



Bayview School Newsletter



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Dear Bayview Families,

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TEACHERS ARE PEOPLE TOO!

You may have noticed Mrs Cray has her left leg in plaster and she is scooting around the school on her knee scooter or is using crutches. Our lovely Katrina snapped her achilles tendon playing netball in the last week of term 3. Katrina will be in plaster for a further 4 weeks and will then progress to a moon boot. Please give her right of way should you encounter her on her scooter!

Mrs Bedi in Habitat 14 has had to rush back to India as her little sister has just been diagnosed with a rare and aggressive form of lung cancer. Kawal has gone to support her sister and help look after her 6 month old baby. Mrs Sue Millet will be the teacher in H14 for the next few weeks. Sue is our release teacher and the staff are foregoing their release so that H14 can be covered.

Dates for diaries

Year 4/5 students CAMP '19 fundraiser	26/10-23/11
Parent helpers for CAMP mtg 6pm	30/10
Karate taster sessions	30/10- 6/11
KIDS 4 KIDS concert	7/11
BOT Mtg 6pm	15/11
CHILD LED CONFERENCE OPEN DAY	21/11
Senior athletics day	22/11
Junior athletics day	29/11
Library stocktake	3/12
Interschool Athletics	6/12
Sports / volunteers prizegiving	10/12
Y6 graduation 5.30pm	10/12
BIG DAY IN	11/12
Prizegiving 9.45am	12/12
BOT mtg 6pm	13/12
Farewell assembly 9am	14/12
End of year reports sent home	14/12
Last day for 2018 finish 12.30pm	17/12
School starts 2019	31/1/19

I hope you have your seatbelts fastened because we are in for a ride! Term 4 is here and it is filled with activities, open days, sports days, choir festivals, prize-givings, big day in, graduations and everything else we can possibly squeeze into one term! I am just really happy that the warmer weather is finally here and that we have reclaimed our school from builders and fences.

Thank you all so much for your patience around our school being a construction site for the majority of the year. It has really tested our patience having restricted access around the school and having mud, dust and grime everywhere! I know there are some areas of bare dirt around the place and we are just waiting for the grass seed to take hold before we proceed with any landscaping.

It has been lovely to return this term to new carpets in the majority of our classrooms. I can tell you it has made such a difference to our learning spaces and our kids have such a sense of pride.

SCHOOL HATS

Bayview School is an accredited 'Sun Smart' school. Our policy states that children must wear their school bucket hat when they are playing outside. If the children do not have their hat then they must sit in the covered courtyard in the shade during break times. The New Zealand sun is extremely harsh and we want our children to be protected from the damaging effects of the sun. I highly recommend that you cover your child with sunscreen at the beginning of each day. We do have sunscreen in the office but we are very aware that there are some children who are allergic to some sunscreens. You are also welcome to provide your child with sunglasses to wear while they are outside. Please name these clearly though so we can return them to their rightful owner should they get lost.

BIKES, SCOOTERS AND THINGS WITH WHEELS

This term we are continuing with our wheels activity on the top court. The children are welcome to bring their bikes, scooters, roller blades/skates, skateboards, or anything else that has wheels, to play on during first and second break. They MUST bring their own helmet though as helmets must be worn as a safety precaution.

Equipment can be stored by the bike rack at the end of Habitat 20.

POENTIAL STRIKE ACTION

You may be following the news regarding the potential upcoming strike action teachers are considering. Members of the union, NZEI, last week voted as to whether we will go on strike again in November. The results of this ballot have not yet been released but as soon as we know we will inform you of the results. If we do strike it will be on Monday 12th November. Once the vote has come in our own Bayview School Board of Trustees will have to decide if they are going to officially close the school or keep it open. The children's safety is the Boards priority and will be the main determinant for their decision.

We know this is hugely disruptive but if we don't make a stand now then in the very near future there will not be enough teachers to teach your kids. Class sizes will become huge as schools struggle to staff classes. The average age of teachers in NZ is 57 years of age (the baby boomers). You can imagine the number of teachers who are due to retire within the next 10 years. If we don't address the teacher shortage now then their will be no teachers to teach your children as they progress through school. To do this we need to make teaching a desirable career. At the moment our teachers can work overseas and get twice as much money for doing half as much work, with twice as much support and much better working conditions.

We are in crisis! To put it in perspective, this year we have advertised 3 jobs. For each job we have received 5 applications. 3 of these have been from teachers who are not even living in NZ, 1 was from a car salesman (who does not have a teaching degree), 1 was from a piano teacher (who does not have a teaching degree) and the other applicants have been the staff we have employed. I feel extremely lucky to have been able to employ quality teachers from these applications.

Bayview School is the sum total of it's people! Great teachers, great kids and a great community supporting the school!

BEING AN UPSTANDER

This fortnight's upstanders are all the parents and caregivers who read with our tamariki on a weekly basis. You have all made a difference to our tamariki!

*Nga mihi nui
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CITIZENSHIP

ATTITUDE

RESPONSIBILITY

EMPATHY

RELATIONSHIPS

RESOURCEFULNESS

RESILIENCE

REFLECTIVENESS

School Notices

Welcome to our new pupils:



**Reanne Poutama, Antonio Arada,
Sadie Nicholson, Marliyah
Hegotule, Madison Sheeran, Ryan
Excell, Leo Nel, Arash Momeni,
Layne Hitchcock**

We know you will all enjoy your time

Pre-loved Books for Sale on Fridays

Bring your gold coins to school every Friday afternoon for the rest of the term and pick up a book when you pick up your child! Pre-loved children books will be for sale at 3pm on the top court for just 50c (or three for \$1), with proceeds going towards our new adventure playground. Every dollar helps so come and stock up for the long weekend!

Assemblies

We hold our school assemblies every Friday from 9 a.m., and you are welcome to come and celebrate our successes and enjoy items put on by learning groups. The timetable is:

26 th October	Harakeke
2 nd November	Pikorua
9 th November	Kauanuanu
16 th November	Harakeke

Classrooms are in the following Professional Learning Groups:

Pikorua	Habitats 4,5,13,15
Kauanuanu	Habitats 16,12,2,14
Harakeke	Habitats 6,8,9,1,17

ART CLASS FOR CHILDREN

A fun and focused 6-week program for children aged 7 – 12yrs. With step-by-step guidance students will explore methods and techniques useful for developing skills in drawing and acrylic painting.

**Venue: Highbury House,
Birkenhead.**

**Tuesdays, 3.30pm – 5.00pm. Starts
Oct 30, cost \$110.**

**Bookings: eion@eionbryant.com,
ph. 483 6703**



Wairau Intermediate School

**Year 6 students
that next year's
enrolment applications for
Wairau Intermediate need to
be received by the end of this
month.**

2019 Enrolments



Parents can enrol at
the GIS school
office at any time
during the school
day (8.30am-3.30pm)

Enrolment evenings

Tuesday, 11 September - 5.30pm -
6.30pm
Thursday, 13 September - 5.30pm -
6.30pm

Enrolments to be completed by

28 September

(NB: No fees due until 2019).



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Light Party
Friday November 2nd
5 – 8pm
\$5 per child

Sausage Sizzle, drinks
Fireworks
Bouncy Castle
Face Painting
Games and prizes
Dress Up as a SUPERHERO
Lollie Scramble
Coffee and cake for parents

Glenfield Presbyterian Church cnr of Chartwell & Chivalry Roads

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John Casson

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