



Weekly Newsletter

25 November 2020

He taonga rongonui te aroha ki te tangata = Goodwill towards others is a precious treasure

Term 4 - Issue 7

Important Dates

25 - 27 November	School Camp week for Hub 5
Friday 4 December	Pack the Bus collects donated goods
Friday 4 December	FUNdraiser's Pizza Lunch
Wednesday 9 December	End of Year written reports come home
Friday 11 December	Helpers Morning Tea - 10:30 - 11:30am
Friday 11 December	Presentations Assembly - 2:15pm
Friday 11 December	Bake Sale and Sausage Sizzle - 3:00 - 4:00pm
Monday 14 December	Year 6 Leavers Dinner and Disco
Tuesday 15 December	Final assembly - 11:15am Last Day of School - 12:30pm finish

From The Principal's Desk



Kia ora, Nameste, Talofa, Konnichiwa, Guten Tag, Gidday, Vannakkam, ni Hao, Kia orana, Hola, Salam, As-salaamu 'alaykum Sa wat dee kha, Dia Dhuit, Goeie Dag, Bonjour, Hello, (please let us know the greeting in your language if it is not here)

We said farewell to our Year 5 and Year 6 students, their teachers and a wonderful group of parent helpers as they headed off on camp this morning. This biannual event is an amazing chance for our older students to experience a range of outdoor learning experiences, along with the learning that comes in staying overnight and co-existing at camp for the three days. While hoping the weather will improve on this mornings rain we know that our wonderful staff and helpers have already put in many long hours to ensure the success of the camp. We also know that our students will enjoy this highlight to their year in Hub 5.

Please look out for a notice from the Board later in this newsletter regarding our 2020 Community Survey. Although it is a busy time of year, we would like to hear from as many of our families/whānau as possible. We hope that you can make some time to let us know your thoughts through this survey to assist us with Strategic Planning for 2021—2023. Please note that there is a prize draw at the final assembly for those who participate.

A big thank you to those who have already donated to Pack the Bus or Newlands Community house to support families less fortunate this Christmas. There is just over a week until these donated goods/presents are collected so if you would like to contribute there is still time.

Have a great week,

Nga mihi nui
Karen and the Bellevue School team



You can drop
gifts for Pack the Bus and
Newlands Community
House to the foyer now

Character Education

WELCOME

Haere mai ki te kura o Bellevue

Welcome to the following student and his family/whānau. It is great to have you in Bellevue School's Learning Community.

Welcome to Qing Gao in Room 1.

Please start collecting books for the 2021 Bellevue School Book Fair. These can be dropped into the school next year.

Please do not send them along now, as the storage area is not available until next year.



Term 4 Assembly Dates

Friday 27 November	Assembly by Hub 3 - 2:15pm
Friday 11 December	Presentations - 2:10pm
Tues 15 December	Final Assembly - 11:30am

Confidence
is like a
muscle.

The more
you use it,
the
stronger it
gets.

theworthproject.co

Māia/Confidence is about having faith in something, or someone (including ourselves ie: self confidence).

When we practice confidence, we are not held back by any fears or doubts. Māia is about knowing that while we may not be able to do something yet, we can put in the mahi and persist to learn how to do this.

The more that we practise confidence and give things a try, the more we are able to do this in the future. Even when we feel anxious, scared or nervous, by reminding ourselves to be confident we can grow our brains, learn new things and achieve at the same time as we grow our confidence 'muscles'.

Thank you for continuing to acknowledge or affirm your child/ren when they demonstrate **māia** and persevere. With practise they become better and stronger at working through challenges to do their best despite any anxieties. Each time they do this they become stronger and grow their confidence.

Kupu Hou (new word)

As you practise this weeks word, remember that each time we use te reo we contribute to its revival.

pātai(tia) = question, to ask a question
pronunciation = par - tie (teh-ah)

He pātai pai tēnā.
That's a good question.

Nāku te pātai i pātai.
It was me who asked the question.



Pizza Lunch

The fundraising Pizza lunch is on **Friday 4 December**.

Order forms needed to be returned to school by last Friday at 9:00 am (ie: 20 November) as Hub 5 are on camp this week.

Please note: no late orders can be accepted as all the processing was completed last Friday.



Free MMR Vaccine

The Ministry of Education has contacted schools to remind us that the last two years have highlighted the need to help our whānau and communities to be safe from infectious diseases.

Measles is about eight times more contagious than COVID-19, and last years outbreak is a reminder of how quickly it can spread. While we can not vaccinate against COVID yet, the Ministry advice is that we can protect against other infectious diseases like measles by being immunised.

With teenagers and young adults 15 - 30 years old being at a greater risk of catching and spreading measles (as it is less likely they were immunised as children), the District Health Boards are currently leading a campaign targeting this age group for their free Measles, Mumps and Rubella vaccine.



BELL Home Learning Challenge

Successful Bell Challenge students will receive their awards at the presentation assembly on Friday 11 December.



Thank you

Special thanks to...

The FUNdraisers for processing the Pizza orders for the Pizza lunch that will be held on Friday 4 December.

THANK YOU!

Library Donations

In previous years, some families of Year 6 leavers, and others leaving Bellevue School, have wished to mark their time here by donating a book to the library.

We are holding a number of fiction, non-fiction and picture books suitable for a wide range of ages and interests. We make these available for donation at about half the retail price. The cost to donors ranges from about \$5.00 - \$20.00.

A library donation plate showing the name(s) of the donor will be placed in front of the book which will be available for borrowing by the donor after cataloguing and covering.

If you wish to make a donation to the library in this way, the books may be viewed at the school office from Tuesday 17 November.



Term Dates 2021

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(coordinated with four local Newlands Primary Schools)

Before Term Starts:

Includes:-

Thurs/Friday 28 and 29 January - Teacher Only Days

Tuesday 2 February - Strengthening Families/Whānau meetings

Term 1:

Wednesday 3 February – Friday 16 April

Includes:-

Waitangi Day Observance - Monday 8 February

Easter Friday 2 - Tuesday 6 April

Term 2:

Monday 3 May – Friday 9 July

Includes:-

Teacher Only Day – Friday 4 June

Queens Birthday – Monday 7 June

Term 3:

Monday 26 July – Friday 1 October

Term 4:

Monday 18 October – Wednesday 15 December

Includes:-

Teacher Only Day – Friday 22 October

Labour Day – Monday 25 October



Community Survey

The Bellevue community survey is now available. This is designed to get feedback from you to assist the Board in preparing the Strategic Plan for the next three years. Please follow this link to complete it and follow the link within the survey to record your child's details to go into the prize draw for a \$50 Prezzy Card.

<https://forms.gle/rH1kxQPsRpaapFsb9> or

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScBuAnFk7kcooXCLJQTTqgSp5F4401pJfremr1ar15eGNSGQQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

[e/1FAIpQLScBuAnFk7kcooXCLJQTTqgSp5F4401pJfremr1ar15eGNSGQQ/viewform?usp=sf_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScBuAnFk7kcooXCLJQTTqgSp5F4401pJfremr1ar15eGNSGQQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

Please note this survey will close at 8:00pm on 4 December 2020.

The survey is designed to explore how well our school is doing in the following areas:-

- School Life/Well-being
- Teaching and Learning/Curriculum
- Communication/Reporting to Parents
- General

We encourage all of you to complete the survey and we look forward to all the great feedback you provide to help us with setting the strategic direction for Bellevue.

Ka kite ano
Bellevue Board

Newlands Park Upgrade

Wellington City Council have advised the school that the construction for Newlands Park upgrade is scheduled to begin in late Nov/early December. The works will include both the top field and bottom field. Both will be closed to the public while construction is carried out. They anticipate that the top field will reopen in late March 2021 and the lower field in May 2021.

Please note that if your child usually walks to and from school via Newlands Park then they will have to take an alternative route during these times.

We are hopeful that access to the lower level of our school will be reopened before the work is undertaken at Newlands Park.

Communications from Camp

Hub 5 has headed off on their camp today!

We are very grateful for those parents and caregivers who are giving up their time to come along and join us as parent help.

On camp, as with any normal school day, we ask that any communication about students that needs to be sent home goes via the teachers/principal.

Please understand that the parents/caregivers who are attending the camp with us have been given this message. Please support them to support us by not requesting information about your child.

If you have a reason that you would like to hear from or about your child while they are at camp, please talk to your child's teacher.

Many thanks
Hub 5 Teachers



Lost Property



At the end of each term we endeavour to reunite families with the items that collect in our 'Lost Property'.

If you are missing items, they may well have ended up in this collection.

We are hoping to have the items on display in an outside area following the presentation assembly and while the Bake Sale is on. Also the remaining items will be on display on the last day of term.

Please note that following this any unclaimed items are donated to a charity.

Helpers Morning Tea

At the end of each year the staff and school put together a special morning tea to thank all our wonderful parents/whanau, agencies and outside community members who have supported the students, staff and school during the year. If you have helped out in any way eg: transporting students, working in class, supervising at trips/camp then please diary this date now, Friday 11 December from 10:30 - 11:30 am for morning tea in the school hall.

We have emailed individual invites, however if yours has not arrived for any reason, **please take this as an invite to everyone who has supported the school throughout the year.** Last year there were a couple of errors in email addresses and some people who helped out got upset that they did not receive a personal invite. Therefore, if you have not received this personal invite, please RSVP to the school office if you are attending the Helpers' Morning Tea on Friday 11 December.



Updating our School Website

Keeping a school website current is a major undertaking so the school has contracted Lorraine Laulau to assist the Website Management Team to begin to modernise and improve the functionality of the school website.



Please send any suggestions and recommendations for modernising our website and making it more user friendly to the following address for the Website Management Team to consider - webadmin@bellevue-newlands.school.nz

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 29 May 2021, for enrolment from Saturday 10 July 2021 to 15 December 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 on (04) 478 7037 or come into the school office and talk to Amanda.

Pack the Bus *and* Newlands Community House

The Student Council are joining with the City Mission and The Breeze again this year to think of others less fortunate at Christmas. **Student council would also like to provide support for the Newlands Community House - please indicate on the label of your gift if you would like it to go to Wellington City Mission OR Newlands Community House. Please note that any gifts without labels will be distributed between the two.**

This year the bus comes to Bellevue on Friday 4 December. That means only a few weeks to organise a little something for another child/family at Christmas.

The Student Council invites you to send along new toys, games, books, board games, art equipment, vouchers, cans of food or festive food to place under the tree at school. A list of suggested items from Wellington City Mission is included below.

Essential Items:

Spreads and Muesli bars
Weetbix, Oats & Muesli
Sugar and Milk Powder
Pasta Sauce
Tinned Soup/fish/meat
Biscuits and Crackers
Body Wash and Deodorant
Baby Food, Wipes and Nappies
Laundry Powder and Dishwashing Liquid

Christmas Items:

Small Christmas Cakes
Fancy biscuits/crackers
Fancy relishes/sauces
Salts/roasted nuts
Chippies
Toiletries for the whole family
Retail vouchers

Toys: (new toys only please - and unwrapped)

Construction Toys - Lego/Meccano
Art equipment
Educational toys and books
Puzzles
Baby toys for 0-2yr olds
Diaries/Calendars
Board games



If you wish your child to place the item your family/they have donated on the bus, please put their name and class number on this gift but please do not wrap the gift (a request from the organisers).

Please note the Christmas tree is now in the foyer so please place any gifts you are donating or non-perishable food and festive food under the tree. There is only one and a half weeks left for you to bring along your gifts (marked or unmarked as mentioned above) to place under the tree.

Thank you in advance from the School Council, The Breeze and The City Mission, also Newlands Community House for thinking of others and practising empathy, aroha and compassion for those less fortunate.

Road Patrols for 2021

For 2021, we require support for the new Road Patrol teams in the mornings from 8.25 - 9.00 am, and/or afternoons from 2.50pm - 3.15pm.

If you are available any day of the week at these times and would be willing to help our student leaders keep our tamariki safe as they journey to and from school next year, please get in touch in Term 4.

Please contact Deeann Daniels by giving the office a call or at:

deeann@bellevue-newlands.school.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.

The Voice of Christmas: WIN A SMART BEDROOM!!

This Christmas morning on Newstalk ZB - it's "The Voice of Christmas" singing competition... on the 'Crazy Kiwi Christmas Kids Show'... If you can sing, and you're under 13, call **0800 THE VOICE** (that's **0800 843 864**) and sing a Christmas carol or Christmas song as your audition. The grand prize? The ultimate smart bedroom bundle complete with an Amazon Echo Plus smart speaker and Alexa-enabled smart coloured light bulbs! Then tune in on Christmas morning to Newstalk ZB from 6am, to see if you've won!



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**Johnsonville
Charitable Trust Lions
Christmas Parade**

**Saturday
5 December 11.00am**

DEPARTS FROM DR TAYLOR TERRACE

THEN JOIN US FOR A MEET AND GREET
of all your favourite parade characters
and further entertainment at nearby
Johnsonville Memorial Park.

Kindly supported by





BELLEVUE SCHOOL'S FAMOUS

Festive Bake Sale and Sasage Sizzle

11 Dec 3-4pm

Dig out your favourite recipe and
donate a wee plate.

Want to run a stall or help?
Contact us at [fundraisers@bellevue-
newlands.school.nz](mailto:fundraisers@bellevue-newlands.school.nz)

**PIZZA LUNCH
4 DEC**

Order forms
due 20 Nov.

2021 Mega Book Sale

BY BELLEVUE FUNDRAISERS

HAVING A CLEAN OUT?

**SAVE YOUR BOOKS FOR OUR
BOOK FAIR IN JUNE!**

**SUMMER ADVENTURES?
SUPPORT BELLEVUE AND
SAVE MONEY WITH AN
ENTERTAINMENT
MEMBERSHIP.**

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