



Weekly Newsletter

23 September 2020

Me whakamātua = We work hard to achieve together.

Term 3 - Issue 10

Important Dates

POSTPONED until 2021	Mobile Dental Van visit
26 Sept - 11 Oct	Term Break
Monday 12 Oct	First day of Term 4
Tuesday 15 Oct	NZ 'Shake Out' drill/practise
Thursday 22 Oct	School Disco
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 your language if this is not here)

The end of the term is nearly upon us and we are enjoying the move to Alert Level 1 meaning that we can welcome our families and whānau back on site. There is more information on what Alert Level 1 means for us included at the back of this newsletter, but we would also like to encourage all visitors and members of the school community to check in using the NZ COVID Tracer app when coming onto the school site with the QR codes displayed.

This week the newsletter comes to you in the middle of three important National events. It is New Zealand Sign Language Week, as well as Chinese Language Week, and Mental Health Awareness week. Mental health and wellbeing is at the forefront for many of us with the year that we have had and this is definitely the case in school. This week is a chance to build on the things we can do to look after ourselves and look out for others - take some down time, get connected with nature or recognise the manaakitanga that has helped us get through the challenges together.

Assemblies

Assemblies will be returning in Term 4. Dates are still to be finalised.



As always the teachers find new and innovative ways to celebrate diversity in their hubs. In Hub 1 the students have been busy exploring art and language from other cultures since Cook Island Language week earlier in the term, when they designed and created Tapa Cloths. This continued last week for Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori when they drew koru to represent their whānau with pastels - these will then be dyed. For Chinese Language Week the students are learning some greetings, to count in Mandarin and to make Chinese lanterns! All of this wonderful learning will be on display in these classrooms from the beginning of next term if you wish to pop in and sneak a peek (now that we can!).

We are sad to say farewell at the end of this term to Nadine Dechapunya who has been a part of our Bellevue Whānau for more than 13 years! Nadine, who has been part time with us for this year working in Hub 5, has decided to balance her many other commitments with making more time for her family. She has 'worn many hats' during her time with us and is well loved by our students, staff and community for the wonderful contribution she has made to the Bellevue Team and our teaching and learning programmes. She will be deeply missed.

WELCOME

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue

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

Sojin Shin in Room 3.



We can also confirm that there are four teachers who are joining the teaching team permanently next year who are currently on fixed term positions in our school. We congratulate Briar Parker, Deirdre McArthur, Isabel Bridgman and Yolandi van Vuuren who we know are going to be an excellent addition to our permanent teaching staff.

Progress in the Jubilee Corner is being made at a rapid rate and SOS will continue to work on this over the school holiday. They will also be working in the area of the Junior School that is on the classroom side of the hall (weather dependent). Please be aware that as the school will not be open for instruction there is likely to be a larger flow of 'traffic' - work vehicles - moving through the site. Although these vehicles will always be accompanied by 'spotters' as an escort, we encourage families or visitors to the playgrounds to closely supervise their children.

We wish all our families and children a relaxing and refreshing break and look forward to welcoming you back for Term 4 when we will be focusing on the value of confidence or Maia.

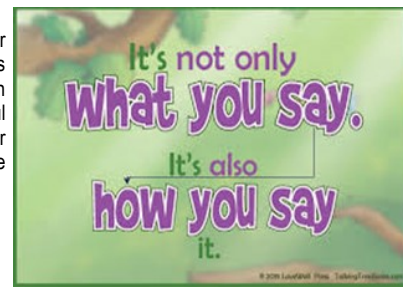
Karen, Annette, Anne and Deeann

Character Education



As we continue our focus on manaakitanga, empathy or aroha, we endeavour to treat others with kindness and in a way that we wish to be treated. This involves us thinking of the impact of our actions, behaviours and words on others. How we treat others is an important aspect of building successful relationships and communities so please continue to affirm your child/ren for treating others respectfully and kindly, while also modelling these behaviours to/with our children and others in our learning community.

Next term our values focus is on confidence or Maia.



Kupu Hou (new word)

As you practice this week's word/sentences, please remember that every time we use te reo we contribute to its revitalisation.

ia rā, ia rā: every day
pronunciation = ee-ah rah, ee-ah rah

ia rā, ia rā, tunu ai au i te hapa.
Every day, (each day) I cook dinner.

NB:

Rā (day) can be replaced with any word appropriate to the context: *wiki* (week), *marama* (month), *tau* (year), *Rāapa* (Wednesday), etc. Repetition like this is often used for emphasis.

ia wiki, ia wiki tunu ai au i te hapa.
Every day, (each day) I cook dinner.

ia Rāapa, ia Rāapa tunu ai I te hapa
Every Wednesday I cook Dinner



Thank you

Special thanks to...

Vicky and Jenny for running the Epro8 engineering trials for the Year 4 - 6 students.

Feras for making the staff some delicious traditional bread to enjoy at morning tea. Thank you for your kindness.



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.

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.

Maths Support

We have received feedback that it would be helpful to have some information around supporting learners with their Mathematics at home. At times we have run evening workshops to address this with our families. We are aware that this type of support may be helpful and we are currently considering ways we might offer this (when we are not restricted by the current Health and Safety requirements).

In the meantime you may find these links helpful -

- <https://nzmaths.co.nz/key-mathematical-ideas> - Click on the keys, it will take you to a page with written examples of what particular strategies 'look like'
- <https://nzmaths.co.nz/families-and-whānau> - a broader picture of supporting your child at home with Maths
- <https://assessment.tki.org.nz/Reporting-to-parents-whānau/Examples-and-templates/How-parents-and-whānau-can-help-at-home/Mathematics> - as link above



Sports News

Netball:

Storm won against Johnsonville Starburst 9-2 POD Pippa
Cyclones won against Khandallah Stars 15-14 POD Nour
Thunder won against Newlands Kiwis 4-1 POD Amelia
Tsunami won against Khandallah Supernova 6-2 POD whole team



Thank you to all the parents who volunteered their time to help coach and support the players this year.

Thank you to Lorraine and Lisa who volunteered to coordinate Netball for the school this year.

Registrations for Weetbix Tryathlon 2021 is now open:

Follow the link to register your child(ren)

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



Miniball:

Thank you to Lisa Holden who is coordinating Miniball for Bellevue. If your child has signed up to play, please expect to be contacted by Lisa this week in regards to teams and payment.

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to coach next term.

Cricket Wellington #Cricketback:

Last Tuesday Hub 4 and 5 got to learn cricket skills with Cricket Wellington. It was an enjoyable day for all the classes and the coaches held a lunchtime game for those who enjoyed the taster session. This session aligns with our SportStart program, where students can apply their manipulative skills (throwing, catching, overarm throw and striking with an implement) across different sports.



Ngake and Whataitai Show (Y3-6 Part of Wellington Waste Heroes Project)

This show told the story of how Wellington Harbour came to be. The tale was of two Taniwhas - one wanted to be free and the other was lazy and didn't want to get out. When the lazy one died his spirit came and found the one that wanted to escape and they had a feast - but it was all rubbish and they weren't happy!

The show was upgraded to tell us about how litter impacts on the ocean. The main messages were about how the creatures in the oceans eat all the rubbish and they die. We also learned how much rubbish there is in the ocean, what types of rubbish and what we can do to help. They told us to compost and that if something we don't want anymore can be reused this is good to do.

Arlo Street



Peer Mediators

What are the Peer Mediators?

We are Senior students who travel around the playground at lunch.

We wear bright yellow vests and a yellow hat.

We also carry around clipboards so we can write down if we see you doing something that we think is showing a value.

How can we help you?

We can help with verbal miscommunication that means that we will help you solve arguments.

We don't help with physical problems such as fighting or punching because as Senior students we are not able to solve something that big so if you have one of these problems please go to the duty teacher.

So if you would like help with your problems or just want to say a friendly hello, then feel free to do so.



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. The school receives at least \$14 for each book sold.

Look out for the information leaflet coming home today.

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.

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.



Pizza Fundraiser

The Pizza lunch is on this Friday, **25 September**.

Orders were due in last Friday and no late orders can be accepted.



Thank you to the wonderful parents who process these orders and those who deliver them to the children who have ordered them on Pizza Friday.

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



Parent Election Notice - Bellevue School Board of Trustees by-election 2020

Voting papers and a return envelope have been posted to all eligible voters this week. You may vote for **one** candidate for the vacant position on the Bellevue School Board of Trustees. Please follow the instructions on the voting paper carefully to ensure your vote is valid.

Voting closes at **noon on Friday 9 October 2020**. Please make sure your vote is returned to the school letterbox by then. If you post your vote, the envelope must be postmarked on or before **Friday 9 October**.

Signed Amanda Beauchamp,

Returning Officer



School Disco - Thursday 22 October

It's time to get your disco shoes on!

On Thursday 22 October, we will be having an awesome Bellevue School disco. For Hubs 1, 2 and 3, arrive at 6:30pm and the disco will finish at 7:15pm. For Hubs 4 and 5, arrive at 7:30pm and leave at 8:30pm.

Tickets can be purchased from the office (use the form on the letter that came home last week) for \$5.00 each and will also be available on the door. Each ticket comes with 2 free glow sticks!

Look forward to seeing you there!

Student Council



Upcoming School Disco - clarification

On the letter that has come home advertising the tickets for our school disco (Thursday 22nd October) we have neglected to include an option for online payment. This is possible - please simply ensure that you reference your online payment with your child's name and 'Disco' so that it is clear.

We have had some queries regarding parent/sibling attendance at the two discos and wish to clarify this. At the Year 1-3 disco (6:30pm - 7:15pm) parents and families are most welcome to attend and do not need to purchase additional tickets. At the Year 4-6 disco, however, we ask that you drop your child off at 7:30pm and collect them at 8:30pm. Please be patient with us as we try to connect each child with their parent at the end of the evening.

The Elgregoe Values Show

On Monday the whole school was visited by Greg and Sue from the Elgregoe Magic & Ventriloquist Show. Apart from their wonderful array of friendly live birds they awed us with an array of magic tricks all centered around our school values. Please enjoy some shots of the action with our super volunteers (yes - that is Charitha balancing on that chair!).



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.

JUNIOR TOUCH JAM FESTIVAL

JUNIOR TOUCH ALL SCHOOLS MEET

21ST & 22ND NOVEMBER 2020

HUTT PARK, LOWER HUTT

YEAR 5/6 AND YEAR 7/8 MIXED, GIRLS AND BOYS

BOUNCY CASTLES + FACE PAINTERS + SLIP'N'SLIDES PLUS MORE SURPRISES AND FUN FOR ALL!

For more info and to register visit touchjamfestival.com

Contact Bronwyn M 021 286 8240 | E info@touchjamfestival.com

Kapai Kidz - Holiday Programme:

We will be operating from the school hall from Monday 28 September - Friday 9 October. All enquiries to lin-da@kapaikidz.co.nz or on mobile 021 409641. Flyer and enrolment details are on our website - www.kapaikidz.co.nz



Newlands Paparangi Tennis Club:

Come along on Saturday 10 & Sunday 11 October between 1:00pm - 4:00pm and give tennis a go. It's FREE! Racquets supplied. There will be a BBQ, prizes and giveaways! All welcome.



Located at 26 Blackrock Road, Newlands

Spotlight Performing Arts:

Does your child love to **SING**, **DANCE** and **ACT**? Would you like your child to build their **CONFIDENCE** and make more **FRIENDS** in a fun, happy environment?

Spotlight Performing Arts is a performing arts school for students aged 4-16 yrs.

Led by a **LONDON WEST END PERFORMER!**

Johnsonville - Saturdays from 9am

BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW!

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SPOTLIGHT
PERFORMING ARTS

COVID-19 Update

As we have now returned to Alert Level 1 from 11:59 on Monday 21 October, here are reminders of the 10 things to know about Alert Level 1:

1. Schools are open and must operate safely.

At Alert Level 1 the virus is contained in New Zealand but not overseas. There needs to be systems and practices in place in case COVID-19 reappears in our community.

2. No restrictions on personal movement at Alert Level 1 – all children and staff should be at school. The only people who will need to stay away are:

Those required to self-isolate

Individuals who health authorities have asked to stay away while waiting for a test result

(most people will be able to go back to school/work while waiting for a result)

Children, students and staff who are unwell.

3. Testing remains a crucial component in preventing an outbreak.

If a child or staff member is sick, they should stay home. If they have cold or flu symptoms they should call their doctor or Healthline on [0800 358 5453](tel:08003585453) for advice about getting tested. If recommended to get tested, they should do so.

4. Schools will close for cleaning and contact tracing if there is a confirmed case who was infectious when at school.

Our Director of Education will work closely with us and health authorities should this occur. Contact our Ministry regional office if we hear of a confirmed case in our school community but have not been advised about it by health officials.

5. Continue to support contact tracing through the display of QR Code posters and our visitor register, attendance register and timetable.

If a new case does appear in our community, our contact tracing processes support the speedy identification of close contacts of the confirmed case. Encourage our community to check-in using the NZ COVID Tracer app including when they are doing pick-ups and drop-offs.

6. There are no restrictions on numbers at gatherings.

Schools, like workplaces are not considered to be gatherings. Physical activities including cultural and sporting activities, practices and events can go ahead.

7. Fundamental public health measures continue to apply:

Hand hygiene

Cough and sneeze etiquette

Regularly cleaning and disinfecting high touch surfaces.

8. There are no restrictions on domestic travel.

People should avoid using mass transport if sick, awaiting a result from a COVID-19 test or required/recommended to self-isolate.

Individuals travelling to, through and from Auckland by plane are required to wear a face covering.

9. Face coverings not required when in school.

This includes school transport and charter buses hired by the school to transport students and staff to and from school. Anyone who chooses to wear a face covering in any setting should be supported to do so.

10. Our Ministry regional office is available to provide support.

