



# Weekly Newsletter

22 March 2017 We work together for maximum impact Ka mahi ngātahi mō te tukinga nui Term 1 - Issue 8

## Important Dates

Tuesday 28 March	Hearing/Vision Technician at school
Tuesday 4 April	Bellevue School Athletics day
Thursday 6 April	FUNdraisers meeting
Friday 7 April	Pizza Friday
Tuesday 11 April	Postponement date - Bellevue Athletics day
Wednesday 12 April	Written reports come home to Year 1 – 3 students due their anniversary report
Thursday 13 April	Final day of Term 1 - Good Friday - 14 April
Friday 5 May	School Photo Day

## 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

With the Teacher Only Day last Monday, we hope that you and your children enjoyed some time together over the extended weekend. All our teachers had an exciting, stimulating and challenging day when visiting other schools to observe and talk with teachers about how they are using more collaborative teaching practice and flexible learning spaces to improve students' learning. At Bellevue we continually ask the question "What is best for our kids learning?" so this extra opportunity to further develop our professional practice was extremely valuable and will assist us to further improve learning for your child/ren. We were very humbled by the generosity of spirit and wonderful demonstration of collaboration from Tawa, Kapiti Beach, Riverdale and Whakarongo schools who hosted us this week to share their teaching/learning practice - also their journey in creating learning spaces where teachers are responding to students' learning needs in more innovative ways.

At Bellevue we are working to make changes to the way our students operate as learners so that they can readily transition to intermediate, then on to secondary school... while becoming active, connected life-long learners who have success and make valuable contributions in our rapidly changing world.

Have a great week everyone.

Ka kite  
Karen



## Character Education

This term we are regularly asking our students how they are doing as Empathy Detectives? To help promote the growth of empathy, compassion and aroha we are asking everyone to:-

- 😊 pay attention
- 😊 get the facts
- 😊 so that they know how to react.

By being detectives and improving our skills to work out how others may be feeling, it can guide us to make choices that enable us to show concern and to help others who are in need, hurt or in trouble. This can help us forgive others who have hurt us too.

Please help each of your children become Empathy Heroes by using their detective skills to find out how others are feeling, making choices to assist them and to help them feel that they are not alone.



Create something at LiveLuvCreate.com

## Assembly Dates

Friday 31 March	Rooms 12 & 13 - 2.15pm
Thursday 13 April	Singing Assembly - 2.15pm

**— GET —  
FREE BOOKS  
FOR YOUR SCHOOL WITH  
KELLOGG'S & NEW WORLD**

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](http://www.kelloggs.com/freebooks)

## E-learning and Use of Devices at School



Have you returned your child's signed copy of the E-learning and Digital Citizenship Student Use Agreement to school yet? If this has not been returned by today, your child will not have access to electronic devices to assist their learning until the school receives a signed copy of the agreement.

Please note that all schools use a variety of e-learning devices to provide education relevant to student needs and which helps prepare our students for their future. Consequently your child is involved in e-learning and uses ICT devices as a tool for learning at Bellevue School to support and enhance their learning.

This is why we ask students and their parents to sign an agreement for use of electronic devices at school as they enter Bellevue School. From this year this agreement will be updated annually. Please go to our website to view an information sheet, also a copy of the E-learning and Digital Citizenship Student Use Agreement for you and your child to sign if they are in Year 2 - 6. We ask you to read this through with your child and sign one for each of your children in this area of the school.

## School Photo Day

Our school Photo Day is **Friday 5 May** (ie: the first Friday of Term 2). More information about photo day will be published in the newsletter towards the end of this term.



## Thank you

Special thanks to...

Jo Johnston for being the Netball coordinator for the past four years. Jo your commitment, patience and endless efforts are much appreciated, as is your support for Naima Soa-Lafoai who is taking over this busy job. Kia korua Jo and Naima.

Azlina for providing the staff with some delicious food on Teacher Only Day. Your thoughtfulness was very much appreciated... and those tasty treats too!

The parents who have accompanied students to the football tournament, Weetbix Triathlon last week and Te Papa bug exhibition this week. Your help means that we can take our students on these extra education experiences outside the classroom. Kia ora koutou.



## Kupu Hou (new word)

**Hau** = wind  
Pronunciation = (hoe)

Kei te pupuhi te **hau**.  
The *wind* is blowing.

Kei te pūhia ngā kākahu e te **hau**.  
The clothes are being blown by the *wind*.



At Bellevue School our buildings are named after the winds ie:  
Te **Hau** Rawhiti = the East Wind (Rooms 1 - 7)  
Te **Hau** Tonga = the South Wind (Rooms 8 - 11)  
Te **Hau** a Uru = the West Wind (Rooms 12 - 15)  
Te **Hau** Raki = the North Wind (Admin area and Staffroom)

## School Banking

Banking day is Friday. Bank books are put into the banking box found in the school office foyer and these are delivered to the bank on Fridays.

If you wish to start banking through the school, contact the office for a starter pack.



## The Entertainment Book

Bellevue School is selling Entertainment Books this year to help fundraise for further outside learning equipment for all our students. \$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. Please 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/1q04109>

Look out for the hard copy of the order form which is being sent home to all families today so that you can order through school if you would prefer.





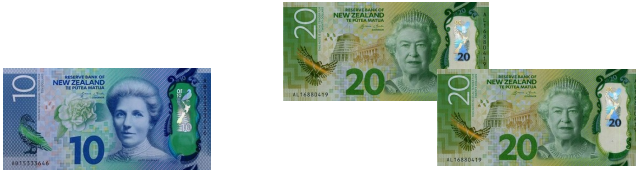
## Please Help

We appreciate you sending along the \$10 per term or \$40 per year to cover the cost of further Trips and Performances coming up this year. Please pay online or send the cash to your child's classroom teacher to be recorded via the class finance book.



Online payments can be made to ASB, account 12 3223 0048283 00. Please include your child's name and room number and use 'Trips' as a reference.

Rooms 8, 9, 10 and 11 are visiting the Bug Exhibition at Te Papa this week so please send the Trips and Performance money along to assist us to pay for performers, buses and entry fees.



## Empathy & Compassion Heroes

The following students were acknowledged in Assembly last Friday for demonstrating empathy and compassion:

Room 3: Sam Stratton

Room 4: Bella Pua

Room 5: Angus Whale

Room 6: Claire Dubussion & Bree Finau

Room 7: Zac Le Cheminant

Room 8: Morgan Saunders & Leo Sargeant

Room 9: Riley Dreaver

Room 10: Luca Harroon & Raeleigh Kapua

Room 11: Ben Tibby & Sahana Praveen

Room 12: Hannah Leach-McGarva & Caroline Holmes

Room 13: Kahurangi Amaru

Room 14: Miranda Chen

Room 15: Nikhil Kollati & Bronte Mounter

Also our 2017 Peer Mediators:-

Annaliese, Brody, Georgina, Hannah, Harry, Kahurangi, Lily, Luke C, Miranda, Phoenix, Samuel P, Seth S and Tessa.



## Bellevue Netball 2017

### Important Dates for all Y5-6 netball players:

- Registration form to be returned by 3pm Thursday 23 March
- Teams named Wednesday 29 March 3.15pm, followed by practice with your coach
- Team practice Wednesday 5 and 12 April 3.15pm or as advised by your coach
- Subs \$70 to be paid to school Thursday 6 April
- Coaches to register their team with NSN by 10 April
- Team practice Wednesday 3 May 3.15pm - team uniforms to be handed out
- First competition game Saturday 6 May

### Important Dates for all Y3-4 netball players:

- Registration form to be returned by 3pm Thursday 23 March
- Teams named Wednesday 5 April 3.15pm.
- Subs \$40 to be paid by Thursday 6 April
- Coaches to register their team with NSN by 10 April
- Team uniforms to be handed out Wednesday 3 May 3.15pm
- First playing day Saturday 6 May

**Note - there are no training sessions for Y3 and Y4 as they train and play on Saturday.**

### Year 1 & 2 Future Ferns:

Information about Future Ferns netball sessions for Year 1 and 2 will come out mid term 2.



## Star Writers

I am a Master of Disguise. I can be pink, white or Green. I have front legs covered in spines that look like daggers. I live in Malaysia. I live in bushes and small trees. I eat cockroaches, moths and dragonflies. I trick other insects because they think they are landing on a flower but they are landing on me. I lay 100 eggs a day. What am I?

By Quinn, Room 10



I wish I had a baby instead of my dollies and I would name it Ding Dong Head if I was allowed. I would play with it and hug it and would keep it away from my two dogs because they might bite it.

By Skye, Room 5



## Sport & Physical Education

### Northern Zone Football Tournament

Written by Dylan and Annaliese

We represented Bellevue School at the Football tournament on Thursday 16 of March at Alex Moore Park. Schools from all over Northern Zone were there. We were there to have fun and play soccer. Bellevue School entered two year 5 and 6 teams (Bellevue City and Bellevue United). We collaborated a lot by passing the ball to each other. We showed perseverance even when we were falling behind. We had a great day!

A huge thank you to the parents who helped with transport and supervision on the day and those who juggled work commitments when the event was postponed. Check out the Sports Noticeboard and the Primary Sport Wellington website for photos from the event.



### Weetbix TRYathlon

Congratulations to those who participated in the Weetbix TRYathlon at Kilbirnie Park last Sunday. From all reports, the TRYathletes had a wonderful day. If you have any photos from the event that we could put on our Sports Noticeboard or school sites, please send them through to: [kendra@bellevue-newlands.school.nz](mailto:kendra@bellevue-newlands.school.nz)



### Bellevue School Athletics Day

The Bellevue School Athletics day is Tuesday 4th April (week 10). We welcome parents to join us on this day. More information to come soon. All syndicates are currently having training sessions to help practise the skills ready for athletics day.



### Miniball

The season starts in term 2. To enter a team we need parents to coach and manage. If you are able to help please email Kendra at: [kendra@bellevue-newlands.school.nz](mailto:kendra@bellevue-newlands.school.nz)

### 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.

## 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. Thanks



## Jubilee Organisers

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



## 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.

### *Dance Pointe*

*Academy New Zealand*

**DancePointe Academy** is a Classical Ballet School teaching children from pre-schoolers through to young adults the enjoyment of dance with an inclusive family culture and exams in both the RAD and BBO syllabus and competitions if desired. Ballet classes for pre-schoolers 4yrs – young adults. Beginners of any age welcome. For information regarding classes at both St Peters & Pauls and St Johns in Johnsonville for a free trial class contact Sharon at:

[dancepointenz@gmail.com](mailto:dancepointenz@gmail.com) or [www.dancepointe.co.nz](http://www.dancepointe.co.nz)

or on 021 2151222

**At BIGAIR GYM** in Tawa we are continuing to do new and exciting things, come and see our new gym pit and look online for our new classes. Our popular classes include **Gymnastics** (Preschool & School age), **Trampolining**, **Tumbling**, **Parkour** & **Cheerleading**. GYMNASTICS teaches the fundamentals of strength and coordination which supports all sports, and children gain increased self-confidence as they progress through Bigairs gym programme. PARKOUR is fun as kids learn safe and new ways to move around obstacles. Children that love cartwheels, handstands and walkovers will enjoy GYM and TUMBLING classes. Anyone that has a trampoline at home will love learning new skills in Bigairs TRAMPOLINE classes. For all those dancers and gymnasts, we have our famous Bigair **Cheerleading** Teams, including a new junior team for 5-9 years. Plus we offer **Birthday Parties** which are fun and easy for parents! Bigair Gyms Classes for Term 2, and fun & active **School Holiday Programme** are open for bookings NOW! For all queries and booking: (04) 2323508 or [office@bigairgym.co.nz](mailto:office@bigairgym.co.nz).



### Neighbours Day 2017

**When/Ahea** - Ratapu, Poutu-te-rangi 26, Sunday March 26

**When/Kei whea** - Nga Hau e Wha o Paparangi

**Time/Te wa** - 1.00pm - 4.00pm

We would like to invite you to attend our event where we will be promoting 'growing our community' by having **Fun activities** including - Push play, face painting, kiddy Komer, bouncy castle, spot prizes, refreshments, BBQ & Hangi.

**Traditional Activities** - Whakataua, Raranga display, Rongoa display, Maara kai display, Kapahaka and Hangi.

You are welcome to bring a display that promotes your kura.

Bring a picnic basket and enjoy the day!!

