



Weekly Newsletter

1 March 2017 Mahi tahi, whakaaro tahi, akoako tahi = Working together, thinking together, learning together Term 1 - Issue 5

Important Dates

Monday 13 March	Anti-bullying performance at school for all students.
Tuesday 14 March	Football Tournament pp 16 March
Monday 20 March	Bellevue School Teacher Only Day — school closed
Tuesday 28 March	Hearing/Vision Technician at school
Friday 5 May	School photo day
Tuesday 4 April	Bellevue School Athletics day
Tuesday 11 April	Postponement date for Bellevue Athletics day
Thursday 13 April	Final day of Term 1 - Good Friday on 14 April

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

NZSL

What a wonderful celebration of all the cultures in our school our Twilight Fair was last Friday – and the food was amazing! We are very fortunate to have such a diverse community with such a large variety of cultures in it. Bellevue School is such an amazing slice of New Zealand and the many peoples that make up our tiny nation. Our students and their families/whānau come from over 28 different countries from Asia, Africa, Europe, India, the Pacific Islands, the Middle East, United Kingdom, South America and the United States. We value the huge variety of nationalities in our community and these make us a very distinctive, special learning community here in Newlands. Thank you to everyone who cooked something special or shared something from their culture for the Fair on Friday, also to those who helped out in so many different ways. Your support is very much appreciated. The funds raised are going towards further improving our external learning environment for all learners at Bellevue School.

Please remember to talk with your children about their learning each day and help reinforce the effort that is needed to learn. It is really important that your child knows that learning takes hard work, and involves using strategies or tools to learn. You might ask them about something they found tricky, hard or that they struggled with today? Get them to tell you how they worked through the 'tough' patch or got themselves out of the 'learning pit', and what they might do differently next time? At school we talk about using and practicing our 'growth mind-set' as there is such potential for building 'learning power' if we are open to trying new things. Making mistakes and not knowing how to do something as yet is Ok. In fact this is a necessary part of learning, as is feeling uncomfortable when you do not know how to do something or are working to learn new things.

Have a great week in the gorgeous weather that we are being blessed with at the moment.

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Karen

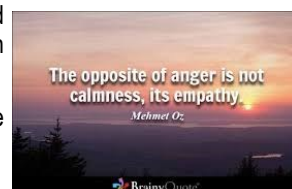


Character Education

Compassion, Empathy and Aroha are all about truly trying to understand how others are feeling and what they are going through. Sometimes this is called 'walking in another person's shoes' or 'being in another's skin' but it really is about trying to imagine ourselves in another person's place. It is about connecting with others, knowing how they might feel, helping them out or helping them to feel better.

To be empathetic or compassionate we need to connect with our own feelings as well as those of other people. We need to try to see things from a different viewpoint - or the perspective of another person. This can be a complicated concept for many of us, so please talk with your child about judgments made about others and trying to understand them. Anger, assumptions and quick judgment of others are the opposite of empathy and compassion. We encourage students to take the time to listen and try to understand how others are feeling.

Keep up the great work of supporting your child/ren to practice empathy, aroha and compassion for others.



Assembly Dates

Friday 3 March	Assembly led by Rooms 8 & 9
Friday 17 March	Assembly led by Rooms 5, 6 & 7
Friday 31 March	Rooms 12 & 13
Thursday 13 April	Singing Assembly

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FREE BOOKS
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 See you at breakfast

— Back to School —

For every NewWorld receipt dropped into the iestore collection box showing the purchase of two participating Kellogg's products your school will be able to redeem 1 free book. Promotional Period 1 Jan – 31 Mar 2017. Max 20 books per school. For full list of participating Kellogg products and Terms & Conditions visit www.kelloggs.com/freebooks

Twilight Fair

Thank you to everyone who helped to:-

- Organise events or stalls
- Cook or bake food
- Contribute food or goods
- Set up the stalls
- Worked on the stalls
- Cleaned up at the end
- Counted the money for banking



We are so appreciative of your help. An early indication is that we have made over \$5,000 towards providing extra outside learning equipment, experiences and spaces for our ākonga/learners at Bellevue School. If you took any photos we would love you to share these with us as we were so busy we did not take any for the school.

School Photo Day

Please note the change of date to the School Photo day in the 'Important dates' section of the newsletter on the first page.

Due to a double booking Photo Day will now be on **Friday 5 May** (the first Friday of Term 2) not Friday 31 March as previously advised. More information about photo day will be published in the newsletter towards the end of this term.



Thank you

Special thanks to...

The wonderful group of people who cooked food, worked on the stalls, helped set up and clean up — before, during and after the Twilight Fair on Friday. Thanks also to our incredible FUNdraisers group and everyone who helped make the Twilight Fair such a success.



Our amazing Cricket Teams for representing the school at the Northern Zone Cricket Tournament yesterday. Also to David, Kim, Santosh and Kendra for transporting, scoring and supporting our players at this event. Kia ora koutou.

Amy and Rachel who helped unload learning equipment stored in the container while some repair work was undertaken in the resource room.

Anne Smith, Mandy and Lovinia who have been working hard over the past few weeks to process new reading books for our youngest readers, and to improve storage of learning equipment in the storage room after the repairs were made. Kia ora koutou!

Our amazing Librarian Sarah who keeps our special reading space alive and exciting to capture our readers interests. She also trains and works with a great team of student librarians so that our library is open at play and lunchtimes. Pāia!

Kupu Hou (new word)

Pakeke = grown up, adult
 Pronunciation = pah-keh-keh

Kua **pakeke** haere koe, e te tau!
 You're *growing up*, my darling

He **pakeke** ake a Rihimona i a au. Rihimona was *older* than me.



School Office Hours

Please remember that school office hours are 8.30am - 3.30pm. We can not always answer the phone or respond to your requests outside these hours as other staff members are often involved in training sessions or meetings outside school times.



Star Writer



Splash! The paint went on my face. I want a Pikachu. I love Pikachu. It was fun at the Twilight Fair.
Dannelle, Room 7



Bellevue Netball 2017

Northern Suburbs Netball will be following Netball New Zealand's playing format recommendations.



Year 6 - seven aside netball on a full court with 3m high netball hoop.

Year 5 - six aside Future Ferns netball on a full court with 2.6m high netball hoop.

Year 3/4 - five aside Future Ferns netball on 2/3 court with 2.6 m high netball hoop.

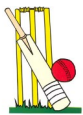
Year 2 and 1 - four aside Future Ferns netball on 1/3 court with hula hoops as the netball hoop.

All girls and boys interested in playing netball can register their interest soon.

Netball requires parental support. The following help is required - coaches, managers, coordinators and star helpers. Training sessions for all these roles are made available and are free through Northern Suburbs Netball.

Cricket Tournament

Congratulations to our Bellevue Batters and Bellevue Bandits cricket teams who represented our school so well at the Northern Zone Cricket event yesterday. Thank you for showing great skills, also demonstrating wonderful 'Fair Play' attributes.



Thanks also to David, Kim, Santosh and Kendra who helped to organise our teams, score and encourage players at this tournament.

Northern Zone Cricket Tournament

Two Year 5 and 6 teams went to Alex Moore Park for the Northern Zone Cricket Tournament on Tuesday which was organised by Cricket Wellington. We had five games to play against other teams from the Northern Zone. We had so much fun because we loved to smash the ball and send the ball flying. We also enjoyed getting the opposition out in lots of different ways. We were lucky that it was a beautiful sunny day. We hope that this event will be on next year. Thank you to the parents that came and helped with transport, umpiring and scoring. We couldn't go without you.

Written by James, Caroline and Miranda.



Sports Noticeboard

Keep an eye on the new Sports and P.E. Noticeboard in the office. Here, you will find photos, spare notices and information relating to sports and physical education at Bellevue School.

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 the cash along to your child's classroom teacher.

Please do not pay cash directly to the school office as it needs to be recorded via the class finance book. Payment can also be made online to ASB, account 12 3223 0048283 00. Please include your child's name and room number and use 'Trips' as a reference.

Our first performance for the year is on 13 March with a show about 'Bullying and Anti-bullying' that is coming to our school. Te Hau Tonga have organised a trip to Te Papa at the end of March.

Golden Day - 10 March

This is Bellevue School's golden jubilee year. Yes our school turns 50 this year.



There will be some special celebration events in the weekend of 15 and 16 September. In the meantime the Jubilee Committee is working with the school to plan some legacy projects to be ready for September's celebrations.

The student council are helping organise a special Golden Day on Friday 10 March. We are holding 'Golden Day' at school to raise funds for daffodil bulbs for a legacy project for our Jubilee Year.

We are hoping to raise funds to buy enough daffodil bulbs to line our entrance pathway with a beautiful blanket of daffodils. This is one of the legacy projects we hope that the school will enjoy for many years.

We encourage everyone to get out their 'golden gear', dress up then wear it to school on Friday 10 March, and bring along a \$2 gold coin towards purchasing daffodil bulbs for students to plant in time for them to bloom at our golden jubilee celebrations in September.

Please come along dressed up in yellow and gold next Friday 10 March and bring your gold coin too.



School Banking

The ASB joins with us to provide your child the opportunity to take part in school banking. You can obtain a starter pack from the school office if you wish to organise your child to do this.

Banking day is Friday. Bank books are deposited in the banking box found in the school office foyer.

We encourage students to learn the skills of saving and budgeting their money for special purposes.



Kelly Sports 2017

If your child/children are attending the Kelly Sports Sessions and you need any information about this please ring Kelly Sports directly on (04) 9727201 or email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz

If your child is going to be away for a session or you are unsure if it is going ahead due to bad weather please ring Kelly Sports on the above number about this and not the school office.



Yummy Apple Stickers



Please keep collecting the yummy apple stickers and bag labels in 2017 so Bellevue students can benefit from a share of the sports equipment available from this promotion each year.

If you need a sheet to put the stickers on please pick one up from the office.

Thank you.



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.

Kula Kids Yoga @ CendrineS is enrolling now!

\$90 for 6 weeks classes or \$15 for a casual class.

10% OFF if your child is enrolled at Bellevue school!

23 February to 30 March - 6 week session

Thursday 3:30 - 4.15 pm Ages 5-9

4:30 - 5:30 pm Ages 10-13

We will learn the poses 'kid-style' through story, song and games, and simple mindfulness practices. Mostly, it is fun!

Contact Jeanne - kulakidsyoga@yahoo.com

or www.facebook.com/KulaKidsYoga/

or book here - <https://kulayoga.gettimely.com/book>



Weet-Bix Kids Tryathlon

Bellevue are entering a team in the Kids Weet-Bix Triathlon 2017.



This event is being held at Kilbirnie Park, in Wellington, on Sunday 19 March 2017. If you would like to participate in the Weetbix Kids Tryathlon for 2017 and join the Bellevue team please go to: <https://registration.tryathlon.co.nz/home/event/12> to register online.

You do not need a code. The registration form has a tick box asking if you would like to link to a school.

When you check it, a list pops up with the school's who are registered and Bellevue are right near the top.

Participants must be 7 years old to enter.

A notice was sent home last week with all Te Hau Tonga and Te Hau a Uru (ie: middle and senior) students.



PresenterMedia

Jubilee Organisers

If you are interested in sharing some information or assisting with the organisation of the celebrations please contact Mandy Mackay at: mandarin.mackay@gmail.com



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Adult Role Models

When you deliver your children to school or pick them up at the end of the day, please can we respectfully ask that you only cross the road between the road patrol signs.

It is really important that our students and learners see all our adults modelling this safe behaviour. Unfortunately students have been increasingly telling us that they have seen some of our parents crossing the roads away from the patrol area once they have delivered their child or on the way to pick up their child. This does not send a safe message to our students so please wait on the footpath and then cross between the road patrol signs, rather than crossing at other places on Bancroft Terrace.



Occasional Transport Needed

Are you able to pick up a Room 3 child from school and drop them home to Newlands Road on an occasional basis? If you are able to help please ring Manjari on 021 0252550.



Johnsonville School 150th Reunion: 7 - 9 April 2017

Johnsonville School is holding its 150th Reunion from 7 - 9 April 2017. For information about events and registration, go to www.johnsonville.school.nz and click on '150th Reunion Information' or email reunion@conferenceworks.co.nz or phone Johnsonville School on 04-478 7155.

Northern United Junior Hockey Club

2017 CLUB REGISTRATIONS CLOSING SOON!!!

Based at 26 Blackrock Road, Newlands, we welcome yrs 3-8 hockey players of all skill levels from the Northern suburbs.

Key dates:

Pre-season training:

Newlands, 5-7 pm Mondays (yrs 3 to 6: 5-6 pm; yrs 7 & 8: 6-7 pm), from 20 Feb



Years 7 & 8 (11-a-side) trials:
5 and 12 March, 2-5 pm

No problem if you missed the first trial. If you sign up, you will be put into a team!

Details: www.nujhc.org.nz nujhc@gmail.com

NEWLANDS JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB - Register now!

Come & play rugby as part of our family friendly club. We have teams in Under 6 to Under 11 grades. Register online now at www.sporty.co.nz/newlands or come along to our registration night, 6pm - 7pm, Thursday 2nd March at the Newlands Community Centre. There will be Hurricanes players & giveaways. You can also check us out on Facebook.



Kids Go Free at Staglands on Children's Day

Staglands Wildlife Reserve will be celebrating Children's Day on Sunday 5th March by offering FREE ENTRY into The Reserve for ALL CHILDREN.

In addition to their usual attractions visitors can enjoy free off-road tractor-trailer rides plus a special performance from The Major Minors Children's Choir.

So if you are looking for a fun Children's day outing for the whole family; meet at Staglands and Connect with Nature on Sunday 5 March.