



Weekly Newsletter

1 July 2015

Ka whangaia, ka tupu, ka puawai = That which is nurtured will blossom then grow

Term 2 - Issue 11

Important Dates

Wednesday 1 July	The second day of Three Way Conferences
Thursday 2 July	Student Council's 'Electronic Device Day'
Friday 3 July	Pizza Fundraiser
Friday 3 July	Last day for Term 2 and assembly
Monday 20 July	First day for Term 3
Tuesday 21 July	'Jack and the Jumping Beanstalk' performance
Wednesday 22 July	Powhiri to welcome new students and staff. 10:45am

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)

It is hard to believe that this is the final newsletter of the term already. Consequently we would like to wish you a great end to Term 2 and thank you for the support you have provided for children's learning at Bellevue School over the past ten weeks. Thanks also to our students and parents/caregivers who came along yesterday or are coming along today for their valuable learning conversations. It was wonderful to see so many whanau/family members at Three Way Conferences yesterday, and we look forward to meeting with more families again today. If for some reason you have missed your appointment, please contact your child/ren's teacher directly to reschedule this conference as it is an important part of your child's learning programme to share their goals and progress with the important adults in their lives. I would also like to thank our wonderful teachers who have had an extremely busy time preparing for conferences, also the two extended days and a long week taking part in these conversations.

Written reports (or goal sheets if your child is in Years 1-3 are not due their anniversary progress report) will come home to you on Wednesday 5 August (or today if your child is in Room 11 as Andy is leaving at the end of the term).

A reminder that you are warmly invited and very welcome to come to the special Powhiri on the first Wednesday of every term. This Powhiri is to welcome all students and staff who are new to Bellevue since the Term 2 Powhiri. Invites will come home to all our new tamariki and their whanau at the beginning of Term 3.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to thank the students and their teachers for all the effort they have put into learning during the term. It is affirming to see that people understand that they need to take risks and make errors as they 'give things a go' to learn new skills. We encourage everyone to take on new challenges, persevere to work through the hard bits, also to talk about their struggles and successes as they strive to become better learners.

Enjoy the rest of the week and have a great time with your child/ren during the break from school. See you all again at the beginning of Term 3.

Ka kite
Karen



Character Education

This term's value of takohanga or responsibility has been widely demonstrated by students as they strive to take increased responsibility for their learning and actions. The key competency of 'Managing Self' is associated with engagement and a 'can do' attitude where students see themselves as capable learners. Essentially the way we learn is to manage ourselves to get involved, actively participate, question, think, 'give things a try' and make mistakes as we learn new skills. So congratulations to all our tamariki who have done this during Term 2.

We encourage you to keep up the great work of talking with your child/ren about this value over the break from school as this helps to reinforce their learning as they work to be the best that they can be. Next term the value we are focusing on is whakaute or respect.

Assembly Dates

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



Welcome

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue

Welcome to Phoebe Steel who started in Room 2 this week, also to Margaret Hahn who is joining our teaching team on Monday to Thursday in Term 3 and Term 4 to release Anne Gullen to teach Reading Recovery in the afternoons and to provide classroom release time for our Te Hau Rawhiti teachers.

A special welcome to Bellevue School's learning community to you and to your whānau/families.

Kupu Hou (new word)

rākau = tree

Pronunciation = rah– koh

Ko ngā peka o te rākau.
The branches are on the tree.



Bring a toy for Nepal

The Bellevue Student Council has decided that Bellevue School is going to have a day where students can bring either an Electronic device OR a toy OR trading cards such as Yu-Gi-Oh or Pokemon OR they can bring a remote control toy tomorrow, **Thursday 2 July** to raise funds for the **people in Nepal**.

Students are encouraged to bring along their favourite toy/ electronic device /trading cards/remote-control toys and a gold coin donation.

Please read through the Electronics day rules, written by the Student Council, with your child/children. These were sent home with the newsletter last week.

Thank you on behalf of the Bellevue Student Council.

Paku Whitehead



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**.

Pizza Day

This Friday 3 July (the last day of term) is Pizza Day.

We hope you enjoy your pizza lunch.

All funds raised from this Pizza Day go towards the new library furniture we will be organising next term.

Thank you for supporting this fundraising event.



Thank you

Special thanks to ...

Our sausage helpers last Friday... Shona, Jennifer, Tracy & Sarah. Also to Tracy Steel who has offered/agreed to do the paperwork side of sausage sizzle orders next term. Kia ora koutou.

Adrienne Avery and Sheree Harris for processing all the Pizza orders for our yummy Pizza lunch this Friday. Kia ora korua.

To Pip Penhey who has kindly provided a lovely baked morning tea treat for staff each week during the term. Thanks for your kindness and caring Pip.

The wonderful staff at Bellevue School who always give of their best to provide the best possible learning experiences for tamariki. We appreciate the way that you go the 'extra mile' for our students.



Tiered Seating

With the production coming up next term, our desire is to have all our students seated on stage throughout the performance. As such we are keen to find out where we might borrow or hire some staging to help provide tiered seating for students on the stage as soon as possible.

If you know of anywhere we might access this or anyone who might help us to locate this, please contact Karen, Michele or Amanda in the office as soon as possible.

Many thanks



Term 3 Sausage Orders



The FUNdraisers are continuing to organise Friday sausages in Term 3.

The easiest method to order these is to place an online order for the whole term or pay for a term's order ie: nine weeks of Friday sausage(s) with no need to find \$1.50, print order forms to send it all along to school each week on Thursday mornings.

You can put your term orders in **now—until 10:00am on Thursday 23 July**. Please deposit the correct amount in account 12-3223-0048283-01 and include:-

- **The name of your child (or children)**
- **Their room number**
- **Reference Friday Sausages**



To ensure your child gets their first sausage for Term 3 on Friday 24 July all orders need to be into the office by **10:00am the Thursday** before the day the order is required. See order forms attached.

Please... if you can offer an hour of your time on Thursday morning to process the orders or a Friday lunchtime to cook or help distribute the sausages, this would be much appreciated. Contact Mandy or Shona on mackays.nz@gmail.com

Northern Zone Hockey

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Northern Zone Hockey Tournament last Thursday.

You showed great sportsmanship and played well together as a team.

Thank you very much to Adrienne Avery, Karen de Bres and Elaine and Murray Cook who assisted on the day with managing and transporting the team and to Jacqui Rangi and Deanna Welling who came along to cheer our students on.

Also thank you to Fiona for her organisation and training sessions pre-tournament and Deeann for her work at the tournament.

Another great Bellevue team effort.



Library

All library books are due back this week as it is the end of the term. Students who have returned everything issued may then borrow books for the holidays, at their teacher's discretion.

A special thanks to Trish Boswell who retires at the end of this term, and welcome to Sarah Elton who is joining our staff to help in the library.



The Entertainment Book

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.

There is a flyer coming home to tell you about how you might find this book useful in the school break, as it 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 for the holidays.

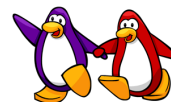


Star Writers

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

It is cold as a penguin sliding down on an iceberg. It is so cold I really like it. It is beautiful. I like it and the snowflakes. I like snow too.

- Ava, Room 1



I wish I saw a shooting star as fast as lightning. That's very fast and I know it will be fun.

- Eden, Room 1



Bellevue Netball

Netball Results for Saturday 27 June:

Bellevue Pulse Year 4 won 12 - 8

Bellevue Emeralds Year 5 won 13 - 1

Bellevue Pulse Year 6 won 10 - 2



Netball Draw for Saturday 4 July:

Bellevue Pulse Year 4 V Khandallah Rockets Int 2 at 10.00am

Bellevue Emeralds Year 5 V Johnsonville Jaguars College 5 at 11.40am

Bellevue Pulse Year 6 V Newlands Ferns College 3 at 11.00am

Good luck to all the teams and enjoy your netball.

Emergency Contact Updates

EMERGENCY
EXIT

At the Three-Way Conferences on Tuesday and Wednesday your child's teacher will have given/will give 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. If it is accurate please sign the form and put it into the box too.



There will be a box outside each classroom to place your form in. Thank you for ensuring your contacts are up to date should we ever need these in an emergency.

Kapai Kidz Holiday Programme

We will be operating our Programme from the school hall from Monday 6 July - Friday 17 July. Enrol via our website: www.kapaikidz.co.nz

All enquiries to Linda Robinson on 973 5099 or 021 409641. Spaces are limited.



Lost Property

If you have noticed that your child is missing some items of clothing please check this Friday afternoon. Before the final Friday assembly for the term all unnamed items of clothing will be laid on the quad outside the hall or on the veranda outside Rooms 1 and 2 if it is wet. Please take a look to see if anything belongs at your house.

Any unclaimed clothing is taken to a charity shop during each school holiday break so please take a look on Friday to check if there are any items that belong with you.



Basic Facts-a-thon

Your child has been given their Basic Facts-a-thon pack today and should have brought it home. Within it you will find a letter explaining the entire event, a sponsorship card and a home learning challenge sheet. Please take the time to go through the pack with your child and read the information sheet.

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 playgrounds 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 home learning 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 that you support this fundraising initiative as it supports your child's learning and raises much needed funds for the school.

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

Payments for Term 2 and Term 3 are being combined to provide some especially selected Education Outside the Classroom experiences next term.

The first of these is a special performance from the New Zealand Playhouse on Tuesday 21 July (the first week back). This interactive show is written by Greg Cooper and called 'Jack and the Jumping Beanstalk'. It will be a great way for students to see the skills we will be working on in the Performing Arts as a lead up to Artsplash, the Kapa Haka festivals and our own school production.

Our whole school bi-annual production is on the evening of 24 September.

Every student at Bellevue School will be part of this school production, so please diary the date now. You will not want to miss this first class show written and performed by your talented children.



Farewell To Mr Groom

Haere ra to Andy Groom from us all here at Bellevue School. We are saying farewell to Andy at this weeks assembly so please join us to acknowledge the great taonga that Andy has given to our students learning during his time here.

We wish Andy and his family all the best for their exciting time in Cambodia.

Goodbye Andy.

We will miss you.



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.



2015 July Netball Holiday Programme:

Week 1: Mon 6 to Fri 10 July

Week 2: Mon 13 to Fri 17 July

Kilbirnie ASB Sports Centre

For girls & boys in Year 3 - 8

Week 1: Morning 9am - 12pm

Week 2: Morning 9am - 12pm

Full Day 9am - 3pm

\$100 Full week morning only

\$180 Full week, full day

\$30 single morning

\$50 Single full day

\$10 sibling discount for full week bookings



The programme is focused on continuing to practice and fine-tune your netball skills so there's no fear of losing momentum during the holiday break.

Join us for skill-based activities and plenty of fun games.

Register online at

www.netballwellington.co.nz or phone 387 6011.

Meditation Course:

If you are interested in learning to meditate, a weekend course will be held in Wellington on July 10-12. For more details, go to the website www.thebrightpath.co.nz or ring Rebekah on 021 493 783.

Johnsonville Library is hosting

author and illustrator Paul

Beavis during the July School

holidays. It will be on

Wednesday 15 July at 1.30pm

and will include a storytime and a live drawing session.



DCM Bookfair, 11 - 12 July 2015

Saturday 9am-5pm / Sunday 10.00am—4.00pm

At the TSB Bank Arena. FREE entry!

Introduction to Music :

Wednesday 15 - Friday 17 July

Three Day Workshop 2:00 - 4:00pm at

Churton Park Community Centre.

Music fun with professional musicians and teachers. Explore, discover, create and have fun with music. Sing, learn basic music theory and play instruments – cellos, harps, and recorders! Six hours of musical fun, concluding with a performance presentation for parents, caregivers and friends on the final day at 3:15pm.

Cost: \$90 / school age child; \$75 if registered by Sunday 12 July; Special family rates available.

music.workshop@baker.org.nz or 027 272 2580.