



Weekly Newsletter

14 August 2020

Me whakamātua = We work hard to achieve together.

Term 3 - Issue 4

Important Dates

POSTPONED until 2021	Mobile Dental Van visit
Wed 19 August	ICAS Science
Wed 26 August	ICAS English
Wed 2 September	ICAS Maths
10 September	Board of Trustees Meeting - 7pm
26 Sept - 11 Oct	Term Break
Monday 12 Oct	First day of Term 4
Tuesday 15 Oct	NZ 'Shake Out' drill/practise
Friday 23 October	Teacher Only day
Tuesday 10 Nov	Whole School Evacuation/ Reunification practise

From The Principal's Desk



Kia ora, Nameste, Talofa, Kia orana, 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 NZSL your language if this is not here)

With the announcement last evening about moving into Alert Level 2 at midday today, we will continue to endeavour to keep you up to date with the latest advice from the Ministry of Education regarding how this will look at Bellevue School. Past experience shows that this rapidly changes, and we need to be responsive to the advice as it comes through to the school. Something that has recently been highlighted is the importance of communicating effectively between school and home. Whilst we are much more prepared for the alerts this time around, we ask that you understand the extra pressure on schools to respond to these current updates and that we will continue to provide updated information as soon as this becomes available to us. Please note the Covid-19 update at the rear of this newsletter and look out for further updates as these are shared with you.

Just a reminder that over the next few weeks/months we are looking forward to the Jubilee Corner landscaping work starting to take place, along with the removal of the old sandpit outside Hub 1 and a tidy up to the entrance way/grass area outside the hall. The Jubilee Corner work will involve a large fenced off area on the hillside between the end of Room 10/11 and Room 12. During the time that this work is in progress, please note that the entry to the lower level classrooms from Link Road will have a detour. There will be no direct entry down to Rooms 12 - 15 from the Link Road gate. Pedestrians will need to walk up the pathway to the hard court area outside Rooms 10/11, 7, 8, 9 then walk down the hill that goes from the hall to the lower level classrooms. We are sure that this short term inconvenience will be rewarded once the Jubilee Corner landscaping is complete and students can play on this area again.

Have a great week everyone as we find further ways of working together to support each other, also to keep each other safe in these changing, challenging times.

Ngā mihi nui
Karen 🤗

Please do not come to school before this time.



Welcome

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue.

We would like to welcome the following student and their family to Bellevue School:

Mataio Moresi to Room 4.



Character Education

Empathy Quotes

Be somebody who makes everybody feel like a somebody

Anonymous



With our current focus on manaakitanga, aroha or empathy this term we continue to promote the many other values that contribute to developing empathy.

This value is about being mindful and thoughtful about other people. It is about considering them and their feelings, also caring how our actions affect them. Empathy starts by noticing what other people need, also thinking about how our actions and words impact on them.

We are encouraging people to act as if others are just as important as we are... and to think about what we can do to help them, or what thoughtful things we can do to bring happiness to them. We are aiming to support everyone to feel that they are somebody who is valued and who is an important part of our learning community.

Please talk with your child/ren about manaakitanga and empathy, and acknowledge them when they demonstrate this value.

Assembly Dates

Friday 21 August	Assembly led by Hub 2 - 2.15pm
Friday 4 Sept	Assembly led by Hub 1 - 2:15pm
Friday 18 Sept	Singing Assembly - 2:15pm

Kupu Hou (new word)

harirū(tia) = to shake, shake hands

pronunciation = ha-reh-roo (the-ah)

Kāore tātou e **harirū**, ka hongī kā.

We won't shake hands, we'll press noses instead.



Ā muri i ngā kōrero, ka **harirū** ā ka hongī ngā rōpū e rua.

After the speeches, the two groups will shake hands and press noses.

Thank you

Special thanks to...

The parents/caregivers who this morning have offered to help out in any way that they can after the announcement to move into Level 2.

The parents/caregivers who can help out with road patrol during Level 2 to enable staff to be at the gates to greet students and accompany them to class if this should be required.

Our wonderful staff who once again are being asked to go above and beyond the call of duty to support students, families and each other as we move into Level 2 and a time of increased anxiety for everyone.

Newlands Intermediate News

All enrolments for 2021 should be made online by 31 August 2020 at www.newlandsint.school.nz.

The Board of Trustees determines how many out-of-zone places they will have for 2021 after 1 September. Please check the website for this announcement.

Orientation Morning - Friday 13 November

Students who are enrolled, or planning on attending Newlands Intermediate in 2021 are invited to take part in this Orientation morning.

All students are collected from their schools by bus for this morning.

Arrival at School Time

A reminder - please do not bring your child to school or allow them to arrive at school before 8:30am in the morning. There is an increasing number of children who appear to be arriving before this time each day which prevents the staff preparing for all our students learning.

We expect all students to arrive between 8:30 and 9:00am, so that they can greet their whānau teacher in class as they arrive and talk with their class mates/friends before the bell goes at 9:00am.

Please help us do the best for your child/ all our children as you **MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CHILD arrives BETWEEN 8:30am and 9:00am** so that their teachers have the time to get ready for their arrival at the start of each day

Thanks

Bellevue Staff



Election Day - Saturday 19 September

Once again our school is being used as a Voting Place for the General Election in September. The Ōhāriu Electorate is looking for good people to staff the Voting Place, and there are also opportunities to work before and after Election Day. These are paid roles and full training is given. See elections.nz/jobs for more details. If you wish to work on Election Day, please help the recruitment team by stating your preferred Voting Place when you apply.



Celebration Heroes

Congratulations to the following students who were acknowledged for demonstrating manaakitanga, aroha or empathy in Assembly last Friday:

Hub 1: Mia Yin, Ransh Bhatia, Isabelle Landymore and Isabelle Gunn



Hub 2: Cole Van Dyk, Milan Sua, Frank Chubb, Margot Lord and Jett Le Cheminant

Hub 3: Scarlet Rakanui, Sofia Liddle, Vivaan Chaturvedi, EJ Barlongo, Athulya Vegi and Joel Schmidt

Hub 4: Ani Anderson, Emily Sargeant, Miles Yin and Nazik Haleem

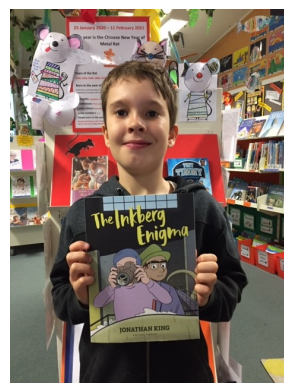
Hub 5: Lewis Mabey, Alice Patterson, Jessica Andrewes, Skye Murdoch, Hail Gates, Sofia Kennedy-Moffat, Naizak Haleem, Zain Penkar, Iris Roper and Mason Schuurmans

Library News

A big thankyou to the Cooke family for their donation to our school Library of the newly released and exciting graphic novel -

'The Inkberg Enigma'

This book is written and illustrated by Jonathan King who happens to be Benji and Theo Cooke's uncle.



Booster Wine Group LP - Wine Offer Fundraiser

This offer closes this Friday 14 August 2020.

Booster Wine Group LP will donate \$40:00 per case which will go towards fundraising for the Jubilee Corner outdoor learning and play space at Bellevue School.

Your support is greatly appreciated.



Fundraisers Update

Book Fair

Postponed until 2021. Please start putting any surplus 'as new' books that are in good condition aside at your home. The Fundraisers will call for these to be donated/brought to the school early next year.

Wine Orders

Please note Booster Wine Group LP donates \$40:00 per case. This offer closes this Friday 14 August 2020.

Sausage Sizzle Lunch at School

The next Sausage Sizzle is this Friday (14 August). Orders closed last Friday.

Entertainment Book Memberships

Available throughout the year. You can purchase at entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1g04109. The school receives at least \$14 for each book sold.

Calendars and Cards

Your child/ren's artworks are on these products. Parents can view these from 7 September, with orders in by 18 September. Prices remain the same as last year ie: \$13 for calendars, \$14 for cards, \$17 for diaries, \$15 for computer mouse mats, \$13 for sketch pads.

Juicies at School

To welcome in the spring, there is a 'Juicies at School' day on Friday 4 September. To 'Spring into Spring' with a juicie, order forms will come home on Monday 24 August and need to back in to school by Friday 28 August.

Warehouse Stationery - Support Your School

Please note that you can nominate our school when you purchase items at Warehouse Stationery. These are turned into bonus points that enable us to 'purchase' items for student use. Thanks for doing this when you are shopping at Warehouse Stationery.

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.



Board of Trustees Meeting

The next Board meeting is on Thursday 10 September at 7:00pm in the staffroom.

Rail Safety Week

10-16 August is Rail Safety Week - Cross with Care/Kia tūpato te whakawhiti. This message is from Kirsty Barr, the Travel Choice Co-ordinator Greater Wellington Te Pane Matua Taiao.



Rail Safety Week aims to reduce near miss collisions on level crossings. Every near miss is a traumatic event and has a very real impact on the locomotive engineers, the witnesses involved and on those who nearly lost their lives. Never cross when bells or lights are activated and always look carefully in both directions before crossing. Be especially careful to look for a second train. If one train has stopped at a station another one could be coming. For those families interested, have a look at this Rail Safety Virtual Field trip at <http://www.learnz.org.nz/railsafety193/videos> information that was shared with participating schools in 2019. Visit this website <https://www.tracksafe.co.nz/> for more information.

Emergency Evacuation

National Shake Out Practise

New Zealand National Emergency Management Agency promotes a National Shake Out Practise every year. This year it is taking place at 9:30am on Thursday 15 October. Wherever you are during New Zealand Shake Out, you can take part in the drill. Just Drop, Cover and Hold for up to one minute, and if you are in a coastal area they suggest also practising your tsunami hīkoi.



National Emergency Management Agency
Te Rākau Whakamarumaru

Bellevue Annual Whole School Evacuation + Reunification practice

This year this practice will take place on **Tuesday 10 November**. On this day there is an 'emergency scenario' which is announced through a text message to you during the day. You will be alerted so that you or one of your Emergency Release Adults comes to collect your child/ren from school. Please look out for further details about this important annual Health and Safety drill in future newsletters.

Parent Election Notice - Bellevue School Board of Trustees' By-Election 2020

Nominations are invited for the election of one parent representative to the Board of Trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters this week. You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself. Both parts of the form must be signed. Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close **at noon on Friday 18 September 2020** and may be accompanied by a signed candidate statement and photograph. The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours. There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school office. Voting closes at **noon on Friday 9 October 2020**.

Signed Amanda Beauchamp,
Returning Officer



Dental Van Visit - postponed until 2021

Due to the power issues that we have been experiencing at school this year, the Dental Van visit to school that was due to happen this month is now postponed until next year. The school has been advised to reduce any extra draw on our power until the remediation work can be actioned.

If you have any concerns about your child/ren's dental health or want to make an appointment with the dental therapists please ring the Dental Hub at Raroa Intermediate - 0800 825583.

We apologise for having to take this course of action at this time.

Sports News

2020 Wellington and Kapi Mana Primary and Intermediate Schools tournament (Tennis):

Tuesday 15 September for girls

Wednesday 16/Thursday 17 September for boys.

Venue: Renouf Tennis Centre, 60 Brooklyn Road, Wellington.

As this is an outside event parents/whānau are responsible for transporting their child to and from the tournament and for covering the registration costs. Registration fees are \$20 which will need to be made into the school account as part of the registration process.

If you are interested in entering your child please email Miss George (jenny@bellevue-newlands.school.nz) by Friday 21 August.



Netball:

No netball last week due to poor weather conditions. We wish you luck for your games this weekend.



Miniball:

We are looking for parents to manage the Bellevue miniball teams for Term 4. The role includes signing the team up, collecting fees from players, informing players of game changes and emailing the school the results of the game each week.

If you are interested please email Miss George (jenny@bellevue-newlands.school.nz).



Maths Week



Maths week for 2020 is from Monday 10 – Friday 14 August. You may be interested in some of the extra resources available on line to encourage or share with your tamariki to take part in some interesting mathematical problems during the week. One site with some fun activities for Year 1 to Year 11 is ... www.mathsweek.co.nz

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.

Paparāangi Kindergarten:

Paparāangi Kindergarten is turning 50 years old and to celebrate are holding an open afternoon on Sunday 30 August from 1pm. There will be an afternoon tea at 2.30pm. They would love to see past families, committee members and teachers join them.

Please RSVP to papararangi@wmkindergartens.org.nz



Home-based Educator Available:

Spaces for before and after school care. 20+ years experience. References available. Call Heidi on 021 02444750.

Newlands Pasifika Festival:

Fakaalofa lahi atu, Bula Vinaka, Fakatalofa atu, Kia orana, Mālō e lelei, Mālō nī, Talofa lava, Tēnā koutou katoa and warm Pacific greetings!

If you are interested in attending the Pasifika festival you are invited to the annual Newlands/Paparangi Pasifika Festival on Thursday 10 September.

Key information:

- Doors open at 6:30pm with a 7:00pm start.
- The classroom next to the hall and the whare nui are used as changing rooms.
- This is a shared kai event, so please bring some food to share if you are attending so that there is plenty of kai to feed the troops. Trestle tables will be set up at the back of the hall for this.
- Pasifika leaders at Newlands College will MC the evening.

Performance order starting at 7:00pm:

1. Newlands Primary
2. Newlands Intermediate
3. Newlands College/Onslow College

COVID-19 Update

As you will have seen there has been a decision to upgrade the Covid-19 Alert Level overnight. The Alert Level for our Greater Wellington Region is **Level 2 from midday today** (Wednesday 12 August). At this stage Alert Level 2 is in place until Friday 14 August at midnight.

Some of the existing Level 2 messages are:

- Stay home if sick
- Wash hands
- Cough and Sneeze into arm or tissue
- Record who is on site
- Stay home if awaiting Covid testing results
- Use the Government Covid Tracker App to record your own personal movements
- Wash hands

The Ministry of Education has sent through the following information to the school today:

All of New Zealand excluding Auckland region - Alert Level 2 applies from midday today.

- At Alert Level 2 it is safe for all students, children and staff to attend school and early learning. There will be appropriate precautions in place.
- Children and staff who are at higher-risk of severe illness are encouraged to take additional precautions when leaving home.
- Please be alert to illness and ask anyone who is presenting as unwell to go home, or ask parents and caregivers to come and pick the child up.
- Messaging about good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette to be reinforced.
- Soap and water is very appropriate for washing hands, particularly if hand sanitiser stocks are low.
- For schools, children, young people and staff should be far enough away from each other so that they are not breathing on or touching each other, coupled with good hygiene practices and regular cleaning of commonly touched surfaces. There does not need to be a specific measurement but where practicable and reasonable 1 metre can be used as a guide, particularly between adults.
- In early learning there does not need to be a measurable physical distance between children/ tamariki or children/tamariki and staff. However adults should where practicable use 1 metre as a guide between themselves and other adults.
- Physical distancing of 2 metres is recommended for parents and caregivers, from people they don't know (to align with public health measures outside the school grounds).
- Please use the QR code posters for the NZ COVID Tracer App.

Masks

Masks are not required at schools and early learning services at Alert levels 2 and 3.

For our school this means from tomorrow (ie: Thursday 13 August):

- Only essential visitors will be admitted to the school grounds. These visitors will need to ring the school office from the school gate and sign the contact register if they come on to the school grounds.
- Parents and caregivers are asked to adhere to the 2m social distancing when dropping off or picking up students outside the school gates.
- Drop off/students walk to school between 8:30am – 9:00am. **No children to arrive on the school grounds before 8:30am**
- Students need to walk to or from school (they may be dropped a short distance from the school to walk into the gates) or be dropped at the school gates. Pickups need to be from the school carpark area (as per when we returned to school at Level 2 in May).
- We ask that no non-essential people come through the school gates onto the school site, and that you adhere to the 2 m distancing advice from the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education as much as possible outside the school grounds.
- There will be staff members available to meet and greet your child at the gate, and accompany them to class if this is required.
- **At the end of the day** (from Thursday 13 August) your child will need to walk directly home or be collected from the school carpark area (as per Level 2 when they returned to school after Level 3 last time).
- **Students Staggered pick up/leaving times are:**
 - Hub 1 - 2:45pm
 - Hub 2 - 2:45pm
 - Hub 3 - 2:50pm
 - Hub 4 - 3:00pm
 - Hub 5 – 3: 00pm
- Please wait in the carpark area until your child is released to you. They will meet you in the school carpark.
- **If you need to enter the school grounds at any time** you will need to ring the school from the carpark gate, and sign the Contact Tracing Register as you enter the school site.
- Please note that there will be no parent help/volunteers at Level 2.

