



Weekly Newsletter

24 August 2016

Whiria te tangata = Weave the people together

Term 3- Issue 5

Important Dates

Orange Day Parade	Friday 26 August
Daffodil Day - School Council Yellow Day	Friday 26 August
Artsplash practise + Artsplash concert	Monday 29 August 12:00—1:45pm practise + 7:45pm concert starts
Dental Van visiting school	Thursday 1 September - Friday 23 September
Yummy Apple stickers due in to school	Friday 2 September
Paid Union Meetings 1:30—3:00pm	Tuesday 6 and Thursday 8 September
Netball Prize Giving after school	Wednesday 7 September
Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent Evening	Wednesday 7 September
Fundraisers Meeting	Thursday 8 September 7pm Whare Iti
Newlands Kapa Haka Festival	Thursday 15 September
St Brigid's Kapa Haka Festival	Saturday 17 September
Anniversary Reports for Year 1-3 due these	Wednesday 21 September
Calendar/diary orders	5 - 22 September
School Disco	Friday 14 October
Labour Day	Monday 24 October
Annual whole school emergency evacuation - Term 4	Friday 28 October
Last day of School Year	Thursday 15 December



From The Principal's Desk



Kia ora, Nameste, Talofa, Konnichiwa, Guten Tag, Giday, 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

On 1 September it is the twelfth national Random Acts of Kindness Day. This was started by a wonderful woman called Megan Singleton and her friends to promote looking out for and connecting with others. They encourage everyone to join in this national day to "raise the kindness of New Zealand" in fun ways. Some of the ways they are encouraging students to do this are:-

- ♥ Clean up around home or school
- ♥ Cook a meal at home
- ♥ Eat lunch with someone who is new or another class member
- ♥ Talk to a student you have not talked to before
- ♥ Make cards or notes for people you appreciate eg: teacher aid, friends, family members
- ♥ Make an origami flower to give to someone
- ♥ Visit an elderly neighbour

If you want to find out more about this Random Acts of Kindness Day visit their website- <http://rak.co.nz>

You may have noticed that we have a growing number of five year olds starting at Bellevue School in recent times. We believe that the New Entrants class is a foundation for schooling, and endeavour to keep the numbers smaller in order for the students to get a sound start during their first few weeks so that they feel confident and competent to cope with routines and expectations that are in place. To do this the Board are paying for a teacher to begin another New Entrant classroom. We welcome Margaret Hahn as the teacher who will be working with our newest students who start between 1 September and 15 December. She has worked as a reliever at Bellevue over the past few years, and was the junior school release teacher in the second half of 2015.

Initially Margaret Hahn will be teaching alongside Kathryn Charlesworth - the two teachers will both be working with Room 4 students and the new students as they arrive until the numbers increase to start the students working full time in their new classroom. For the first few weeks the new teacher will be working with groups in their new classroom space at different times during the day.

Because our newest students need to be working in a classroom space near the other three New Entrant/Year 1 classrooms, and the only class space that we currently have available is Room 7 (the room beside the library) our wonderful Room 6 students and Melissa are moving to Room 7 in the near future. You will notice a container arriving and being located beside the hall later this week. The furniture and equipment currently stored in Room 7 is going to be located in this storage facility to enable the move to occur.

Please look out for your child's goal sheets coming home this evening, and remember that our student council is encouraging people to wear yellow on Daffodil Day at Bellevue School this Friday.

Ka kite,
Karen



Assembly Dates

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

Tolerance is permitting others to practice their beliefs and make their own choices. You don't have to agree with them. It's a matter of respect for individuals as fellow humans. Respect others, be tolerant.

Character Education

Practising manawanui/or tolerance is showing that you can accept when people make choices you do not agree with, when things do not go according to plan or as you would like them too.

When we are tolerant we demonstrate patience and the ability to accept the things that we cannot change with good grace. We accept others, their differences and the choices they make. Developing tolerance builds a great foundation for respect, empathy and strengthening resilience.

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.

Please be reassured that the school does this practice to enable us all to think about, plan for and have a practical experience of the process we would go through in an actual situation where the school may need to evacuate eg: an earthquake, a water outage.

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

Daffodil Day

The Student Council are organising Daffodil Day this Friday 26 August in our school. There will be a coin trail at lunch time to 'Turn White into Gold', Daffodils for sale and a competition for the best 'Yellow' themed outfit.

Please help your child to wear some yellow to join in the fun and to support this wonderful event.



Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent Information evening.

At the end of this term and early next term your child/ren are involved in a study about keeping themselves safe. An information evening for you with our staff and the Police Education Officer is being held on Wednesday 7 September.

Please find the letter with details and an RSVP slip attached to the newsletter email and also coming home in hard copy this evening. To enable parents to attend, we are providing some supervised activities in a room nearby the meeting. As the letter says we will confirm the location of this information evening once we have the RSVP for numbers who are attending. We hope that you can join your child's teacher and Constable Aaron Dann for this important get together.

Pasifika Celebration Invite

Newlands College have asked us to extend this invite to all our Pasifika families. They warmly welcome you all to a Pasifika Celebration Evening at 6:30pm on Tuesday 13 September in their school hall.

The outline for the evening is :-

6:30pm - Performance from Newlands College Poly Club and other Newlands Schools who have Poly Club performances to share

7:00pm - Share meal

7:45pm - Performance's and presentations by individual Newlands College Pasifika students followed by a graduation ceremony for Year 13 Pasifika students

Their intention is that this is a 'whole family event' for families who have students in schools across Newlands, and that families with younger students are able to leave after the shared meal. They said that last year this evening was very informal and led by the students, and hope for the same this year.

Please feel free to join all our local Pasifika families at this wonderful event at Newlands College next month.



Kupu Hou (new word)

Kawa = protocol , way of doing things

pronunciation = car-wah

Me mōhio koe ki te **kawa** o tōu marae.

You should know the *protocol* of your marae.



Thank you

Thank you to...

Our Year 5 and Year 6 students (and their teachers) who organized such a wonderful Bellevue Olympics Day at school last week. Tu meke!



The committed, skillful people who have been sewing new kapa haka costumes for our growing group of performers in time for the Kapa Haka festivals coming up in September. Kia ora

Bellevue School Olympic Day

On Thursday Bellevue School held their own Bellevue Olympics Day to celebrate Rio 2016.

What a great day! All students participated in true Olympic spirit showing the values of **Excellence**, **Respect** and **Friendship**. Well done to everyone who took part at Bellevue School, and to the parents/whanau who came along to cheer us on.



Newlands Intermediate School

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

You are invited to come along any time between 9:00am - 10:30am and see classes in action. There will be guides to show you around and you can stay for as little or as long as you like.

Orientation Morning for enrolled students is on Friday 11 November.

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.

Artsplash Mass Choir Performance



This Performance is on Monday 29 August at 7:45pm at the Michael Fowler Centre. Tickets are \$5 each and are available at the school office.

For more information go to www.wellington.govt.nz/Artsplash

Education Outside the Class - Trips and Performances

It has been brought to our attention that there may be some confusion with regards to the use of the trips and performances money we ask you to pay each year. We hope that this note will help you understand the way this money is used, and realise that it is used directly for the trips and performances your child takes part in at school.

In 2016 we have asked you to send along \$40 (or \$10 per term) towards the cost of trips and performances for your child to support their learning experiences. The reason we ask for a set amount each year is so that you know the amount that we will ask you for during that school year, also for the teachers to know how much they can budget for when planning trips outside the school and educational performers to come into the school. Although we give you the option to pay \$10 each term, we plan the use of this \$40 over the whole school year which means there may be more trips in some terms than others.

Sometimes there are trips or performers that are relevant for the whole school, and sometimes these are specific to the area that your child's class is in ie: Te Hau Rawhiti (New Entrant - Year 2), Te Hau Tonga (Year 3/Year 4) or Te Hau a Uru (Year 5/Year 6). The Senior Teacher/Leader in each of these areas manages the budget for their area and oversees the organisation of the trips or performances for their teams/syndicates. Teachers in each team/syndicate will plan the trips and performances that relate to the work that they are doing with their class learning programmes during the year within the budget amount.

Please note that each time we take a bus anywhere it costs at least \$7 per child. Therefore we often need to carry over some of the term's \$10 to enable us to take your child on a trip outside the school. An example of this is the Beach Education programme that is planned for Term 4. The Surf Life Saver instruction/instructors costs \$9.50 per child and there is also the \$7 cost per child for the bus. Therefore this trip costs \$16.50 per child so requires the spreading of the termly amount to enable it to go ahead in Term 4.

An example of some of the costs of trips attended and planned for this year are :-

- Life Education visits to the mobile classroom - \$4 per child
- ASB sporting trips - \$7 per child
- Carter Observatory entry + bus - \$13 per child
- Zoo entry + bus - \$13 per child
- "Fairest of them all" performance - \$5 per child
- "Little Kowhai Tree" performance - \$5 per child
- Emergency Smart/Ready/Respond St Johns instructor - \$2 per child
- Beach Education Day instructors - \$9.50 per child



In addition to the trips and performances that we provide from the trips/performances money you pay, the staff also apply for special visitors and training that are funded by outside agencies eg: Sarah Walker, Sport Start, Cricket instructors. We also apply for grants in the hopes that we can subsidise the cost of some of the trips that we are planning, which then releases funds for further educational experiences eg we have recently heard that a grant to subsidise the cost of the buses to the Term 4 Beach Education Day has been successful so this enables us to organise an extra performer or trip with this \$7 per child.

We hope that this helps you understand how the money we ask for trips and performances is managed. Please accept our thanks for paying the annual amount for your child's trips and performances as it means our teachers can plan for extra educational experiences that help enrich your child's learning programmes.



Dental Van at School



The Bee Healthy Dental Van will be at school from Thursday 1 September - Friday 23 September. All students who are enrolled with the School Dental Service and

whose parents/caregivers have given consent for them to be checked will be seen by the Dental Therapists.

Goal Sheets

Please look for your child's goal sheets sent home with them today.

With these goal sheets you will find a hard copy of the feedback sheet. We invite you to fill this in and return it to school to help us improve the way that we work with you to improve your child's learning.



Netball 2016

Netball Results:

Results from Saturday 20 August;

Y6 Emeralds drew 8-8

Y5 Pulse won 17-4



Netball Draw

The draw for Saturday 27 August is;

Y6 Emeralds v Churton Park College Court 4 at 11.00am

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

Cancellations are posted on the Northern Suburbs website from 7.30am www.nsnetsball.co.nz

Netball Uniforms:

Y3 and Y4 Future Fern netball has finished for the season. Y 5 and Y6 finish on Saturday 3 September.

Would Y 3 and Y4 return their netball uniforms to Jennifer Natta please. They can be handed in after school on Wednesday 24th and 31st August. Y5 and Y6 can return their uniforms at prize giving.

Good luck and enjoy your netball.

Prize giving for Years 3, 4, 5, and 6:

Prize giving will be on Wednesday 7 September after school. Keep the date free. Prize giving will commence at 3.30pm in the middle block netball court area if the weather is fine. All teachers, parents, grandparents, caregivers and family are welcome to attend.

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 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 Thursday 1 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/1g04109



Games

Please look at the flyer that has been sent home, and which is also available on our website. There is a sample game and catalogue in the foyer too.

Cody makes these exciting wooden games for improving ball skills. These great games, help to develop your child's skills, and they would make great gifts too.

Please note that Cody is kindly donating 20% of all sales to our school.



Playground Project

Our current fundraiser project is to replace the safety surface under the middle area playground.

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.

You will find a newsletter attached from our wonderful FUNdraisers group. Please support them by coming along to meetings and encouraging friends, family, neighbours, workmates, acquaintances to take part in the fundraising events and projects.

The next FUNdraisers meeting is on Thursday 8 September in the Whare Iti at 7:00pm. Bring a friend and join in the fun of organising the events that support your child's school.



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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.

STELLAR FITNESS SLIM-DOWN-TO-SUMMER 12-WEEK WEIGHT LOSS CHALLENGE

Join the Weight Loss Challenge Where You Can Lose Weight and Win Cash. Prizes are paid to the 3 biggest losers based on the % of weight lost. Why not shape up and cash in?

This challenge is designed for women in the community who want to lose weight, lead a healthier lifestyle, or want to maintain weight loss that has already been achieved.

Whether you are just starting out on your weight loss journey, or just want a little extra motivation losing the extra couple of kilos, this challenge can help you get there!

Time to turn your resolutions into a reality!!!

Only \$40 for the whole 12 weeks! STARTS: Monday, 5TH SEPTEMBER, 2016

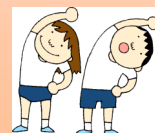
LIMITED SPACES -

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE

FRIDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER, 2016

More information/to register:

www.stellarfitness.co.nz



DO YOU WANT TO PLAY JUNIOR SOFTBALL?

Johnsonville Junior Softball is looking for players for T-Ball, Mini-Pitch and Softball, ages 5 - 16. Last Registration Event is:

Thursday 1 September - 6.30pm - 7.30pm

At the Phillips Street Clubrooms (corner of Phillip Street and Moorefield Road, Johnsonville)

Registration Fee - includes uniform and team photo:

\$70 for 1 child, \$130 for 2 children, \$160 for 3 children, \$180 for 4 children



Interested in learning more?

Go to www.jvillesc.org.nz

Kids Cross Country Series Event is a Mini Mountain Run on Mt Victoria

If you haven't already taken part in our Kids Cross Country Series come along to Mt Victoria on Sunday 28 August for a Mini Mountain Run. Our 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. You can pre enter online or enter anytime on the day from 9.30am on. For more info go to <https://www.athleticshub.co.nz/our-programmes#kidsxcountry> or contact Jo at Athletics Wellington on 021 976116 or jo@athleticswellington.org.nz



Singing, dance and drama for students aged 4-16 yrs old.

Led by London West End performer Sherene Clarke. Every Saturday during term time in Johnsonville and Lower Hutt.

BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW!

www.spotlightperformingarts.co.nz



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22 August 2016

NZEI Teachers Union Meetings – Tuesday 6 September and Thursday 8 September 2016

The teachers and support staff union have called paid union meetings in relation to their serious concerns about the Government's proposed restructuring of the way schools are funded. A paid union meeting is a legal entitlement under section 26 of the Employment Relations Act 2000. Teachers and support staff who are union members have a right to attend these meetings, so we have made a plan to enable our staff to go to one of these meetings.

On Tuesday 6 September half of our staff are attending the afternoon meeting while the remaining staff are at school. On Thursday 9 September the other half of our staff will attend the afternoon meeting. Please note that whilst the school remains open for instruction, there will be a reduced number of staff at school when our teachers and support staff attend these meetings. Those teachers remaining at school will be supervising activities for the larger group of students they have in their care from 12:30 – 3:00pm. The school will not be closed on either of these afternoons.

Should you wish to take your child home at lunchtime on either of these days, please sign your child out from the school office. Please note that children are only able to leave early if they are collected by an approved adult and have signed the child out from the office. All other children will participate in activities with the teachers and staff remaining at school.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees I would like to thank you in advance for your support and understanding as our staff attend these meetings.

Regards

Karen Hardie
Principal