



Weekly Newsletter

3 August 2016

Ma tini ma mano ka rapa te whai = Many hands make light work

Term 3- Issue 2

Important Dates

Fundraisers Meeting	Thursday 4 August 7:00pm - 8:00pm Whare Iti
Three Way Conferences	Monday 8 August/Tuesday 9 August (later night)
Hearing/Vision Technician visiting	Wednesday 17 August
BOT Meeting	Wednesday 17 August - 7pm staffroom
Artsplash practise + Artsplash concert	Monday 29 August 12:00—1:45pm practise + 7:45pm concert starts
School Olympics	16 October
Labour Day	Monday 24 October
Yummy Apple stickers in to school	Friday 2 September
Calendar/diary orders	5—22 September
Anniversary Reports for Year 1-3 due these	Wednesday 21 September
Annual whole school emergency evacuation - Term 4	Friday 28 October

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 Bella Pua and Thanvi Vegi to Room 4.

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

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

We have had a wonderful start to this week with an inspiring visit from an Olympic Ambassador yesterday. Sarah Walker spoke to us all about setting goals, creating/keeping a positive mindset (telling our subconscious positive things), aiming high and always giving 100% to every practise run or task we do to reach our goals. She also shared her journey to winning silver for BMX at the London Olympics, and being resilient when an injury has prevented her qualifying for this years games. You can view some photos of students with Sarah later in the newsletter.

Thank you to all the parents/caregivers and families/whānau who booked times in for the Three Way Conferences. Please note that if you did not book a time, we have allocated one for you and your child to join their teacher for this important learning conversation next week. Please look out for the confirmation slip coming home today for this Three Way Conference on Monday 8 or Tuesday 9 August. This is a chance for you, your child and their teacher to talk about your child's learning progress and next learning steps. All parents/caregivers and their child are expected to attend these important meetings. Remember that you are also very welcome to bring any caregivers who assist with your child's home learning eg; Nana, Grandad, their nanny.

When you come to school for Three Way Conferences, there will be supervised activities in the library for siblings while you meet with your child and their teacher. If you have to wait between meetings or before your meeting, you are very welcome to come to the library or the staffroom to do this. Teachers will also have chairs in the corridor outside their rooms.

Have a great week.

Ka kite

Karen



Character Education

Tolerance means...
appreciating and respecting
differences in people.



This term the focus at school is manawanui/or tolerance. It is important that we support our young people to grow resilience/manawaroa. Tolerance is a part of building our key competencies of 'relating to others', 'participating and contributing' and 'managing self' (page 12 -13 the New Zealand Curriculum).

We are practicing tolerance when we:-

- ☺ Accept differences
- ☺ Are free of prejudice
- ☺ Don't complain when uncomfortable conditions can not be helped
- ☺ Make others feel included by being friendly and inviting them to join us
- ☺ Change ourselves instead of trying to change others
- ☺ Accept people the way they are - faults and all

Tyre Taniwha

Now that the slide tongue has been installed, the enviro group is keen to put the finishing touches to our tyre taniwha.



We have added **two small tyres** as the eyes of our taniwha, sown some grass seed around this new addition to the playground and have installed matting to prevent a mud problem/pool at the base of the tongue slide.



Our Enviro group is going to paint some final features on the taniwha before we open this up for students to play on.

What a great team effort from start to finish. Kia ora koutou. Many thanks to all those who have helped create our taniwha.



Safety at our Gates

A reminder that the road rules and parking rules apply to everyone of us as we drop off and collect our children from school each day. When you park on a double yellow line or do a U-turn in the middle of the road, not only are you risking the safety of our students and their families/whānau but you are breaking the law.



Please, please... if you are reminded about safe practice by one of our Road Patrol adults, please understand that they do this to make sure your child and all our children are safe. These people donate their time to support our student road patrollers (often in some very nasty weather) to help all our children and their families to be safe as they walk and cross the road to school.

HELP

We really need another two parents or caregivers to help with Road Patrols each week as currently one staff member is doing three duties. This takes them away from preparing for learning programmes... and often they end up covering for our current adults helpers when they are ill too. If you can help this term please contact us at this email address:- margaret@bellevue-newlands.school.nz.

Olympic Ambassador



Thank you to Deeann who organised the Olympic Ambassador visit to Bellevue School yesterday.

Sarah Walker talked to us about her journey to win the BMX silver medal at the last Olympics, and the values that are required to be a successful Olympian.

How wonderful to hear how hard she has worked, and some hints for our students about developing the abilities to do well too. There were some very powerful messages about how to succeed... what a wonderful experience to meet this inspirational sports person!



Kupu Hou (new word)

Hui = to gather, assemble, a meeting
Pronunciation = who-ee

E haere ana tātou ki te *hui* raranga.
We are going to the weaving *meeting*.

Kei te papa tuatoru te *hui* ā te ahiahi nei.
The *meeting* will be held on the third floor this afternoon.



Thank you

Thank you to...

Ezra, Jacob and Jaxon for their whaikorero at the powhiri for our new students and staff last Thursday.
Tu meke! (Fabulous)

Allana, Jade, Brody and Kahurangi for the spectacular job they did of the karanaga at the powhiri too. Tino rawe! (Excellent)

All the wonderful people who are creating and sewing kapa haka uniforms for our larger team of performers at the festivals this year.
Ka wani kē! (You're clever)



Stomach Bugs

There seems to be some nasty bugs going around with a number of children affected with stomach bugs. Here is some advice from the Regional Public Health:

Stomach bugs cause stomach cramps, vomiting, stomach pain and diarrhoea and can last up to 10 days.

If your child has a stomach bug:

- Even if your child can't hold anything down try to give them something to drink. It is important to keep them hydrated
- When your child does feel like eating give them something plain such as bread or toast
- Keep them at home for at least two days after the vomiting and diarrhoea has stopped. This will stop the bug spreading
- Prevent the spread of bugs by washing your hands after cleaning up after vomit and diarrhoea, handling food and before eating or drinking. Wash your sick children's dirty clothes, sheets and towels separately in hot water
- If you are worried about your child's condition seek medical attention

For more information go to the Regional Public Health website:

www.rph.org.nz



Newlands Intermediate School

Newlands Intermediate School has an Open Evening on Thursday 11 August for all prospective 2017 students. This starts at 7:00pm in the hall. Everyone is welcome.

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

Orientation Morning for enrolled students is on Friday 11 November.

Annual Emergency Evacuation



A reminder that this year our annual whole school evacuation practise is taking place on Friday 28 October.

Each year the school undertakes this practise drill so that we are prepared and everyone knows what to do in the case of a real emergency.

Evacuation and emergency procedures are reviewed following this practise to make any improvements that are required for future evacuations.

Conference Confirmation Slips



Please look out for your confirmed time for next weeks Three Way Conferences. This is coming home with your child tonight. If you did not make a booking to attend these important meetings with your child and their teacher, a time has been sent home for you for this meeting. You are very welcome to bring any caregivers who assist with your child's home learning eg: Nana, Grandad, the nanny.

Should you be unable to make this time, please contact your child's teacher directly so that you can organise another mutually suitable date/time for this important learning conversation.

Remember that there are supervised activities for siblings in the library from 3:15 - 6:00pm on Monday 8 August and 3:15 - 5:15pm then 6:00- 8:00pm on Tuesday 9 August.

We look forward to seeing you next week to talk about your child's learning.



School Banking

If your child wishes to take part in School Banking or you wish to find out about this, please make enquiries at the school office as there are starter packs for students who would like to do this.

ASB works with schools to encourage students to save. There are special certificates and amounts of money that ASB donate into students accounts when they reach a saving goal.

ASB also supports schools by donating \$500 when a parent, staff member or member of the school community draws down a new ASB home loan of \$150,000 or more. We encourage anyone doing this to nominate Bellevue School for this donation.

Students 'post' their bank books into the deposit box in the administration area (near the school office) each week and this is taken to the bank every Friday.

Yummy Apple Stickers

A reminder that we are still collecting the stickers and coupons from Yummy Apples. Please can you **send these to school by 3:00pm on Friday 2 September** as they need to be counted and sent off the following week to be in for a share of the sports and PE equipment.

You can find the sheet to attach the stickers to on our website.

Thank you for supporting our school by collecting these stickers.



Netball 2016

Results from Saturday 30 July:

Y6 Emeralds won 5 - 2

Y5 Pulse won 10-3

The draw for Saturday 6 August:

Y6 Emeralds v Redwood Minions College Court 4 at 11.00am

Y5 Pulse v Ngaio Mystics Newlands Intermediate Court 2 at 11.00am

Cancellations will be posted on the Northern Suburbs website

from 7.30am www.nsnetball.co.nz

Prize giving will be on Wednesday 7 Sept after school. Keep the date free.



Abacus Artwork Calendar Fundraiser

Your child's art can be made into affordable calendars, cards, diaries, mouse mats and notepads. These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas. Every child in the school will complete an artwork in August for this fundraiser. Look out for order forms in September, due back at the end of term.

Artwork will be available for viewing in the office from the 1st of September.



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://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1q04109>

Fundraisers Meeting

Our next meeting is this Thursday 4 August 7:00pm - 8:00pm in the Whare Ihi.



Join us for a cuppa and to have some fun while raising funds to improve education opportunities for all our students at Bellevue.

Everyone is welcome to come along. It is a great opportunity for new parents to meet other families at Bellevue.

Games

Please note the flyer attached to this newsletter. A young entrepreneur called Cody is making some exciting wooden games for improving ball skills. These would make great gifts and encourage your children to further develop their skills. He kindly donates 20% of all sales to our school.

Playground Project

Our next playground project is for the middle area playground. Due to the old, worn safety surfacing under this playground, we are now raising funds for this project.

Please support this worthwhile project by taking part in our 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.

Please look at the FUNdraisers events on this page. There are also t-shirts available through the office.

Encourage your friends, family/whanau, workmates, neighbours and acquaintances to buy their copy of the entertainment book through the school, and other items from the school as each dollar raised is going towards the new surfacing for the playground at the end of Room 11.

Scholastic Bookclub

Bookclub orders are due in by Thursday 11 August. Late orders cannot be accepted.

If you are paying by cheque please make it out to Scholastic NZ.



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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.

Storylines Free Family Day - Wellington:

The Storylines Festival is a great time to celebrate the joy of reading. Come and share the excitement of NZ books with children, families and the Wellington community at the Storylines Free Family Day.

This is been held at the Michael Fowler Centre on Saturday 27 August from 10:00am - 3:00pm.

Come along and enjoy the fun!

Tell stories with amazing writers and illustrators.

Explore the deep ocean and glow in the dark. Step a century back in time. Make birds fly, bubbles float and rain fall. Find secret places and hidey-holes. Be really quiet and REALLY LOUD.

Draw and build your own souvenirs.

Entry is free for all.



Medium Density Housing in Newlands Community Consultation:

Wellington City Council is holding 'drop in sessions' at the Newlands Community Centre to provide information and answer questions about a draft change to the District Plan that will make greater provision for medium density housing in a targeted area around the Newlands Town Centre.

Wednesday 10 August, 4.00pm - 7.30pm

Saturday 13 August, 10.30am - 4.00pm

Find out more at planning.oursuburbs.org.nz.



You're Invited to a Night Of 'Inside Out'

A Newlands Baptist Church and mainly music event!

When: Saturday 6 August

Where: The Church Building, 5 Horokiki Road

Cost: Free

Movie Start: 4.30pm

Intermission will be at 5pm. Hot chips and milo will be provided

Wear your p.j.s, bring blankets, cushions, beanbags, family & friends for a comfy night in!

St John Youth Programme - Fun, discovery, building confidence and teamwork
Intermediate Cadets (11 and 12 years)- Johnsonville St John Youth Division needs new Intermediates!

We meet on Wednesday evenings during term time, from 7-8.30pm, in the St John Church Hall at 18 Basset Road, Johnsonville (by the roundabout).

Belonging to the Cadet programme develops leadership and decision-making skills, grows a powerful sense of responsibility, builds self-esteem and encourages a caring attitude to the environment and community. Cadets also receive training in first aid and emergency skills. All cadets participate in the 'Grand Prior's Award Scheme', where they work towards badges in various subjects. There's a wide range of courses to choose from - some are compulsory, others can be selected to reflect personal interests.

For more information, please phone the divisional manager, Lisa Roberts, on 021 251 2383 or come along to Division on Wednesday night.