



Helpful Conversations 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 helpful 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/privately, if you would like more information or would like to book a time with Karla.

KŌRERO THAT CARES HELPFUL CONVERSATIONS

KŌRERO 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.



HELPFUL CONVERSATIONS

Karla Shaw is a teacher at our school and she's also learning how to be a counsellor. That means she's learning how to listen really carefully and have helpful conversations with kids and families who want to talk.



COUNSELLING STUDENT


Karla is currently studying counselling through the University of Waikato and is halfway through her Master's in Counselling (Narrative Therapy). These kōrero are part of her learning journey and offer a gentle, confidential space for tamariki or whānau to talk about what's going on.



A NEW 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.

The Broadlands Crew

Ka kite ano

Graeme, Debra, Felicity, Kylie, Tayla, Lou, Traleenah, Maria, Karla, Sally-Ann, Halei, Maureen, Nicci, Becky (Librarian & gardener) & Emma (Office) .



Community Info. of Interest

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

RIPPA101


Looking for something fun to keep the kids active these **school holidays?**


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- Years 5 & 6
- 13 week competition beginning Friday 1st of May & concludes Friday the 7th of August
- Weekly games played between 4:45pm – 8:00pm
- Cost is \$90 per player

INTERMEDIATE HOCKEY

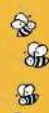
- Year 7 & 8
- 14 week competition beginning Wednesday 29th April & concludes Wednesday 12th of August
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