



Weekly Newsletter

6 July 2016

Atawhaitia te rito kia puawai te tamaiti = Nurture the tender shoot so that the child will bloom

Term 2 - Issue 10

Important Dates

Wednesday 6 July	Reports come home today
Friday 8 July	Last day of Term 2 Pizza lunch day at school
Monday 25 July	First day of Term 3
Three Way Conferences	Monday 8 August + Tuesday 9 August (later night)
Monday 24 October	Labour Day
Friday 28 October	Annual whole school emergency evacuation - Term 4



Assembly Dates

Friday 12 August	Assembly led by Rooms 8 & 13 - 2:15pm
Friday 26 August	Assembly led by Rooms 1, 2 & 11 - 2:15pm
Friday 9 September	Assembly led by Rooms 5 & 9 - 2:15pm
Friday 23 September	Singing Assembly - 2:15pm

Welcome

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue.

We would like to welcome Jordan Taoipu & Jaydon Liu to Room 4.

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

We would also like to welcome Feta Laulau who has started the maintenance contract work at Bellevue School from this week.



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

NZSL

Although this week from 4 - 10 July is Māori Language Week led by the Māori Language Commission, at Bellevue School every week is Māori Language Week. At Bellevue we promote te reo with our students and community every day, week and month of the year as it is New Zealand's very own language, unique to our country.

The theme for this year is 'ākina te reo – behind you all the way' which is about using te reo Māori to support people, to inspire and to cheer them on. This year Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori campaign is related to sports events, starting with the Olympics then other popular sports codes and events that occur throughout the year. The Māori Language Commission's aim is to show New Zealand that there is a place for Māori language in our stadiums, on our sports fields, in the news and the ever growing realm of social media as we rally to support our sports teams, athletes and sports heroes. We will be encouraging our students to do this too - both for our Olympians but also for our sports teams and school sporting events.

Please look out for your child's report coming home this afternoon if they are a Year 4-6 student or Year 1-3 student due their anniversary report. Please remember that the second Three Way Conference for the year for you, your child and their teacher is on Monday 8 and Tuesday 9 August (late night). Booking a time for these conferences will be open next term - from Thursday 28 July (the first week back of Term 3). We look forward to these learning conversations early next term.

Have a great end of the week, end of term and a wonderful break from school with your children. You might want to try some of the activities suggested by Karen Boyes (see attached) over the break. We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 25 July.

Ka kite
Karen



Character Education

NOT A FACT.
EVERYTHING WE SEE IS A PERSPECTIVE,
NOT THE TRUTH"
MARCUS AURELIUS

As this saying indicates, not everything we see is factual and often we have to make an effort to seek to understand or search for the truth. Congratulations to all our students, teachers and parents/whanau who have focused on doing this during Term 2. We have been working to develop our understanding of the importance of honesty or pononga this term, along with ways that we can practise and demonstrate it in our daily lives.

Next term our focus is on manawanui or tolerance. Over the term we are going to be working to build our understanding of why it is important to embrace our diversity ie: - to accept and show empathy to others.

Spare Clothing at School

With winter comes the rain and the mud! Oh dear - a number of students have slipped over during recent weeks, and suffered the wet, muddy results.

As the school has now run out of stock of the spare trousers we had in our 'back up' cupboard we would gratefully receive any donations of preloved trousers that your child has outgrown or no longer wears. Please drop these in or send them along to the office.

Alternately, you may like to send an extra set of clothes to school in your child's bag as a back up should they require these.



Kupu Hou (new word)

manaaki(tia) = look after, care for, show respect/kindness to

Pronunciation = mah-nah-key (tea-ah)

Ka **manaakitia** te harakeke e au.
The flax will be *looked after* by me.

Mā mātou koutou e **manaaki**.
We will *take care of* you.

Ka **manaaki** te tangata whenua i ngā manuhiri.
The people of the land/marae will *care for* the visitors.



Thank you

Thank you to...

Everyone who has supported the Friday Pizza Day fundraiser. Thanks to the teachers, Amanda and Michele for collecting in orders; also to Sheree and Adrienne who collated all the orders so that everyone receives their pizza on Friday. We raised approximately \$400 for the playground upgrades.

Pip Penhey for being a wonderful, generous baker. The staff have enjoyed a special treat each Thursday morning again this term for morning tea. Thank you Pip for this very much appreciated 'pick-up' towards the end of each week.

Greg, Melissa, Brenda and Deeann who transported students and supported them at the Interzone Hockey Tournament yesterday.



Star Writer



Bang, bang, crash, which the lightning went jingling. Bang went the hail. I was very scared. I had to go to my Mum and Dad's bed. I felt better.

Emilie, Room 3



Honesty Heroes

At Assembly last week the following students were acknowledged for demonstrating honesty or pononga:

Isla Provis (Room 1)

Madison Nguyen (Room 2)

Leo Sargeant (Room 3)

Neve Nicholls (Room 4)

Kaden Cooke (Room 5)

Grace Patterson (Room 6)

Bhavik Krisha (Room 8)

Cooper Young (Room 9)

Daisy Clark (Room 10)

Aanika Kaul (Room 11)

Andrew Cheng, Lori Thomson, Stefani Rivera & Chanel Tahana (Room 13)

Samuel Mackay & Jared Rudd (Room 14)

Leo Diaz-Poff & Anagh Tyagi (Room 15)



Newlands Intermediate Open Evening

Newlands Intermediate School is holding an Open Evening on 11 August for all prospective 2017 students. The evening is in the Newlands Intermediate school hall, starting at 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome.

On Tuesday 30 August there is a School in Action morning for parents and students to see and get a feel for teaching and learning at the school.

Later in the year there is an Orientation morning for enrolled students, on Friday 11 November.



Our Family Bucket Lists – Goal setting for the future by Karen Boyes

A few weeks ago I was privileged to hear Travis Bell speak at a dinner in Auckland. Travis is known as the Bucket List Guy <http://www.thebucketlistguy.com>. He inspired me to take his message home and share it with my family – little did I know that it would be a wonderful heart filled activity that lasted two weeks and will continue for ever and would bring my family even closer together...

Here is what we did (or my interpretation of what Travis said...) after our dinner each night, in the September 2 week school holidays...

Day 1:

We each received a blank exercise book (any book would do) The girls decorated our covers while the boys just wrote their names on them!



I had pre-prepared an A4 sheet of paper with a 10 by 8 grid. Next we discussed the average person lives about 80 years, hence the 80 squares and we coloured in the squares we had already lived! Even this simple exercise as a family was revealing as Miss 12 and Mr 14 sat while my husband and I coloured in 50 and 45 squares!

We then discussed that before we started thinking about what we would like to achieve in the remaining squares, let's look at what we have done with the coloured in squares... our 'Brag' list. It was fantastic to see how many items we could all put on our lists and how much the children believed they had achieved and the experiences that they really valued.

Travis spoke about an acronym for Bucket List and I had scribbled these down on a napkin at the dinner. I did not tell the family what each letter stood for, and placed a blank sheet of paper on the fridge with BUCKET LIST written down the edge. Each night I presented one letter and we filled out our books... for the purposes of this blog I have listed them in order, however I presented letters in a random order. (I have listed the order in brackets)

B = Buy that something special (Day 4)

U = Ultimate Challenge (Day 5)

C = Conquer a fear (Day 6)

K = Kind Acts of Others (Day 7)

E = Express Yourself (Day 9)- we also talked about the words we wanted to define us eg: inspiring, passionate

T = Travel Adventures (Day 2)

L = Leave a legacy (Day 8)

I = Idiotic Stuff (Day 10)

S = Satisfy a Curiosity (Day 11)

T = Take Lessons (Day 3)

M = Meet a personal hero (Day 12) – I have no idea where this was to fit on the list so just made it another category- Travis did talk about this... and it was in my notes – I will have to ask him one day...

On Day 13 we sat around the kitchen table, with an A3 blank piece of paper each, a huge pile of magazines and our laptops and we created our Bucket List Vision Boards. We have created vision boards together as a family for the last 9 years, however the process of really thinking about each category made our final charts more personal and powerful.

Day 14 – we displayed them on the kitchen wall and talked about each one as a family.

What an amazing process – we really got to know each other so much better and have even more that connects us together now. We had interesting times – Mr 14 wrote he wanted to meet aliens and break the sound barrier! The debate was intense with my husband and I relenting that our beliefs should not interfere with his – and really who are we to squash his dreams... I wonder if Bill Gates or Richard Branson's parents thought their goals a bit lofty and unrealistic?

A huge thanks to Travis for starting us on this journey ... we are looking at being able to tick items off in the future.

Tags: [bucket list](#)

Netball 2106

Results for Saturday 2 July:

Y6 Emeralds won 26-2

Y5 Pulse lost 3-9

Draw for Saturday 9 July:

Y6 Emeralds v Paparangi Pulse

College Court 1 at 11.40am

Y5 Pulse v Johnsonville Starbursts Newlands

Intermediate Court 2 at 11.00am



Cancellations will be posted on the Northern Suburbs website from 7.30am www.nsnnetball.co.nz

This is the last game this Saturday for term 2. The first round in term 3 will be on Saturday 30 July.

Good luck and enjoy your netball.

Nits

If these little nasties are making you and your child's life a misery, please note that the school has a Robi Comb and two nit combs that you can borrow to help get rid of them. Please contact the school office to access these combs.



Entertainment Books

We are selling through the office for \$60 - with \$12 from each sale going directly to the school. There are thousands of dollars of savings at restaurants, retail outlets and family activities.

Order the book or go digital and have them available on your phone.

[https://](https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1g04109)

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Kapai Kidz Holiday Programme

Is operating from 11 - 22 July from the school hall.

All enquiries to Linda Robinson on:

021 409641 or enrol via our website :

www.kapaikidz.co.nz

Space is limited, get in quick!



Inter School Hockey

Congratulations to all the Year 5 and 6 students who played at the Northern Zone Hockey Tournament. You showed great sportsmanship, perseverance and determination against some strong competition.

A big thank you to all the parents who transported and supervised our team throughout the day. Here are a couple of shots of the action.



Drive Safely Near Schools

A message from Wellington City Council -

Look out for children when driving near a school. They are still learning about the road and may not behave as you expect.

Remember to ♥drive at an appropriate speed for the conditions, ♥keep alert and watch out for children, ♥follow the directions of school road patrols, ♥always be prepared to stop.

To find out more about road safety, visit wellington.govt.nz or call 04 499 444

Playground Project

We are currently working to replace the old, worn safety surfacing under the middle area playground. We are applying for grants and raising funds for this project.

Please support this worthwhile project by taking part in Fundraisers events, donating to the 'Give a Little Page' or helping us access grants to assist with the costs of doing this for all our children.

The Pizza Lunch Day funds went towards this project. Remember that school t-shirts are still available through the office and next term there will be some other great FUNdraiser items for sale (details of these will come to you early next term).

We hope that you encourage friends, family/whānau, workmates, neighbours and acquaintances to buy their copy of the entertainment book through the school, and other items from the school as every dollar raised is going towards this safety surface project.



Road Patrol Supervision

Unfortunately we have had several parents withdraw from being supervisors for Road Patrols. Are you able to help? We need three or four more parents to help us on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday mornings. The job requires turning up at 8:25am and supporting the road patrols in the extremely responsible job that they are trained to do. You will also receive support on how to do the job. It is a legal requirement to have an adult present on Road Patrols. Teachers are unable to do it in the morning as they are preparing for the day and need to be in their classrooms to greet the children. So we definitely need support from you! Please contact Margaret Hesketh (Deputy Principal) either by e-mail, margaret@bellevue-newlands.school.nz or ringing her at school, 478 7037.



After School Care Required

Are you able to help?

After school care is required for two students aged 5 & 7 years within walking distance of school. Starting in term 3.

If interested, please contact Michele in the office.



Community Notices

Community notices are included as space allows, and are limited to no more than 100 words. Every effort is made to present accurate information, however the Board does not accept responsibility for any inaccuracies. The Board is unable to accept responsibility for goods or services advertised.

School Holiday Craft Workshop

Build a kite and design craft stamps. \$22 per child, all materials supplied. The craft workshop will be held at Churton Park Community Centre, Wednesday 13 July, 9:30 - 11:30am.



For more info, please contact Jann on 021 549118 or visit www.facebook.com/makeitactivities

Kids Cross Country Event - Tawa Sunday 24 July

If you haven't already taken part in our Kids Cross Country Series come along on Sunday 24 July. These events are open to everyone. You don't have to be a member of a club to take part. We have races for pre schoolers through to year 8s. Enter at least a week before the event and receive a personalised race bib on the day. Or you can enter anytime on the day from 9.30am. For more info go to : <https://www.athleticshub.co.nz/our-programmes/kidscountry> or contact Jo at Athletics Wellington on 021 976116.

