



Weekly Newsletter

23 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 8

Important Dates

Monday 21 March - Friday 24 March	Life Education Mobile Classroom at school
Friday 25 March	Good Friday - School closed
Monday 28 March	Easter Monday - School closed
Tuesday 29 March	Easter Tuesday - School closed
Wednesday 30 March	Goal sheets come home for students not receiving a report at the end of term
Monday 4 April	Bellevue School Athletics day
Monday 11 April	Postponement date for Bellevue Athletics day
Wednesday 13 April	Anniversary Reports come home for Year 1-3 students due these
Friday 15 April	Final day of Term 1
Monday 2 May	First day of Term 2
Friday 28 October	Annual whole school emergency evacuation (in Term 4)

Assembly Dates

Friday 1 April	Assembly led by Rooms 5 & 9 - 2:15pm
Friday 15 April	Singing Assembly - 2.15pm

Welcome

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue.

We would like to welcome Aina Math Rapho to Room 2.

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



Current Email Address

E-mail!

Have you done this yet?

Please email:

office@bellevue-newlands.school.nz

to assist us to communicate directly with you.

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, Mabuhay, Hello, (please let us know the greeting in your language if it is not here)

NZSL

During 2015 our school reviewed **Te Aratika o te Kura o Bellevue - Bellevue School Pathway** ie: our local school curriculum based on the New Zealand Curriculum document and the aspirations of our school community. As part of the self review cycle please note the core of our work with you and your children is stated in the following goals:-

Our Broad Strategic Goals

- ◆ For all students to achieve high standards across the curriculum to assist them in becoming active learners, including strong foundations in literacy and numeracy.
- ◆ Encourage creative and critical thinking skills that promote a mind-set for life-long learning.
- ◆ Foster manaakitanga (values) and whanaungatanga (building relationships and connections) within our wider learning community to develop connected and respectful students.
- ◆ Provide an inclusive learning environment that develops and reinforces Bellevue School curriculum values.
- ◆ Commitment to promoting engagement, learning opportunities and achievement for all.
- ◆ Commitment to supporting learners as they move from Early Childcare to Primary, then Intermediate and College.

With only two days until the Easter Break from school we encourage you to enjoy this time with your children and families/whānau. We hope that you have the opportunity to re-energise and have some fun during the break at the end of this week.

Ka kite
Karen



Character Education



While persevering is no guarantee of success, there can be no success without it.

www.jen-hancock.com

Perseverance/manawaroa helps us to gain new skills and cope with the more difficult times. Learning is all about the struggles we meet and working through issues as they arise. As humans this includes fixing up the mistakes we make. Often this can be very challenging, especially when others are feeling upset or treated badly. However by working hard to fix up any misunderstandings and wrongdoings we can make amends for these to reap the rewards of not giving up.

While there is no guarantee that manawaroa means we will be successful, without it there is less likelihood of us resolving issues with others. We encourage all our students to work through issues with others so that they have the skills to resolve problems and to keep going until they have met with success, even if this seems almost impossible at the time.

Survey about our School and Principal

Coming home with the newsletter today is a survey asking you for your opinions of the school and Karen's leadership as Principal of the school.

These surveys are **due back to the school by 31 March**. There is a post-box on the office counter to put the sealed envelope in for Neil Booth (Education Consultant) to collect after 31 March. If you can not see the post box please ask Michele or Amanda and they will help you to locate this.



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)

tupu(ria), tipu(ria) = grow, develop, flourish, seedling
Pronunciation = too-poo (ree-ah), tee-poo (ree-ah)

Kāore ngā putiputi e **tupu** i te marumaru.
The flowers will not *flourish* in the shade.

Ka **tipu** te rito o te harakeke i tēnei marama.
The new shoots of flax will *sprout* this month.



Thankyou

To the Johnsonville Rotary Club who donated 50 new dictionaries for our Te Hau a Uru classrooms last week. These will be very helpful to support our students learning programmes.

Ross Jordan, from the local New World is the Rotarian who delivered these dictionaries. He tells us that each year their local Rotary Club raises money to support schools in our area. We are very appreciative and thank our local Rotary Club for their generosity.



Trips & Performances

Thank you to those parents who have already paid their Trips & Performances contribution for this term. The amount is \$10 per child per term. To pay this contribution you can either pay online or send it along to your child's classroom teacher.

Please do not pay directly to the school office as it needs to be recorded via the class finance book.



FUNdraisers Meeting

The next of our Fundraising get togethers is on Thursday 31 March from 7:00 - 8:00pm in the Whare Iti. Join us for a cuppa and to have some fun while raising funds to improve educational opportunities for all our students at Bellevue.

See you next Thursday in the Whare Iti. Join us there....



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, also please let us know of any changes that occur throughout the year.

Netball 2016 for Years 5 & 6

Thanks to all those who have registered their interest in playing netball.

Based on the interest so far it is looking like there will be three teams. I envisage:

1 Year 6 team; 1 Year 5/6 team; 1 Year 5 team



I have one registration of interest for coaching the Year 5/6 team, however, I would like this to be a shared position so I still require a co-coach for the Year 5/6 team. Until all the forms have been returned and commitment guaranteed it is hard to finalise the teams or the coaches. So please get your forms back to the school ASAP.

An email has been sent to those who have supplied me with their email addresses. If you were expecting an email and haven't received one then please email me.

Each team requires a coach, manager and umpire to be confirmed before the team can be registered. If these positions are not filled there will not be a team registered which would mean that some children will miss out. Please step up and offer to help with your child's sport.

The coaches and myself all work and we volunteer our time, it would be great if you could too.

A registration form was handed out last week. Please return this ASAP to the school office. Subs are not required straight away but the **registration form is required back by Thursday 24 March.**

Jo Johnston - jo.johnston@outlook.com - 027 2232020

Ball Deliverer - Pulse versus Magic - 7.40pm, 4 April 2016:

H2R are providing the opportunity for the game day ball deliverer for the first home game of the season at the TSB Bank Arena on Monday 4 April 2016 at 7.40pm. Answer the following question and you will be in to win the privilege of delivering the ball at the start of the game, its this simple:

Name three of H2Rs recruitment areas

Answers can be found at www.h2r.co.nz

All entries to alex.nation@h2r.co.nz by 4pm Thursday, 31 March 2016

A random draw of all correct entries will take place after the close of the competition

The winner will receive two tickets to the game and a branded t-shirt from H2R to wear on the night.

Winners must be available to attend the game at 7.40pm on 4 April at the TSB Bank Arena.



Star Writer



School Photo Day - by Lara (Room 10)

Feet were glued down to the ground while cameras were click, click, clicking away.

I taste fear as I step on the chairs.

Whispers, flowed through my ears.

Images pop up in my mind while cameras get into business. Everyone tried to look like Hollywood celebrities or even better. The photographer had lots of ideas to make us look fabulous.

Toys help.

A lot!

"I bet I closed my eyes" said the voice in my head.

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>

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



An order form was sent home last week with the newsletter. Extra copies are available from the school office.

Weet-bix Kids Tryathlon



Well done to all the amazing Bellevue School competitors who took part in this event at the weekend. You did yourselves proud and were also great ambassadors for Bellevue too.

Fantastic news about you winning a 'spot prize' too. What a successful day you had.

This was also another wonderful example of perseverance as each of you kept going, even when it got tough. We look forward to our students continuing their running training for the Bellevue School Cross Country event on 4 April as they continue to strive to do their best and persevere in this event too.



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.

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

E-mail!

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.

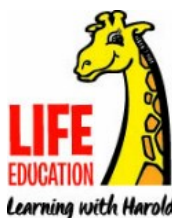
Life Education Mobile Classroom

We farewell Kapa, Harold and the Life Education Mobile Classroom from our school this Thursday.

A special thanks to Kapa for providing this extra learning experience to support our classroom programmes over the past two weeks. You might like to talk with your child about what they have been learning over this past few weeks, and what they learnt during their visits to the mobile classroom.

For further information about Life Education please look at the following website:

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



Perseverance Heroes

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

Callie Sims (Room 1)

Melody Hamer-Brewer (Room 2)

Johanna Arul (Room 3)

The whole class (Room 5)

Charli Bickerton (Room 6)

Gabriella Joff-Devoy & Brett Edgecombe (Room 8)

Savar Baldeo & Liam Boyd-Smith (Room 9)

Aryan Mani (Room 10)

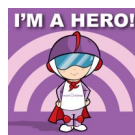
Kanwar Singh (Room 11)

Molly Martin & Kate Jobson (Room 12)

Hale Siaoosi & Rhea Homroy (Room 13)

Dylan Ranchhod, Caroline Holmes & Andre Geard (Room 14)

Aria Coleman (Room 15)



Congratulations

Congratulations to Aria Coleman who competed in the Upper Hutt Roller Skating Club's 2016 competition recently. It is an annual competition open to skaters from all over New Zealand.

Aria medalled in all her events, placing second in Juvenile Freeskating, third in Juvenile Figures and third in Juvenile Solo Dance. What a fantastic effort!

In April Aria will be representing her club at the Central Area Championships.

We wish her all the best for this.



Community Notices

School Holiday Computer Classes:

For ages 5 – 15 in Minecraft, Create 3D Games, Coding, Web Design, Animation, Video Editing, and Building a PC and if young the Discovery Computer Class. For further information call 488 0787 or email: www.grandtraining.co.nz



Whio Fun for Easter:

Staglands Wildlife Reserve is marking **WHIO AWARENESS MONTH** with a fun-filled **EASTER WEEKEND** of WHIO RIVER RACING at The Reserve, 25th – 28th MARCH.

Early birds through the gate will receive a special number that corresponds to a plastic Whio. Races will take place twice daily during the Easter long weekend, with some fantastic prizes up for grabs for the top ducks across the finish line!!

Also meet our resident Whio pair in their exciting new walk-through aviary, a wonderful recreation of their natural habitat.



Find out more at www.staglands.co.nz

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