



Weekly Newsletter

3 July 2019

He rau ringa e oti ai = Many hands make light work

Term 2 - Issue 9

Important Dates

Wednesday 3 July (today)	- Written Mid-year Progress Reports come home to parents/whānau - Pyjama Night in the library - 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Friday 5 July	- Pizza Friday - Lost property displayed on hard court by hall or outside Room 3/Room 4 (if wet) - Final day of Term 2
Monday 22 July	First day of Term 3
Thursday 1 August	Ned Show (Mindset Mission)
Tuesday 6 August	Pōwhiri for new students
Monday 16 September	Artsplash Festival
16 - 20 September	Kapa Haka festivals (dates to be confirmed)

From The Principal's Desk



Kia ora, Nameste, Talofa, Konnichiwa, Guten Tag, Gidday, Vannakkam, ni Hao, Kia orana, Hola, Salam, As-salaamu 'alaykum Sa wat dee kha, Dia Dhuit, Goeie Dag, Bonjour, Hello, (please let us know the greeting in your language if it is not here)

It is hard to believe that this is the final newsletter for the term, and that we are half way through the academic year. Just a reminder that your child's written mid-year Progress Report is coming home with them this afternoon. We hope you enjoy reading it, talking with them about their progress and next learning steps. Please note that bookings for Three Way Conferences are now open. These valuable opportunities to meet with your child and their whānau teacher take place in Week 2 of Term 3 - they assist your child/ren to consolidate and extend their thinking. We look forward to meeting with you early next term.

Thank you to everyone in our learning community who came along to Bellevue School's celebration for Matariki last Wednesday. It was wonderful to share some of the learning your child/ren have been engaged in over the past few weeks. Also a big thanks everyone for respecting that the hall could not be entered until after 6:15pm, waiting until after the Karakia Kai before eating and the lovely spirit of 'coming together' as we celebrated this occasion.

The Book Buzz for Book Week continued today with a dress up Book Character Day, and then there is a finale with the 'PJ Library Night' this evening from 6:30pm. We hope you can make it along to visit the library in your Pyjamas with your family/whānau this evening as a cozy end to Book Week and the term. Have a great break with your children over the next two weeks.

Ka kite
Karen



Term 3 Assembly Dates

1 August	Assembly led by Hub 3 (Rooms 5 & 6) - 2:10pm
6 September	Assembly led by Hub 1 (Rooms 1, 2, 3 & 4) - 2:10pm

Take a break.
You deserve it!



WELCOME

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue

Welcome to the following student and his family whānau. It is great to have you in Bellevue's Learning Community.

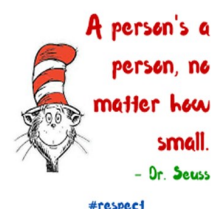
Max Lamb in Room 2.



Character Education

This term the focus has been on building our collective knowledge about the concept of Manaakitanga, respect or whakaute; also the ways that we can demonstrate this - especially when in the school or at school events. At Bellevue we expect people to show respectful behaviour. Putting respect into practice is about making choices, so we encourage students, staff and our community to:-

- ⇒ Use good manners, be courteous, speak to others in a kind voice and use polite body language
- ⇒ Demonstrate behaviour that allows everyone in our school to be happy, safe and successfully learn
- ⇒ Honour other peoples ideas, differences, customs and heritage
- ⇒ Care for living things, the environment and our school property
- ⇒ Follow the rules of our school and laws of our country
- ⇒ Develop a sense of self worth.



In Term 4 our focus is on building knowledge about and ways to practise further developing resilience or manawaroa. This character is another of the five pillars that our community has indicated is an important key for Bellevue learners' success. Resilience is about nurturing and cultivating stamina, grit, staying power, endurance and fortitude. It is about being able to cope with changes, challenges and disappointment. Children need to learn and develop skills that help them to do this. Developing resilience assists them to pick themselves up when things do not go according to plan or the way that they would have liked them to.

Kupu Hou (new word)

roto = inside, in, within, interior
(refers to the space physically inside another defined space, e.g. a house, box)

Pronunciation = ror-rot

Ko **roto** o te whare, i kī katoa i te tāngata.
Inside, the house was full of people.



Entertainment Books

Support Bellevue school and treat yourself with the Entertainment Book!

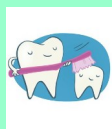
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With Entertainment there are thousands of experiences you can enjoy, and remember \$13 from each book sold will go towards redeveloping the Jubilee corner at Bellevue school. Already keen? To order a book or digital membership and support our fundraising efforts head to <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1q04109>.



Please note that there are a limited number of books available for purchase through the school office.

Dental Checks

The Bee Healthy mobile visit to Bellevue School has been rescheduled due to building works occurring at the school. We plan to visit at the end of term 4. It is unlikely, due to the limited time available and school activities at this time of year that they can examine all of the children.



The Raroa team will be in contact to arrange appointments for your children when they are due for a check-up to ensure they see all Bellevue children. This will be at the Raroa Hub Clinic, Haumia Road Johnsonville (in the grounds of Raroa Intermediate School.)

Family appointments are available for pre-school siblings to attend. School holiday appointments are also available.

If you wish to make an appointment or update your contact details call: 0800 825 583 Monday to Friday 8.00am to 4.30pm.



We look forward to seeing you.

The Bee Healthy Team.

Thank you

Special thanks to...

All Bellevue School staff who work above and beyond to provide the best possible learning opportunities for our students. Thanks also to all those parents/whānau who support their child's teacher and the school to enable them to do this.

Everyone in our learning community who came along to Bellevue School's celebration for Matariki last Wednesday. It was wonderful to share in some of the learning our child/ren have been engaged in over the past few weeks. Also a big thanks everyone for respecting that the hall could not be entered until after 6:15pm, and waiting until after the Karakia Kai before eating. What a great community evening, and spirit of coming together to celebrate an occasion unique to New Zealand.

Lorraine, the FUNdraisers committee, Friends of the FUNdraisers, the Student Council and everyone who came along either to help at the Bellevue Book Fair, or to buy books last Saturday. Thanks to everyone for making it such a success. Kia ora koutou.

Beatriz, Teresa, Jane, Jen, Philip, Divyesha, Hoane, Mark, Sam, Steve, Aminath, Hannah and Lorraine for being parent leaders on the Hub 3 City Gallery/Te Papa trip last Thursday.

Thank You!

Lost Property

On Friday afternoon this term's unclaimed items that have collected as lost property will be displayed on the hard court area in front of Rooms 1 and 2. If it is wet then it will be displayed in the covered area outside Rooms 3 and 4. Please take a look for any items that should be at your house.



Any unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity shop.

Three Way Conference Bookings

Three Way Conferences are coming up in the second week of Term 3. Bookings open from today. On Monday 29 July bookings are available until 5.45pm and Tuesday 30 July bookings are available until 7.15pm. We warmly invite you to spend this important 15 minutes with your child and their whānau class teacher to talk about their learning.

Please find below the details of how to book online, and you can contact the office to help do this. Please use the online booking service -

www.schoolinterviews.co.nz

Access code - **9xe5g**

Please ensure you have booked by 12.00noon on Wednesday 24th July.

If you are unable to use the online booking, please contact the school office to book your time for these important meetings.

The teachers and your child are looking forward to meeting with you to talk about their learning and their goals. Please note that there are supervised activities in the library for your child's siblings while the meeting is underway. These important meetings help to consolidate the focus of learning for your child and build our partnership with you to support their further development.



Matariki Celebration

Thanks to all our tamariki and their whānau for coming along to the Matariki celebration and to those of you who gave feedback about tikanga and te reo at Bellevue School (either on paper or by using a chrome book). Your thoughts are valued as they help us adjust what we provide for your children's learning. Kia ora koutou.



Attendance At School

Achievement is dependent on student attendance, along with effective teaching and student engagement. The aim is for all students to **attend school every day that they are well**, and for students to **arrive on time to start the school day**.

Routines for good attendance habits are very important. Research indicates that higher attendance rates in the first two to three years of school, encourages good attendance patterns in later schooling and at college level; also that attendance in the first two years of schooling is one of the most significant indicators in school drop-out rates and therefore of achievement or non-achievement for students.

Consequently the MOE and schools carefully monitor student attendance with the aim that all primary age students are at school for at least 92% of each year. The school and parents/whānau and guardians have an important responsibility for ensuring children are attending school, and there is a legal requirement to do so.

Every day a student is not at school is a day that they are not involved in their learning programmes. On your child's written report that is coming home next Wednesday, please note the graphs that indicate your child's attendance rate for the year to date, along with their punctuality. Should your child's attendance be below 90% for the year to date, a letter reminding you of the importance of attendance will accompany their report.

Our aim is to help everyone be aware that attendance at school counts for your child/ren. If your child has a regular lower attendance rate or arrives late each day it impacts on their learning. You may wish to consider the following in terms of repeated absence from school:-

- 90% attendance = 9 years schooling at the end of Year 10
- 85% attendance = 8 and a half years schooling at the end of Year 10
- 80% attendance = 8 years schooling at the end of Year 10
- 70% attendance = 7 years schooling at the end of Year 10



Navigating the Journey - Health and Sexuality Education

Just a reminder that Bellevue School is beginning to use this resource to support our Health Curriculum in Term 3 and Term 4 this year. Programme resources are available for parents/whānau to view and read in the school office. Due to copyright on this material, these resources need to be read at school. Please ensure they are returned to the school office before you leave.

Please note there are three different booklets aimed at different age groups ie: Year 1-2, Year 3-4 and Year 5-6, so check that you have picked up the one appropriate for your child's year level. The booklets may be read in the office area then returned to the office.

Safety First



PLEASE ...

Due to the limited space available and the entry/exit safety issues in the school car park, we ask parents to refrain from using these parks during school hours. If you have a health issue and require entry via the car park or need to use a park during the day, please contact the school office.

Should you park in the carpark before or after school and the gates are closed during Road Patrols, you need to wait until the gates are opened after the Patrollers come off patrol. Please do not take offense if you are reminded of this by our Road Patrol Supervising adults as it is to ensure the safety of all the pedestrians who are entering or exiting the gates during these times.

PLEASE ...

When dropping off your children at school please make sure that they get out of the car on the footpath side of the car and not on the road side.



Bellevue Book Fair

Thanks to our wonderful FUNdraisers, whānau who helped out and the Student Council for organising and holding such a great event.

Thanks everyone who came along either to help at the Bellevue Book Fair, or to buy books on Saturday. Approximately \$2,000 was raised.



Jubilee Corner - Playground



Thanks to the Entertainment Book sales, Sausage Sizzle, Pizza Fundraiser and Book Fair we now have raised \$34,000 towards the redevelopment of the Jubilee Corner Playground.

Thank you everyone for your continued efforts and support towards developing this great project for our students.

Pizza Fundraiser



At the end of each term our wonderful FUNdraisers group organise with Hell's Pizza, an opportunity for you to order pizza lunch as a special treat for your child/ren.



Pizza Friday is on this Friday (5 July). All orders needed to be into the school office by 9:00am on Friday 28 June so if you missed this we are sorry that no further orders can be accepted as they were processed last Friday.

A special thanks to all those people who came along to process the orders and those who are coming in on Friday to help distribute the orders and get the correct pizza to each student.

Kia ora koutou.

Bellevue Book Night



Thanks to everyone who took part in 'Dress as your Favourite Book Character' Day. It was like stepping into a book world at school today.

Remember that tonight is 'Family Night at the Library'. Come along in your pyjamas, after tea and before you go to bed, for some shared fun family reading - come on in to the library anytime from 6:30 - 8:30pm.

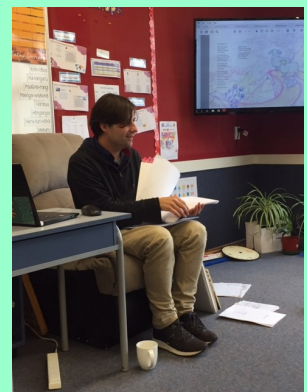


A big **THANK YOU** to Wellington author **James T**

Guthrie who came to talk to the students in Hub 5 this morning.

James' book '**Bullseye Bella**' won the Tom Fitzgibbon Award in 2018, and is also in the running for the 2019 NZ Book Awards for Children and Young Adults under the 'best first book' category. Good luck James!

Also a **big thank you** to illustrator **Kieran Rynhart** who came into school today to speak to Hub 4.



Stomach Bugs and Influenza Information

Last week we included an Influenza leaflet in the newsletter and also sent it home in hard copy for those receiving their newsletter in this form. This information has also been put on our school website in the Notices and Newsletters section. Also there appears to be a nasty stomach bug around at the moment which includes vomiting and diarrhoea. Advice includes:



- Stay at home for two days after vomiting or diarrhoea has finished
- Get plenty of rest and have small amounts of water often and do not share drink or food with a sick person
- Wash hands thoroughly with soapy water after toileting and vomiting, and before food preparation
- Call your family Doctor if you are still unwell after 2 full days of being sick and/or your condition.

For free health advice phone Healthline on 0800 611 116 or go to www.healthline.govt.nz

Bellevue Sports News

Netball

Tsunamis won 8 - 3 against Newlands - Player of the Day was Maia
Cyclones lost 3 - 12 against Queen Margarets College - Player of the Day was Sahana

Tornadoes - Player of the Day Sofia
Lightning - Player of the Day Neve
Thunder - Player of the Day Anna and star ring-in Sofia



Miniball

Bellevue Hurricanes won 35 to 22 against Ngaio Cheetahs.

Thank you to the parents and teachers who have given up their time to help coach a sports team or to come support our tamariki at a sporting event this term. We look forward to more successful sports events in term 3

Swimming Sports

A swimming sports presentation for Hub 4 and Hub 5 will take place tomorrow, Thursday 4 July, in the hall at 2.30pm. All are welcome to attend to celebrate the place getters for each event in the main pool.



Ngā Hau e Whā o Paparāangi

Eight kids from Hub 5 went to the local papakainga and had a fun day. We planted plants and trees to help build a Mara mokomoko or lizard garden to reinstate the populations of lizards in the area. Mokomoko are important because they are the tuakana of our land. It is our job to keep them safe. The mokomoko are small creatures but we should treat them with respect. We planted trees for the lizards and rocks so they can hide and find food. The rocks also can warm up from the sun and provide ngā mokomoko with heat.

We learnt that planting is lots of fun. First, you dig a hole the right size for your plant. Then, take the plant out of its pot or plastic before putting it in the ground. Put some compost into the hole then fill the hole with soil. Next, you make sure that the plant is firmly in the ground by using your foot to press around the plant. Lastly, we added mulch to keep the weeds away and keep moisture in.

Written by Tommy, Liam, Leo, Shiilah, Jess, Grace and Raeleigh

Check out www.nhewop.org.nz to find out more about the garden we planted.

I had a really fun time and I hope the mokomoko like our garden. I will hopefully be back soon.
Jess, Rm 15



Community Notices

Community notices are included as space allows, 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 responsibility for goods or services advertised.

Kapai Kidz - Holiday Programme:

We are operating from Monday 8 July - Friday 19 July. All enquiries to Linda Robinson on 021 409641 or enrol via the website www.kapaikidz.co.nz

Bereaved by Suicide? Come along to Newlands Suicide-Loss Support Group:

This new support group is for adults 18 years + who have been affected by the suicide of someone they know.

The group will meet fortnightly allowing members to:

- share their thoughts and feelings about what has happened
- discuss how suicide has affected them
- gain ideas and information about how to look after themselves and others, and ways to manage their grief, after a suicide.

The next group will be run on Wednesday 10 July @ The Newlands Community Centre.

Interested? No need to register, simply come along. For more information, phone Megan on 021 140 4960 or Nerys on 027 340 8579.



Newlands Kids' Choir:

The Newlands Kids' Choir sing songs from all around the world taught by an experienced music teacher. The songs are accompanied by guitar, ukulele and rhythm instruments and children will get the chance to use these instruments. We will perform a concert at the end of the year. The choir starts on 24 July at the Newlands Community Centre. Wednesdays from 4pm - 5pm, for children aged 6 - 9 years. Costs are \$100 per term. Free introductory lesson. For enrolment please email choir@schmidt.kiwi or contact Nicole Schmidt on 0224022447.

