



Weekly Newsletter

17 June 2015

Ma tini ma mano ka rapa te whai = many hands make light work

Term 2 - Issue 9

Important Dates

Thursday 18 June	FUNdraisers Meeting - Whare Iti 7:00pm
Tuesday 23 June	Matariki Evening - 6:30pm
Tuesday 30 June & Wednesday 1 July	Three Way Conferences - please book your time
Friday 3 July	Pizza Fundraiser
Friday 3 July	Last day for Term 2 and assembly
Monday 20 July	First day for Term 3

Assembly Dates

Friday 19 June	Te Puawai Amua & Choirs
Friday 3 July	Final Singing Assembly and Farewell for Andy Groom
Friday 7 August	Rooms 10 & 15
Friday 21 August	Rooms 13 & 5
Friday 4 September	Rooms 12 & 1

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

This week's whakatauki (above) is very apt following the hard work of so many of our families and community members at the weekend. A special thank you to each and everyone of you for your 'warm hands' and efforts. It was wonderful to see students working alongside their whānau to plant native trees and shrubs that will enhance our learning environment for everyone. Well done - what a wonderful community event!

Tomorrow is the beginning of Matariki for 2015. Matariki is the Maori name for a cluster of stars commonly known as the Pleiades. This group of stars rises once a year in mid-winter (late May to early June) and heralds the start of the Maori New year. Matriki means 'little eyes' (mata riki) or 'eyes of god' (mata ariki). We hope that you can make it along to the fun family evening in our hall next Tuesday evening - see the notice later in this newsletter for more details..

Have a great week everyone.

Ka kite
Karen



FUNdraisers meeting tomorrow evening.
Please join us in the Whare Iti at 7:00-8:00pm.



Welcome

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue

Welcome to Jacob Bartram in Room 5

A special welcome to our learning community to you and to your whānau/family.



Character Education

Here are a few more takohanga messages you may like to share and talk with your children about this week...

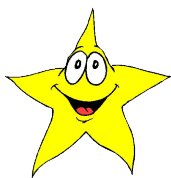


Kupu Hou (new word)

Whetū = star
pronunciation = feh-too

Ko Meremere-tū-ahiahi
te **whetū** tuatahi o te pō.

The first **star** at night is Meremere-tū-ahiahi.



Thank you

A special thanks to ...

All the wonderful students, parents, grandparents and whānau who came along to help at Bellevue planting day. There were so many of you that we are not mentioning each of you by name, but please accept how valued you are in helping plant the 500 new plants on Saturday. That now brings our total number of native shrubs and trees planted to around 2000 in the past four years. Kia ora koutou



Michele and Margaret who helped organise and prepare the morning tea. Also those of you who helped provide food for the workers.

Rod Quayle who donated all of the compost for the planting on Saturday along with his help.

Peter Gilberd who helped out on Friday and Saturday and has done so for the past four years.

Mandy and Robyn who joined Maria to plant all day Friday in the cool Wellington weather.

Maria Church whose passion for planting natives to help improve our school environment is appreciated by us all.

Sausage Fridays

To order a sausage for Friday lunch, look on the website for the order form, then send this with the exact change to school by 10:00am on **Thursday 18 June (tomorrow)** to receive the sausage lunch for this Friday (19 June). **Only two more Sausage lunch ordering days to go before the end of this term.**



Please contact Mandy on mackays.nz@gmail.com. If you can help this Friday.

Pizza Day

Friday 3 July (the last day of term) is Pizza Day. This provides a yummy lunch alternative and also raises some more money for our library furniture. We are very close to having enough to purchase some lovely new furniture for our library... look out for this next term.

Pizza order forms will come home next week with the newsletter. Final orders need to be in by 3:00pm Friday 27 June.



Matariki

This year our Matariki Evening is next Tuesday ie: 23 June - 6:30pm—7:30 in the hall.

We warmly welcome all your family to come along and join us for this special family fun at school. Matariki is unique to New Zealand and celebrates the beginning of the Māori new year.

We encourage you to bring along some food/takeaways to eat with your family at the start of the evening then join in with the games and fun to follow.

Please feel free to bring along your extended family and friends as we love to meet grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins... and they can join in the fun too.



ASB Fundraiser for our School

If you or any of your friends, family, or acquaintances are taking out a home loan of \$150,000 or more, please ask them to nominate our school as ASB donates \$1,000.00 per home loan to the nominated school.

Remember that this nomination can come from anywhere in New Zealand so ask friends, family, acquaintances and anyone you know to nominate us if they are taking a loan through an ASB branch. This offer **ends on 31 July 2015**.

Donation vouchers are available at the school office.



Emergency Drills

The school has regular earthquake and fire drills so that staff and students know what to do should an emergency event occur at school.

Please note that should you arrive at school and there is a continuous bell ringing with no-one in the rooms then you will find us gathered in the emergency assembly areas ie. Te Hau Rawhiti (Juniors) concrete quad by hall, Te Hau Tonga (Middles) concrete quad area at end of Room 9 and Te Hau a Uru (Seniors) concrete quad at end of Room 15.



After checking the rolls and accounting for everyone, we assemble on the lower field until the all-clear signal.

So should you arrive when an emergency drill is occurring please join us on the lower field to make sure you are safe as well.

Star Writers

Please take a look at the amazing pieces of writing published below. We are proud of the effort these students have made as they strive to improve their writing skills.

Mindsets

There are two types of mindsets: fixed and growth. The fixed mindset is the mindset that makes you think about your basic talents and that you can't improve them. The growth mindset makes you think about talents that can be developed through hard work and learning to make great accomplishments. The fixed mindset would make you worried and careless. The growth mindset would make you wise and hard-working.

- Maxwell, Room 12

Mindsets

There are two types of mindsets, one is called a fixed mindset, the other is called a growth mindset. When you have a growth mindset you can get better and better by practicing and hard work. With a fixed mindset you believe you can't get better. Although you might be the best at everything you can still have a fixed mindset by saying things like I'm awesome or it couldn't be better. Or vice versa you could be not great at something but have a growth mindset by thinking things like I might not have done it this time but I'll practice for next time.

- Kareem, Room 12

My Building

Have you been to the Marae? Well you should go to the Marae. It is a place for Māori. Lots of years ago Māori were the first people alive.

- Seth E, Room 9

On Sunday I went to Eden's house. We played outside and we went on the trampoline and we played with a dolls house. We looked at the view.

- Katherine, Room 1

The Entertainment Book

Our current total raised from the sales of these books is now \$608. Please help to sell the further 74 books to make our goal of \$1500 from this fundraiser.

Books are available through the school office or online at www.entbook.co.nz/1g04109. Please ask your friends, family and neighbours to purchase their Entertainment Books from us or Bellevue Kindergarten now.

The book is full of great discounts for eating out, movies, family activities, takeaways and more.... Come in to the office to view a sample book to see the great bargains to be had on these.



FUNdraisers

Please come along to the FUNdraisers get-together tomorrow evening - **Thursday 18 June** at 7:00 - 8:00pm in the Whare Iti. Join us for a coffee, cake and supporting your school.

We would love to see you there and hear about your ideas for some further fun things to do that will also provide some extra learning opportunities and equipment for all our children.



Bellevue Netball



Netball Draw for Saturday 20 June:

Bellevue Pulse Year 4 V Ngaio Mystics Int 2 at 10.00am

Bellevue Emeralds Year 5 V Khandallah Thunderbolts College 5 at 11.40am

Bellevue Pulse Year 6 V St Bens Magic College 4 at 11.00am

Good luck to all the teams and enjoy your netball.

Emergency Contact Updates

At the Three-Way Conferences on Tuesday and Wednesday of the last week of term your child's teacher will be giving you a print-out of your child's emergency contact release people that we have on our database.

Please take the time to check the information before you leave and make any necessary changes so that we can update our database.



There will be a box outside each classroom to place your form in.

Headlice

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

- ☺ Treat all of those affected
- ☺ Brush hair regularly
- ☺ Clean all hairbrushes, combs and hats in hot water
- ☺ Continue treatment for about three weeks
- ☺ 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 borrow the Robi comb for use at home, please contact the school office.

Lost Property

If you have noticed that your child is missing some items of clothing you may wish to check in at school as the pile of clothing has continued to grow as the term progressed. Unfortunately these are unnamed so require someone to recognise who they belong to.



This Friday afternoon and the final Friday of term items of clothing will be laid out on the quad outside the hall (weather permitting) so if you are coming to assembly or to collect your child please take a look to see if anything belongs at your house.

Basic Facts-a-thon

At the beginning of next term your child/children will be taking part in Bellevue School's Basic Facts-a-thon.

The Basic-Facts-a-thon aims to

- Develop and improve your child's number knowledge and speed of recall of basic facts. Quick and accurate recall of basic facts provides a strong foundation for solving number problems that involve different strategies.
- Raise funds for outside learning areas such as playground markings and upgrading the playground equipment.

What We Ask Of Parents

We ask you to:

- Encourage your child to practise their basic facts even more than they do now! The Basic Facts-a-thon will be part of your child's homework for the first **three** weeks of next term.
- Help them to seek sponsorship from family, friends, neighbours and others. Sponsorship details need to be recorded on their **Sponsorship Card**. The sponsorship card will be sent home on Wednesday 1 July so that you and your child have an opportunity to collect sponsors over the holidays.

If you have any particular questions please talk to your child's teacher or contact Margaret Hesketh margaret@bellevue-newlands.school.nz

We hope you support this fundraising initiative and thank you in advance.

Yummy Apples

Keep collecting all those Yummy 'Cut-out' labels from bags and the Yummy apple stickers on apples.



The more stickers we collect, the more sports equipment we receive so please collect labels and stickers now!

If you need another copy of the sticker collection sheet let us know through the office. Any full sheets can be returned to the office.



Trips & Performances

Just to let you know that the trips and performances payments for Term 2 are to be combined with Term 3 payments for some special Education Outside the Classroom experiences in Term 3.

More details of these trips will come home to you early next term.



Three Way Conferences

Three Way Conferences with you and your child are during the last week of this term - Tuesday 30 June or Wednesday 1 July. **Please make your booking** for a time and day that suits you using the on-line booking service or ring the office to make your appointment before **4:00pm this Monday 22 June**.

The website is www.schoolinterviews.co.nz
Event access code: BF5BX or telephone 478 7037 to book your time.

If you are unable to make a time on Tuesday 30 June or Wednesday 1 July, please contact your teacher directly to make another time/day that suits you for this important learning conversation with your child and their teacher. If a booking is not received from you by 4:00pm on Monday 22 June we will select a time for your conference. See the notice attached to this newsletter for more details of these important meetings

Conference time confirmation slips will come home to you with the newsletter next Wednesday 24 June.



Community Notices

Kids Cross Country Series 2015:

Event Dates:

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 or email rama@athleticswellington.org.nz or phone 027 3902735.



Kids have FUN at Craft House School Holiday Craft Classes and Birthday Parties

Programmes :

Our craft classes schedule for the July school holidays is out now. Sew a custom cover for your hot water bottle, recycle puzzle pieces to create a stunning piece of art, create a shaped notebook, paint some rocks, make some cards or organize some favourite recites into an album... the options are plentiful. Prices start at \$24.50 for a two hour class. Before and after class care is also offered for a small surcharge. Open to all children 7 years and above. Join us for a two hour session, a whole day, a week... it is up to you? See all the details at: www.CraftHouse.co.nz.

For more information or to book, call us on 499 4499 or email info@cCraftHouse.co.nz



Emerge Open Winter Dance Workshops

13-16 July Newlands Community Centre Dance away winter with Emmerge Workshops!

This winter new open winter dance workshops are being launched at Newlands Community Centre. These are a great way to keep dancing throughout the holidays, try something new or to supplement your current training. They are open to everyone.

Junior students (age 7-10) have the opportunity to take jazz and lyrical ballet workshops. Intermediate level students (age 10-14) can take jazz, lyrical contemporary and condition classes. Senior students (age 13-16) can develop choreography skills, with choreography, contemporary and conditioning classes. Taught by experienced teacher and Dance Well Centre director Brie Jessen-Vaughan, these workshops are sure to warm your winter. Take your dance to the next level with Emmerge Winter Workshops.



Check out www.dancewellcentre.weebly.com/emerge or email briejessenvaughan@icloud.com for more information

Johnsonville Library is hosting author and illustrator Paul Beavis during the July School Holiday.

It is on Wednesday 15 July at 1:30pm and includes a story time with a live drawing session.

