



Belmont Primary School

Upcoming Events

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| Friday 26 October | Assembly with R3. |
| Wednesday 31 October | Pie Day |
| Friday 9 November | Assembly with Room 17. |
| Friday 9 November | Family Fun Night |
| Thursday 15 | School Athletics Day |
| Tuesday 4 December | Junior Prizegiving (Year 1-3) at 1pm |
| Wednesday 12 December | Senior Prizegiving (Year 4-6) at 1pm |

Welcome to our New

Entrants Theo, Boadicea Todd, Alexis Edmonds, Georgina Adams, Cara Tingle, Harriet Phillips, Mason and Jason Xie, Willson Fang, Frank Cockayne, Cassandra Thorne, Sophie Masters, Michelle Varghese, Ava Morreau, Fatima Hanif and Jack Leung

Welcome also to our new

students Veer Fang from China, Aleisha Patel from the UK, David and Daniel Lee from Korea, Sean Thomas from Ellerslie Primary and Franco Haack Ledesma from Germany.

TERM DATES 2018

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 Families and Friends,

I would like to **welcome all our new students and their families to Belmont Primary School**. I know your children will enjoy their time at our school and relish all the learning opportunities that will be available. **If your child is absent for any reason please contact the office through our app, website or ring 4456605**. I would also like to **welcome Ms Todd** back to our school for this term as the New Entrant teacher.

I would like to **thank all the students and families** for supporting the school with some of our new initiatives. We have had **so many children bike, scooter or walk to school**. The bike shed is full and we are having to get more scooter and bike stands. It is great seeing the younger children walk up the entrances by themselves and I was pleasantly surprised to see many of our younger children bike or scooter. This must reduce congestion around our school and foster independence.

I would also like to thank **the students and parents** for supporting our initiative of **reducing the amount of plastic waste** at our school. Many children are taking their waste home and this has reduced our waste at school considerably. Many parents are also using alternative packaging for their children's lunches which is also appreciated.

We have selected our **End of Year Prizegiving dates and times**. The Junior

Year 0, 1 and 2 Past Pupils Play at Devonport Kindergarten

An invitation is extended to Year 0, 1 and 2 past pupils to return to kindergarten for a play on Thursday 22 November from 3.00 to 4.30pm. Afternoon tea provided. Children need to be accompanied by an adult.

Prizegiving (Y0-3) will be held on Tuesday 4 December at 1pm. The Senior Prizegiving (Y4-6) will also be at 1pm on Wednesday 12 December. School closes on Friday 14 December at 12.30pm.

The Family Fun Night is happening on Friday 9 November. The PTA will be sending out more details. There will be food stalls, games and a disco for the kids and there will be refreshments for the adults. I hope to see as many families as possible at this social event.

Finally, if you know of any families with children who are starting school next year could you please remind them to enrol.

Thanks everyone for your support.

Bruce Cunningham

PRINCIPAL

| Certificate Winners | |
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| Room 1 | Adam Nicholls |
| Room 2 | Millie Inch |
| Room 3 | Brad Perry |
| Room 4 | Rose Lee |
| Room 5 | Lily Lee |
| Room 6 | Luke Clayton |
| Room 7 | Alston Liang |
| Room 8 | Angela Long |
| Room 9 | Freddie Trapski |
| Room 10 | Archie Johnson |
| Room 11 | Yassien Ali |
| Room 12 | Angelina Li |
| Room 13 | Thomas Hindle |
| Room 14 | Isla Inch |
| Room 15 | Kingston Adams |
| Room 16 | Kahu Edgar |
| Room 17 | Daniel Sharples |
| Room 18 | Jack Quincey |
| Te Reo | |

Music lessons are available from Music Education. Students can enroll by phoning 0800 893939.

Don't forget to check out our website for Photos, Holiday programmes and Community Notices
<http://www.belmont.school.nz/>

PTA Update

Family Fun Night is coming up on Friday, 9 November from 5 - 8 pm! It will be a great evening with games, dinner options, drinks for the parents and a disco in the hall. Hope to see everyone there, and please check out the [sign-up roster](#) to help out on the food stalls for an hour or so. The senior children will be running the games this year!

The focus for our fundraising on Family Fun Night, as well as going forward in 2019, is funding for teacher aides at Belmont Primary. You may not be aware (as I wasn't!) that our school is very fortunate to have more teacher aides than the average school and more teacher aides means better learning for our children. Funding for many of these positions does not come from the Ministry of Education, rather the school raises funds in various ways.

Room 13, Ms Rosey D'Anvers' Year 4 class, wrote about some of the things the teacher aides do for them and how they help with their learning. I wish I could include all of the writing in the newsletter, as there were so many appreciative comments. But as there is

room for just one, here is a wonderful piece of writing by Olivia about teacher aides.

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By Olivia R13

'There are many teacher aides in our school, including Libby, Deb, Sam, Rachel, Claudine, Regina, Jen, Vesna, Lesley, Danica and Lauren but the most special teacher aide to our class is Ellie.

Ellie works on Mondays to Thursdays, 8:30 till 12:30 PM.

She takes groups, settles new students makes resources and runs all around the school to help teachers. She must be puffed after all that hard work! Sometimes I wonder why we need teacher aides, but if we didn't have them, our teachers would be busy running all around the school and that they wouldn't have time to teach us all the things we will need to know. Also, when a teacher aide takes reading groups out, the room is quieter which means we can get on with our work instead of chatting with our friends. The teacher aides will also help you when you are stuck. Teacher aides are such a treat for our school.'

FREE FAMILY EVENT

BAYSWATER HALLOWEEN TRAIL FRI 26 OCT 5:00-7:00PM
 BAYSWATER PARK
 walk or ride!

MOUNT YOUR ^{bike} BROOM. PUT ON YOUR GHOST SHEET AND EXPLORE OUR GREEN ROUTE!

REGISTER BETWEEN 5:00-6:00 AT BAYSWATER PARK BY THE PLAYGROUND.
 THERE WILL BE TREATS, TROUSERS LOTS OF PRIZES, COFFEE FOR SALE & A FREE SWAGGIE SIZZLE. VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR PRIZE CATEGORIES & TO PRINT REGISTRATION FORMS.

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Competes are responsible for children under the age of 14 years attending this event. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT 445 9223 OR EMAIL sp@devonportpeninsulastrust.nz

The **Values Award** went to Harsh Patel.



The **Living the Vision Award** went to the cast of Madagascar.

On Thursday 1 November Takapuna Grammar's Broadway Squad will be visiting the school to present a 15-minute highlights package of songs from their 2018 production, SEUSSICAL JR. This show brings to life the zany, literary world of Dr. Seuss. From The Cat in the Hat to Horton the Elephant this show has it all - and remember, "...a person's a person no matter how small." . The Broadway Squad is a junior musical theatre programme for students in Years 7 through 10. They will also be presenting the full Broadway Junior production of Seussical in the TGS Performing Arts Department from November 8-10.

BROADWAY
 The Takapuna Grammar School
 Broadway & Great production of

Seussical JR.

Music by STEPHEN FLAHERTY
 Lyrics by LYNN AHRENS

Book by LYNN AHRENS and STEPHEN FLAHERTY
 Co-created by LYNN AHRENS, STEPHEN FLAHERTY and ERIC IDLE
 Based on the Works of DR. SEUSS
 Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australia)
 All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia

Directed by ROBERT DILL and the BROADWAY SQUAD MENTORS

NOVEMBER 8 & 9, 2018
 6:00PM
 NOVEMBER 10, 2018
 11:00AM - 1:00PM - 3:00PM
 TGS Performing Arts Department \$10 at the door

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