



Weekly Newsletter

28 June 2017

Whaia te iti kahurangi = Reach for the stars.

Term 2 - Issue 9

Important Dates

Wednesday 28 June	Matariki evening in hall from 6:30 - 7:30pm
Wednesday 5 July	Anniversary reports for Year 1-3 and Mid-year reports for Year 4-6
Friday 30 June	Pizza Orders Due for next week's Pizza Friday
Friday 7 July	Pizza Friday (Fundraiser)
Friday 7 July	Final day of Term 2 - 3pm finish
Monday 24 July	First day of Term 3
Tuesday 25 July	Te Hau a Uru (Rooms 12—15) start swimming lessons at Keith Spry Pool
Thursday 27 July	Powhiri for new students and staff
Monday 7 August	Welcome for ERO team
Tuesday 8 August	NED Show—for whole school
Tuesday 15 and Wednesday 16 August	Three Way Conferences - late night Wednesday

See you at our Matariki celebration this evening. We are looking forward to reaching for the stars as we share some of our learning

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

NZSL

We are looking forward to catching up with everyone tonight. See you between 6:30 - 7:30pm in the hall for the special evening to celebrate Matariki and our unique heritage in Aotearoa - New Zealand. Please bring along your evening meal and join us for this great get together with other students, their families/whānau and the teachers. The hall will be available from 6:15pm but we respectfully ask that you hold off eating until after the karakia kai at 6:30pm. After eating your child/ren are sharing some of their learning. There are also some prize draws for people who come along. See you tonight.

Next term the school is welcoming the ERO (Education Review Office) team to Bellevue. They are visiting during the week of 7 - 11 August. ERO works with the school to review our practice, progress and review educational outcomes for students. Generally they visit schools every three years to look at how the Board and staff are fulfilling their 'Stewardship' of the school and assess how effective our internal evaluation processes are. We look forward to working with them and will welcome them with a powhiri on Monday 7 August. We will let you know of the time of the powhiri for this team once this has been discussed with the team leader.

Next Wednesday written reports come home for all Year 4 - 6 students and our Year 1 - 3 students due for their anniversary reports. Your child/ren contribute to these reports so you will find a special area for their self assessment comments. When written reports come home next week please share your child's successes and learning goals by reading and discussing their report with them. You will see that our report formats have been up-dated, so if you have not received a report this year yet you might notice some minor changes. To distinguish between reports, the mid-year ones are now A5 size and year end reports are A4 size. A feedback sheet will accompany your child's report for you to share how you find these reports and any suggestions for improvement. Teachers have spent many hours work writing these reports over the past few weeks so we encourage you to take a good look at these and talk about them with your child. The more we show interest in and value our student's learning, the more they will put into their learning, so please help your child to continue to grow their learning.

Have a great week everyone.

Ka kite
Karen



Character Education

Whakaute or respect is one of the five core values that our learning community identified as important for our school. It underpins Te Aratika o te Kura o Bellevue - our school curriculum, and is relevant in everything we do.

Our school rules include 'Be Respectful'. At all times we encourage people to treat others with dignity and an attitude of caring. Even when people are angry, feel wronged or have made a mistake we ask that they work to resolve any issues or fix things up in a respectful way. Practising this is helpful in further developing the key competencies of 'Managing Self', 'Relating to Others' and 'Participating and Contributing'. Developing an understanding of how words and actions affect others, listening to recognise different points of view and negotiating solutions are all important parts of what we do at Bellevue School.

**It costs
\$0.00
to treat
someone
with
respect.**

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WELCOME

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue to the following student and his family/whānau to the Bellevue Learning Community:

Zachary Bartram, Room 2



Assembly Dates

Friday 30 June	Te Puawai Amua/Choir/Band performing - 2.15
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Bellevue Sports News

Netball

Results - Saturday 24 June:

Bellevue Flames vs Ngaio Win 9-1 POTD: Kate Jobson

Bellevue Diamonds vs Khandallah Stars Loss 12-1 POTD: Kahurangi Amaru

Bellevue Zebras vs Redwood Won 14-0 POTD: Jaja Suphachaisakhon



Draw - Saturday 1 July:

Bellevue Diamonds vs Crofton Cruisers INT 2 10.10am

Bellevue Rubies vs Cashmere Pink COL 6 11.40am

Bellevue Zebras vs Newlands Mystics COL 5 11.40am

Bellevue Flames vs St Brigids Pink Panthers COL 1 11.40am

Miniball

Results - Tuesday 27 June:

Bellevue Hurricanes vs Wadestown Dragons Loss 20-18. POTD: Keita Abraham

Draw - Monday 3 July:

Bellevue Thunder vs Khandallah Stars 3.50pm

Draw - Tuesday 4 July:

Bellevue Hurricanes - Bye

Bellevue Storm vs Khandallah Hornets 5.20pm



A sincere thank you Jamie and Kasi, the joint coaches for the Bellevue Hurricanes miniball team this term. The team have thoroughly enjoyed their season.

Next week is the last round of the term 2 league. Registration for the term 3 league is due soon. Please look out for the notice coming home this week to register your child's interest for term 3. If any players are keen to join miniball, please contact Kendra as soon as possible.

Northern Zone Hockey Tournament Year 5 & 6

Well done to the 18 hockey players who participated in the Northern Zone Hockey Tournament held at the National Hockey Stadium in Berhampore on Tuesday. Each player showed great perseverance, resilience and sportsmanship throughout the day. It was a great day with a lot of learning!

A big thank you to the parents who helped at the event with transport and supervising teams during the day. Thank you to Joseph Head, Heather Lange, Adrienne Avery and Tim Tan. We could not provide these opportunities for our children without your support.



Swimming Lessons

Please remember that learning to swim and water safety is a high priority in New Zealand and at Bellevue School. This year every child is going swimming. The cost of 10 lessons plus the bus is \$50 per child. This can be paid via your child's class money box or internet banking.



Te Hau a Uru (Room 12-15) students are swimming in the first three weeks of Term 3. Swimming begins on Tuesday 25 July with lessons each day through to and including Tuesday 1 August, Thursday 3 August to Monday 7 August and Wednesday 9 August. Due to other commitments that the pool has, we are unable to swim on Wednesday 2 August or Tuesday 8 August.

Te Hau Rawhiti (Rooms 1-7) students are swimming in Term 4. Their lessons will be run by EasySwim at Rewa Rewa School Pool. More information will come home about the timing of lessons later in the year.

Te Hau Tonga (Room 8-11) students are also swimming in Term 4. Lessons are every day over two weeks beginning Monday 20 November through to Friday 1 December at Keith Spry Pool in Johnsonville.

If you are able to offer help with swimming, ***please let your child's class teacher know*** as soon as possible - especially for our Te Hau a Uru swimmers who are starting swimming the second day of next term.



Please note: If your child is in Te Hau a Uru (Rooms 12, 13, 14 and 15), please forward \$50 towards the cost of pool entry, swimming instruction and the bus ***before the end of this term***. Although students in Rooms 1—11 are not swimming until Term 4 you are welcome to forward this \$50 towards their swimming costs from now until the end of Term 3. Many thanks.

Play Pod Equipment

If you have items you no longer use that students could use in creative play on the hard court area during their breaks eg: foam noodles, old pots/pans, tarpaulins, carpet squares, plastic tubs... we would to use these. All donations for our new Play Pod are gratefully accepted. We hope to open the Play Pod for action at the beginning of Term 3.

If you have any of these items, or items you think would stimulate student play, please send these along to the school for us to organize our Playtime Play Pod.



Three Way Conferences

Please note that our second Three Way Conferences for 2017 are scheduled for early next term. These important meetings are a chance for your child to share what they are doing at school.

The dates for conferences are:-

Tuesday 15 August from 3:15 - 6:15pm

Wednesday 16 August from 3:15 - 5:30pm, then 6:30 - 8:00pm

Please put these days in your diary so that you can join your child and their teacher to share a learning conversation about their progress and their next steps.

Bookings for these conferences open on the first Wednesday back of Term 3 ie:

Wednesday 26 July. Booking details will be in the first newsletter of the term.



Kapai Kidz

Holiday Programme - are running a July Holiday Programme from the school hall from Monday 10 July - Friday 21 July. Space is limited, enrol via the website www.kapaikidz.co.nz. All enquiries to Linda Robinson 021 409641 or linda@kapaikidz.co.nz

Part Time Position - Are you considering re-entering the workforce on a part time basis? If you have a passion to work with children, are full of creative ideas, have a fun and energetic personality, then you're the person we're after. Please forward your CV to linda@kapaikidz.co.nz or call 021 409641 for further details.

School Lunches Available at Bellevue

Pita Pit Lunches - Wednesdays only:

Order forms are available in the school office and orders need to be placed in the Pita Pit lunch box located in the office foyer by 9am on Wednesdays. Orders need to include the correct payment as no change is given by Pita Pit or the school office.

Next term Pita Pit lunches are moving to an online order and payment system. More information about how to order will be in next week's newsletter.

NZ Kids Food Lunches - Available 5 days a week:

This is an online order and payment lunch service which provides healthy lunches every day of the week. To order lunches go to www.nzkidsfood.co.nz for more information and to register with them.



Thank you

Special thanks to...



To our hockey team students who represented the school at the Northern Zone Hockey tournament yesterday.

To Kendra, Joseph, Tim, Heather and Adrienne who accompanied, supervised and encouraged our Hockey teams yesterday and Jennifer, Melissa, Shona and Matt who accompanied Deeann, Erica and the Year 6 students who went to watch Newlands Intermediate Production yesterday afternoon.

To Azlina who provided the staff with some delicious treats for morning tea today.

Kopu hou (new word)

hākari(a) = feast

Pronunciation = Ha-kar-ee-ah

Ka kai tahi tātou i te hākari.

We will eat the feast together.



Matariki Celebration

This evening (Wednesday 28 June) is our Bellevue School Matariki evening. Please join us in the hall for an evening together to celebrate.

Matariki is the Māori name for the group of stars known as the Pleiades. This star cluster is also called The Seven Sisters. The appearance of these stars and the sighting of the new moon mark the Māori New Year. Matariki was traditionally an important time for planting crops, also for family to gather to reflect on the past and the future.

Today Matariki is celebrated as part of this unique country that we live in. It is a great time to learn about our land/country and to get together with family and friends. At Bellevue we celebrate Matariki to acknowledge the uniqueness of New Zealand and te ao Maori. We value our tangata whenua. We also encourage our community to learn more te reo, about the special customs and history from our Māori culture heritage.

The hall is not available until 6:15pm so we invite you to come along from 6:30 - 7:30pm, to bring your tea with you to eat together before the students share some of their learning with you. The evening starts at 6:30pm with a karakia kai so if you could hold off eating until after the karakia that would be appreciated.



Matariki Evening Overview:

6:15pm - hall open for arriving

6:30pm - karakia kai and then eating

6:45pm - students sharing their learning

7:20 pm - prize draws and thank you

7:30 pm - Haere ra and home

- Artwork by Eden (Room 10)

Check out the Matariki art completed by a selection of children from Te Hau Tonga at the **Newlands Community Centre**. We are one of three schools exhibiting there this year. The exhibition will continue for another week.

Donation from Knitting Group

A very big thank you to the ladies that meet at the Newlands Community Centre and knit for our local children. They have brought beanies for our children and slippers that they have also knitted that we can use at school.

We are very grateful and the children were very excited as they choose which beanie they would like.

A very big thank you from Bellevue School.



Donations of Wool - This wonderful Knitting Group rely on donations of wool to enable them to knit for the community. If you have any wool that you would like to donate please bring it along to school and we will drop it in to the Community Centre on your behalf.

Unwell Children

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school please phone the school and leave a message on the absence line advising us of your child's name, room number and the reason they are away. If your child is away for more than a day it is important that you phone in every day to advise us of their continuing absence to ensure the safety of all of our children.



If your child is away during the school term for any other reason (such as a holiday) we ask that you advise us in writing of the dates they will be away and the reason. This information is required to be included in our Absence records for the Ministry of Education.

Pizza Friday

Please look out for the Pizza order form that is coming home today for Pizza Friday next Friday 7 July.

Orders need to be in by 3:00pm this Friday ie: 30 June, so they can be organised for next week.



All funds raised go towards developing our outside learning spaces. This is a great alternative lunch for the end of term.

Entertainment Books

Are now available from the school office at a cost of \$65 or you can order them online at: <http://www.entbook.co.nz/1g04109>

\$13 of every book sold comes to the school. All these funds go towards further outside learning equipment for all our students.

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.

Drama Classes:

Our international curriculum will:

Help explore Performance skills, creativity, Overcome shyness, Develop positive self esteem

Grow their imagination, Interact with adults, Make new friends

Have lots of fun

Fun after-school classes: 5 – 17 years

Venues: Khandallah, Tawa, Lower Hutt, Whitby

To enrol please call **0800 161 131** or see our website:

www.helenogradynz.co.nz

Mad for Marshmallows:



Make sure you visit Staglands these July School Holidays, and enjoy free marshmallows to toast on the fire down at the barn.

Don't forget they'll also be running their, very popular, free tractor trailer rides (circumstances permitting).

Bring the kids and the adults too and immerse yourself in this classic kiwi childhood experience.

www.staglands.co.nz

Dance Pointe

Academy New Zealand

Enrolments for Term 3 are now open

for Ballet classes for pre-schoolers 4yrs – young adults and for Tap classes from 6 years of age (5yrs if learning ballet).

For information regarding classes at both St Peters & Pauls and St Johns in Johnsonville and for a free trial class before the end of term 2 contact Sharon dancepointenz@gmail.com or www.dancepointe.co.nz or phone 021 2151222.

Zirka Circus:

Venue - Te Rauparaha Park, Norrie Street, Porirua

Dates - 6 - 23 July

For more information and to book go to www.zirkacircus.com or phone 0800 2 Zirka



Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

\$500

ASB lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply. To be eligible for this donation your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between 1 January 2017 and 30 June 2017. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property provided to ASB. This home loan offer is only available on loans secured by an owner-occupied residential property. Only one donation will be given per customer. Donations will be made by ASB on behalf of the customer to the chosen school upon full draw down of the new home loan. This offer excludes loans for business purposes and bridging.

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