



# Weekly Newsletter

13 May 2015

Toitu te marae a Tāne, Toitu te marae a Tangaroa, Toitu te tangata  
= If we care for the resources of the land and sea, the people will survive

Term 2 - Issue 4

## Important Dates

Thursday 14 May	FUNdraisers Meeting - Whare Iti 7:00pm
Tuesday 19 May	Northern Zone Cross Country
Wednesday 27 May	Whanau Meeting/Hui - Room 7 6:00pm - 7:00pm
Monday 1 June	Queen's Birthday Holiday - School closed
Saturday 13 June	Enviro Planting Day at school 9:00am - 1:00pm
Thursday 18 June	FUNdraisers Meeting - Whare Iti 7:00pm
Tuesday 23 June	Mātāiki Evening - 6:30pm
Friday 3 July	Final assembly and farewell for Andy Groom
Friday 3 July	Last day for Term 2

## Assembly Dates

Friday 22 May	Rooms 9 & 2
Friday 5 June	Rooms 6 & 8
Friday 19 June	Te Puawai Amua & Choirs
Friday 3 July	Singing Assembly

### REMINDER

**Annual whole-school  
Emergency Evacuation is  
on Friday 30 October.**

Please check with the office  
that your emergency release  
adult list is up to date.

## 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

You may have noticed how different school is for your child/ren compared to when you and I went to school. For some of us, that difference may be greater than for others! The reason for this is that for people to thrive and get ahead in the rapidly changing world of the 21st century, our children need education that goes beyond learning things by rote and exam results. We need to prepare them for life-long learning. It is not enough for our children to have the same sort of education that we had.

Guy Claxton is an educationalist (*Building Learning Power: Helping young people become better learners, 2002*, and *The Learning Powered School, 2011*) who says that pupils need to learn how to be tenacious, resourceful, imaginative, logical, self disciplined, self aware, collaborative and inquisitive. Education these days is about schools working with students and their families to help cultivate habits and attitudes that enable our young people to face difficulties or uncertainties as they move into this ever changing world as adults. We are working with you and your child/ren to encourage them to become more active, connected life-long learners who are gaining more confidence in their own ability to learn faster and better. Our job as educators and parents is to help encourage children to persist in the face of difficulty and to realise for themselves when they need help or not. This means that we are encouraging children to give new activities or challenges a try, also for them to understand that learning is a struggle/difficult and that making mistakes is a very natural part of the whole process. Every mistake is an opportunity to learn something new. So when your child makes a poor decision, does something wrong or gets in trouble... please take a moment to ask them what they can learn from this. Give them a chance to fix it up and think about how they might act if a similar situation arises in the future. This is what life-long learning is all about.

Have a great week talking with your children about their learning.

Ka kite,



Karen



## Character Education - Term 2

What does responsibility (kawenga) look like? Please talk with your children to ask them to find as many different ways as they can of showing this important value. Here are some ideas they may think of, or that you may use to prompt them to talk about how they can show this value:-

- Showing courtesy and kindness to everyone
- Following the rules
- Protecting your rights
- Taking good care of yourself – eat right, exercise, plenty of rest
- Knowing the right thing to do, and doing it
- If unsure what to do, ask a teacher or parent
- Keeping promises and agreements
- Doing your best
- Admitting mistakes and trying to fix these. Not blaming others or making excuses
- Accepting credit when you do the right thing and accepting correction when you make a poor choice

## Kupu Hou (new word)

**Te Hau ā Uru** = the west wind

*pronunciation = teh hoe ah oo-roo*



Te Hau a Uru is the name of our senior school block ie: Rooms 12, 13 and 15.

## Samoan Language Week

Talofa lava - Vaiaso o le Gagana Samoa:

Samoan Language Week for 2015 is from Sunday 24 – 30 May. This year the theme is:

‘Tautua nei mo sou manuia a taeao’ –  
Serve now for a better tomorrow’.

Ia manuia le vaiaso – Have a great week.



## Thank you

A special thanks to ...

The students and teachers in Rooms 11 and 3 who organised a wonderful assembly on Friday.



Shona, Mandy and Jennifer for organising and cooking the sausages for last Friday's sausage sizzle again. Please, please offer to help out with the sausage sizzles if you would like these to continue on Friday lunchtimes. With the number of orders we get each week four adults are required each Friday from 11:30am – 12:30pm. We can help show you the system for preparing and serving the sausages.

Thank you also to Kirsty Walker who has just let us know that she is moving on to a new position as teacher aide at Onslow College in two weeks time. Kirsty has worked at Bellevue School for seven years. Also a big thanks to Trish Boswell who has notified us that she is going to retire at the end of this term. Trish has worked at Bellevue for over 12 years in our school library. Thank you to both Kirsty and Trish for the wonderful skills they have shared on the team at Bellevue, along with their incredible support for children's learning during their time in our learning community.

## Head Lice

Please note that these little beasts appear to be back so please regularly check your child's hair for them. Some hints to help:

- ☺ Treat all of those effected
- ☺ Continue treatment for about three weeks
- ☺ Brush hair regularly
- ☺ Clean all hairbrushes, combs and hats in hot water
- ☺ Wash all bed linen and towels
- ☺ Advise the school if you find head lice



The school has a robi comb that is available for use by families. If you would like to loan the robi comb for use at home, please contact the school office.

## Bellevue Cross Country

Our Cross Country last week was a great event where all our students did their best and encouraged each other during the event. Well done to all our runners and supporters.



Congratulations to the following place getters. The results are for those that came in first, second or third in the Bellevue Cross Country event.

**Year 6 Boys** - Lawrence Reeves (1), Carter Young (2), Richman Tan (3)

**Year 6 Girls** - Julia Arboleda (1), Abigail Steel (2), Isabella Sinclair (3)

**Year 5 Boys** - Dmitry Joffe-Devoy (1), Ryan Mackey (2), Zack Dearman (3)

**Year 5 Girls** - Allana Caldwell (1), Jade Bennie (2), Gaure Sharma (3)

**Year 4 Boys** - Tino Savaii (1), Jacob Etti (2), Seth Stoneham (3)

**Year 4 Girls** - Brody Cooke (1), Lily Welling-Noble (2), Sandra Natta (3)

**Year 3 Boys** - Benji Holden (1), William Provis (2), Brett Edgecombe (3)

**Year 3 Girls** - Keita Abraham (1), Danielle Steel (2), Gabriella Joffe-Devoy (3)

**Year 2 Boys** - Will Graham (1), Liam Boyd-Smith (2), Carter Sutherland (3)

**Year 2 Girls** - Niqui De Leon /Kayla Leigh (1), Siva Manu (2), Kathleen Wang (3)

**Year 1 Boys** - Reuben Quayle (1), Phoenix Carter (2), Ajay Gounder (3)

**Year 1 Girls** - Grace Patterson (1), Kayla Wylie-Kershaw (2), Sophie Kak (3)



## ASB Fundraiser for our School

If any of our school families or friends of our school take out a new home loan of \$150,000 or more, please nominate our school as ASB will donate \$500.00 to the school. This nomination can come from anywhere in New Zealand... and is only available through an ASB branch and ends on 30 June 2015. Donation vouchers are available at the school office.



## Responsibility Heroes

At assembly on Friday the following students were acknowledged for demonstrating responsibility - kawenga:

Sophie Kak & Eden Flood (Room 1)

Nuhaik Haleem (Room 2)

Ethan Roper, Arion Wang & Cameron Yip (Room 3)

Bhavik Krishna (Room 5)

Ella Du Plessis (Room 6)

Jade Parkinson (Room 8)

Samuel Penhey, Annaliese Blumhardt, Hannah Leach-McGarva & Noah Williams-Harris (Room 9)

Jared Rudd, Georgia Mercer, Meg Lange & Seth Walker (Room 10)

Gianna Pua (Room 11)

Zaki Zaki, Ashleigh Howell, Reuben James & Rohan Mani (Room 12)

Brayden Rutene, Grayson Cook, Gaure Sharma & Aria Coleman (Room 13)

Greg Parkinson, Ashlyn Parker-Breese, Levi Rangī, Jade Bennie, Lamitta Hermez & Pomare Dickson (Room 15)

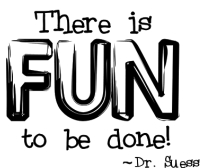


## FUNdraisers

Come along to the FUNdraisers meeting this Thursday - 14 May at 7:00 - 8:00pm in the Whare Iti.

We would love to hear your ideas for some further fun things to do that will also support our school to provide some extra learning opportunities and equipment.

Currently our students are inquiring about ways to improve the learning spaces/places in our school. We are hoping to upgrade some of our current playground structures this year too.



## The Entertainment Book

These great books are available through the school office or online at [www.entbook.co.nz/1g04109](http://www.entbook.co.nz/1g04109). Please ask your friends, family and neighbours to purchase their Entertainment Books from us or Bellevue Kindergarten.

The book is full of great discounts for eating out, movies, family activities, takeaways and more....

Each book costs \$60 and raises \$12 per book for the school or the Kindergarten.

## Mathletics Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have won the 'Super Mathlete' award at last Friday's assembly.



Te Hau Rawhiti (Junior Block):

Liam Boyd-Smith – Room 6

Te Hau Tonga (Middle Block):

Munro Cook – Room 11

Te Hau āUru (Senior Block):

Abi Steel – Room 13

Well done to the following classes who have won the 'Class of the Week' award for scoring the most activity points as a class.

Te Hau Rawhiti (Junior Block): Room 6

Te Hau Tonga (Middle Block): Room 9

Te Hau āUru (Senior Block): Room 15



## Bellevue Netball

**Netball Results from Saturday 9 May are as follows:**

Bellevue Pulse Year 4 V Churton Park Comets, won 7-0

Bellevue Emeralds Year 5 V Ngaio Tactix College 5, won 9-0

Bellevue Pulse Year 6 V Crofton Down Flames, won 29-0

**Netball Draw for Saturday 16 May:**

Bellevue Pulse Year 4 V Cashmere Firebirds, Intermediate 1 at 9.20am

Bellevue Emeralds Year 5 V Khandallah Thunderbolts College 5 at 12.20pm

Bellevue Pulse Year 6 V Cashmere Keas, College 1 at 11.00am,

Good luck to all the teams and enjoy your netball.



## 'Friday Sausage Day'

If your child wants to order a sausage for Friday lunch, please look on the website for the order form, then send this with the exact change to school by 10:00am on Thursday 14 May (tomorrow) to receive the sausage lunch for this Friday (15 May).



HELP - We need **four** adults to help each Friday. Please contact Mandy on [mackays.nz@gmail.com](mailto:mackays.nz@gmail.com). It has been the same three people who have worked over the past weeks so they have developed an efficient system they can share with you.



## Planting Day



We are looking forward to this year's 'Beautiful Bellevue' Planting Day on 13 June.

Please diary this date and come along with your children to help plant some more native trees at school. It is a fun day that is also improving your child's physical environment for learning.

A more detailed notice will come home in a few weeks time, but please take note of 9:00am - 1:00pm on Saturday 13 June. Join us for this worthwhile get together of planting trees and morning tea.

## Trips & Performances

### Term 2 trips and performances:

As we are now in term 2, payment for trips and performances is due. Please make payment of \$10 for the term by sending cash along to the classroom money box in a named envelope with 'Term 2 trips' written on it, or by paying \$10 into the school account with your child's name, room number, and Term 2 Trips as references.

**The school account number is:** 12-3223-0048283-00. Thanks.

## Teacher Aid Position

Wanted a patient, sensitive and caring person to support a nine year old student with Down's Syndrome and other students in our school. Needs to be confident and experienced in working with school aged children; also firm, fair and consistent. This position supports students in the classroom and playground with routines, learning tasks and making choices from 9:30 - 1:30pm from Tuesday - Friday (15 hours weekly). Position begins 25 May.

Please send current CV with two referees' details and letter of application to:-

The Principal, Bellevue School, 12 Bancroft Terrace, Newlands, Wellington.  
Closing date 3pm Tuesday 19 May.

For further information: phone (04) 478-7037 or enquire at the school office.

## Yummy Apples

Have you started to collect the Yummy 'Cut-out' labels from bags and Yummy apple stickers on apples yet?

Please start saving these now. The more stickers we collect, the more sports gear we receive so please start collecting those labels and stickers now!

If you need another copy of the sticker collection sheet let us know.



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## Community Notices

### Kids Cross Country Series 2015:

#### Event Dates:

**Sunday 17 May** - Karori Park, Karori

**Sunday 7 June** - Trentham Memorial Park, Upper Hutt

**Sunday 26 July** - Sladden Park, Petone

**Sunday 16 August** - Grenada North Park, off Jamaica Drive, Tawa

**Sunday 6 September** - From WHAC Clubrooms, Mt Victoria, Wellington

For more information look at the poster on the information board in the school office or go to [www.athleticshub.co.nz](http://www.athleticshub.co.nz) or email [rama@athleticswellington.org.nz](mailto:rama@athleticswellington.org.nz) or phone 027 3902735.



### Race to Explore Greater Wellington with the Metlink City Safari on 17 May:

This awesome family adventure sees teams race to visit checkpoints located all over Wellington. We will tell you exactly where they are - your challenge is to find the quickest and smartest way to visit most of these - both by foot and by all forms of public transport.

You may be racing to catch the ferry to Day's Bay, the Cable Car to Kelburn, a train to Tawa, or a bus to Queensgate. It is all about strategy with the event designed so that the smartest family team can beat the most athletic teams. There are both 3 and 6 hour events to compete in. For details and registration:

[www.citysafaris.org.nz](http://www.citysafaris.org.nz).  
Registration closes 10 May

**Book Sale** at Tawa Community Centre, Cambridge Street, on Saturday 23 May at 10:00am to support Kiwi Community Assistance [KCA]. A wide range of good quality second hand books at reasonable prices will be available. KCA is a Tawa based volunteer run organisation providing a range of donated goods, clothing and food to assist local schools, food banks and a wide range of community organisations. As a clearing house for items KCA relies on community goodwill, donations and fundraising such as this book sale to support its activities. KCA has received several regional awards for the strength of its charitable activities.

Please support this book sale to enable KCA to continue its good works. For further information, or if you are interested in supporting us in other ways please check out our web site at <http://www.kca.org.nz/>

### Carlucci Land Mini Golf:

Two for one deal Winter golf special from Monday to Thursday.

Excluding school holidays and public holidays.

Come along and have some fun at 281 Happy Valley Road.  
[www.carlucciland.nz](http://www.carlucciland.nz)