



Weekly Newsletter

20 November 2019

He taonga rongonui te aroha ki te tangata = Goodwill towards others is a precious gift

Term 4 - Issue 6

Important Dates

Wed 20 November	Newlands Schools Speech Celebration - 6:00pm at Newlands Intermediate
Thursday 21 November	Fundraiser's Meeting - Whare Iti at 7:00pm
Thursday 28 November	Dental Van visiting school for the day
Thursday 28 November	Board meeting - in staffroom at 7:00pm
Friday 29 November	All Bell Challenge work shared with class teacher by today
Friday 6 December	Fundraiser's Pizza Lunch
Friday 13 December	- Helpers morning tea - 10:30 - 11:30am - Festive Bake Sale & Sausage Sizzle 3:00pm
Monday 16 December	Year 6 Leavers dinner
Wed 18 December	Last day of school year - 12:30pm finish

Term 4 Assembly Dates

Friday 29 November	Te Puawai Amua/Choir - 2.10pm
Friday 13 December	Presentations - 2.10pm
Wed 18 December	Final Assembly - 11.30am

Remember the Bake Sale
and Sausage Sizzle
after school
on Friday 13 December

WELCOME

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue

Welcome to the following students and their families/whānau. It is great to have you in Bellevue School's Learning Community.

Theo Cooke in Room 1, Mason Bissett in Room 4, Mahi Goyal in Room 10/11C and Asmi Goyal in Room 14.

Also welcome back to Mashaal Ali in Room 10/11B.

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)

NZSL

A big congratulations to all our Year 5 and Year 6 students for the amazing learning process they went through from researching to collaborating to reflecting and presenting/sharing their Passion Projects to other students in the school and their parents/whānau yesterday afternoon/evening. It is wonderful to see the enthusiasm and excitement for learning shine through. Sharing these passions also helped ignite this in other learners too. Well done to everyone in Hub 5 for the amazing growth in your skills and learning dispositions as you followed through the process to share your passions with others.

A reminder that on Friday 13 December (from 10:30 - 11:30am) the staff warmly invite everyone who has helped the school this year to a morning tea in the hall to acknowledge our appreciation for your support. Over the next couple of weeks there will be invites coming home. Just in case your invite gets lost or missed, please put this date in your diary or on your calendar so that you keep 10:30 - 11:30am free on that day. Then come along and join the staff for a special morning tea to say thank you for your support during 2019.

Also, please look at the notice from our Student Council later in the newsletter regarding 'Pack The Bus'. The Christmas Tree is in the foyer, decorated and ready for you or your child to place any donations of gifts/foodstuffs for families who are less fortunate this Christmas. Thank you to our councillors who are encouraging us to think of others at this time of year, and those of you have already sent along a donation to this worthy cause. Pack the Bus is another way that we can practice manaakitanga, aroha and empathy by considering others at the end of the year. Kia ora koutou to our Student Council for this initiative.

Nga mihi nui
From Karen
and the Bellevue School Team



Character Education

As we encourage and support students to build their maia or confidence, it is important that we also model this as adults. Being confident helps us to face challenges and to take the risks that are a natural part of learning and living. With confidence we try new things and learn all the time.

This term we are reminding our learners that confidence is knowing that we are worthwhile, whether we win or lose, succeed or fail. It is thinking positively, having confidence in life and trusting that things will work out.

To be resilient people, we need to believe in who we are and what we can accomplish. This positive outlook and growth mindset helps us to take risks to keep developing and to persevere in times of adversity.

CONFIDENCE

may not bring success
but it gives power to
face any challenge.

Kupu Hou (new word)

maihi = barge boards of the meeting house (gables)

pronunciation = my-hee

Kei mua ngā **maihi** i te tuanui o te whareniui.

The **maihi** (barge boards) are facing the front on the roof of the meeting house.

He rite tonu ngā **maihi** o te whare ki ngā ringa o te tangata e torotoro ana.

The **maihi** are like outstretched arms of a person.



Thank you

Special thanks to...

The family /whānau who sent along a cake on World Kindness Day for the staff to enjoy. Thank you for thinking of us... and your kindness.



Welcome new teachers

We are excited to let you know that Deirdre McArthur is returning to work at Bellevue School next year, and we have four other new teachers joining the teaching team in 2020. A special welcome also to Isabel Bridgman, Jane McCauley, Marlaina Myers and Phoebe Ayers. These teachers will be spending a day in the school before the end of the year to meet with teachers, students and get an idea of how we work at Bellevue. We know that you will join with us to make them feel welcome in our learning community when they join us next year.

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue.



School Lunches

Due to very low order numbers we have been advised that Pita Pit lunches are no longer available as a lunch option through the online ordering system.

Sushi lunches are still available on Thursdays by ordering online at:

www.lunchonline.co.nz



ICAS Assessments



For the families and whānau of all Year 4-6 students who opted to participate in the ICAS assessments in September the results of these are now available online. The link below will take you to a PDF explaining how to access your child's individual reports, which gives a breakdown of your child's achievement in each area of each of the four

assessments. Should you have trouble clicking on this, try copy and pasting into your browser.

<https://www.unswglobal.unsw.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/ICAS-How-to-access-online-reports.pdf>

Please note that you will need your child's unique 'TAP ID' and four digit PIN number to access these results. These are found in the small text at the bottom on the rear of the blue certificates your child will receive in the Hub Community Time.

The certificates take a little longer to come through, but the students have received these for Science and the Mathematics, English and Writing certificates will continue to be handed out in Hubs as they arrive.

If you have any questions regarding the ICAS assessments, please email annette@bellevue-newlands.school.nz.

Road Patrols in 2020

Planning has begun for our 2020 Road Patrol team. Year 5 students have completed their training with Constable Aaron Dan and have started on the job training with the Year 6 Road Patrolters.

For 2020, we require support for these new Road Patrol teams in the mornings from 8.25 - 9.00 am, and/or afternoons from 2.50pm - 3.15pm.

If you are available any day of the week at these times and would be willing to help our student leaders keep our tamariki safe as they journey to and from school next year, please get in touch in Term 4.

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



Enrolment Information - Zoning

Important information about the adoption of the enrolment scheme (zone):

If you have pre-schoolers at home that you are planning to enrol at Bellevue School in the future, here are a few important things to know and put into action:

If you are living outside of the Bellevue School enrolment zone, then your pre-schooler(s) will need to be processed as an out of zone application.

Please let us know, if you haven't already, of any future enrolments at Bellevue School from your family. It helps greatly with our planning to know well in advance. And if we know then we can also prompt you as to when you need to get your out of zone application in.

Even if your pre-schooler(s) are in zone, please get your paperwork in to us as soon as possible to enable us to plan ahead. We need this information to be able to work out how many out of zone applications we can accept in each enrolment period.

If you have any questions or are unsure about anything, please call or come into the school office and talk to Amanda.

Library Donations

In previous years, some families of Year 6 leavers, and others leaving Bellevue School, have wished to mark their time here by donating a book to the library.

We are holding a number of fiction, non-fiction and picture books suitable for a wide range of ages and interests. We make these available for donation at about half the retail price. The cost to donors ranges from about \$7.00 - \$20.00.

A library donation plate showing the name(s) of the donor will be placed in the front of the book which will be available for borrowing by the donor after cataloguing and covering.

If you wish to make a donation to the library in this way, the books may be viewed at the school office.



BELL Home Learning Challenge

Many students have been working away all year on the Bellevue BELL Home Learning Challenge. Finished portfolios showing evidence for all completed challenges need to be brought in and shared with your classroom teachers by **next Friday 29 November**.

Every completed challenge needs to be signed off by the student, parent and teacher.



Sunhats



Remember that your child needs a sunhat at school every day during Term 4 and also Term 1. It is compulsory to wear a sunhat when outside during the summer months for protection from the sun's harmful rays.

Please help your child to have a named sunhat at school each day. They may wish to have a school sunhat that they leave at school. If your child does not have a sunhat next term they will need to work and play under the covered veranda areas.

Carpark

Please **do not** use the carpark as a pedestrian to enter or exit from the school. The people currently doing this are placing themselves and others at risk. We may have to use a lock on this gate while road patrols are on duty to enable our students and road patrol adults to focus on their job, rather than explain to people why it is not safe for them to be using the vehicle entry at this time.

Please, please think of your safety and the safety of our children.



Pack the Bus

The Student Council are joining with the City Mission and The Breeze again this year to think of others less fortunate at Christmas. **This year the bus comes to Bellevue on Monday 2 December.** That means only a couple of weeks left to organise a little something for another child or family at Christmas

We encourage our students and learning community to practise empathy and manaakitanga by donating a little something to help children and whānau less fortunate so that their families can have a more enjoyable festive season.

The Student Council invites you to send along new toys, games, books, board games, art equipment, vouchers, cans of food or festive food to place under the tree at school. A list of suggested items from Wellington City Mission is included below.



Essential Items:

Spreads and Muesli bars
Weetbix, Oats & Muesli
Sugar and Milk Powder
Pasta Sauce
Tinned Soup/fish/meat
Biscuits and Crackers
Body Wash and Deodorant
Baby Food, Wipes and Nappies
Laundry Powder and Dishwashing Liquid

Christmas Items:

Small Christmas Cakes
Fancy biscuits/crackers
Fancy relishes/sauces
Salts/roasted nuts
Chippies
Toiletries for the whole family
Retail vouchers

Toys: (new toys only please - and unwrapped)

Construction Toys - Lego/Meccano
Art equipment
Educational toys and books
Puzzles
Baby toys for 0-2yr olds
Diaries/Calendars
Board games



If you wish your child to place the item your family/they have donated on the bus, please put their name and class number on this gift but please do not wrap the gift (a request from the organisers).

Please note

The Christmas tree is now in the foyer so please place any gifts you are donating or non-perishable food and festive food under the tree. **There is only one and a half weeks left for you to bring along your gifts (marked or unmarked as mentioned above) to place under the tree.**

Thank you in advance from the School Council, The Breeze and The City Mission for thinking of others and practising empathy, aroha and compassion for those less fortunate.



Swimming Feedback



If you are a parent/whānau of a child from Room 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10/11A, 10/11B or 10/11C who is currently going swimming or has just finished swimming this term, you are invited to fill in the survey attached to the newsletter this week.

At the end of swimming lessons each year, we ask our teachers, students and their parents/whānau for feedback to help us and the pool providers to improve what we are doing for our students learning.

Please note that your feedback will be combined with the feedback from parents/whānau in our senior school area ie: Hub 5. This feedback was returned earlier this year after they completed their swimming lessons in Term 2. The combined feedback is considered by our staff for how we might improve the provision of swimming lessons for Bellevue students in the future.



End of Year Reports

With the removal of National Standards, this is a timely reminder that we now report against National Curriculum Levels as indicated by this chart (NB:- this chart is also on the front of your child's written report).

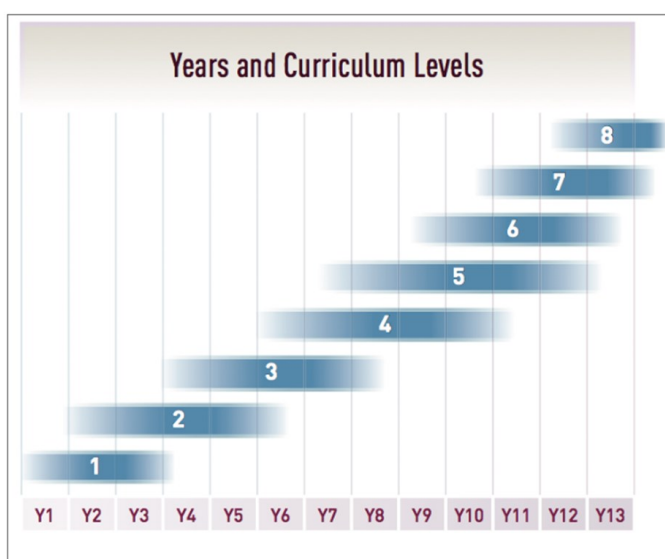
Please note that the language used in reports reflect the change to reporting against the curriculum level too. The code for 'Achievement against expected curriculum level' in each of the subject areas (Reading, Writing and Mathematics) now indicates whether your child is:

WT - Working towards the expected curriculum level

WW - Working within the expected curriculum level

WA - Working above the expected curriculum level

You will see these codes **WT** and **WW** and **WA** in your child's written report that is coming home to you on Wednesday 11 December.



Term Dates 2020

Term 1: Monday 3 February – Thursday 9 April

Waitangi Day – Thursday 6 February

Easter Break (during holiday break)

Anzac Day – Monday 27 April

Term 2: Tuesday 28 April – Friday 3 July

Queen's Birthday – 1 June

Teacher Only Day -2 June

Term 3: Monday 20 July – Friday 25 September

Term 4: Monday 12 October – Wednesday 16 December

Teacher Only Day – Friday 23 October

Labour Day – Monday 26 October



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.



The last Pizza Fundraiser for the year will be on Friday 6 December. Order forms will be sent home on Monday 25 November. **All orders need to be into the school office by 9:00am on Friday 29 November** so they can be processed and the pizzas ordered for the following Friday. Please note one order form for each child is required.

Please put order forms and money in the money box in the office foyer. We are unable to give change and any overpayment will be accepted as a donation.

Due to the large number of orders we can only accommodate genuine dietary requirements (dairy-free or gluten-free), not preferences like BBQ sauce.



A special thanks to all those people who come along to process the orders, count the funds and make sure that the correct order goes to each student.

The funds raised will go towards the Jubilee Corner.

Hub 5 Personal Passion Projects - Personal Sharing

During Term 3, Hub 5 students completed Personal Passion Projects. This involved students exploring a rich inquiry question in an area of personal interest. The focus of this learning was on 'process' rather than 'outcome'. Students were developing the skills and dispositions required for independent research, collaborative learning and reflection on their learning process.

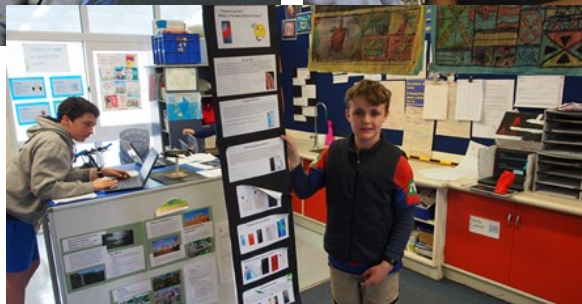
Yesterday the classrooms were open all afternoon for visits from the rest of the school, while each student presented their project. They shared the learning involved in the process; their challenges and how they overcame them, what they have learned about themselves during this project, and what they wish to focus on next.

According to the World Economic Forum the most desirable skills for the modern workforce are:

- Complex Problem Solving
- Critical Thinking
- Creativity
- Collaboration & communication
- Emotional Intelligence
- Judgement And Decision Making
- Negotiation
- Cognitive Flexibility

The project based learning approach allows for the development of all of these skills. Students are given choice and empowered to take ownership of their learning. The projects integrate both the learning areas and competencies outlined in the New Zealand Curriculum with our school values and learning dispositions. Students develop a deeper awareness of themselves as learners, the learning process and the rewards and challenges of being a citizen of the 21st Century.

Many thanks to all those students, teacher, families and whānau who made a special effort to come along and support this event. It was a pleasure to see such a 'learning buzz' in the Hub 5 classrooms!



Bellevue Sports News

Miniball

Well done Bellevue Hurricanes who won 42 - 23 against Paparangi.



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.

KHANDALLAH TENNIS & SQUASH CLUB (KTSC) "Summer Pass" - (valid for use between 16 December 2019 to 31 January 2020)

Give the gift of family fun and activity this Christmas. Available right now, the **"Summer Pass"** and play unlimited* tennis and squash throughout the summer school holidays at a fraction of the normal membership. **Prices start at \$100 for families, \$50 adults and \$25 children (plus \$20 access card)**

KTSC - 7 tennis courts, 4 squash courts, Sauna, members lounge

Thump Sports - best on-site Pro Shop in Wellington

Evolve Tennis – Professional tennis coaching

For an application form – phone 939-6210 or email ktscnz@outlook.com

To purchase your pass, come down to 55 Delhi Crescent with your completed application form between 9.30am and 1.30pm Mon-Fri and you/your family can be on the court on the 16 December for a whole 6 ½ weeks BARGAIN

Numbers strictly Limited – Enquire NOW *Some conditions apply

Bigair Gym - Does your child love doing cartwheels, handstands, round-offs, walkovers and anything that involves tumbling? Does your child also love dance and working together in a team? If so, Cheerleading is the perfect sport!! It is so beneficial for kids, as they learn to work together as a team and gain so much confidence as they achieve new skills. Cheerleading at Bigair Gym is highly skilled and we have coaches that are so passionate about this popular sport.

If you are interested please contact Bigair Gym in Tawa: 04 2323508 or office@bigairgym.co.nz

A beautiful opportunity for families and kids,
to learn more about their Muslim friends!

Acceptance for Peace

Quizzes, Free Face painting, Henna painting,
Arabic calligraphy & delicious food.

Join us Wednesday 4th of December
6:00-8:00 pm, in Johnsonville school hall.
RSVP by 1st of Dec: sherine.balaha@gmail.com

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