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

28 April 2010

Dear Parents/Caregivers

I would like to extend an invitation to interested parents to come to an **information evening** on the National Standards and new draft reports on achievement. I will outline what is required of our school for National Standards and present a modified reporting format.

We will meet in the library at **7.00pm on Thursday 6 May**.

I will have multiple copies of the standards and the Literacy Progressions for you to see and should be able to answer any questions that you might have.

Dates to Remember:

Friday 30 April	Meet & Greet the FUNdRAISERS – 2.00pm Staffroom
Friday 30 April	School Assembly led by Rooms 12 & 5 – Hall 2.20pm
Tuesday 4 May	Paid Union Meeting - please collect your children at 2.15pm
Tuesday 4 May	FUNdRAISERS Meeting – 7.00pm Staffroom
Thursday 6 May	Last day for Bookclub Orders
Thursday 6 May	Parent Information Evening on National Standards & Reporting – Library 7.00pm
Friday 7 May	BOT Elections – poll closes at noon
Tuesday 11 May	Northern Zone Hockey
Thursday 13 May	Northern Zone Hockey postponement
Thursday 13 May	Election Votes counted and Board advised
Friday 15 May	School Assembly led by Rooms 6 & 13 – Hall 2.20pm
Wednesday 19 May	BOT – staffroom 7.00
Wednesday 19 May	School Cross Country
Thursday 20 May	School Cross Country postponement
Friday 28 May	Heart Jam
Friday 28 May	School Assembly led Rooms 2 & 9 – Hall 2.20pm
Tuesday 1 June	Northern Zone Cross Country
Thursday 3 June	Northern Zone Cross Country postponement
Monday 7 June	Queens Birthday
Tuesday 8 June	No school
Friday 11 June	Room 11 Fundraising for Haiti Concert
Friday 11 June	School Assembly led by Rooms 1 & 10 – Hall 2.20pm
Monday 14 June – Friday 18 June	Book Week
Tuesday 15 June	Inter-zone Cross Country
Thursday 17 June	Inter-zone Cross Country postponement
Wednesday 23 June	BOT Meeting – 7.00pm Staffroom
Friday 25 June	Singing Assembly – Hall 2.20pm
Monday 28 & Tuesday 29 June	Parent/Teacher Interviews
Friday 2 July	Last day of Term II
Tuesday 26 October	Teacher only day

We would like to welcome Hayden Simpson to Room 3.

Character Education – the value for this term is Obedience:

When surveyed last year many of our students felt they were not always very good at following the rules when no one was there to look. I think they were pretty hard on themselves but an area we are working on is finishing eating your lunch, even if direct supervision has ended.

Paid Union Meeting – Tuesday 4 May - The teaching staff at Bellevue will be attending a meeting on **Tuesday 4 May** at Paparangi School starting at 2.30pm. This means we will be asking you to collect your children from school at 2.15pm on that day. A newsletter was sent home last week asking if you are able to pick up your child early on that day or if you require supervision for your child. Please return this form to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible if you haven't already done so.

Mother's Day Raffle - Only two days left to purchase your tickets. We have made it very easy for you - just place \$2 in an envelope labelled 'raffle' with your child's name on it and send it to school and we will pick a random number for you. It is a wonderful hamper filled with lots and lots of goodies I'm sure you or your mum will enjoy. This raffle will be drawn at the FUNdRAISER's Meet & Greet this Friday at 2.00pm.

FUNdraISERS - Bellevue school has a FUNdraISERS committee which meets once a term to discuss fundraising ideas to help give our Bellevue kids the EXTRAS!! What are extras you ask? Here are a couple of projects the FUNdraISERS has recently funded - new netball uniforms, data projectors, digital cameras for each room and Kapa Haka uniforms. All these little things make Bellevue School that little bit special.

Come and enjoy some **afternoon tea and a cuppa** with us **this Friday at 2.00pm** in the school staffroom. Come and find out what we are all about or just come for a cuppa, we would love to see you.

Road Safety Awareness – Please be considerate to the students on Road Patrol, other drivers and pedestrians when dropping off or picking up your children from school. Please consider the following points:

- Let your children out of the car on the kerb side of the road
- Turn the car at the turning point at the end of Bancroft Terrace **and not by the entrance to school**
- Keep your speed to an appropriate level when passing school
- Take care not to park over residents' driveways or on yellow lines
- Please do not turn into resident's driveways to drop off your children, particularly by the patrolled area
- Be considerate when parking and don't leave big gaps between cars

The Little Red Book – Wellington's own Dining & Entertainment Coupon Book, only \$29.95 and \$8.00 goes to the school. It contains \$1,000 worth of discounts at dining and entertainment venues. If you would like to order a book please have your order and payment to school by Friday 30 April as this is the last day for ordering.

Mural for the Middle Block – a note from Robyn Wilson: A BIG THANK YOU! We still have lots of finishing off work to do on the mural. However, it's time to say thank you to all the wonderful people who have helped bring it together so far.

Firstly a huge thank you to the designers of the mural - Sarah Williamson and Michael Warwick, without these two the project would never have got off the ground. Michael Warwick has also been the artist getting the design up onto the wall and choosing the colours and guiding everyone to get the right paint in the right places!!

Carlos Diaz prepared the wall and painted it with the sealer. With the ground work done it meant we just had to come in and get painting. Also thanks to Michele Clarke who helped with all my questions with her usual patience and helpfulness and thank you to those who indicated you could help but weren't available on the days we actually painted. Your support was greatly appreciated.

Thank you to all the painters - Henry, Sarah and Austin Sinclair; Rebekah, Alexander, Jessianna, Beverley and Michael Warwick; Rama, Sam and Kushla Smith; Kelvin, Tristan and Kelvin (Snr) Russell; Kathryn Scapolo; Michelle and Zara Dunlop-Storey; Cate and Angus Mawby; Emily & Nicole Dawson and Elisa Bennett; Topaz Corliss & Daniel Huntington; Tiarne and Louise Southon; Rachael and Conor Wilson; Kiana Butters and Annie Cheng.

Scholastic Bookclub – Orders are due in by Thursday 6 May. No late orders will be accepted. If you are paying by cheque, please make it out to Scholastic Bookclub.

Kind Regards
Jan Win (Principal)

Netball Draw for Saturday 1 May:

Year 6B Bellevue Tigers vs Ngaio Tactix at 11.00am, court 6 at Newlands College
Year 5/6 Bellevue Silverferns vs Thorndon Black at 12.20pm, court 6 at Newlands College
Year 5B Bellevue Dragonflies vs Ngaio Swifts at 11.40am, court 4 at Newlands College

The Year 4 netball team has a coaching session at the Newlands Intermediate Courts on Saturday 1 May from 10.15am – 11.15am. Players will need to be there by 10.10am.

Netball Results for Saturday 24 April:

Year 6B Bellevue Tigers won 8 – 1	Player of the Day not advised
Year 5/6 Bellevue Silverferns lost 2 – 1	Player of the Day – Topaz Corliss
Year 5B Dragonflies results not advised	

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Gifted Child? Here's another chance to come and try out One Day School, New Zealand's longest running programme for gifted learners. On **Friday 30 April 2010**, Mind Adventure Day (MAD) sessions will be held from 9.00am - 11.45am for children aged 6 - 8 years, and from 12.45pm - 3.30pm for children aged 9-12 years, in our One Day School classroom at Rangikura School, 95 Conclusion St, Ascot Park, Porirua. The cost is \$30 per child. Parents and teachers welcome too. For more information, or to book a place for your child, please phone Shirley on 232 3523 or email shirley.lawn@giftededucation.org.nz

How To Handle Our Children When They Are Upset Or Angry & How To Get Children To Do As They Are Told - Diane Levy - Counselor, Family Therapist, Speaker and Best Selling Author of "Of Course I Love You...NOW GO TO YOUR ROOM" is giving a parenting talk on Tuesday 11 May at 7.15pm – 9.45pm in the Hall at Queen Margaret College, corner of Hobson Street & Fitzherbert Terrace, Thorndon. Tickets are \$20. For parents of children of all ages. For tickets go www.parenthelp.org.nz or phone 802 5767.