



Weekly Newsletter

25 February 2015

Ko koe ki tēnā, ko ahau ki tēnei kīwai o te kete
= You at that and I at this handle of the basket (cooperation)

Term 1 - Issue 4

Important Dates

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| Friday 13 February - Friday 27 March | Weekly swimming lessons |
| Thursday 12 March | School Photos |
| Monday 16 March | Teacher Only Day - School closed |
| Thursday 26 March | BOT meeting - 7.00pm in Staffroom |
| Thursday 26 March | Bellevue School Athletics |
| Monday 30 March | Goal Setting Meetings |
| Tuesday 31 March | Goals Setting Meetings |
| Thursday 2 April | Last day of Term 1 |
| 3 - 19 April | Easter and school break |
| Monday 20 April | 9:00am - Term 2 begins |
| Thursday 30 April | Bellevue Cross Country |
| Tuesday 19 May | Northern Zone Cross Country |
| Friday 3 July | Last day for term 2 |

Assembly Dates

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| 4 March | Rooms 10 & 15 |
| 18 March | Rooms 13 & 5 |
| 1 April | Rooms 12 & 1 |



The illiterate of the 21st Century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn, and relearn.
— Alvin Toffler

From The Principal's Desk

Kia ora, Nameste, Talofa, Konnichiwa, Guten Tag, Gidday, Vannakkam, ni Hao, Kia orana, Hola, Salam, Sa wat dee kha, Dia Dhuit, Goeie Dag, Bonjour, Hello, (please let us know the greeting in your language if it is not here)



NZSL

Thank you to all the wonderful picnic helpers and adult attendees at Days Bay. We hope that you enjoyed this fun day together, which was also another 'Education Outside the Classroom' learning opportunity for all our students. Since returning to school there has been some amazing artwork and writing produced as a follow-up to this great day out too. You may have already seen some of this produced by your child/ren.

Special events such as the school picnic are fun days, but are also full of learning prospects for children. Our NZ Curriculum identifies five Key Competencies that people use to live, learn, work and contribute as active members of their communities. These are key to learning in every learning area. They are:-

- ☺ Thinking
- ☺ Using language, symbols and texts
- ☺ Managing self
- ☺ Relating to others
- ☺ Participating and contributing

If you were fortunate enough to join us at the picnic you would have seen evidence of these key competencies demonstrated in the relay activities that were planned and organised so well by our wonderful Year 6 students, also during the free play periods, and at the Sand Castle making time.

Planning events, trips and performers/visitors to school is an integral part of challenging and supporting our students to develop the Key Competencies in wide-ranging and often more complex learning situations. At Bellevue School we are supporting and challenging children to be active, connected learners who are focused on a life of learning. Have a great week.

Ka kite

Karen



Character Education

Honesty (Pono-nga) and **Truthfulness** (Whakaata-pono).

When we demonstrate these values, we accept ourselves and things the way that they are. We show the best of ourselves to others when we practice these values. We can be trusted to keep our word, admit our mistakes, tell the truth kindly and tactfully, and accept ourselves for who we are. Signs of success are:-

Speaking the truth, saying what we mean, investigating the truth, admitting our mistakes, thinking for ourselves, distinguishing between fact and fantasy, knowing there is no need to exaggerate or use untruths to impress others, being true to ourselves and what we know is right. Please continue to talk with your child/ren about the value of honesty/truthfulness; also how it will help them to achieve what is important as life-long learners.

Kupu Hou (new word for the week)

Kete = basket

Pronunciation = keh-teh



Nā te kōtiro te **kete** ātaahua i raranga.
It was the girl who wove the
beautiful *basket*.

Values Heroes

The following students were nominated for Values Awards at Assembly last Friday. We acknowledge the following students for the value of Honesty at school:

Phoenix Carter (Room 1)

Ruby Dawson (Room 2)

Morgan Saunders (Room 3)

Nathan Blumhardt (Room 5)

Levi Good-Turner (Room 6)

Brett Edgecombe (Room 8)

Kahurangi Amaru & Joshua Payne
(Room 9)

Harrison Baker (Room 10)

Munroe Cook (Room 11)

Akira Cook & Tyler Butters (Room 12)

Aria Coleman & Paku Whitehead
(Room 13)

Molly Martin (Room 15)

Swimming 2015

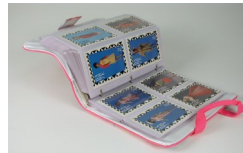
Swimming lessons are on Fridays and continue until Friday 27 March.

Please help your child/ren bring their togs and towel each Friday. If your child does not attend swimming lessons they are taking part in an alternative physical education programme at school.



Collectors Cards

At Bellevue School we actively encourage children to have hobbies and be passionate about their interests. However, we have encountered a number of issues resulting from trading and acquiring others' Pokemon or Countdown Super Animal cards at school. This has impacted on a number of different children's relationships with other students at school; also their learning time as we work through what has happened to much loved cards.



Therefore we are asking children to please leave these at home. If you are agreeable about your child trading these cards, we are very happy for this to occur when parents and families/whānau are able to supervise the 'transactions' **NOT** at school.

Important

Emergency Release Adults:-

Please remember to update your emergency contact numbers with the office and check who you have listed as your Emergency Release Adults should there be the need to use these. We all need to be aware that an emergency could occur at any time, so it is important that each child has release adults who are likely to be close by the school that could collect them, rather than be stranded on the other side of the gorge.

Clothing and Belongings

Please name all your child/ren's clothing items, bag, books and belongings that they bring to school. This means we can return items that may have become separated from their owners, rather than collecting them in a pile. These items are then donated to a charity shop at the end of each term.



Star Writers

On my birthday party I got a microcharger and it came with cars but my Dad had to go to the shop to buy some batteries for the charger. Oh no!

- **Thomas Cooper (Room 6)**

Mr Penguin found rainbow stones in a cave. It was black. He found another penguin in the cave. In the cave he found rainbow stones. The End

- **Levi Good-Turner (Room 6)**

The spider and Miss Muffet made a web house and furniture.

- **Nathan Blumhardt (Room 5)**

School Photos



School photos are being taken on **Thursday 12 March** by Friis Photography

No orders or payment will be taken for Individual or Class photos prior to Photo day.

Prices for Photo packs are as follows:

Premium Pack (A) \$35

Value Pack (B) \$29.50

Single Pack (C) \$28

Portraits Only Pack (D) \$18

Class Only Pack (E) \$13

Please help us....

Safety Message

A special request from the neighbours - please do not park in/over any driveways when you are delivering or collecting your child/ren... even if you are waiting in the car.

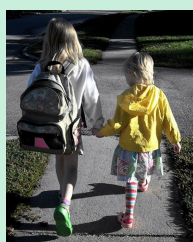
This is forcing students and adults to walk on the road rather than the footpath. This could cause an accident.



Please, please ...

If you are parking outside the Kindergarten to pick up your children from that side of the school, please parallel park on the road alongside the footpath, rather than angle parking across it.

We want all our children and adults in our learning community to keep safe. Please help us to do this by following the road safety rules, and looking out for our tamariki.



All students will have individual and class photos taken and you will receive an order envelope after photo day featuring a proof photo of your child. You are under no obligation to purchase any photos.

Individual and class photos can be paid for online (details for this will be given later) or orders and payment can be brought to school (only once you have received your order envelope after Photo day).

PLEASE DO NOT MAKE ANY PAYMENTS FOR INDIVIDUAL OR CLASS PHOTOS BEFORE YOU GET YOUR PROOF ENVELOPE.

Please give these proof envelopes/orders to your classroom teacher so that they can be written up in the class finance book. The school office does not handle any photo payments or give change. If change is required it will be sent back by Friis Photography with your photo order.

If you would like to order Family/Sibling photos you will need to pick up an order envelope before Photo day from the school office or download a form from www.schoolmemories.co.nz.

Orders and payment for Family/Sibling photos will need to be returned to school (via the classroom) before photo day. Payments for these are to be cash or cheque only and made out to School Memories, not Bellevue School.



Covers for your Child's School Books



Please take a look at the EZ cover web site on **EZCover.co.nz**. These covers are a great way to protect your child's school books, and can be used year after year.

Each cover sold raises 5 -10 cents for our school, as well as keeping your child's books clean and tidy.

NETBALL

Bellevue Netball Season 2015:

Welcome to the 2015 season. All Year 4, 5 & 6 boys and girls who would like to play netball for Bellevue, these dates are important to you!

Pre-season: Wednesday 4 and 11 March 3.15pm – 4.30pm

Trials: Wednesday 18 and 25 March 3.15pm - 4.30pm

Teams named: Wednesday 1 April 3.15pm, followed by practice with your coach

Practice Day will be confirmed with your coach.

First Game - Saturday 2 May:

Pre-season training and trials will be held on the Middle Block netball court. Remember to bring a bottle filled with water and wear the proper clothing and footwear (sneakers).

If you have never played netball before but would like to give it a go come along to the pre-season session. Pre-season sessions are open to everybody.

All games are played on Saturday mornings at either Newlands College or Newlands Intermediate.

If there are any parents/caregivers that would like to coach I would love to hear from you. If you have any questions please contact: Jo Johnston 027 223 2020.

Managers and umpires are required for the teams. There are umpires that can be arranged through the Kiwi Whistler programme. There is a cost associated with using a Kiwi Whistler and they are not trained or available until approximately six weeks into the season so until then we are required to provide our own umpires. Support for those who want to umpire and coach is available through Northern Suburbs Netball.

Please register your interest in playing netball ASAP to jo.johnston@outlook.com so pre-season information can be sent out.

Year 3 Netball Fun Ferns:

There is an opportunity for Year 3 boys and girls to give netball a go. It is a modified game using two thirds of the netball court and only 4 aside. It is likely that this will be held at Newlands Intermediate School after the end of the Northern Suburbs Netball competition finishes on a Saturday. Participants enter as individuals and Fun Ferns has been developed to encourage parent participation as well. For more information contact Jo Johnston on: 027 223 2020 or jo.johnston@outlook.com



Te Puawai Amua

If your child does not wish to take part in our junior Kapa Haka group on Mondays from 1:35 - 1:55pm, please let their class teacher know.

Te Puawai Amua is in the hall following junior Kapa Haka ie: 2:00 – 3:00pm. Kia ora Shanelle.

ASB Donation Voucher

Supporting Success in your School:

If any of our school families or friends of our school takes out a new home loan of \$150,000.00 or more and nominates our school, ASB will donate \$500.00 to the school. This is a fantastic way to raise some funds – the nomination can come from anywhere in New Zealand.

This offer is only available through an ASB branch and ends on 30 June 2015. Donation vouchers are available at the school office.



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Community Notices

Sublimity Massage Therapy now offers mid-day specials and meditation classes! Late appointments also available. Check out the website for more information: www.sublimity.co.nz or contact Cendrine on 974 6584 or 021 0727013.

Northern United Junior Hockey Club is now offering "Have a Go" Hockey: Three 1-hour coached hockey sessions for beginners from years 3 - 8 for an all - up cost of \$15. Is your child thinking about hockey but not sure whether to commit to a whole season? Have you been having trouble finding a sport that your child is willing to engage with? Then this could be the breakthrough you are looking for. Held pre-season, it is a stress-free, no-obligation way for your child to tap into their inner Black Stick.

Details as follows:

3 weeks: Wednesday afternoon sessions of 1 hour consisting of coaching followed by a game

Dates: 18 February to 4 March inclusive

Times: Years 3 to 6 - 3.30pm till 4.30pm and Years 7 & 8 - 4.30pm till 5.30pm

Where: Raroa Intermediate turf (Haumia Street, Johnsonville)

Email: nuihockey@gmail.com to book or contact Sandy on 027 6774955 if you have any questions.

Hockey 2015 Registration:

To register your child for this year you can access the online registration form via our club website.

<http://www.nuihc.org.nz/>

Our Website has recently been updated and as well as information for the season you will see the registration link in the left sidebar.

(NB this is a google form) or alternatively come and see us at our "Registration Information" afternoon on Sunday 1 March at McDonalds.

This could be useful if you want to meet some of our committee and hopefully we can answer any questions you might have.

You can also pay registration fees here if paying by cash or cheque.

Venue: McDonalds in Johnsonville

Dates: Sunday 1 March

Times: 3 - 5 pm

Staglands Wildlife Reserve will be celebrating Children's Day on Sunday 1 March by offering FREE ADMISSION into the Reserve for ALL CHILDREN. In addition to their usual attractions visitors can enjoy free off-road tractor-trailer rides plus a special performance by The Major Minors Children's Choir. So if you are looking for a fun Children's day outing for the whole family meet at Staglands and connect with nature on Sunday 1 March.

www.staglands.co.nz

Newlands Junior Rugby club are now taking registrations for the 2015/16 winter season. Fun for all ages, no previous playing experience necessary. We have mixed grades of U6, U7 and U8 Rippa Rugby and our gender tackle grades range from U9 – U11. Registration days will be held on Monday 23 March, 5.30pm – 7.15pm at the Newlands Community Centre and Wednesday 1 April, 6pm – 8pm at the Johnsonville Rugby Clubrooms, Helston Park. Online registrations at:

www.sportsground.co.nz/newlands. For more information go to our website or phone Cherie Collins – Club Convenor on 938 5377.