



Weekly Newsletter

16 March 2016

Ma whero ma pango ka oti ai te mahi = With red and black (working together) the work will be complete

Term 1 - Issue 7

Important Dates

Monday 14 March - Friday 18 March	Life Education Mobile Classroom at school
Thursday 17 March	Life Education Parent/Caregiver
Friday 25 March	Good Friday
Monday 28 March	Easter Monday - School closed
Tuesday 29 March	Easter Tuesday - School closed
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

Please take a look at the whakatauki at the top of this newsletter. Working together is what we do at Bellevue School, and it means greater success for all when we do this.

One example of working together occurred with the wonderful turn-out of parents, caregivers and families/whānau to the Three Way Conferences last week, also in the way that your child helped share their learning goals. It was a real credit to them, and their teachers that they could do this with you. Thank you for making the effort to be at these important meetings, which enable your child/ren to take greater ownership and direction of their learning. As the most important people in their lives, your attendance at these conferences shows your child how much you value the learning they are doing, also that you are working with them and the school to help them achieve success.

Another example is the way that our amazing community has pulled together to persevere and raise the funds for the school playground replacement... and we are nearly there! Please take a look at the Board newsletter today to see when this is likely to be installed. Thank you also to the Board for their foresight to assist with the earlier installation of the playground when we are so close to reaching the amount we need to complete this work. Working together really does enable greater success.

Have a great week everyone.



Ka kite

Welcome

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue.

We would like to welcome Tristan Lim to Room 13 and Thea Lim to Room 5.

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



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....**



Character Education

"It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop."

CONFUCIUS
KUSHANWIZDOM

Perseverance/manawaroa can be demonstrated in so many different ways. One thing that is really important for us to remember is we need to keep going on trying, and the knowledge that we may need to keep going for a longer period of time than we first thought or hoped!!

Without manawaroa we would give in easily and often feel unsatisfied. Manawaroa is about hard work and the positive expectation that we can do it if we persist long enough to get there.

We encourage all our students to know that they are the ones that make it happen. When learning it is important for them to understand that it is not their parents or their teachers that do the

learning, therefore they need to apply themselves and work hard to keep on going... it does not matter how long it takes them but to keep persevering until they reach their goal.

Please continue to talk with your child/ren about persisting until they solve any problems and keep trying until they reach their goal - especially when it is hard. This helps them experience the satisfaction of achieving by persevering and to increase their ability to self-manage for success. Let them know of the experiences you have had and the times that you have done this... and the feelings of satisfaction you had when you got there.

Bellevue School Grounds Development

Thanks to our wonderful Board loaning the FUNdraisers some operational budget funding the playground has now been ordered. We are aiming for this to be installed during the April break in time for the beginning of next term.

The playground is going to include the features that students and their teachers indicated that they would like to see. These items included:

- Monkey bars and rings
- Fort to climb
- Flying fox
- Climbing wall or climbing net
- Ladders
- Poles to slide down
- Bridges
- Swings
- Slide
- Seesaw
- Tunnel
- Places to sit down

So with all these features we are looking forward to our new playground taking shape over the break. Please note that this construction is taking place during the two week school holiday period so care will be needed when visiting the grounds during this time.

There are plans for an 'official opening' some time early next term, but as soon as the playground has been completed it will be available for use to our students and the local community. Yahoo!

The new shade sail unit has also been ordered and will be installed during the April School Holidays break in conjunction with the playground. We are organising a replacement sail for over the sandpit too.

After these items have been installed, our next project is to create the Tyre Taniwha that the Beautiful Bellevue Enviro Group designed and requested last year. The construction of this was delayed to enable it to be placed appropriately as we developed our new playground areas.

Please note that our school Board of Trustees spent time last year considering how best to move forward in developing our grounds as additional learning spaces. Many of the student inquiry projects from last year are included in our current grounds development and future planning. Our Board continues to give consideration to an overall development plan when looking at proposals for the future development of our grounds and facilities.



Yoga Class Fundraiser

Come and practice yoga with Cendrine and help her raise money for the playground. Join her for a **one-off** adult class on Saturday 16 April from 9:00 am to 10:00 am. It is suitable for all levels. Bring your friends along too! The cost is \$10 for the class with **ALL** the proceeds going to the playground. Bring your own mat and comfortable clothes. Do not hesitate to contact Cendrine if you have any questions on 021 0727013.



Kupu Hou (new word)

whakatipu(a) = to grow

Pronunciation = far-car-tee-poo

E **whakatipua** ana te pātītī e Papa-tū-ā-nuku.
The grass is being *grown* by Papa-tū-ā-nuku.

Nā Maru te kūmara i **whakatipu**.
Maru *grew* the kūmara.



Thankyou

To Michele and Amanda who have been inundated with students buying smencils over the past few weeks. We appreciate the extra work this creates for them as we raise funds for the new playground.



To the wonderful people who have volunteered to assist Jo with managing, coaching and umpiring netball during 2016. It is wonderful to have this support as it means that more of our students can take part in this extra sporting activity.

To our hard-working teachers who are currently writing reports for all of the Year 1-3 students who are due their anniversary reports at the end of term, also typing up the Goal Sheets for those not receiving written reports at the end of this term. Please note that Goal Sheets come home on 30 March and Anniversary Reports on 13 April this year.

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 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 4 April, First Game - Saturday 7 May

If there are any parents/caregivers that would like to coach I would love to hear from you. It is likely that there will be three teams this year and another coach for a possible mixed Year 5 & 6 team is required. If no-one offers to coach then some players will miss out.

Registration forms will be handed out at pre-season training for Year 5 and Year 6 players. The form needs to be returned to the school office by 24th March indicating your commitment to practising and playing netball. The subs will be set at \$70 per player and are payable to the school. The registration form has all the details. Teams, players, coaches, managers and umpires need to be registered with Northern Suburbs netball by 4 April.

Year 3 & 4 Netball Future Ferns

More information about Year 3 & 4 netball will be sent out soon.

Year 1 & 2 Netball Future Ferns

More information about Year 1 & 2 netball will be sent out during term 2.

An email with more information will be sent out once all players have registered their interest by email to jo.johnston@outlook.com or phone 027 2232020

See also www.nsnetball.co.nz

The Entertainment Book

Bellevue School is selling Entertainment Books this year to help fundraise the last \$5000 to upgrade the playground. \$12 of every book sold comes directly to the school. We are selling the traditional book and the new digital version. Order online by using the link below, and feel free to post this link to your facebook page to spread the word (you can get the link from the newsletter online).

<http://www.entbook.co.nz/1g04109>

Also if you would like a poster for your workplace, see the school office or contact Heather Lange on phone 478 3692 or email at heatherandmattlange@gmail.com

Enclosed with the newsletter today is an order form for the entertainment books if you would like to order them through school.



Bellevue School Curriculum

In Te Aratika o te Kura o Bellevue (ie: our Bellevue School Curriculum) we include a 'Learner Profile' that came from the feedback we received from our community ie: students, staff, parents/caregivers and families/whānau. Also included are the learning dispositions and key competencies that we support our young learners to develop at Bellevue. These are:-

Our Learner Profile

We aim for our learners to be:-

- Confident** in self, positive mind-set, can do attitude
- Articulate**, effective communicator
- Inquisitive**, inquiring, asks questions
- Resourceful**, problem finder and problem solver
- Flexible**, to cope with change
- Resilient**, persevere, work through challenges to solve problems
- Respectful** of self and others
- Inclusive**, care for others, know how to interact with people
- Enthusiastic**, value and enjoy learning
- Future focused**, motivated, skills and attitudes to get on with life
- Reflective**, think deeply, aware own strengths,
- Risk takers**, open to learning, taking on challenges, making mistakes
- Ako**, able to learn from and teach others
- Self-starters**, actively involved, makes most of learning opportunities
- Responsible**, self-direct, self-manage learning and behaviour to achieve
- Academically grounded**, skills in Mathematics, English
- Appreciate diversity**, respectful and knowledgeable about own, Māori and other cultures
- Involved**, make positive impact in and beyond the school learning community

Our Learning Dispositions

- Curiosity/Discovering
- Collaboration/Team work
- Resilience/Perseverance
- Risk-taking
- Self-managing



NZ Curriculum Key Competencies:

- Managing self
- Relating to others
- Participating and contributing
- Thinking
- Using language, symbols and texts

Weet-bix Kids Tryathlon

The Weet-Bix Tryathlon is this weekend.

Good luck to all the students who are participating. Have fun!



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 Banking

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.



Community Notice

"Neighbours Day Aotearoa"
Growing our Community

Come and celebrate with your neighbours in Newlands for a fun family afternoon of activities, entertainment, hangi and more!

When: Sunday 20 March, 1pm-4pm
Where: Ngā Hāu e Whāo Paparārangi Marae
30 Ladbroke Drive, Newlands



Community Notices

The University of Otago's Sleep, Education and Learning in our Neighbourhood (SEALION) Study

is looking for parents of 6 - 10 year old children in New Zealand to fill out a questionnaire online.



If you think you might be interested please go to:
<http://tinyurl.com/sealion-survey>

Or email/phone to request a paper version of the survey to be posted to you:

Any questions please contact:

Rebecca Harding on (03) 470 9476 or email sealion@otago.ac.nz

Information sheets are available at the school office.

Girls Basketball Camp:

Where: ASB Sports Center, 72 Kemp Street, Kilbirnie

When: Monday 18 April, 9:00am - 3:30pm

Skill Level: Ages 6 - 15 years (all skill levels welcome)

Camp Fee: \$60 per child

Hosted by: Wellington's Capital Flyers



Participants will receive training and inspiration from Wellington's top basketball players in a supportive and engaging environment. The camp will cover core skills and techniques in a friendly and supportive atmosphere.

Register online:
www.wellingtonbasketball.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:
administration@northwellingtonfootball.com

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



Newsletters from Term 2



Please note- from Term 2 we are hoping to send your weekly newsletter by email.

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

Each week the newsletter is also added to the school website so it is available to you on-line too.



Life Education Mobile Classroom

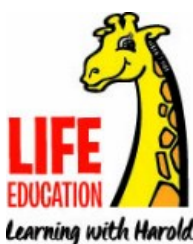
A very special welcome to Kapa and Harold in the Life Education Mobile Classroom which is in our school this week and next week. Your child/ren visit the mobile classroom (with their class and teacher) twice during this time as part of their classroom programmes.

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.

There is a parent/caregiver/family/whānau session for you to attend tomorrow, 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 to meet Kahu (the educator in the Life Education classroom) and Harold, also to view the new technology in the classroom.

For further information please look at the following website:

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



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