



Weekly Newsletter

25 October 2017

He taonga rongonui te aroha ki te tangata = Goodwill towards others is a precious treasure.

Term 4 - Issue 2

Important Dates

Wednesday 18 Oct - Wednesday 6 December	Te Hau Rawhiti (Rooms 1-7) Swimming lessons each Wednesday
Thursday 26 October	Welcome Powhiri for new students & their whānau - 10.40am hall - All welcome
Monday 30 October - Friday 24 November	Dental Van visiting school
Wednesday 1 November	Te Hau Tonga trip to City to Sea Museum. Morning (Rooms 8 & 9) Afternoon (Rooms 10/ & 11)
Friday 3 November	Whole school Emergency Evacuation Practice
Thursday 9 November	Vision/Hearing Technician visiting school
Monday 20 November - Friday 1 December	Te Hau Tonga (Rooms 8-11) swimming lessons every day
Friday 15 December	Last day of the school year
2018 Tuesday 30 January	Family/Whānau Strengthening meetings - each student, their family and their new whānau class teacher
Wednesday 31 January	Students start school again

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

A big thank you to all the students who attended the Student Council disco on Friday evening. It was wonderful to see everyone having fun and being safe while doing this. Thank you to the amazing DJ Dylan DeBres (and his buddy) on Friday. Dylan attended Bellevue School and is a great example of a student who continues to learn, grow and develop their talents as they move on to Newlands Intermediate and then Newlands College. Thanks also to our amazing teachers who helped out before, during and after the disco. We really appreciate you giving up your Friday evening - especially when it was the beginning of a long weekend.

It is hard to express how sad we are when there is damage to our school and grounds outside school hours. Over the past few weeks there have been a number of incidents of vandalism at school. Last weekend our new Bee House was up-rooted, thrown into the long grass and the bees removed or lost, along with some trees. The Enviro Club, staff and students are gutted that this has happened!! We ask that everyone looks out for the school and grounds outside school hours... and should you notice anything untoward or people behaving inappropriately, please ring the police immediately. Please help us keep our wonderful school and outside learning environment safe from this mindless damage.

On a much happier note please join us at tomorrow's powhiri for our new students and their families. We have a number of people taking on leadership roles in karanga and whaikorero for the first time. While this can be quite daunting, it is a wonderful example of our students stepping out of their comfort zone to learn new skills. By practicing, trying and persevering to take on these important roles our students are demonstrating their manawaroa and building resilience to achieve new heights in their learning.

Have a great week as the sun keeps shining.

Ka kite
Karen

Assembly Dates

Friday 27 October	Assembly led by Rooms 10 & 11
Friday 17 November	Assembly led by Rooms 1, 2, 3 & 4
Friday 1 December	Assembly - Presentations & Te Puawai Amua, Choir, Band performances
Friday 15 December	Farewell Assembly & presentations

WELCOME

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue and welcome to the following student and his family/whānau. Great to have you in the Bellevue Learning Community:

Tanara Cathro in Room 1.



Character Education

Manawaroa or resilience is the value we are encouraging during Term 4. By focusing on building our stamina, grit, determination, perseverance and staying power we know we can work to achieve our goals. Even when it seems to take a longer period or time or there are obstacles that come up along the way, we need to keep on trying!

Please help your child further develop their manawaroa by encouraging them to think before making a commitment then to use their 'staying power' to follow through to do what they say they will. Similarly to keep on trying until they reach their goals.

We are encouraging everyone to keep trying, and work through one step at a time to achieve our goals. When there seem to be blocks in the way, or they are having a hard time, please help your child be like a strong ship in a storm. Encourage and support them not to be 'blown off course' but to 'ride the waves' until they reach their destination. As this quote indicates you never fail if you keep on trying, which is what resilience and manawaroa is all about.

*You only fail
when you stop
trying*

InspirationalQuotesMagazine.com

Bellevue Sports News

Miniball

Results (Grading Round 1):

Bellevue Hurricanes vs Ngaio Gators



Next week's game times:

Monday 30/10/17: Bellevue Thunder vs Cashmere Celtics 4.20pm

Tuesday 31/10/17: Bellevue Hurricanes vs Nagio Swift 3.20pm

A reminder that if your child is not playing mini ball this term, please return the sports uniform to the Sports Uniform Box outside Room 14 as soon as possible. Thank you.

Athletics - The Northern Zone Athletics event will be held on Monday 6 November (pp Monday 12 November). A notice to those children in year 4-6 who have qualified for the event was sent home last week. Please ensure that the permission form is returned to the Sports Noticebox outside Room 14 or in the office and the money for the bus is put through your child's classroom money box. Optional practises for each of the events will be held during lunchtimes (weather permitting). Times and days will be in the daily notices if athletes would like to attend.

Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYATHLON 2018 - The dates for the Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYATHLON 2018 have been announced and registrations for this exciting event are now open! The Wellington event takes place on Sunday 18 March 2018 at Kilbirnie Park.

The Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon is designed for Kiwi kids aged 7-15 years to help them stay active and healthy through a programme of participation. The series has been running since 1992 and is a rite of passage for Kiwi kids, to date over 300,000 Kiwi kids have given it a TRY. Open to Kiwi kids of all sporting abilities the Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon is a fun day out for kids, parents and families. Participants get to swim, cycle, and run their way around age appropriate courses, either as an individual or as part of a team of two.

Every participant who enters receives:

- a Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon medal
- a downloadable certificate of achievement
- an official Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon t-shirt, drawstring kit bag & swim cap
- complimentary breakfast from the Weet-Bix Breakfast Tent
- PLUS the chance to WIN awesome spot prizes and meet their sporting heroes.

Check out <https://tryathlon.co.nz/> to find out more information.

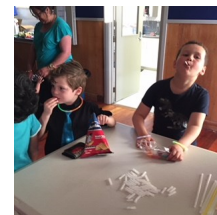
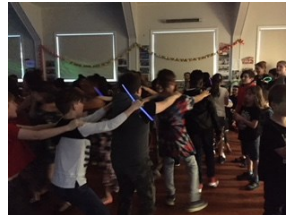
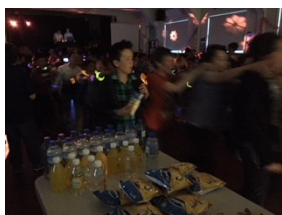
When registering, don't forget to link your child's registration to **Bellevue School** or go directly to <https://registration.tryathlon.co.nz/Home/Event/29/Package/0/Wave/0/Sequence/0/School/6dd14861-31b5-44ab-bd6d-83e89dd2083a>. Alternatively, please email kendra@bellevue-newlands.school.nz and I can send you the direct link to register your child/children.

This will not only help our school win a range of great prizes but it also gives you a special discounted School Group entry price.

School Disco Thanks



Thank you to the Student Council and Erica Ward for organising the school disco last Friday. What a wonderful event. Thanks also to our DJ Dylan DeBres and his DJ buddy who did a fantastic job of getting everyone up dancing.



Please note that photos taken in the 2017 Disco Photo-frame are currently being organised so these can be available on your child's class blog. The money raised from the Disco was around \$1200. This will go towards developing further learning areas in our playground. Well done to our amazing Student Council!

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.

Please remember 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
Bellevue School



Kopu hou (new word)

awa = river
Pronunciation = ah-wah

Ko Ruamāhanga te awa.
Ruamāhanga is the river.

Ka whakawhiti tātou i te awa i te wāhi whāiti.
We'll cross the river at the narrow part.



Powhiri

Tomorrow ie: Thursday 26 October is the welcome powhiri for our new students, their whānau and new staff at 10:40am in the school hall.

We warmly invite current parents and whanau to join with us to welcome these new people to our learning community.



Jubilee Corner and Sandpit



Please note that all current fundraising events and activities are focused on terracing the Jubilee Corner area (ie: the current muddy and eroding hill-side area between the middle area playground and lower block). This is currently an 'out of bounds' play area until we can make it a more useable and safe area for play.

The other area we are working towards redeveloping into a more useable outside learning area is the sandpit.

The school is also applying for grants to help these projects come to fruition.

Items Needed

As part of their learning during EOTC week, Te Hau a Uru students will be making and cooking on camp ovens.

To make these we need to collect 25 large milo, coffee or baby formula tins, 25 large tuna tins (not the 85-90 gram tins) and old candles that we can melt down.



If you use tuna at home or your work office has milo or coffee tins that get recycled or thrown away could you please save these and send to the school office.

We would like to have the items collected by Friday 24 November.

Thank you
Te Hau a Uru Teachers



Thank you

Special thanks to...

Everyone who bought tickets and came along to support the Student Council Disco last Friday. A special thanks to the organisers, the DJ's and the teachers who helped out on the night.

Beatriz Moreno who shared the video and photos she took of 'The Magic of Bellevue' with the school. These are currently being organised so they can be shared with students and their families. Kia ora Beatriz.

Ananth Sharma who prepared some CAD drawings to enable the school to apply for a grant to assist with terracing the 'Jubilee Corner'. We very much appreciate you sharing your skills to support the school to assist developing this area for our students learning.



Vandalism



Our students and their teachers are very upset that over the weekend some one/some people have destroyed the Bee House, along with uprooting a number of trees.

It is very discouraging for our school to be subject to such senseless and unnecessary damage to our learning environment and our enviro projects.

We are asking all our community to look out for people who are not respecting our school buildings or grounds. If you notice any untoward behaviours in the school, please do not hesitate to ring the police directly and report this.

Over the holidays this was done for some people who were abusing our school and the Police followed up with those involved. We need you to help this pointless damage to cease.



Emergency Evacuation



Our whole school emergency drill is on next Friday 3 November. **Please find attached to the newsletter today a notice with further details for this event.** Every student needs to

be collected by/reunited with their parents or emergency release adults on Friday. This practice is very important so that the children, their teachers and our community know what to do if the situation should arise where we have to evacuate from the school site.

Please note that any changes to emergency release adults need to be done before this Friday ie: 27 October. No changes will be made next week so your child/ren will only be released to their parents or the adults listed on the register by this Friday.

Year 6 visit to Intermediate

If your Year 6 child is intending to go to Newlands Intermediate in 2018, please ensure that you have enrolled them. Newlands Intermediate asked us to notify parents that they require enrolments for 2018 to their school by Monday 16 October so if you have not done so please contact them to enrol them as soon as possible.

All Year 6 students intending to attend Newlands Intermediate next year are visiting their open morning on 17 November from 9:00—12:00pm. Buses will collect your child from Bellevue and return them at the end of the visit.



Swimming Lessons

Te Hau Rawhiti (Rooms 1-7) students are swimming each Wednesday at the Rewa Rewa pool so please help your child/ren remember to bring their togs each week for these lessons.



Please note: If your child is in Te Hau Tonga (Rooms 8, 9, 10 and 11), your child/ren will be swimming each day from Monday 20 November to Friday 1 December at the Keith Spry pool in Johnsonville.

Students are transported by bus to and from the pool for their lessons.

If you have not already done so, please forward \$50 towards the cost of pool entry, swimming instruction and the bus. Many thanks.

Scholastic Bookclub

All orders are due in by Tuesday 31 October.

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.



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.

Sunhats - Term 4



Remember that your child needs a sunhat at school every day during Term 1 and Term 4. It is compulsory to wear a sunhat when outside during the summer months for protection from the sun's harmful rays.

Please help your child to have a named sunhat at school each day (they may wish to have a school sunhat that they leave at school), otherwise they will need to work and play under the covered veranda areas. School sunhats are available from the office at a cost of \$15:00 each.

Dental Van visiting

FREE Dental Checks at Bellevue School

The Bee Healthy Dental Mobile will be at your school from 30 October until 24 November 2017. Once seen, your child will be given a letter that will inform you of what happens next. This will be either:

- Your child requires no further appointments this year.
- Your child needs an appointment at your local Dental Hub Clinic for further care.
- Please contact us to change this appointment if required.
- Please search your child's school bag!



Your local Hub clinic is:

Raroa Hub Clinic Haumia Street Johnsonville
Phone 0800 825 583.

If you have pre-school aged children please call us to arrange an appointment for their annual dental check-up at the Dental Hub Clinic. Family appointments are available so more than one family member can be seen at the same time.

To book or reschedule your appointment, or update your contact details, please call 0806 2801.

Private Bag 31907 Lower Hutt
www.beehealthy.org.nz | 0800 TALK TEETH (825 583)

Library Donations

In previous years some families of Year 6 leavers, and others leaving Bellevue School have wished to mark their time here by donating a book to the library.



We are holding a number of fiction, non-fiction and picture books suitable for a wide range of ages and interests. We make these available for donation at about half the retail price. The cost to donors ranges from about \$5 - \$20.

A library donation plate showing the name/s of the donor will be placed in the front of the book which will be available for borrowing by the donor after cataloguing and covering.

If you wish to make a donation to the library in this way, the books may be viewed at the school office from Monday 30 October.

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.

Bellevue T-towels



We have Bellevue School T-towels available from the office for \$10:00 each These would make wonderful gifts for Christmas.

Also available from the office are:-
school T-shirts for \$20
school sunhats for \$15:00 school pens for \$5:00.

All funds raised from these items go towards our Jubilee corner playground development.