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BELLEVUE STUDENTS ARE ACTIVE AND CONNECTED LEARNERS, RESPECTFUL OF SELF AND OTHERS, CONFIDENT AND PREPARED FOR A LIFE OF LEARNING

17 February 2010

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Now is the time to consider standing for election to the Board of Trustees. Nomination forms will be going home with next week's newsletter.

Trustees are active leaders in our schools and we need more people willing to use their skills and experiences for the benefit of students.

Trustees have an important role supporting strong professional leadership and effective teaching for all students through informed governance.

What Do Trustees Do?

School trustees have a very important role in making sure every child achieves their potential at school.

Here are some of the things they do:

- Work with the principal and consult with staff, students and the community
- Set the educational goals and strategic direction of the school
- Monitor how the school is progressing against its annual targets and how well students are achieving
- Decide how the school's funding will be spent
- Select the school's principal and support the development of all staff
- Oversee the management of staff, property, finances, curriculum and administration

There is an open invitation for anyone to come to a Board meeting if they are interested.

Dates to Remember:

Wednesday 17 February	Fundraiser Meeting for School Fair – 7.00pm Staffroom
Friday 26 February	School Assembly led by Rooms 1 & 10 – 2.20pm
Wednesday 3 March	School Picnic – Days Bay
Wednesday 3 March	Board of Trustees Meeting - 7.00pm Staffroom
Thursday 4 March	Homework Evening – 7.00pm
Friday 12 March	School Assembly led by Rooms 2 & 8 – 2.20pm
Monday 15 March	Last day to call for BOT Nominations
Sunday 21 March	School Fair
Monday 22 March	Paid Union Meeting 1.30pm – 3.30pm – no classes after lunch
Tuesday 23 March	Northern Zone Cricket – Alex Moore Park 8.00am – 2.30pm
Thursday 25 March	Northern Zone Cricket Postponement Date
Friday 26 March	School Athletics Day
Friday 26 March	School Assembly led by Rooms 4 & 11 – 2.20pm
Tuesday 30 March	School Athletics Day Postponement Date
Wednesday 31 March	Board of Trustees Meeting - 7.00 Staffroom
Thursday 1 April	Last day of Term I
Monday 19 April	First day of Term II
Friday 23 April	BOT Nominations close
Friday 7 May	BOT Elections - Voting Day
Tuesday 8 June	Teacher Only Day
Tuesday 26 October	Teacher Only Day

We would like to welcome Amelia Neale to Room 2 and Cameron Ruka-Karauti to Room 5.

Character Education – the value for this term is Responsibility

In the playground this means not dropping litter, looking after each other and playing in the right places, according to the agreed rules

Paid Union Meetings - There is a paid union meeting for all teaching staff on Monday 22 March at 1.30pm – 3.30pm. As all teaching staff are entitled to attend we will be asking you to collect your children at 12.30pm on that day. I will send more information close to the date.

Scholastic Bookclub – Orders and payment need to be into school by Thursday 18 February. Late orders cannot be accepted. If paying by cheque, please make it out to Scholastic Bookclub.

School Fair – There is a Fundraiser meeting at 7.00pm tonight in the school staff room to discuss the school fair. The date for the school fair is Sunday 21 March. Everyone is welcome to attend so if you would like to be involved in organising the fair or have some good ideas, come along. This is a great way to meet other parents and become involved in the school community.

Ice Cream Containers – If you have any ice cream containers at home that you don't need please send them along to the school office as we use them for the school fair.

Road Patrol Supervision – We still need parents to supervise the Road Patrols on Wednesday and Thursday mornings. **Can you please help?** If you can please indicate on the return slip at the bottom of this page and return it to the office.

Homework Meeting - On Thursday 4 March we will be holding a meeting at 7.00pm to explain the expectations for homework. Margaret Hesketh will be introducing a new approach to homework which Bellevue will be starting this year. Parents and children are welcome to come!

Kind Regards
Jan Win (Principal)

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Northern United Junior Hockey Club – Children's Hockey 2010 - Registrations are being taken for all junior grades upstairs at McDonalds Johnsonville on Saturday 6 March from 3.00pm to 5.00pm & Sunday 7 March from 1.00pm to 3.00pm. Experienced or beginner players from 4yrs and up. Competitive Saturday grades or beginner /development squad on Sunday afternoons. No experience necessary. Coaching is provided. Sticks and Balls available. Contact Gavin on 972-3609 or gn@paradise.net.nz

Newlands Junior Rugby Club – Registration Dates - Thursday 25 February, 2010, 5.00pm – 7.00pm at Johnsonville Rugby Club, Helston Road – come and meet a Hurricane player and receive your free rugby ball.

1 player \$50, 2 players \$80, 3 or more \$120. This includes mouthguard, team photo, Saturday P.O.D awards, free juicy ice block every Saturday and end of year prize-giving trophies for awardees.

We are taking registrations for all grades from Under 6 to Under 13. New players are required to provide proof of ID. Follow the link for a registration form or there will be forms at the club. Go to <http://www.playrugby.co.nz/content/view/11/5/>.

We are also looking for people interested in coaching or being part of the committee.

For more info contact either Carol McVeigh on 021 2436883 or Helen Busby on 021 1454529.

**Bellevue School
Road Patrol Supervision**

I am happy to assist with Road Patrol supervision on _____ (specify day) morning.

Name _____

E-mail address _____

Phone number _____