



# Weekly Newsletter

19 August 2015 He taonga rongonui te aroha ki te tangata= Goodwill towards others is a precious treasure Term 3 - Issue 5

## Important Dates

Friday 21 August	Red Day to support Cure Kids
Thursday 27 August	Whānau Meeting - 6:00pm
Tuesday 1 September	Artsplash –12 noon Practice 7:45pm Show Performance
Thursday 3 September	FUNdraisers Meeting - 7:00pm Whare Iti
Thursday 10 September	BOT Meeting - 7:00pm Staffroom
Monday 14 September - Friday 25 September	Dental Therapists at School
Wednesday 16 Sept	Newlands Kapa Haka Festival
Saturday 19 September	St Brigid's Kapa Haka Festival
Thursday 24 September	School Production Dress Rehearsal & Evening Show (6:30pm start time)
Thursday 15 October	NZ Shake out day
Friday 16 October	School Disco
Friday 30 October	Whole School Evacuation

## 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 NZSL greeting in your language if it is not here)

Hooray for our wonderful students and their teachers. It is fantastic to see the learning buzz at Bellevue School as students are thinking about their abilities and the skills they need to keep learning. We encourage children to think about what they can do to get the most out of every learning opportunity - both at school and in other areas of their lives. We encourage learners to reflect on their current skills, think ahead and manage their learning. Knowing that it is important to keep trying when something is tricky or challenging, what to avoid, how to focus, how to help themselves.... These all help students build their capacity to learn.

In the words of Noam Chomsky; this means

"knowing, understanding many things but also, much more important than what you have stored in your mind, to know where to look, how to look, how to question, how to challenge, how to proceed independently, to deal with the challenges that the world presents to you and that you develop in the course of your self education and inquiry and investigations, in cooperation and in solidarity with others.

Thanks to those of you who have returned your feedback sheet or filled in the survey monkey to let us know how you found the mid-year reports. Please continue to let us know how the reports worked for you and your family by responding on Survey Monkey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/C3QVKXT>, sending in the feedback form, emailing or talking kanohi ki kanohi (face to face) with us.

Have a great week. We look forward to everyone taking part in Red Day this Friday too.

Ka kite  
Karen



## Welcome

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue

We would like to welcome Rhys Nelson to Room 3 and Lily Coates to Room 4.

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



## Character Education

The value of whakaute or respect is important at school because disruptive behaviour and lack of respect impacts on learning. Whakaute is a vital ingredient in every peaceful, caring community and we aim to provide this in our learning community. That is why we are providing opportunities for students to know **why** it is important to respect, know **who** to show respect to and **how** to show respect. We also work with students so that they know that there are consequences for not showing respect to themselves and others too. Please continue to talk with your children about what whakaute looks like in different situations eg; at home, at school, with their friends, on the sports field. This will help them put respectful behaviour into action.

# Respect

1. Treating others the way you want to be treated
2. Showing kindness and consideration
3. Liking yourself enough to be yourself
4. Accepting others for who they are

## Kupu Hou (new word)

**Whai whakaaro (tia) = to be thoughtful, considerate attentive**

**Pronunciation** = f-eye f-car-ror



## Cash or Kete - Adult Fun

Just a little reminder that we are collecting prizes for the Cash or Kete evening on 20 November. If you can help please let us know or send the prize in to school. Thanks

Remember to diary this date for a fun night out with your friends.



## Desks - for a good home

The school currently has a surplus of student desks and is offering you the opportunity to buy one of these for personal use at your home.

A koha (from \$20) would be much appreciated. If you would like to purchase a desk please contact the school office.



## New Zealand ShakeOut

This year the drill is happening at 9:15am, 15 October. It is a chance for you, your family, and us at school to practise the right action to take during an earthquake - Drop, Cover and Hold - and make sure our emergency plans and supplies are up to date.

Take a look at [www.shakeout.govt.nz](http://www.shakeout.govt.nz) for further information about preparing for an earthquake.



## Student Council - Red Day for Cure Kids



The student council is holding a fundraiser for Cure Kids this Friday 21 August.

Cure Kids supports research into finding the cure for life-threatening illnesses that effect many children.

So far we have sold many red noses, red bottles and red pens. These will be on sale for the rest of this week.

If individuals do not wish to buy any of the red items but would like to wear red this Friday 21 August in support of Cure kids, we ask that they bring a gold coin donation.

Students who have already bought a red item are more than welcome to also wear red on Friday to show their support but they will not need to pay the gold coin.



## Thank you

Special thanks to ...

Shona, Mandy, Jennifer, Tracey, Sarah and Heather for cooking and serving the sausages last Friday. Kia ora koutou. We really appreciate your help.



Our wonderful Road patrol adults/parents who support our amazing Year 6 students on patrols in all sorts of weathers. Thanks Jennifer, Naima, Sarah, Tracy, Sandy Y, Sandy M, and Jade. Margaret and Karen appreciate your help each week.

All the wonderful Basic Facts-a-thon sponsors and students who worked so hard to learn all their basic facts for the Mathematics Challenge last week. What a wonderful effort everyone. We appreciate your support.

## Calendar Fundraiser

It is that time of year again when we ask each child to create some calendar artwork. This artwork is used to create individual calendars, cards, notepads and mouse mats which you can order through school. These are great to give as Christmas gifts and to have on your walls or on your desk.



Children's art work can be viewed at the school office from Monday 14 September - Thursday 24 September.

### Prices are as follows:

- Art Calendars - \$13
- Photo Calendars - \$14
- Cards (Pack of 8) - \$14
- Diaries - \$17
- Kids' Notepads - \$13
- Mouse mats - \$15



Order forms will be sent out in the next couple of weeks. All orders are due back to school by Thursday 24 September.



## Term 3 Sausage Orders

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 20 August (tomorrow)** to receive the sausage lunch for this Friday (21 August).

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](mailto:mackays.nz@gmail.com) if you can help.



## Design and Build in Room 1

Room 1 students chose their learning activity using materials that were available in the classroom. They also chose to work individually or in groups. After drawing their design they then built it using lego. After building their design they reflected on their learning - what they were proud of, what they found easy, what they found tricky and what they would change next time to improve their design.

I am proud of the fire engine. I found drawing the road tricky. Next time I will draw the sky down to the road and put the lights on the lego fire engine.

- Sami

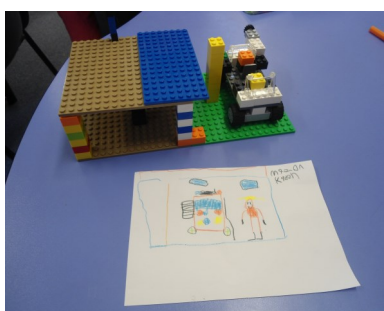


We are proud of how the walls stayed up. It was tricky to push the bricks on. Next time we will move the windows and add one more door to make it even better.

- Sophie and Zoe

We decided to make a fire station out of lego. We thought it would be too hard to make out of cardboard. To make it better next time we are going to put a container on it for water.

- Kaden and Mason



I am proud of the way I worked it out. I found building the base easy. Lifting up the top to put a green part in was tricky. Next time I will put some wings on so it can be like a real rocket that blasts off.

- Ethan



Well done Room 1 learners - and great thinking about your learning too!



## Artsplash Tickets



**Bellevue High Notes are singing in Artsplash at the Michael Fowler Centre**

**September 1 2015 at 7.45pm**

**Tickets are \$5.00 each per person.**

**Tickets are available from the school office.**



## Bellevue Netball

### Netball Results for Saturday 15 August:

Bellevue Pulse Year 4 lost 2 - 3  
Bellevue Emeralds Year 5 drew 12 - 12  
Bellevue Pulse Year 6 lost 6 - 25

### Netball Draw for Saturday 22 August:

Bellevue Pulse Year 4 V St Brigid's Vipers College 5 at 11.40am  
Bellevue Emeralds Year 5 V Newlands Rock Int 1 at 8.30am  
Bellevue Pulse Year 6 Cashmere Tuis College 2 at 11.40am

**Good luck to all the teams and enjoy your netball.**



Please return all netball uniforms after school at 3.15pm on Wednesday 26 August in the middle block area. The netball season is scheduled to finish on Saturday 22 August. At this stage there doesn't appear to be any netball games scheduled for Saturday 29 August. Your coach will advise you if you are playing on 29 August.

**Bellevue School Netball Prize Giving** will be held on Wednesday 2 September. Prize giving will begin at 3.15pm outside in the middle block area. The Library is the wet weather alternative.



## No Accidents Please

### PLEASE ....

A special reminder to practice courtesy, consideration and safe practice when you drop your children off before school.

In the mornings there is often quite a traffic jam so please follow the road rules - especially when it is wet or windy. Please give way to up hill traffic, go to the top of Bancroft Terrace to turn and no double parking or parking on the wrong side of the road. This morning there were some very close calls as people were trying to turn in driveways and parking on the wrong side of the road. Please help us to keep everyone safe by taking a few extra minutes to follow the road rules and think of others.



## Whānau Hui

### Haere mai ki te Whānau Hui ō Kura ō Bellevue!

Next Thursday 27 August at 6pm we are holding our Whanau Hui. It would be fantastic to have as many whanau of our Māori tamariki



and/or the members of Te Puawai Amua attending, as possible. In order to korero (talk) about how we can work together to best tautoko (support) our Maori students to achieve the best they can in their learning. We will be having shared kai, a performance from Te Puawai Amua and a korero about the teaching and learning that is happening for our Māori tamariki. A separate invitation is coming home to you.

## Basic Facts-a-thon

It is wonderful to see the hard work that the students have put into the learning of their basic facts and with your help, gaining sponsorship for the Basic Facts-a-Thon. We are extremely grateful for your support! We have raised just over \$7000 thus far. There is still sponsorship money to be come in so can you please bring it to school as soon as possible.

The prizes for the Basic Facts-a-Thon will be made at the school assembly on Friday 4 September.

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



## ASB Donation Voucher

ASB have extended their offer of donations to schools so 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 \$500 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.



## Yummy Apples

Don't forget to keep collecting all those Yummy 'Cut-out' labels from bags and the Yummy apple stickers on apples. We have until the **end of this term** to collect them in.



Extra copies of the sticker sheet are available at the office and full sheets can be handed into the office.

## T Shirt Competition

Congratulations to all the students who took part in this competition. If you get the chance, pop into the school foyer to take a look at the amazing ideas and designs our creative students came up with.



A special congratulations to Akira Cook who won the competition so she will see her design put into effect for our new school T-shirt.

Details about ordering these T-shirts will follow when they have been been finalised with the printers.

## School Production

Every student at Bellevue School is part of this production, so please diary the date now. Excitement is building **as the script has been written**, auditions for the link script acting parts are in progress and a naming competition is coming up soon.

Make sure you have 6:30pm on **Thursday 24 September** on your 'Must Do' calendar now.



## Congratulations

Congratulations to Kaitlyn Russell from Room 13 who competed in a Gymnastics Competition in Levin last weekend and was placed 1st overall in Step 2. Kaitlyn also came 1st in the Floor routine, 3rd in the Beam, 3rd in the Vault and 4th in the Bar.

What a fantastic effort! All your hard work has paid off. Well done!



## Community Notices

### Creating Well Kids Workshop

Join 2 passionate mums turned wellness warriors as they share tips on how to get your kids to eat food that's good for them and like!

**When:** Monday 24 August 7:30 – 9pm

**Where:** Churton Park Community Centre

**Cost:** \$23 each or \$35 for 2

Contact Melissa on 021 340 661 or [Melissa@healthystuff.co.nz](mailto:Melissa@healthystuff.co.nz) for more details.



### STELLAR FITNESS SPRING-INTO-SUMMER 12-WEEK WEIGHT LOSS CHALLENGE

Join the Weight Loss Challenge Where You Can Lose Weight and Win Cash. Prizes are paid to the 3 biggest losers based on the % of weight lost. Why not shape up and cash in?



This challenge is designed for women in the community who want to either lose weight, lead a healthier lifestyle, or want to maintain weight loss that has already been achieved. Whether you are just starting out on your weight loss journey, or just want a little extra motivation losing the extra couple of kilos, this challenge can help you get there! Summer bodies are created NOW!!

**Only \$40 for the whole 12 weeks!**  
**STARTS: Monday, 31 AUGUST, 2015**  
**LIMITED SPACES - REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 29 AUGUST, 2015**  
**More information/to register:**  
[www.stellarfitness.co.nz](http://www.stellarfitness.co.nz)

### Ammundsen Family Quiz Night:

Help to support this family by gathering together for a worthy cause to raise money to help pay for the ever increasing costs of fighting cancer.

**Sunday 23 August 2015**  
**1841 Bar & Restaurants**  
**Quiz starts at 7:00pm**  
**Tickets: \$20 pp - pay on the night**  
**All donations welcome**



**To book your team email:**  
[susie.ellis18@gmail.com](mailto:susie.ellis18@gmail.com)

There are prizes for the winning team as well as spot prizes and fun games.