



Belmont Primary School

Upcoming Events

Friday 28 September	Assembly with R11. End of Term 3
Monday 15 October	Term 4 starts
Monday 22 October	Labour Day Holiday
Wednesday 31 October	Pie Day
Friday 9 November	Family Fun Night
Tuesday 4 December	Junior Prizegiving (Year 1-3) at 1pm
Wednesday 12 December	Senior Prizegiving (Year 4-6) at 1pm

Don't forget to check out
our website for Photos,
Holiday programmes and
Community Notices

[http://
www.belmont.school.nz/](http://www.belmont.school.nz/)



TERM DATES 2018

Term 3 2018 Mon 23 Jul - Fri 28 Sep
Term 4 2018 Mon 15 Oct - Fri 14 Dec
Term 1 2019 Mon 4 Feb - Fri 12 April
Term 2 2019 Mon 29 Apr - Fri 5 Jul
Term 3 2019 Mon 22 Jul - Fri 27 Sep
Term 4 2019 Mon 14 Oct - Wed 18 Dec

Principal's Comments:

Dear Parents and Caregivers

What an incredible past two weeks we have had at school culminating in the wonderful production of **Madagascar**. I would like to **congratulate the cast** who performed to over 770 people during 7 brilliant nights. The audience thoroughly enjoyed the show and the high standard of the production. We talk about progress



in learning new tasks, growth mindsets and building confident children and these skills were exemplified by the cast. This is something you will always remember (life long learning) and for some this could be a catalyst to be involved in the Performing Arts as you progress through your next schools.

Of course a **huge thank you to all the staff** for your patience while rehearsals were happening and children coming in to school slightly later than normal. **To all our parents** who gave their time and utilised their skills, **thank you** very much for supporting many children realise a dream. This commitment is much appreciated. A special thanks to Libby Inch for leading the **costume team**, Claudia Rodrigues for leading the **makeup team** and to Scott and Dan

Thomas for your expertise in the **lighting and sound**. Thanks to the **back room crew** led by Mrs Levitt, who ensured everything ran smoothly. This is a huge job and once again very much appreciated.

To Mrs Clews, Mrs Ackerman and Mrs Naera, a **very special thank you for your time, energy and passion for school productions**. Our Belmont children are very fortunate to have you teach them, guide them and encourage them to be Their Best Always.

Belmont Primary School wants to encourage children of all ages to bike, scooter or walk to school which encourages independence and also takes more cars off the road which could help NZ to reduce carbon emissions which is topical currently. I have been working with a parent, Karl Woolcott and AT in promoting biking, scootering or walking to

school. I would like to thank Karl and his company **Ride Holidays** www.rideholidays.co.nz for sponsoring many prizes and 3 bikes which we will give away at the end of Week 4 Term 4. I would like to **thank the Board** for extending the shelter on the **bike shed** and buying more bike stands and scooter stands. Each class will have a poster in their class with all the children's names on and they are to **record each day for 4 weeks how they got to school**. If our Year 1 and 2 children walk up the driveway or path at the back of the school this will count as walking to school.

*Our school has also agreed with Auckland Transport to undertake the **Baseline Travel Survey**. This survey is designed to collect information about how students are travelling to and from school, preferences for travel and*

Certificate Winners	
Room 1	Jizzi Posimani
Room 2	Jackson Peters
Room 3	Sam McCarthy
Room 4	Nanae Sato-Nates
Room 5	Isaac Bullians
Room 6	Arlo Collins
Room 7	Dean Zhang
Room 8	Jasper Brant
Room 9	Mikaela Topolsky
Room 10	Olivia Yoon
Room 11	Alexandra Watkins
Room 12	David Na
Room 13	Jules Jameson
Room 14	Michael Rasmussen
Room 15	Will Murray
Room 16	Kauri Wasley
Room 17	Sam Barker
Room 18	Connor McQuarrie
Te Reo	Elijah Te Kani



identifying any barriers that might limit students from travelling in an active and sustainable way. This information will assist Belmont Primary School to develop new road safety and travel initiatives to better cater for our students now and in the future.

All parent/caregivers need to do is **click** on the digital link: https://aucklandtransport.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5tNYUI07zgxPLhz to complete the survey and it should take no more than 10 minutes to do. **We request all parents/caregivers take part in this survey.**

The survey will run from **Monday 17 September to Friday 19 October**. As a thank you for taking part, Auckland Transport is providing an opportunity for all survey participants from our school to enter a draw to win a **\$50 grocery voucher**. To be eligible to go into the prize winning draw, you will need to put your full name and contact details on the survey. Any personal information collected will be securely stored and used strictly for this research and the prize draw.

As part of an ongoing learning programme, Jo Scott has been working with children from each class on **reducing waste** and for many parents who have seen assembly items, been into classrooms, you will realise that this is a big issue our children want to solve. I would like to thank Jo for all her work and the children for taking this valuable piece of learning and trying to implement it.

This term a group, representing each class, has been studying the impact of

plastic on our oceans and local environment. **Here at BPS we need to reduce the amount of waste we produce.** Lunchbox packets/wrappers account for a phenomenal amount of waste around our school. We are encouraging families to be mindful of the number of wrappers used and to consider alternative wrapping such as paper, beeswax wraps, reusable pottles, or lunchboxes with compartments, to **lessen the need to wrap at all.**

We have talked about using as little wrap as possible and so **we are encouraging the children to return any wrap they have back into their lunch boxes to take home to recycle** in the soft plastic bins at local supermarkets, and/or dispose of unrecyclable waste, responsibly. Next term we will purchase a composting 'Hungry Bin' for food scraps.

Our children are becoming very aware of the impact our actions have, both globally and locally. We appreciate your support in encouraging your children to be mindful of their actions and helping to reduce waste at BPS.

I wish you all a safe and enjoyable break and I look forward to seeing you all back in Term 4.

Bruce Cunningham
PRINCIPAL

The **Values Award** went to Antoni Ivanoski.



The **Living the Vision Award** went to Peter Thorne and Matt Johnson.

JOIN OUR OCTOBER HOLIDAY CAMP!

Meet new friends!
No tennis experience needed!
Loan racquets available

9am-1pm
9am-3pm

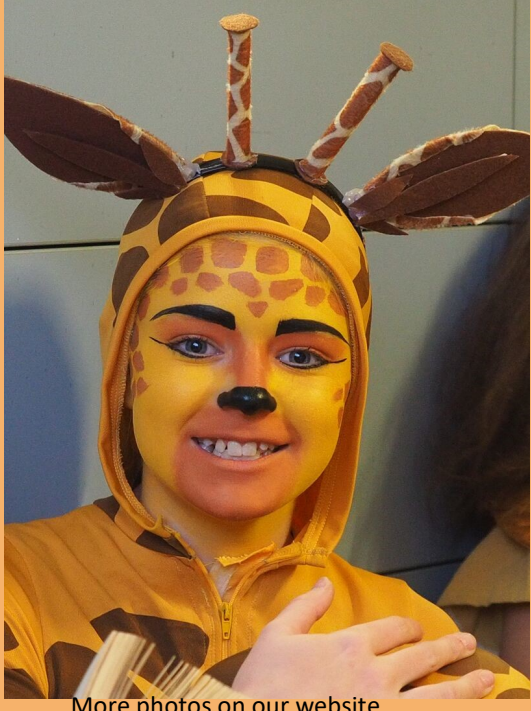
MONDAY - FRIDAY
Both weeks of school holidays
1st - 12th October

PRE-BOOK AND SAVE \$\$\$
Just text Jo: 021 493 489
Or book via our website:
www.smashtennis.nz/booking.html

Cost per Session:
9am - 1pm: \$35 pre-booked / \$40 without booking
9am - 3pm Extended Camp: \$50 pre-booked
(20% discount for the 2nd and subsequent child in family)

Belmont Park Racquets Club
133 Bayswater Ave
Bayswater

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More photos on our website

Belmont Primary Newsletter – PTA Update

End of Term 3 - where has that gone?! It's been a great term of activities and the PTA would like to congratulate all who were involved in the School Show - children, staff members and parents. Many of us saw the show as audience members and also from the front-of-house, where we got to observe all of the quick costume changes and behind-the-scenes work going on! What a stellar effort by all involved - just wonderful! Thank you to all of the people who baked and volunteered on the refreshments stand at the show. It really contributed to the lovely atmosphere.

Our online roster system at signup.com has been a great success, so we'll continue down that track for next term, when we have a Pie Day, Sausage Sizzle and Family Fun Night! Hope everyone has a good term break, and we look forward to seeing you in Term 4.

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Complimentary Spinal/posture checks at Village Chiropractic, Devonport

During the upcoming school holidays, we are offering spinal/posture checks for kids. Heavy school bags, poor posture while studying (or while using devices) seem to be a feature of school life. Take the opportunity to have Dr. Adrian (Chiropractor) assess your child's posture and spinal health these holidays.

Bookings essential (allow 30mins for appointment). Please call Tess on 09 445 8030



4 DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY COURSES OR
 AFTER SCHOOL COURSES

LEARN TO SAIL FOR KIDS AT WAKATERE BOATING CLUB

Narrow Neck Beach, Devonport

YNZ LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATE COURSE / QUALIFIED INSTRUCTORS / HAVING FUN & LEARNING
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WAKATERE.COACHING@GMAIL.COM

Learn to Sail at Wakatere BC

Wakatere BC Learn to Sail courses for junior and youths are open for booking. We have courses for juniors in October and December school holidays and a course on Monday after school during term 1. Youth course in December. For more information please see our website or email wakatere.coaching@gmail.com