



Weekly Newsletter

19 February 2020

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

Term 1 - Issue 3

Important Dates

Thursday 20 February	BOT Meeting - 7:00pm Staffroom
Saturday 1 March	Children's Day
Monday 2 - Friday 21 March	Māehe Manawa Ora - Moving March
Monday 16 March - Wednesday 25 March	Life Education mobile classroom at Bellevue
Thursday 26 March	Bellevue School Athletics day - pp date later in the year
Monday 30 March - Wednesday 8 April	Pedal Ready - Hub 5
Thursday 9 April	Final day of Term 1 - break includes Easter + Anzac Day
Tuesday 28 April	First day Term 2 (Monday 27 April annualised Anzac Day)
Tuesday 23 June - new date	School Photo Day

From The Principal's Desk



Kia ora, Nameste, Talofa, Konnichiwa, Guten Tag, Gidday, Vannakkam, ni Hao, Kia orana, Hola, Salam, 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

At Bellevue School we are all about 'growing learning' as stated in our school motto:

'E tipu e ako—where learning grows'.

We endeavour to help everyone in our community to be great learners - including our students, their whānau and staff.

Every year teachers work with their students to further develop their young learners understanding about learning and how their brains work. It is important for us to know what learning is, how we learn, what we need to do to learn and how we can grow our learning 'power'.

Carol S Dweck (a well known and revered American Professor of Psychology best known for her work on the **mindset** of psychological traits) says that none of us are born smart, however we can grow our learning muscles and improve our capacity to learn. All of us can get better. With this 'growth mind-set' and the understanding that we can continually grow connections in our brain, we know that by persevering we are growing our brains and learning. Trying new things and persevering to master these means that we are learning. By continuing to try, even when it is difficult, it helps us build further knowledge and develop strategies for problem solving. Please talk with your child/ren about what they know about learning, also encourage them to give things a try and keep trying when it is tricky. Acknowledge any mistakes they make as the pathway for new learning, and talk about what you are learning when you make mistakes too.

Have a great week talking with your children about how they are growing their brains; also remember to celebrate their mistakes as a way to learn and increase their 'Learning Powers'.

Ngā mihi mui
Karen



Welcome

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue

We would like to welcome the following student to Bellevue School:

Aadi Arjun in Room 5.



Character Education

"Treat people the way you want to be treated. Talk to people the way you want to be talked to. Respect is Earned, Not given"

This term our values focus is Respect, Manaakitanga or Whakaute. Respect for other people, respect for ourselves and respect for our environment helps us to have more productive, successful lives.

By talking about, modelling and affirming respectful behaviours we help each other extend our abilities to demonstrate caring, consideration, kindness, courtesy and respect.

Please support your child/ren to practice and demonstrate the value of respect this term by talking with them about how they can demonstrate respect and also affirming them when you see them doing this for themselves, for other people, for things/belongings and our environment (school, home and beyond).

As we affirm children or specific behaviours (eg: putting rubbish in the bin, recycling, letting older people sit on the bus or come through doors first, speaking politely to others) we help our young people to grow their understanding of what this value looks like and what they can do to demonstrate it.

Assembly Dates

Friday 21 February	Assembly led by Hub 5 (Rooms 12—15) 2.15pm (this Friday)
Friday 6 March	Assembly led by Hub 4 (Rooms 5 - 6) 2.15pm
Friday 20 March	Assembly led by Hub 3 (Rooms 7 - 9) 2.15pm
Friday 9 April	Assembly led by Hub 2 (Rooms 10 - 11) 2.15pm

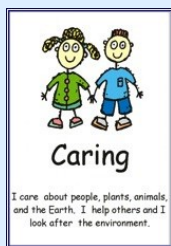
Kupu Hou (new word)

Manaaki (tia) = look after, care for, show respect or kindness to
Pronunciation = mah-nah-key-tea-ah

Ka *manaakitia* te harakeke e au.
 The flax will be *looked after* by me.

Mā mātou koutou e *manaaki*.
 We will *take care of* you.

Ka *manaaki* te tangata whenua i ngā manuhiri.
 The people of the land/marae will *care for* the visitors.



Newsletter Distribution

Change to newsletter distribution

As mentioned in our newsletter in the past two weeks, our newsletter is being sent out directly through the student management system.

This means that the email address we currently have recorded for you on our student management system is the email to which the newsletter will be sent. If you have two email addresses recorded for your child, both will receive the newsletter. Should you prefer not to receive the newsletter to both of these addresses, please let the office know so that we can update your records. Thanks for working with us to streamline our systems.

Health + Safety

PLEASE

follow the road rules ... give way to up hill traffic, go to the top of Bancroft Terrace to turn and do NOT double parking or park on the yellow lines in the Terrace. Please do not turn around by the school driveway or near the school patrols.

PLEASE

For the safety of everyone do not let children exit vehicles on the road side of the car and do not turn into a driveway as when you back out it is very hard to see young children on the footpath behind you.

PLEASE

Be considerate to our neighbours by not parking in their driveway or blocking the entrance to their property.

PLEASE

Bellevue Kindergarten have asked us to remind you that school parents are asked to park on Link Road so that your children walk into the school, or to use the Bancroft Street entrance. Bellevue Kindy parents need access to their carparks for parents/whānau of their young learners.

PLEASE

A request from Newlands Buses - If you are parking in Link Road before and after school please be aware that it is a bus route and enough space needs to be left for buses to pass through. When two cars are parked on either side of the road, a bus is unable to get through the gap and is held up until the car owner returns to their car to leave.



PLEASE

Remember that children look at adults as role models for behaviour. By using the school Road Patrol Crossing you help all our students be safe. Please do not cross outside this crossing area when the Road Patrols are on duty.

PLEASE

On very windy or blustery days, it is not safe for the Road Patrols to use the orange 'lolly-pop' signs as students may be dragged on to the road by the wind. On these windy days you will need to look closely at the Road Patrols as adults will use their arms instead of the signs to indicate that there are people crossing the road.

Wheels At School

We encourage our students to walk or ride their wheels to school as a great way to get some exercise at the beginning of the day. If your child is riding a scooter, skateboard or bike to school they must wear a helmet, also walk their wheels to and from the school gate, and along the footpaths. This is to prevent any nasty accidents with pedestrians (children and adults) walking to/from and within the school.



There is a scooter rack in the middle hard court area to store scooters during the day. Bikes need to be locked to the fence that runs behind the library and the staffroom. Children can ride their scooter on the hardcourt area roads at lunch breaks, but they may not ride bikes, skateboards or an other child's scooter in the grounds unless there is a special wheels day or event organised specifically for this.

Please help us remind students to wear their helmets; also to walk their wheels in the school grounds at all entry points to the school so that there are no accidents with pedestrians in the school.

Home Learning

In order to have successful learning for the year, the first few weeks the teachers are taking the time to establish relationships, build collaborative learning processes, explore how students will work as learners, set up routines and familiarise/re-familiarise children with the Key Competencies and Learning Dispositions.

Therefore, your child may not bring home reading books and Home Learning will not go home before Week 3 – Week 5.



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.

It is very important that out of zone applications are received by the application deadline. The next round deadline is 9:00am Friday 5 June 2020, for enrolment from Saturday 4 July to Tuesday 15 December 2020. We cannot accept any out of zone applications if they are not received by the deadline advertised for the enrolment period your child is due to start school in. The deadline can sometimes be up to six months prior to your child actually starting school.

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.

Thank you

Special thanks to...

Those wonderful parents and staff who came along to the FUNdraising meeting last Thursday, and who work so hard to help provide extra resources for all our students. Tino pai rawa!

All the students who are making the effort to practise respectful behaviours at school - and hopefully at home too! Kia ora tamariki ma.



Sports News

March is Coming – Let's Get Movin'!

We are a Movin' March school and we can not wait to make the most of the warm weather and encourage your child/ren to Walk or Wheel to and from school. Explore the Movin' March [website](#) for tips and check out the [parents](#) page on how to build active travel into your daily routine. This year we want to encourage whānau to take part in the [Parent Facebook](#) competition (daily prizes plus one scooter to give away every week!) and the [Share your Story](#) competition which has weekly prizes (plus a family pass on Bluebridge Ferries!)

Why Movin' March?

Not only does walking or wheeling to school reduce congestion and chaos at the school gate, we also get to slow down and get some quality time with our tamariki. Walking or wheeling to school solo or with friends can be a real [confidence boost](#) and families get to do their bit for the environment!

How to make it work for your whānau

Instead of driving right up to the school gate, [Park and Stride](#). Walk the last 500m or so to school and get your passport stamped at the school gate!

Think about how you might get to and from school over March (and the rest of Term 1!) Check out Micro scooter's [safety tips](#) or [NZTA's Hike it Bike it](#) safety suggestions.

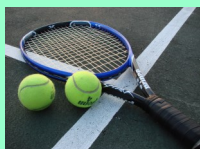
[Walking School Buses](#) build community and teach children important road safety skills ready for walking independently as they get older.



Tennis Coaching - Evolve Tennis is in school

From weeks 3 to 5 we have Brittany from Evolve Tennis coaching our students tennis. Evolve's philosophy is "To provide a fun, engaging introduction for children to tennis". All lessons are catered to students year levels and abilities.

Brittany is the head coach at Paparangi tennis club and has been playing tennis for 18 years. We look forward to seeing the new skills our students will learn.



Grassed Area

Please note that the grassed area outside the hall ie: the area between the hall and Rooms 3-6, also the hardcourt area outside Rooms 1-2, can be a safety concern if ball games are taking place before and after school.



Younger children and their whanau have been hurt from balls that are being used in this area at these times.

Therefore we encourage ball games like soccer to be played on the lower field from 8:30 - 9:00am and after school.

Thank you for helping reinforce this with our students .

Payments to School

There is a locked box in the Office foyer for parents/caregivers/ students to put any payments that need to be made to school (eg. stationery items, stationery contributions, school donation, trips fees, etc.). These must be put in a sealed envelope with your child's name and room number, as well as what the payment is for.

Payments can also be made to school online to -
ASB 12 3223 0048283 00 and must include:

- Child's name and room number
- Reference, eg. trips



Inland Revenue
Te Tari Taake

There's no need to complete a paper form this year because you can now claim donation tax credits online in a myIR account, Inland Revenue's secure online service.

- You'll receive your refund much sooner.
- Your receipts can be electronic receipts, or photos or scans of paper receipts.
- Your receipts can be uploaded anytime during the year.

School Opening Time



A reminder that children are **not to be at school before 8:30am** on school days, unless they attend Kapai Kids 'Before School' programme in the hall.

This is to enable the teachers and support staff time to prepare for your child's busy day of learning, then be available to greet your children when they arrive in their whānau classroom at 8:30am.

Please do not use the office staff to mind your child. If you need to drop your child off to school before 8:30am, please organise for them to attend before school care.



Term Dates 2020

Student learning term times are :-

Term One: Monday 3 February - Thursday 9 April

Term Two: Tuesday 28 April - Friday 3 July

Term Three: Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September

Term Four: Monday 12 October - Tuesday 15 Dec

Holidays & Observances:

Term One:

Thursday 6 February - Waitangi Day (school closed)

Easter break (during school holiday)

Anzac Day - Monday 27 April

Term Two:

Monday 1 June - Queen's Birthday

Tuesday 2 June - Teacher Only Day (school closed)

Term Four:

Friday 23 October Teacher Only Day (school closed)

Monday 26 October - Labour Day

Emergency Contacts

Please check that your parent/caregiver **details are up to date** and you have listed all the adults that you are happy to collect your child in an emergency.

While we hope that we never have the need to use these, it is very important that the school knows who you give permission to **release your child to in an emergency** situation and should you be unavailable.

Please notify the office **before 9:00am every day that your child is away**.

Should they need to attend a medical appointment during school time, the office is required to sight proof (eg: text, email) of this appointment time as verification for MOE attendance records.



Unwell Students

If you are concerned about your child's health please keep them at home. We would also request that if your child has chicken pox, measles or influenza that it is important to let Michele or Amanda know in the office as we have a student with a compromised immune system. We appreciate your help with this matter.



Coronavirus Update

The Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education, and other sector groups are continuing to keep a very close watch on the 2019-nCoV (coronavirus) situation. Updated advice will be forwarded to you.

Coronavirus belongs to a group of viruses that include the common cold. People of all ages can be infected by coronavirus, with older people and people with pre-existing medical conditions such as asthma more vulnerable to becoming severely ill with the virus.

The 2019-nCoV coronavirus has not yet reached New Zealand, but good health practice is still important, says Asthma and Respiratory Foundation NZ. Protecting from common respiratory illnesses, including washing our hands with soap and warm water regularly, helps protect us from possible infection.

Asthma and Respiratory Foundation NZ (ARFNZ) Scientific Advisory Board member Dr James Fingleton says that other infections, such as colds and flu, are currently more of a risk in New Zealand than coronavirus. He also says that "People with chronic health conditions and pregnant women are at higher risk of complications from viruses like coronavirus than others. This includes those with asthma, bronchiectasis, or COPD. Every year people end up in hospital with complications from influenza and other respiratory illnesses, and similar issues could appear with this novel outbreak. Protecting from common respiratory illnesses will help protect from possible infection. This includes washing your hands with soap and warm water regularly, and avoiding close contact with anyone showing symptoms of respiratory illness, such as coughing and sneezing.

Symptoms include fever, coughing, and difficulty breathing". (Note: difficulty breathing is a sign of possible pneumonia, and requires immediate medical attention.) These symptoms are similar to a range of other illnesses such as influenza, so their presence does not necessarily mean coronavirus is present."

ARFNZ CE Letitia Harding says that symptoms of 2019-nCoV are similar to a range of other illnesses, such as influenza, and do not necessarily mean that someone has coronavirus. "If you're the one doing the coughing or sneezing, covering your mouth and nose is also recommended. In more severe cases, infection can cause pneumonia and other complications." Her advice is that right now the best way to stay safe is to stay calm."

For those who are concerned about possible infection the Ministry of Health has provided practical information on their website which we encourage you to read

<https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov>

If you have a particular concern about your child, please contact Healthline at 0800 611 116 or your GP for medical advice. Healthline has translators and interpreters available 24/7 in 150 languages, including staff who speak Mandarin and Cantonese.



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.

Northern United Junior Hockey Club 2020 Season - School Years 3-8 : Online registrations are now open (Closing 15 March).

Pre-season training: Tuesdays 3rd - 31st March, 2020 from 5:30pm – 6:30pm for years 3 to 6 and 6:00pm – 7:00pm for years 7 & 8.

Years 7/8 Trials (For kids in years 7 & 8 in 2020): Saturday 21st March 2 – 5pm, Sunday 22nd March 2 – 5pm

Season dates: 2 May - 19 September

For more information go to - Web: www.nujhc.org.nz or Email: info@nujhc.org.nz or FB: <https://www.facebook.com/NUJHC>

