



Board Update



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November 2017

Tena koutou from the Bellevue School Board of Trustees

Term 4 is upon us - the last stretch and then a nice long break for our kids.

We issue these newsletters regularly throughout the school year to help keep you up to date with school news and the activities of the Board. If you have any feedback or suggestions regarding what you would like to see in these newsletters as well as any positive feedback about the school and staff or any concerns, please feel free to contact us at boardchair@bellevue-newlands.school.nz. We would love to hear from you!

50 Year Jubilee

A huge thank you to Lorraine, Tracy, Mandy and their team; also to Bellevue staff and students, who all worked very hard to pull this awesome event together. We had a great turn out and support from the community, previous staff and students, along with some celebrities. A job well done!

Disco

Thank you to all the students and staff who made the disco a raving success. Great to hear that the groovy DJ is an ex -Bellevue student coming back to have some more fun.

Good News

We have had great support from Pelorus and Hutt Mana Charitable trust recently. Thank you to both of these generous supporters who continue to support our initiatives.

Pelorus have forwarded a grant of \$15,000 towards our new fantastic sandpit. Think outside of the square as this is going to compliment the adventure playground by adding more adventure and fun. This along with the \$11,000 raised by FUNdraisers is enough to get this projected started so keep an eye out.

Hutt Manna Charitable trust have provided a grant of \$3,000 towards subsidising the transport to swimming lessons this year.

Bad News

We have noticed two trends that are increasing which are disrupting staff in their daily tasks. The number of children arriving at school before 8:30am and repeated requests to pass messages onto children.

Like most employees, our staff have administrative tasks to do which need to be done in the morning before school starts. They are finding this is becoming increasingly difficult when there are children arriving in the office and classrooms before 8:30am. If your work schedule does not allow you to drop them off at 8:30am, there is a before school programme provided by Kapai Kidz on the premises that would be able to help.

We understand that things happen, and normal arrangements are impacted. When this occurs our lovely ladies in the office will gladly pass these messages on to your child. What they cannot keep doing is passing on social arrangements every day when they could have been organised before school. We have had a few families who phone in regularly requesting messages be passed on like this. This cannot continue as it is impacting the workload of our office staff.

Thank you for considering the impact of these disruptions on our ability to provide the best possible learning for your children.

Next board meeting

Our next board meeting will be held on 30 November 2017, at 7:00pm in the school staff room. Please feel free to join us.

Hei konā mai i roto i ngā mihi, Goodbye for now and thanks.

Bellevue School Board of Trustees