



# Weekly Newsletter

2 September 2020

Me whakamātua = We work hard to achieve together.

Term 3 - Issue 7

## Important Dates

POSTPONED until 2021	Mobile Dental Van visit
10 September	Board of Trustees Meeting - 7pm
19 September	Nominations close at noon for BOT By-election
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)*  
Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa - Greetings to you all!

Māhuru Māori is here! Māhuru Māori celebrates Te Reo Māori for the whole month of September, which includes Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori. Te wiki o te Reo Māori this year falls on **14 - 20 September**. The aim of both is to encourage the everyday use of te reo Māori.

'Kia Kaha te reo Māori' is the theme again for this year's Māori Language Week. Some suggestions from the Te Wiki o te Reo Māori website about what we can do to promote and raise awareness of te reo Māori are:

- Ahakoa iti, akona, kōrerohia - Learn a little, use a little
- Kia nui ake te ako ka kōrero ai - Learn more, and use what you know
- Whāia te ara poutama o te reo ka tohatoha ai - Keep improving your language, and share what you know.

In school we will be continuing to work on our daily use of te reo Māori as well as taking part in some special events such as the Māori Language Moment on Monday 14 September. Please explore the resources on this page if you wish to encourage your tamarii. <https://www.tetaurawhiri.govt.nz/>

## Assembly Dates

Friday 4 Sept	To be advised
Friday 18 Sept	To be advised

We continue to work with the Wellington City Council's 'Waste Heroes' project. Some classes completed their waste audits yesterday and had plenty to say about this! "We did some singing about recycling", "I enjoyed it when James told us about where we put the plastic - he showed us how plastic has a triangle with a number in it which tells you which recycling bin it goes in" (Nasteho Hub 3). "I liked it when we got out our lunch boxes and took all the things we can recycle out" (Levi Hub 3). The students were clear on the main message - "We are learning that it is important that we should never chuck things in the general waste if it can be recycled".



The 'Navigating the Journey' Health and Sexuality program continues to be used in hubs across the school as part of our Health Curriculum. Hubs will be communicating with you what they will be covering through their newsletters or updates, however don't forget that there is a hard copy in the office (once we are out of Level 2!) if you wish to see what your child will be learning in more detail. If you wish to give feedback on this programme or any other aspect of our Health and PE Curriculum please follow the link included later in this newsletter to our biannual Health and PE Survey (Google Form). If you would prefer to do this on a hard copy, please contact the office and one will be sent home with your child.

Many thanks for your continued patience and understanding as we work within the health and safety requirements of this extended Level 2 period and have a great week!

Annette & Anne

## Character Education



Learning to stand in somebody else's shoes, to see through their eyes, that's how peace begins. And it's up to you to make that happen. Empathy is a quality of character that can change the world.

— Barack Obama —  
AZ QUOTES

The value for this term is empathy, aroha or manaakitanga. As 2020 continues to be a complex and challenging year, it has revealed a marked global need for *empathy*.

It is evident that without *empathy* (often called the, "foundation of humanity") everything simply gets harder, more hostile and unpleasant. So it is with classrooms and schools; hence the need to actively cultivate and maintain *empathy*. It helps promote calm and peacefulness.

World-wide, teachers using Play-based Learning in their classrooms/schools know that developing *empathetic*, independent, self-managing, self-

-motivated, lifelong learners is the ultimate objective of our curriculums, and Play-based Learning assists us to do this.

Please continue to talk with your children about their interests, their passions, what they are thinking and how they think about their thinking as they engage in activities and play. Also help them to appreciate when others demonstrate empathy, and how they could show this value in their everyday lives.



## Kupu Hou (new word)

**Rārangi** = queue, list  
pronunciation= rah-rung-ee

E tatari ana au ki te **rārangi** kia hoko ai i ōku hū.  
I am waiting in the *queue* to pay for my shoes.

He **rārangi** roa kei te toa.  
It is a long *queue* at the shop.

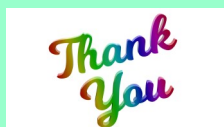
Kāore au e whanga ana ki te **rārangi**.  
I will not wait in the *queue*.



## Thank you

### Special thanks to...

Vaughan Nicholls for the donation of four competition standard Chess sets to the school - these are already being used by our chess club!!



## Year 6 Trip postponed

The Year 6 trip to Newlands Intermediate to watch the musical 'Mary Poppins' has been postponed to term 4.

New notices will come out asking for parent help early next term.

## 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.

## Health & Physical Education Survey

Please follow the link below to a Google Form online survey to help us review our programmes to check they meet the needs of our children. If you would prefer to do this on a hard copy, please contact the office and one will be sent home with your child. Please note the final date to complete the survey and forward it to school is 4:00pm on Friday 18 September. Many thanks for sharing your thoughts with us.

The link: <https://forms.gle/CcenyJ9mPfk7JYwN8> (you may need to copy and paste this link into your browser).

## 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 30 October 2020**, for enrolment from **Wednesday 16 December 2020 to Friday 9 July 2021**. 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.

Phone 478 7037

## COVID-19 Test and Treatment

The Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education have asked us to share the following information with our staff and parents/whānau.

COVID-19 related care – including diagnosis, testing and treatment – is provided and free of charge to anyone who requires it, who has symptoms.

This is irrespective of citizenship, visa status, nationality or level of medical insurance coverage. The **only time a person should be charged** is when they ask for a test in order to enter another country.

### Covid Information - Parent Website

The Ministry of Education has a parent website which has further information about COVID-19 alert levels for parents and whānau. It will be regularly updated as they get new information.

## Board of Trustees Meeting

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





## 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.



### Entertainment Book Memberships

Available throughout the year. You can purchase at [entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/1g04109](http://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.

### Warehouse Stationery - Support Your School

Please nominate our school when you purchase items at Warehouse Stationery. This gives the school bonus points that enable us to 'purchase' items for student use.

## 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**



## Daffodil Day - THANK YOU

The Student Council would like to thank our wonderful Bellevue School Community for so generously supporting our Daffodil Day! The school was super bright and colourful with everyone in their yellow or orange, some classes completed Daffodil Day activities, and we even had 'Daffodil Day' themed 'Explore!' Most importantly we raised \$351.20 for the Cancer Society. Ka rawe to mahi!



## Sports News

### Netball:

Storm won against Redwood Angels 9-0 POD Benyapha  
Tsunami drew against Redwood Royals  
Cyclones lost against Cashmere Diamonds 6-9 POD Harper  
Hurricanes lost against Redwood 1-4 POD Clare and Anina  
Thunder lost against Churton Park 0-4 POD Pyper



### Weet-Bix Kids Tryathlon

On Friday 11 September you can register your child for the 2021 Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon. Follow the following link to register:

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=40601&G=118256>



## Headlice

We have been advised that we have some cases of head lice in the school.

### What are head lice?

Head lice are small flat insects, about 2-3 mm long. They live on the scalp. Headlice lay their eggs (nits) on strands of hair.

**Anyone can get head lice** it doesn't matter how clean or dirty a person's hair is. Head lice spread by crawling from one person's hair to another's – usually between people who are in close contact, such as family or school classmates.

### What do head lice look like?

Head lice can be white, brown or dark grey. They are usually in the hair at the back of the neck or behind the ears. Female head lice lay about 7-10 eggs each night. The eggs are small and hard (like a grain of salt) and are normally pale grey in colour. Eggs are laid close to the scalp and are normally pale grey in colour. Eggs are laid close to the scalp and are firmly glued to strands of hair. After hatching, the empty egg cases are white. Eggs hatch in 9 days, and head lice live for 40 days.

**Checking for head lice** - In school-age children check for head lice often, at least once a week. Scratching, scratch marks or a rash can be a sign that your child has head lice. But not all children complain of itchy heads. If you find head lice or eggs, you will need to treat them.

**Chemical treatments** - Chemical treatments use a special shampoo or lotion that kills the head lice and the eggs. Follow the instructions that are supplied with the chemical treatments. Always do a second treatment 5 - 7 days after the first. This is to kill any head lice that may have hatched after the first treatment.

**Stop head lice from spreading** - It's not possible to completely prevent head lice because they're very common. But there are things you can do to stop head lice from spreading.

- Brush hair every day. This may help kill or injure head lice and stop them from laying eggs.
- Don't share brushes, combs, headbands, ribbons, hairclips, helmets or hats – anything that touches someone's head.
- Having short hair – or wearing hair in a ponytail if it's long – makes it less likely you or your child will catch head lice.
- Children should hang their clothes on their own hook at school.
- Children should keep their clothes apart from other children's in swimming or sport changing rooms.
- If you do get head lice in your family, everyone that has them should be treated at the same time.
- Let the school and any other close friends know that your child has been treated for head lice.



## 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.*

### Community Spring-Into-Summer Transformation Challenge

#### Ladies - YOU Deserve to Be the Best Version of Yourself!!!

Do you want to learn how to start and maintain a healthy lifestyle? Are you stuck in a rut? Have you tried "everything" but just not seeing the results you're after? Then my 12-week challenge is for you!!

This challenge has been run with great success for the past 9 years, helping women in the community achieve their health, fitness and weight loss goals - it could be to lose weight, drop a clothes size, increase energy levels, lead a healthier lifestyle, or maintain weight loss that has already been achieved...or you could be wanting just a little bit of accountability and be a part of a great group of other like-minded women, who share the same struggles, but will give you as much support and encouragement as you need to help you throughout the challenge. J

Whether you are just starting out on your weight loss journey, or just want a little extra motivation losing the extra couple of kilos, this challenge can help you get there!

**Join my Challenge for only \$40 - ditch your old habits and take control of your life - make this the time that counts!!**

**STARTS: Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2020**

**STRICTLY LIMITED SPACES – REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 12PM FRIDAY, 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2020**

**More information/to register: <https://www.stellarfitness.co.nz/transformation-challenge.html>**

# COVID-19 Update

## Alert Level 2 information

All children can attend school at this level. Schools must be open.

If people are sick, they should stay home (phone Healthline or their GP and get tested if a doctor or health professional recommends to do so).

Anyone who is self-isolating, or who has been advised by health authorities to remain at home while they wait for their COVID-19 test results, must stay home.

At Alert Level it is safe for children and staff to attend schools, early learning services and tertiary education. There will be appropriate measures in place.

Learning will be onsite with distance learning provided for those required to self-isolate, those individuals who health authorities have asked to stay away while waiting for a test result, or those choosing to remain at home because they are vulnerable to illness.

Public health requirements must be adhered to so that COVID-19 is prevented from spreading within the school community.

## Public health measures at all alert levels

If people are sick, they should stay home (phone Healthline or their GP if they have COVID-like symptoms and get tested if advised to do so):

- Staff are to observe students/children on arrival checking for symptoms and ask those presenting as unwell to go home or arrange for parents and caregivers to come and pick up. Please note, this does not mean that temperatures are to be taken.
- Principals at state and state integrated schools have authority to preclude a student from attending if they believe on reasonable grounds they may have a communicable disease under section 77 of the Education and Training Act
- Contact the local medical officer of health if there are any concerns about someone believed on reasonable grounds to be ill, refusing to stay away.
- Wash and dry hands, cough into elbow, don't touch your face.

**Schools connected to a confirmed or probable case of COVID-19** must close on an individual or group basis for 72 hours to allow contact tracing and cleaning. They could be closed for a further 14 days (but open for distance learning). Schools work with public health units to manage this and the direction to close will come from the Medical Officer of Health.

Stringent self-isolation of those who display relevant symptoms of COVID-19, test positive for COVID-19, have been in close contact with someone who tests positive for COVID-19, or have been overseas in the last 14 days.

PPE is not required or recommended as necessary in any educational facility by the Public Health Service. Schools are required to display QR Code posters for the NZ COVID Tracer App.

