



Weekly Newsletter

26 August 2015

Te Puawai Amua = To bloom and grow from this time forward

Term 3 - Issue 6

Important Dates

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
Wednesday 16 December	Final day of 2015 - 12 noon finish
Monday 1 February	First day of 2016 - 9:00am start

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)

For many of us schools now-days look quite different to when we were students learning in a classroom. In a typical classroom at Bellevue School you might see the students working in different areas and not necessarily on the same task. You will see them sitting, standing and moving around the space. They will often be talking to each other and accessing technology or other resources as needed. They are encouraged to express their ideas, opinions and to ask questions. You will see them working in small groups with the teacher for short, intensive instructional sessions and working in larger groups too. In modern classrooms children are continually setting and reflecting on their personal goals - with assistance from their teachers and their peers. They talk about **how they are learning** as well as **what they are learning**.

Teachers work in different parts of the space - listening, talking and interacting with students. They model skills and processes, often 'thinking out loud' to be role models of learning too. Teachers work hard to make learning intentions clear and explicit so that children know **what and why they are learning particular skills or knowledge, as well as how to learn**. Guy Claxton calls this 'split screen' learning - ie:

LEARNING = subject matter + building learning 'muscles'/abilities/potential.

So when you talk with your child/ren about their learning, please ask how they are improving their learning capabilities and how they know that they are getting better at learning too.

Ka kite
Karen



Assembly Dates

Friday 4 September	Rooms 12 & 1 - 2:15pm start
Friday 25 September	Final assembly for Term 3 and farewell to Mrs Needham



School Production
Thursday 24 September

Tickets on sale from
9:00am Wednesday
9 September



Character Education



The value of whakaute (respect) is important in many different ways. Surveys of employers reveal that of the ten most desirable attributes they want in employees, six are based on a person's character rather than their academic ability.

The rules that we ask people to observe at Bellevue School (in the playground and classrooms) are to promote safety, the rights of others and to give students the opportunity to further develop character attributes.

Our behaviour statement is **"At Bellevue School we respect, share and care for all people and property. Everyone has the right to be respected, safe and to learn.** Our four rules are:- Be Kind, Be Respectful, Be Honest, Be Safe.

Please continue to talk with your children about the rules around home, on the road, in sports and at school. By observing rules we respect the rights of ourselves and others to live in a safe, happy environment at home, school and in our wider community... while we further develop ourselves to be the best, most successful people that we can be.

Kupu Hou (new word)

Kanikani = to dance

Pronunciation = can-ee-can-ee



Thank you

Special thanks to ...

Everyone who took part in the student council's Red Day to support Cure Kids. A total of \$889 was raised for this worthy cause. Thanks to everyone who made a donation for Cure Kids.



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

> Donate

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 for further information about preparing for an earthquake.



Whole School Evacuation

Just a reminder that on Friday 30 October our annual whole school evacuation will take place. This means that every child will need to be picked up by one of their emergency release adults.

Thank you to those of you who have checked that your emergency contact details and emergency release adults are up-to-date. If you have not managed to do this yet, please contact Michele at the office to ensure that we have accurate details should there be an emergency that requires us to evacuate the school.

There will be further details on this whole school evacuation next term - these will come to you over the next few months.



**KEEP
CALM
AND
EVACUATE**

Calendar Fundraiser

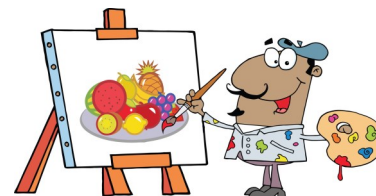
It is that time of year again when we ask each child to create some calendar artwork. This artwork is used to create individual calendars, cards, notepads and mouse mats which you can order through school. These are great to give as Christmas gifts and to have on your walls or on your desk.



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.

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 27 August (tomorrow)** to receive the sausage lunch for this Friday (28 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 if you can help.



Respect Heroes

At Assembly last Friday the following students were acknowledged for demonstrating respect (whakaute):

Shriya Dalvi (Room 1)

Aanya Gupta (Room 2)

Ethan Roper (Room 3)

Riley Crerar (Room 4)

Josie Lange (Room 5)

Tommy Ruka-Karauti & Jess Foster (Room 6)

Miranda Chen & Joe Tebbs (Room 8)

Annaleise Blumhardt & Anagh Tyagi (Room 9)

Gabriella Joffe-Devoy, Harry Baker & Cyprus Kinzett (Room 10)

Munroe Cook, Lara Avery & Larina Daweth (Room 11)

Aneet Sehra & Ayla Duffy (Room 12)

Elijah Amoah & all of Room 13

Ashlyn Parker-Breese & Andrew Cheng (Room 15)

Sarah Elton (Library)



Star Writers



Hello, My name is Crystal. Jelly Crystal. I am pink and I lived in a box with a whole lotta other crystals. We just used to sit around in our box, on a shelf. But I'm here to tell you about that time when it all changed.



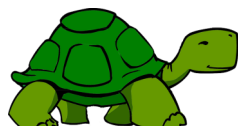
I heard a rip, then I saw the light.. no, I hadn't died but my home was being ripped apart. All of a sudden the Packet turned upside down and we all fell out into a big bowl KATHUNK! I was okay, a little bit sore but fine, well I thought I was.

I thought for a minute, "I'm free of the box! Fist pump!" however this horrible rain came and it was really hot! It did this weird thing to my outsides... It melted me! "AHHH I'M MELTING" I yelled...

by Sophie Purvis, Room 13

Tortoises can't run. They only can walk slowly. They have a big hard shell that protects them from danger. They have small eyes.

by Amelia Mercer, Room 6



Artsplash Tickets



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

September 1 2015 at 7.45pm

We still have tickets available for sale at the school office (\$5.00 each per person)



Bellevue Netball

Netball Results for Saturday 22 September:

Bellevue Pulse Year 4 lost 0 - 6

Bellevue Emeralds Year 5 lost 14 - 16

Bellevue Pulse Year 6 lost 4 - 22

Please return all netball uniforms after school at 3.15pm today in the middle block area.

Thank you to everyone who has played a role in contributing to the success of netball at Bellevue School.

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



More Star Writers



My creature has prickles on its back and he has sharp teeth in his mouth and he can shut down portles so other sharks can't get out.

By Tiernan Finn-Burke, Room 5

My strange creature can spin a web and its name is Meko Puss. He is a superman for the goodies. It saves people's lives. It is as cosy as a fluffy pillow. It is a cat cheetah princess.

By Sophia Beilensohn, Room 5

He can poison you but he is happy. He has seven eyes. It has no teeth.

By Jahzel Leutogi, Room 5

My creature is called Magma. It's baby is called Corkei. It is nice. It eats fish. It is cuddly. It lives under the sea. It is my friend.

By Matilda Frances, Room 5

My creature is very funny. It is very spikey. It is scary. It is the scariest creature in the world.

By Luca Nicholls, Room 5

Whānau Hui

Haere mai ki te Whānau Hui



This Thursday 27 August we are holding our Whanau Hui.

We warmly invite all our families with Maori heritage and those attending Te Puawai

Amua to join us in the library at 6:00pm for shared kai.

It would be fantastic to have all whanau of our Māori tamariki and/or the members of Te Puawai Amua attending.

We will start with shared kai, followed by a performance from Te Puawai Amua, a korero about the teaching and learning that is happening, then your children will teach you a fun game. A separate invitation was sent home last week.

Basic Facts-a-thon

The latest update on money raised is

\$9,426



Thank you for the wonderful

support that you provided for your children to learn their basic facts and helping then promote the sponsorship of this learning.

The money raised is going towards the much needed upgrade of our school outside learning areas and playgrounds. Kia ora koutou.

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.



Apples for Sports Gear

There are only five more weeks to collect Yummy 'Cut-out' labels from bags and the Yummy apple stickers on apples before we send in our sheets to claim our share of the PE equipment.



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

School Production

By the beginning of next week our school production will have a name, then the tickets and programme will be designed by students.

Please remember that every student at Bellevue School is part of this great show at 6:30pm on

Thursday 24 September

Tickets will go on sale from 9:00am on Wednesday 9 September. More details to follow in next week's newsletter



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Community Notices

Weta Workshop School Holiday Programme:

September – October 2015 (tailored to children aged 7-14 years)



For the upcoming school holidays Weta Workshop are opening the doors to give kids a look at what goes into making movie magic.

Let Weta Workshop take your child through a journey of movie magic with our school holiday program. Workshops are open featuring drawing, sculpting, make-up and more!

REPCO PETROL HEADS AT PORIRUA

Venue: Kennel Club, Prosser Street, Porirua

Date: Sunday 30 August

Time: 10:00am - 5:00pm

Cost: \$10 admission, Under 12's free with adult

Up to 100 vehicles on display



Weekend Performing Arts school in

Johnsonville for students aged 4-16 years

Term 4: 10 October - 12 December

Book your child's place NOW!

www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz



Parenting Workshops:

Jenny Hale (Senior Coach) from Parenting Place (as seen weekly on TV One's Good Morning show) will be in Wellington presenting:

Hot Tips on raising happy, confident and resilient children

7:30pm - 9:00pm - Friday 11 September
Confident, resilient children deflect trouble, resist pressure, handle stress and recover from set-backs and trauma. All children can be helped to tackle life and grow up to have a 'can-do' attitude.

Hot Tips on the strong willed child

2.30pm - 4.00pm - Saturday 12 September 2015.
Some children are naturally compliant and others seem to fight their parents for every bit of ground. A practical session for all those parenting strong-willed and spirited children.



Hosted at St Johns in the City, Cnr Willis and Dixon Streets, Wellington CBD

Single ticket: \$20.00, purchase online at www.theparentingplace.co.nz

Newlands Junior Softball Club:

Register for the upcoming 2015/16 summer season. Mixed grades of

T Ball or Mini Pitch: Under 7s and Under 9s.
Softball grades: Under 11s, Under 13s, Under 15s and Under 17s. Registration days will be held on Friday 4/9/15 from 6pm - 7.30pm and Sunday 6/9/15 from 11am - 1pm at Johnsonville Rugby Club, Helston or register online at www.sportsground.co.nz/newlandssoftball.



For more information please visit our website or email njsclub@gmail.com