



Weekly Newsletter

26 July 2017

Whaia te iti kahurangi = Reach for the stars.

Term 3 - Issue 1

Important Dates

Tuesday 25 July - 9 August	Te Hau a Uru (Rooms 12 - 15) swimming lessons at Keith Spry Pool
Monday 31 July & Tuesday 1 August	Room 2 Three Way Conferences
Tuesday 1 August	ICAS English
Wednesday 2 August NB: change of date	10:40am - Powhiri to welcome new students and staff (changed from Thursday 27 July)
Thursday 3 August	Board of Trustees - 7pm in staffroom
Thursday 3 August	FUNDRAISERS Meeting 7 pm in Whare Ihi
Tuesday 8 August	NED Show - for whole school
Tuesday 15 and Wednesday 16 August	Three Way Conferences - late night Wednesday
Wednesday 16 August	ICAS Mathematics

Assembly Dates

Friday 11 Aug	Assembly led by Rooms 8 & 9
Friday 25 Aug	Assembly led by Rooms 5, 6, & 7
Friday 8 Sept	Assembly led by Rooms 12 & 13
Friday 22 Sept	Singing Assembly

WELCOME

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue and welcome to the following students and their families/whānau. Great to have you in the Bellevue Learning Community:

Pyper Bradley, Amber Gregory, Oscar Roper and Isaac Lafoa'i in Room 2 and welcome back to Georgina Lafoa'i in Room 13.



Also a special welcome to Christina Pike the new teacher in Room 3, and Nicola Clissold who is working in Room 14 on Tuesdays. Also a special welcome back to Margaret Hahn who is teaching in Room 5 for the remainder of the year as Emma begins her maternity leave at the end of this week.

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

Welcome back to Term 3. We hope that you managed to keep warm over the break from school and enjoyed some time with your children. If your child was due a written report you would have received this in the last week of Term 2. We hope that you found these helpful to share and talk with your child about. These learning conversations are really important for your child's learning. Please help your child to continue to grow their learning by talking with them about their progress, what their next steps are and what they do when they are finding something challenging.

Thank you to everyone who has returned their feedback sheet to share with us how you found these reports, and any suggestions you had for improvement in the way we are sharing your child's learning successes, their next steps and ways that you can help at home. There is a box on the table in the foyer for returning these to school before this Friday (ie: 4:00pm on Friday 27 July). You can find the sheet attached to this week's newsletter or request one through the school office. We are also happy to talk with you face to face (kanohi ki te kanohi) if you would prefer to do this.

Please take note of when your child's Three Way Conference dates are and get in quick to secure the time that suits you most for this important get-together. These conferences are a special time where your child, their teacher and you can talk about their learning. This is a way that we can work together in partnership to support your child to make the most of learning opportunities to be the best that they can.

Please take a look at the note from our Jubilee Committee today and let them know how you can help. There is a small group of our current parents working to make this a special celebration who really need some extra people to assist them. If you can help in any way, no matter how small, please contact them as soon as possible. This term our students are working on a few Jubilee projects like the stone pathway and a production to celebrate our school turning 50 years... join us to help make this a special event for Bellevue School, also it's past and present learning community.

Have a great week - and may the sun keep shining.

Ka kite
Karen



Character Education

This term we are focusing on recognising and developing the value of takohanga or responsibility. When we are responsible we do what we say we will and others can depend on us. We take responsibility for (or ownership of) our actions and make amends when we make a mistake or hurt someone. Part of being responsible is managing our behaviour - we respond 'ably' to situations and other people.

One of our school rules is 'Be Responsible'. The value of takohanga helps students to develop the New Zealand Curriculum key competencies of **Managing Self, Relating to Others** and also **Participating and Contributing**.

Trying to understand how our behaviour affects others is a great starting point for further developing our capacity to be respectful of others and take responsibility for our actions. This enables us to live and work effectively together.

Responsibility

1. Being in control of your own behavior
2. Being trusted with important jobs
3. Having your work finished on time
4. Doing your part when working together

Bellevue Sports News

Netball

Results for 8/7/17:

Bellevue Flames vs Amesbury All Stars Loss 8 - 7, POTD: Maxine Avery
Bellevue Diamonds vs CPS Royals Loss 10-7, POTD: Keita Abraham
Bellevue Zebras vs Paparangi Pandas Win 8-2, POTD: Annaliese Blumhardt

Draw for 29/7/17:

9.20am Bellevue Diamonds vs St Bens Rubies INT 1
10.00am Bellevue Rubies vs Thorndon White INT 2
11.00am Bellevue Flames vs Redwood Gold COL 1
11.40am Bellevue Zebras vs QMC Year 6 COL 2



Miniball

The term 2 league begins next week. A draw and information about fees have been sent home to the registered players. Please make sure fees are paid before the beginning of the season.

Good luck to all teams!

Draw for Monday 31/7/17:

Bellevue Thunder vs Paparangi Panthers 3.50pm

Draw for Tuesday 1/8/17:

Bellevue Hurricanes vs Ngaio Sonics 3.20pm
Bellevue Storm vs Cashmere Wizards 5.20pm



The NED Show

On Tuesday 8 August at 11:30am the school is hosting "The NED Show". This 45 minute character education show promotes positive attitudes and encourages students (and staff) to do their best every day.

NED stands for

- Never give up
- Encourage others
- Do your best

The show has visited schools across Australia, NZ, the UK, United States and Canada. It is visiting 5,000 schools this year. We have asked them to visit us because the messages it delivers reinforces our character education programmes. These include:

- ⇒ Growth mind-set
- ⇒ Preventing Bullying
- ⇒ Kindness and 'Pay it Forward'
- ⇒ Building relationships
- ⇒ Goal setting
- ⇒ Self-Confidence
- ⇒ Achieving excellence



Instead of paying a fee for the programme, schools agree to make NED-messaged items available for purchase for five days following the show. These items reinforce multi-sensory learning and are tangible reminders to increase students' ability to retain NED's message after the show. They include items such as NED yo-yo's.

Please note that there is no obligation to buy, there are no minimum sale requirements and all items come with a 100% satisfaction guarantee. Proceeds from sales will enable another school to experience The NED Show at no cost - as our school has 'Paid it forward'.

Further details regarding the show will come home to you next week and you can view information on www.thenedshow.com

Tune into kids not Cell Phones in our Classrooms



At Bellevue we actively encourage all adults who are in our school to interact with students and take part in activities when they are here. We ask that you please tune in to your child/ren and our students rather than your phone.

When you are in class, visiting classes or helping out at school we respectfully ask that you refrain from using your cell phone in our classrooms, unless you are using this to take photos or as part of the activities in the room. Naturally if there is an emergency or you are awaiting urgent news, we would not wish to prevent access to this.

It is just that during the past few months we have noticed an increasing number of parents and caregivers are texting or using their phones to access messages rather than interacting with their children when they are in rooms. We are politely asking that this does not occur. You may notice some 'Tune into children - not into your phone' signs appearing on the doors as you enter our rooms, to remind you that we want you to talk with and interact with our young learners in the time that you are in their rooms and the school.



Many thanks
Staff and Board

Play Pod Equipment



If you have items you no longer use that we could use in creative play on the hard court area during breaks eg: foam noodles, old pots/pans, tarpaulins, carpet squares, plastic tubs... we would love to use these. All donations are gratefully accepted. We are hoping to open the Play Pod for action next week.

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 and open our Playtime Play Pod.

Please look on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nq1KyJJeKg> for how this works.

Thank you

Special thanks to...

To Tracy, Heather, Nerys and Hannah for organising and delivering pizza orders to classes on the last Friday of Term 2. Kia ora koutou. Your help is appreciated

Deizjah and Sandra who noticed the Road Patrol cupboard was unlocked and sorted this out at the beginning of the break. Kia ora korua.



Three Way Conferences

Please note that the second Three Way Conferences for 2017 are scheduled in the next few weeks. 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 - 5:15pm, then 6:00 - 8:00pm

Please book in a day/time that suits you using the following:
www.schoolinterviews.co.nz Enter the code - 9p6v7

Bookings for these conferences [open today](#)
and close on Wednesday 9 August at 4:00pm.

Please come along to join your child and their teacher to share a learning conversation about their progress and their next steps.

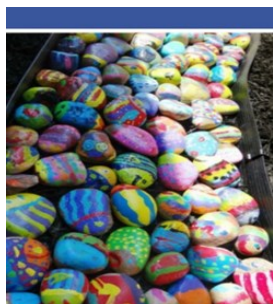


Stones

Please can you help your child to bring five smooth, flat river stones approximately 10cm in length each to school.

Each student is going to paint these stones to add to the Jubilee pathway the students are creating to commemorate 50 Years of Bellevue School.

If you can provide any extra stones we would appreciate these too.



Kopu hou (new word)

kaitiaki = care giver

Pronunciation = k-eye-teh-ah-ke

Ko Tania te kaitiaki matua i tēnei rā.
Tania is the main caregiver today.



Powhiri - Date Changes

Our apologies about changing the date for the welcome powhiri for our new students, their whānau and new staff. This has been changed from this Thursday (27 July) to 10:40am the following Wednesday (2 August).

Unfortunately staff did not connect until Monday that the seniors are at swimming lessons at that time. Therefore we have rescheduled the powhiri to welcome new students and staff to 10:40am on Wednesday 2 August when they will be at school.

Also the powhiri on Monday 7 August has been postponed due to the ERO team deferring their visit to our school until later. We will let you know of the timing of this visit once they have confirmed this with the school.



School Lunches Available at Bellevue

Pita Pit Lunches - Wednesdays only:

Pita Pit lunches have moved to an online order and payment system from this term.

To order a Pita Pit lunch for your child:

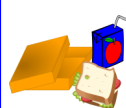
www.lunchonline.co.nz to register and set up your account.

Please do not send Pita Pit lunch orders along to school as the office cannot process these orders - from this term it is online ordering only.



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.



Jubilee Update

Bellevue School turned 50 years old this year. We are marking this occasion with a celebration weekend starting on Friday 15 September.

We have many ideas, but need help to make it all happen.

Please see the notice coming home in hard copy with your child today. It has also been posted on our website under 'Notices & Newsletters'.

If you can be involved in some way please email the Jubilee committee at:

bellevuejubilee@bellevue-newlands.school.nz



Scholastic Bookclub

All orders are due in on Monday 14 August.

Payment is either by cash, credit card (details on bookclub form) or by cheque made out to Scholastic Bookclub.

Please take your order directly to the classroom and not to the school office.



Swimming Lessons

Te Hau a Uru (Room 12-15) students started swimming lessons yesterday and are swimming in the first three weeks of this term. There are 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.

Please note: If your child is in Te Hau a Uru (Rooms 12, 13, 14 and 15), and you have not already done so, please forward \$50 towards the cost of pool entry, swimming instruction and the bus.

As students in Rooms 1 - 11 are swimming in Term 4 please forward the \$50 towards their swimming costs from now until the end of Term 3.
Many thanks.



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, their return date and the reason. This information is required to be included in our Absence records for the Ministry of Education.

Happy Maternity Leave

We wish Emma and Josh well for the pending arrival of their new baby.

Emma's last day before she goes on maternity leave is this Friday.



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.

KELLY SPORTS TERM 3 – Classes start in week 2!!

Kelly Sports will be back in Term 3 with their fun and exciting classes. Kelly Sports encourages children to have fun, build confidence and to give sport a go. We believe that sport and physical activity has so much to offer children; it improves fitness, develops communication skills, team work and gives them a place to channel their energy.

Play Like a Sports Hero! (Yrs 1-4) Mondays 3.05-4.05pm - Come and try **Football, Netball, Handball and Rippa Rugby**. It's a great way to try new sports, learn new skills and improve ability. We use games & drills to teach game sense and team play. Learn the fundamental skills for all sports – throwing, running, jumping, striking, balance and many more – all while having a great time!

For full details and to enrol into our programmes visit www.kellysports.co.nz email adminwgtn@kellysports.co.nz or call 04 972 7201



Raising Happy, Confident and Resilient Children:

Sacred Heart Cathedral School has teamed up with Jenny Hale from The Parenting Place to present **Raising Happy, Confident and Resilient Children**.

We would love to invite your school community join us for this seminar on Tuesday 1 August at 7.30pm (doors open at 7pm), at 40 Hill St, Thorndon.



This is a fundraising event for our small school, with all proceeds going towards a new school playground.

Tickets are \$25 and are available online at: <https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/raising-happy-confident-and-resilient-children-tickets-35336832417>

LEARN A NEW LANGUAGE THE FUN WAY?

FUN French & Spanish language classes for **3 - 12 years olds**

Lots of fun activities, drama, music & games taught in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere!

Language resources available to support parents at home.

Free Trial Lesson Available

After-school, lunchtime and pre-school French classes available throughout Wellington.

Spanish classes are waiting to start depending on class numbers.

New: Easy online registration

Contact: Annick on 021 462 042 or email annick@lcfclubs.co.nz or visit www.lcfclubs.co.nz for more information.



Nutrition course for busy parents:

Tips for fussy eaters, lunch box ideas, understanding food labels and more!

Starts Thursday 17th August, limited places available.

To book or for more information, go to:

<http://www.cecwellington.ac.nz/courses/1282-healthy-eating-for-your-family>.

