



# Weekly Newsletter

3 June 2020

Te piko o te māhuri, tērā te tupu o te rākau = The way a sapling is nurtured determines how strong it will grow as a tree.

Term 2 - Issue 3

Week 8

## Important Dates

Thursday 11 June	FUNdraisers Meeting - Whare Iti - 7pm
Thursday 18 June	Board of Trustees meeting - 7:00pm in staffroom
Tuesday 23 June	School Photo Day
Friday 3 July	End of Term 2
Monday 20 and Tuesday 21 July	Rescheduled Teacher Only Days
<b>Wednesday 22 July</b>	<b>Start of Term 3 for students</b>

## 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

We hope that everyone had an enjoyable long weekend with the lowering of COVID-19 restrictions providing an opportunity to travel further afield, and with some lovely weather too.

It is great to see an increasing number of students returning to school each week, also to see learning programmes building on our children's experiences over the past few months. A big thank you to all the staff at Bellevue who take extra care to check in on our students and each other as school resumes as many educational activities as possible. With students back out on Road Patrol from this week, we ask that you take extra care to respond safely when you drive/walk to school. By continuing to drop your child/ren to walk the few blocks to school, this reduces congestion around the Bancroft Street entrance. At Alert Level 2, we continue to keep additional adults out of the grounds and have contact tracing registers for any that need to come into the grounds at this stage. We look forward to the governments announcement on 8 June to determine how long this will continue.

We are looking forward to the time when we can get together to share with you and your child how the lock down time went for you and what things would be good to continue in terms of your child's learning. Hopefully the changes in Alert Level 2 will enable us to hold Three Way Conferences with you and your child/ren before the end of Term 2. More details of this will come home in next week's newsletter.

Nga mihi nui  
Karen



## Welcome

### Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue.

We would like to welcome the following students and their families to Bellevue School:

Maddison Smith, Oliver Earl and Tanish Maradana in Room 2.  
Omkar Nataraj, Max Sarten, Savinaya Santosh and Jin Hui Lu in Room 3.  
Bryce Stunell, Ransh Bhatia and Hunter Gillam in Room 4.  
Liberty Puepue in Room 8.  
LJ Puepue in Room 14.

Kia ora koutou

Also a special welcome to Yolandi Van Vuuren who joined our teaching team yesterday and is the whānau teacher for our roll growth New Entrant class. Kia ora Yolandi.



## Character Education

We continue to promote the value of Resilience or Manawaroa, as we nurture the ability to overcome difficult experiences and be shaped positively by them.

When young people feel down we encourage them to know that this is Ok and to help them know what they can do to make themselves feel better.

The British physician Dr Rangan Chatterjee believes that there are **six ways to raise a resilient child:-**

- Have one to one time with each child, without distractions
- **Give sleep a chance**
- Get out and exercise
- Teach delayed gratification
- Eat the alphabet
- Model gratitude

For the second of these ie: **Give sleep a chance**, he says that lack of good-quality sleep is a huge driver for stress; it also has a negative effect on memory, concentration, cognitive function and decision making. One of the fastest ways to improve sleep, he says, is to limit screen time before bed as the blue light from digital devices suppresses production of melatonin (the hormone that signals to the body that it is time for sleep). Also looking at screens before bed keeps us emotionally wired/stimulated, making it harder for us to switch off. He talks about attempting to ban devices at least an hour before bedtime and switching children's night lights to red ones (as red has the least impact on melatonin production).

Thank you for supporting the work we are doing in teaching and nurturing our children's resilience.



## Kupu Hou (new word)

**wehewehe(a)** = sort out, separate, divide

**Pronunciation** = wear-hair-wear-hair(ah)

Ka **wehewehe**a ngā kākahu i runga anō i te tae.  
The clothes will be *sorted* according to colour.

Māu te kete kākahu e **wehewehe**.  
You will *sort* the clothes basket.



## Teacher Only Days - 2020

The local schools in Newlands have attempted to align Teacher Only Days where possible. Please take note of the change to these dates

### Teacher Only Days 2020

**Monday 20 and Tuesday 21 July** - (beginning of Term 3) are the two days that we have rescheduled to replace the one that was to take place on 28 April (during lock down), and after Queens Birthday Weekend.

**Friday 23 October** - the Friday before Labour weekend

**NB:** - This means that Term 3 will start on Wednesday 22 July for students.



## Thank you

### Special thanks to...

Bellevue Librarians

This is a wee note to say what a great team you all are. You turn up with a smile and do a great job every day, and I feel incredibly lucky to be a part of what you do.

Nga mihi nui  
Sarah

“  
There are many  
little ways to  
enlarge your  
child's world.  
Love of books is  
the best of all.

*Jacqueline Kennedy*  
PRINCETONBOOKREVIEW.COM

Good news!!

Over the next couple of weeks the contractor will be starting to fence off the Jubilee Corner area to begin the landscaping work that we have been fundraising for.



Please note that while this work is being undertaken if you use the Link Road entrance then all foot traffic will need to go to the upper area of the school, so if your child is in Hub 5 they will need to walk up to the middle school area then down the other pathway to Rooms 12, 13, 14 and 15 during the period that the work is being undertaken.

Thank you for doing this as the Jubilee Corner work is taking place.

## Distance Learning Feedback Form - Now Closed

Thanks for all your feedback through our Bellevue Distance Learning - Family and Whānau Feedback Google Form throughout Alert Level 4-2. As it appears that this is no longer being used we are closing this form. Please note that we are still happy to receive feedback via your child's classroom teacher.

## Welcoming Committee This week

To help welcome our students back there continues to be a welcome committee at the front gate each day - with an extra toy added each day to add a smile to the recently returned students faces.

Mandy did a great job of being our Bubble Witch on Friday too.



Last Friday's welcoming committee included a Bubble Witch to keep the toys company



## 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.

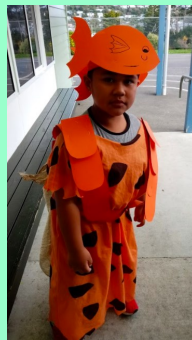
**Even if your pre-schooler(s) are in zone, please get your paperwork in to us as soon as possible to enable us to plan ahead.** We need this information to be able to work out how many out of zone applications we can accept in each enrolment period.

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



## Dress Up Friday

Thanks to the Student Council who organised a fun Dress Up Day last Friday, also to all the people who took part in this celebration of coming back to school. It was fun to see what everyone decided to dress up in. You can take a look at some of them in the photos below.





# COVID-19 Update

The Ministry of Education have advised that there is currently no reason that children should not be going to school, unless they are unwell or have a compromised immune system (or someone in their family who has this). They also say that it is really important that children return to school, not just for their education but also their health and wellbeing.

As instances of Covid-19 in NZ are very low and the Ministry of Health advises that there is no instance in NZ of someone spreading the virus without having symptoms, the Ministry of Education believe there is a very low risk of the virus getting in the school gates to start with. We continue to keep extra hygiene practices and other public health measures as an extra precaution for as long as we are at Alert Level 2

If a case of Covid-19 should appear in the school, then the Ministry of Education, in partnership with the Ministry of Health, will track, trace and manage the contacts of the individual with the help of the school community. A school may be closed for several days whilst this happens and the school is cleaned.

Other links for you to find current information are:-

<https://www.cdhb.org.nz/your-health/covid-19-how-you-can-look-after-yourself/>

<https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus>

If you have any concerns you can ring Healthline (for free) on a new dedicated 0800 number specifically for health-related calls about COVID-19 which is **0800 358 5453** at any time. If you have developed symptoms of fever, cough or shortness of breath then seek medical advice by phoning the Healthline number dedicated for COVID-19 or contact your GP, including phoning ahead of your visit.



## Yummy Apple Stickers



A reminder to please collect these stickers from apples and the voucher from bags of 'Yummy Apples' for our school.



Thank you for thinking of us each time that you save these stickers and vouchers for PE equipment.

## Scholastic Bookclub

All orders are **due in by Thursday 18 June**. Payment is either by cash, credit card (details on the book club form) or by cheque made out to Scholastic Book club. Please place your order in the locked box in the Office foyer.

Orders must be put in a sealed envelope with your child's name, room number and Scholastic book club written on the outside of the envelope.



## School Payments

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



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## Sports News

**Northern Suburbs Netball** are excited to host a ten week season of netball for years 5 and 6 players, starting Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July. Games (40 minutes) will be scheduled between 8.30am to 2.30pm and held at Newlands Intermediate. Northern Suburbs Netball is also committed to hosting a league for years 3 and 4, but are currently organising and consulting with the community on how that will work.

To help us prepare for the season, we will email everyone who has filled in a form to let us know that you were interested in playing, last term, to confirm your interest. If you are interested in playing and have not yet filled in a permission slip (or you do not receive an email from us in the next few days), please contact Lorraine [lorraine.laulau@gmail.com](mailto:lorraine.laulau@gmail.com) or Lisa [peterlisaholden@hotmail.com](mailto:peterlisaholden@hotmail.com). Thanks

### Year 3 & 4 Netball

Due to the impact of COVID-19 We need to change the dates of our Year 3 and 4 Mother Earth futureFERNs programme. We would like your feedback on which options would suit your family for 2020. Please follow the link to indicate your preference.

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