

BELLEVUE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Atawhaitia te rito kia puawai te tamaiti - Nurture the tender shoot so that the child will bloom.



where learning grows
e tipu e ako

TERM 1 - WEEK 2
9 FEBRUARY 2022



Important Dates

Thursday 24 February
School Board Meeting

Thursday 14 April
Last Day of Term

THANK YOU

We wish to say an enormous "Thank you" to:

- The wonderful whānau who donated books to our school library at the end of last year.
- Charlotte Pottinger for the generous donation of a 'pretend kitchen' for our Junior area of the school.
- Martin Langdon for his Matariki Artwork gift to the school - soon to be hung in our admin area for all to enjoy!

WELCOME

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue.
Welcome to the following students and their whānau. It is great to have you in our Bellevue School Learning Community.

Room 2: Jayden Ruan, Xavier Ryan, Cayden Frew, Eleanor Liddle, Liam Van Dyk and Charlotte McClintock

Room 3: Xzavier Grant, Leith Jones, Isabel Dryden, Zack Lamb, Greyson Novicio and Chloe Wang

Room 9: Shin Nguyen

Room 10: Elaaf Zewada

Room 14: Arisha Visitacion and Luobein Jones



Kia ora, Nameste, Talofa, Konnichiwa, Guten Tag, Giddyay, Vannakkam, ni Hao, Kia orana, Hola, Salam, Sa wat deekha, Dia Dhuit, Goeie Dag, Bonjour, Καλημέρα, Greetings everyone

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Nau mai, haere mai and welcome back to all our tamariki.

For all our Chinese families we wish you all the best for the Year of the Tiger.

Thank you to all who attended our 'Aspiration Meetings' to connect with their child's whānau teacher. We really appreciate your understanding and willingness to change to an alternative plan at such short notice. **Please note the Google Form for gathering our start of the year/distance learning information at the top of the following page.**

We have had a very positive start to our school year with all students settled, calm and ready to connect with their friends and teachers after the break. We were delighted that more than 70% of our whole school was back on day one! Thank you for all your support with the usual return to school routines as well as the extra challenge of adapting to Bellevue at Red.

As we return to our usual weekly newsletter this week, you will note a number of Red-related headings in this newsletter. We will continue to keep you informed through these in addition to any email/Facebook updates when needed.

We are looking forward to another fun filled year of student centered learning in 2022 in partnership with our whānau and wider community.

Ngā manaakitanga

Annette Borgonje

HEALTH & SAFETY REMINDERS

Please remember that under Red we are asked to keep all non essential visitors from entering the school site. Our first communication which is [HERE](#) outlines the details and our [Traffic Light](#) on the school website may be useful for quick glance information.

As far as possible we are keeping our students entering, exiting and playing in three separate areas of the school, avoiding them 'crossing paths' to prevent any possible spread of sickness. For this reason we appreciate your patience with designated areas for pick up/drop off and support with keeping students home if unwell.

If you pick up Year 3-6 children, from the main car park, you may wish to organise an alternative off site meeting area to support 2 meter distancing in this area at the end of the day. For families of students in Year 4+, please encourage your child to wear their mask until you are away from other people as they leave the school.

During this uncertain time, we welcome your feedback or queries as they help to inform our planning and communications. We encourage you to get in touch with your child's whānau teacher, their Hub Coach (outline of School Organisation for 2022 is [HERE](#)) or any member of the leadership team if you have any concerns or queries. All emails are simply staff members first name + @bellevue-newlands.school.nz

FOR MORE INFORMATION :

Click to follow links below

[School organisation 2022](#)

[Term Dates for 2022](#)

[Making Payments to School](#)

[Absences](#)

[Bellevue Physical Literacy](#)

[Scholastic Book Club Orders](#)

[Community Notices](#)

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Community notices are included as relevant 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 responsibilities for any goods or services advertised.

Kapai Kidz -Before/After School Programme

If you are looking for quality before or after school care, look no further. We are based in the school hall and have been operating from here for 20 years.

Enrol online www.kapaikidz.co.nz or any enquiries to Linda Robinson 021 409641 or linda@kapaikidz.co.nz

DRAMA -

Wonderplay has places available in its Churton Park drama classes.(3.45-4.45pm Tuesdays). Also ask about our famous Wellington Young Actors class for teens. Classes held at Churton Park Community Centre. Free to try this week.

Please contact Debs:

debs@wonderplay.co.nz 021-172-2836, www.wonderplay.co.nz

COVID-19 UPDATES



Please click the image to access COVID-19 updates on our school website.

2022 INFORMATION / DISTANCE LEARNING FORM

We are well into our planning and preparation for the various scenarios of onsite / offsite and 'hybrid' teaching and learning that Omicron may bring, but need further up to date information from you. In previous years we have also gathered permissions for online learning, distance learning preferences, etc. at our Aspiration Meetings which was not possible this year with the late change of plans.

[THIS GOOGLE FORM](#) will serve both purposes - please complete for your child/ren as soon as you are able, but at the latest **by Sunday 20th February**.

HUB 5 SCHOOL CAMP - POSTPONED

Unfortunately we are unable to run our Year 5/6 camp at Brookfields under the Red setting of the CPF as Brookfields is closed at Red. We are in communication with Brookfields about the possibility of a postponement date for Term 4. If this is not possible we will consider our alternatives for our Year 5/6 EOTC event so that the tamariki do not miss out. We will keep you informed.

MOANA WHISPER - YOUR COPY

The digital version of our 2021 school production is in the final stages of editing. This will be sent to all those families who have ordered a copy as a link in the next couple of weeks.

ABSENCES

We are required by the Ministry of Education to enter a different roll code for our students who are:

- Unwell
- Away for a reason that has been explained - for example resting after a vaccination
- Self isolating and therefore learning from home

Please communicate with our office to let us know the circumstances if your child is away from school. This will also enable us to ensure those students who need distance learning are provided for.

LATENESS

If your child is late to school while we are at Red, to avoid congestion in our school office first thing in the morning, please ask them to go directly to their classroom any time before 9.30am. The teachers will mark them on the roll. If they arrive after 9.30am, they will need to check in at the office as usual.

MANAGING CASES AT SCHOOL

Working face to face with our tamariki as much as possible, in a safe environment where they can connect with their peers is our top priority. We wish to assure you that for all onsite learning we continue to follow the Health and Safety measures, including all adults working with students being fully vaccinated, wearing masks in all adult interactions (and with students Year 4+) and high standards of hygiene. We aim to support a positive climate of mask wearing. Our teachers are encouraging open conversations and finding innovative ways for students to learn about mask wearing, while giving clear messaging that every student's needs are different and the wearing of masks is not possible for some. These messages are in line with our values of Responsibility, Empathy and Respect.

We have had some queries about whether the whole school community will be informed, in the event of a case at our school. Our planning includes clear systems for keeping our entire school community informed as soon as possible after working with the Ministry of Health to manage contact tracing and inform any close contacts. Our aim is to work through this in a calm and considered way that minimises concern or disruption for our tamariki and their whānau.

Please make sure your contact details we have on file are up to date, so we can get in touch with you if needed. Details can be updated by emailing office@bellevue-newlands.school.nz.

VACCINATION INFORMATION

There are a number of websites available with resources that will help explain what the vaccine is, how it works and whether the vaccine is safe for young people. Please click the links below if you wish to explore these further:

[Kids Health](#)

[Health Navigator](#)

[The Immunisation Advisory Centre](#)

SPORTS NEWS

Summer Smash Cricket - Years 3-6

Summer Smash is a great opportunity for girls to play modified cricket games with their peers in a friendly, accessible environment. Girls can enter in teams of 6 or individually. Entry is free and each player receives a free t-shirt. All equipment and coaching is provided.

Dates: 4 weeks; 9 - 30 March 2022

Times: 4-5pm

Location: Bernie Wood Turf

Register: Individual: <https://forms.gle/QxWCCprcAmRhRZkh7>

Touch Rugby registration Hub 3-5

Touch registrations are now open for Term 1 for Hubs 3-5 please complete the Google Doc form if you would like your child to take part. If you have any questions about the season please email Mel Bradley at jinxme_3@hotmail.com

<https://forms.gle/6E56USLzeU5sRZZK8>

ROAD PATROLS 2022

Thank you to all our wonderful whānau who have taken on Road Patrols for this year. We still require support for the new Road Patrol teams for Wednesday morning (from 8.25 - 9.00 am) and Wednesday and Thursday afternoons (from 2.45pm - 3.15pm).

If you are available at these times and would be willing to help our student leaders keep our tamariki safe as they journey to and from school, please get in touch as soon as possible..

Please contact Deeann Daniels by giving the office a call or at:
deeann@bellevue-newlands.school.nz

SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB

Scholastic Bookclub brochures are being sent home to all families this week. All orders are due in by Thursday 24 February. Payment is either by cash or credit card (details on the bookclub form).

While we are in Alert level **Red** we ask that students give their orders to their class teachers to bring up to the School Office, to avoid congestion in the Administration area. Orders must be put in a sealed envelope with your child's name, room number and 'Scholastic Bookclub' written on the outside of the envelope.

LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome back !

I'm in the middle of a stocktake, so if you have summer reading books or any library books at home, could you please return them as soon as possible to your classroom and I will collect them from there. Thanks to those of you who have done so already.

Did you know...

15 minutes per day of independent reading, can expose readers to more than 1 million words of text in one year!

SHOTS TO MAKE YOU SMILE -



Hub 1's first week of school. We have been building our names, making our Hub waka, writing in shaving foam and lots more!



This week Hub 3 have been learning how to use their Learner Toolbox! This activity helped the students to practise their collaboration skills as they worked together as a team to make a costume entirely out of newspaper!



Hub 4 photos from the past week





Bellevue School FUNdraisers Want YOU!

Oh no! The Bellevue School fundraising team has shrunk!

With the departure of some dearly appreciated parents, as their children have moved onto intermediate school in 2022, we are looking for some new volunteers!

Could you be a person to help run fundraising events? Can you offer casual assistance with counting the orders. Do you have some fresh ideas on fundraising initiatives we could run? Would you like to join our committee?

If you are keen to join us, oh and we hope you do, email us at fundraisers@bellevue-newlands.school.nz

Hear from you soon!