



Weekly Newsletter

9 March 2016

Nāku te rourou, nāu te rourou ka ora ai te iwi = With your basket and my basket the people will grow

Term 1 - Issue 6

Important Dates

Wednesday 9 March & Thursday 10 March	Three Way Conferences - individual meetings
Thursday 10 March	School Photos
Monday 14 March - Friday 18 March	Life Education Mobile Classroom at school
Thursday 17 March	Life Education Parent/Caregiver Session 2:30pm - 3:00pm
Friday 25 March	Good Friday
Monday 28 March	Easter Monday
Tuesday 29 March	Easter Tuesday
Monday 4 April	Bellevue School Athletics day
Monday 11 April	Postponement date for Bellevue Athletics day
Friday 15 April	Final day of Term 1
Friday 28 October	Annual whole school emergency 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 greeting in your language if it is not here)

NZSL

We hope that you enjoyed Children's Day at the weekend with your child/ren. In New Zealand, Te Ra O Te Tamariki - Children's Day is typically celebrated on the first Sunday in March and has been running since the early 2000's to encourage us to honour children as a *taonga* (treasure). It is a day that is designed to encourage families to relax, give time to and share in activities to honour their children. Research tells us that giving time, praising and encouraging, listening and talking, sharing love and affection and exploring new experiences with children helps them to grow and develop as young learners.

Speaking of our young learners, we are looking forward to you joining your child and their teacher at the Three Way Conferences today (Wednesday 9 March) and tomorrow (Thursday 10 March). These conferences are individual meetings with you and your child to talk about their learning goals. Your child is helping run these meetings with you and their teacher. Every child and every parent/whānau is expected to attend. Please note that there are supervised activities in the library for siblings during the conferences so that you can participate without distractions from older and younger brothers and sisters.

Have a wonderful week. See you at your Three Way Conference today or tomorrow afternoon/evening.

Ka kite
Karen



Assembly Dates

Friday 18 March	Assembly led by Rooms 1, 2 & 11 - 2.15pm
Friday 15 April	Singing Assembly - 2.15pm

Welcome

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue
We would like to welcome Krutessh Balamuralikrishna to Room 1.



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



Character Education



Perseverance/manawaroa is a value that enables us to keep on trying. It is about self-belief that we have the ability to do something. Even when we have doubts, it is knowing that we can keep on going without letting anything stop us.

Without manawaroa people give up on things easily. They do not keep their promises and others find they

can not depend on them to finish what they start or what they say that they will do. When we persevere we stay friends, even when the friendship is tested, and we do not give up until a problem is solved.

Please continue to encourage your child/ren to persevere through any problems and keep trying until they solve them - even when it is hard or they feel like giving up. This helps them experience the rewards of perseverance, to develop resilience and become more successful at self-managing.

Current Email Address



Have you done this yet?

Please make sure that the school has your current email address by emailing:
office@bellevue-newlands.school.nz

To assist us to communicate directly with you please do this now.

Three Way Conferences Today

Remember that these learning conversations are on **today and tomorrow**. These Three Way Conferences help to consolidate the focus of learning for your child and build our partnership with you to support their development.

We are looking forward to catching up with every one of our students and their parents/caregivers over the next two days. Our expectation is that every parent/caregiver meets with their child and teacher for this important learning conversation. Please feel free to bring any other caregivers (eg: Nana) if they work with your child's home learning too.

There are supervised activities in the library for siblings while you attend your Three Way Conference with your child. Please feel free to bring your children to the library and collect them at the end of the conference.

Each conference is around 13 – 15 minutes and we do our very best to keep meetings to time. There will be a bell to let everyone know when it is time to end your conversation so that the next student and their family can join their teacher. If you require further time with your child's teacher then please make an appointment to meet at another time.

Please note that at Bellevue School we continue to make considered efforts to improve the way that we work with our students and their parents/caregivers/whānau to improve students' learning. In an approach that reflects the intention of the national New Zealand Curriculum we particularly encourage students to become more actively involved in their learning and the assessment of their progress. We encourage and support them to have increasing ownership when setting their goals, also in directing their learning. As part of this you will notice they have prepared for their Three Way Conference when you meet with them and their teacher.

Following the Three Way Conferences a Goal Sheet comes home on 30 March, which includes the ways that you may support learning at home.

Please note that students in Years 1-3 receive written Progress Reports at the end of the school term that is closest to their six month, one year, one and a half years, two years, two and a half years and three years at school anniversaries. Our Year 1-3 students due these anniversary reports at the end of the term, will receive these on Wednesday 13 April.

All year 4-6 students receive written Progress Reports at the end of Term 2 and End of Year Reports at the end of Term 4.



Comedy Night Fundraiser

Thank you!

A big thank you to everyone who came along to the comedy night fundraiser on Friday. It was a great night out! We sold 42 tickets with half the ticket price going to the school for the new playground. If anyone knows of people who bought their tickets online for this event then please email nerys_roberts@yahoo.com or text 0273408579 by Friday to let me know their names and how many tickets they purchased, so that some of the proceeds from these tickets can also be counted towards our fundraising. So far the total raised is **\$767.50**.



Kupu Hou (new word)

Kōrero (-hia, -ngai, -tia) = to tell, say, speak, read, talk, address

Pronunciation = kor-reh-ror

I muri i te hui, i **korero** au ki a Manu.

After the meeting, I **spoke** with Manu.



Thankyou

To everyone who came along to the comedy night on Friday. Your support for this event and to fundraising towards the new playground is very much appreciated.

To all our students and their teachers who have been working hard to prepare for their Three Way Conferences with you over the next two days.

To our amazing monitors who deliver milk each day to those students who wish to drink milk. This job requires some dedicated people who commit to doing this service every day.



Emergency Contacts

To help us be prepared for an emergency should it occur during school time, we need to have your current contact numbers and release adults who can collect your child during an evacuation or evacuation practise. This year our whole school evacuation is on Friday 28 October.

To help us keep everyone safe in any emergency situation please check the school has the correct emergency contact numbers and release adults details for your child/ren, and let us know of any changes that occur throughout the year.



Netball 2016 for Years 5 & 6

Welcome to the 2016 season. All Year 5 & 6 boys and girls who would like to play netball for Bellevue, these dates are important to you!

Pre-season Wednesday 9, 16 & 23 March 3.15pm – 4.30pm

Teams named Wednesday 30 March 3.15pm, followed by practice with your coach.

Teams to be registered with NSN by 15 April, First Game - Saturday 7 May

Pre-season training is held on the Middle Block netball court. Remember to bring a bottle filled with water and wear the appropriate clothing and footwear (sneakers). If you have never played netball before but would like to give it a go come along to the pre-season session. Pre-season sessions are open to everybody.

All games are played on Saturday mornings at Newlands College.

If there are any parents/caregivers that would like to coach I would love to hear from you.

Managers and umpires are required for the teams. There are umpires that can be arranged through the Kiwi Whistler programme. There is a cost associated with using a Kiwi Whistler and they are not trained or available until approximately six weeks into the season so until then we are required to provide our own umpires. Support for those want to umpire and coach is available through Northern Suburbs Netball.

Year 3 & 4 Netball Future Ferns

There is an opportunity for Year 3 and 4 boys and girls to give netball a go. It is a modified game using two thirds of the netball court and only 4 aside. It will held at Newlands College on a Saturday afternoon. Participants enter as individuals and has been developed to encourage parent participation as well. Northern Suburbs netball are organizing a flyer explaining the sport in more detail and will be sent out soon. The season will be run over all of term 2 and part of term 3.

Year 1 & 2 Netball Future Ferns

There is an opportunity for Year 1 and 2 boys and girls to give netball a go. It is a modified game using two thirds of the netball court and only 4 aside. It will held at Nairnville Park Recreation Centre indoors on a Sunday afternoon. Participants enter as individuals and has been developed to encourage parent participation as well. Northern Suburbs netball are organizing a flyer explaining the sport in more detail and will be sent out soon. The season will be in term 3.



Would all Year 1 to 6 players interested in playing netball please register their interest to - jo.johnston@outlook.com.

Once I have the list of names the pre-season information can be sent out. The cost of the netball season has not been finalised yet and will vary depending on what year your child is in.

Give-a-Little Website for Playground

The Givealittle site has so far raised \$1045.00 towards the new playground. Please remember to share the link with friends and family (and on social media) to help raise more funds. Remember all donations of \$5 or more are eligible for a tax credit.

<https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/playground4bellevue>



School Photos

School Photos are being taken by 'School Memories' tomorrow - **Thursday 10 March in the school hall.**

All students have their photo taken and a payment envelope featuring your child's photo will be sent home after photo day.



NB:- You are under no obligation to purchase any photos.

PLEASE DO NOT MAKE ANY PAYMENTS FOR ANY OF THE PHOTOS BEFORE YOU GET YOUR PROOF ENVELOPES AFTER PHOTO DAY.

If you would like to order photos from the proofs received please send your order and payment back to your child's class teacher. The school office does not handle any photo payments or give change. If change is required it will be sent back by 'School Memories' with your photo order.

All payments for photos are made to School Memories, not Bellevue School. Details of how to pay will be included on your proof envelopes.

Family photos - Photos with family members outside of school will be taken from 8.30am - 9.00am. Other family photos will be taken during the school day. Older siblings will collect their younger siblings from their class when it is time for their photo.

Perseverance Heroes

At Assembly last week the following students were acknowledged for demonstrating perseverance or manawaroa:



Jack Christian (Room 1)

Lilian Mitchell (Room 2)

Josie Lange & Ethan Pua (Room 3)

Hunter Saunders (Room 5)

Arion Wang (Room 6)

Will Graham & Faith Vasilimiratu (Room 8)

Lara Parkinson (Room 9)

Munroe Cook (Room 10)

Ethan Roper (Room 11)

Ashleigh Howell (Room 12)

Ryder Kapua & Lily Welling-Noble (Room 13)

Riya Lal (Room 14)

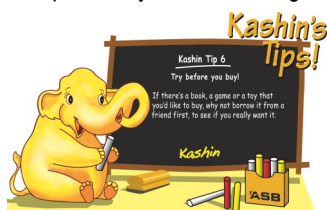
Rafiq Farah (Room 15)

School Banking

Please note that children's banking is available through our school. ASB works with Bellevue School to encourage students to save.

Our school banking day is on Fridays, so students can put their deposit envelopes in the 'drop box' in the office foyer during the week for delivery to the bank on Fridays.

Please contact Amanda in the office if you would like a starter pack for your child to begin banking.



Support for Schools

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB loan of \$150,000 or more, ASB will donate **\$1,000** to your chosen participating school, so please think of Bellevue School if you are doing this.

To take up this offer, your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between 1 February 2016 and 30 April 2016.



Other terms apply. For full details and to download the voucher visit: asb.co.nz/schoolbanking

Life Education Mobile Classroom

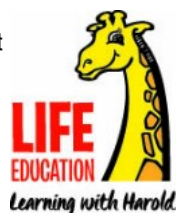
The Life Education Mobile Classroom is visiting our school from next week. Your child/ren visit the mobile classroom (with their class and teacher) twice during this time. These visits support classroom programmes to help your child make informed choices about their health, to respect others and to appreciate that they are unique.

These visits cost \$4:00 per student which is covered by the \$10:00 contribution we ask for your child's Term 1 trips, performances and visits. Please check that you have paid this before next week.

We are holding a parent/caregiver/family/whānau session on Thursday 17 March from 2:30pm - 3:00pm. so that you can find out more about the experience your child/children will have during their visits. Please come along to the mobile classroom next week to meet Kahu (the Life Education educator and Harold, also to view the new technology in the mobile classroom.

For further information please look at the following website:

<http://www.lifeeducation.org.nz>



Smencils

These amazing pencils are made from 100% recycled newspaper and can be purchased from the school office. They are very durable, last for ages and have some interesting scents.

Cost= \$3:00 each or two smencils for \$5:00.



Newsletters from Term 2



Please note that from Term 2 we are aiming to send you your weekly newsletter via email.

It is important that you give us your email address so that you continue to receive this newsletter next term.

Please note that each week the newsletter is also added to the school website so it is available to you on-line too.



Community Notices

Little Sprouts Easter Country Fair

Sunday, 20th March - from 10 am until 2.00 pm at Battle Hill Farm Forest Park.

The Fair features quality craft, plant and art stalls, hot food, baking, preserves, local produce, mojo coffee, jazz music and classic cars. Plus all the fun of a true country fair - Clydesdale cart rides, fire engine rides, llamas, pony rides, air castles, driver a digger, country games, magicians and facepainters, a quiet zone for young children, Easter craft and Easter Bunny and MUCH more... PLUS a fabulous children's scavenger hunt!

Entry to the fair is FREE.

To find out more and to order Scavenger hunt tickets go to:

www.littlesproutseastercountryfair.co.nz/

All proceeds from the Fair go to the Little Sprouts Charitable Trust to help give all babies the very best start in life! You can even sponsor tickets which will be given for free to families in real need via our charity partners (like the Neonatal Trust, Women's Refuge, Barnardos, Red Cross, and many, many more).

This Fair is proudly sponsored by EasySwim Swim School, ANZ Bank and Edwards and Co!



Dance Pointe Ballet Classes

For 4yrs – young adults

For information regarding levels/fees/uniform/enrollment/location/free trial class contact Sharon on 021 2151222 or go to: dancepointenz@gmail.com or www.dancepointe.co.nz



North Wellington Junior Football

Registrations are still open for First Kicks at the North Wellington Junior Football Club and will close on Good Friday, March 25th.

First Kicks is for 4 – 6 year olds and is run on Sunday mornings from 9 – 10.15am at Alex Moore Park. In this grade, the focus is on having fun and getting children to start falling in love with the game through football-based activities followed by small games.

You can register your child at:

<http://www.northwellingtonfootball.com/juniors/registration/> email administrator@northwellingtonfootball.com if you have any queries.

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