



Belmont Primary School

Newsletter 4 July 2019



Principal's Comments:

Tēnā koutou

Term 2 draws to an end tomorrow and it has been an exciting term. We have had a strong focus on **being kind** and

I visited every class on the first day of this term and set a goal with the children to be kind to each other. Yesterday we acknowledged a child from each class with a 'Kindness Award' certificate. Congratulations to these children.

PTA Mid Winter Celebration

A huge thanks to the PTA for organising this very successful event. The hall was transformed into a winter wonderland by a very industrious crew. It was truly a night to remember. Belmont Primary is a great community to be part of and events like this confirm this. We were very fortunate to have **Toni Street** emcee and **Shane Cortese** to encourage bidders to open their wallets, thank you. Thanks to Mike Sweetman and his band, **The Dukes of Hammersmith**, with guest vocalist, our very own Joyce, getting everyone to dance the night away. Also a very grateful thank you to the generosity of parents who successively won items at the auction.

Term 3

We are very excited to have **Fiona Knight and Julie Wilkinson** starting our next **New Entrant class**, next term, in Room 7.

Highlights: June 21- July 5

International Assembly - We had children representing 45 countries.

Pie Day - Thank you PTA volunteers who managed to distribute all the orders.

R11 and 12 - **Three Little Pigs play** - A very confident performance. Thank you, Mrs Ackerman and the class teachers.

Maths Group to TGS - Thanks Camilla for taking the children to these sessions throughout the term.

R1 and 17 - **celebrated Matariki** with a day working together on

activities based on Matariki.

TGS Concert Band performed for the school.
Parent and Teacher Conferences.

Spotlight on Writing - George Room 13

The Epic View

Yachts, container ships, fishing boats and kayaks.

Calm blue ocean moving back and forth.

People walking dogs and exquisite pohutukawa trees.

Green long grass that hasn't been cut in ages, feeling a sense of achievement by climbing up the volcano.

Calm leaves dropping onto you. Bunkers and guns that were once thought of for war. I wonder how many bunkers there were? This big, grassy, muddy mountain is one of the most amazing things in New Zealand.

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Room 15 will be hosting our assembly tomorrow and we would love you to join us if you are able to.

To the children - enjoy your break and we will see you **back at school Monday 22 July** with **Mr Cunningham** back at the helm. Take care, be safe and be kind to others.

We wish the families leaving us this term, the very best.

Ngā mihi

Chris Bioletti

Acting Principal



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

<http://www.belmont.school.nz/>

Welcome to our new students Joshua Naidoo and Alice from Bayswater School.

TERM DATES 2019

Term 2 Mon 29 Apr - Fri 5 Jul

Term 3 Mon 22 Jul - Fri 27 Sep

Term 4 Mon 14 Oct - Wed 18 Dec

Sprinting & Running Workshop

- Wednesday 10th July
- Senior School - 9am to 11am OR 2pm to 4pm
- Middle School - 11.30am to 1.30pm
- Belmont Primary School Field
- \$30 per person (for a two hour session)



Brooke Cull, a New Zealand Commonwealth Games sprinter, is offering a one off workshop in the School holidays to get excited and motivated for the up and coming winter sports season.

If you are interested in signing up for one of the above sessions, please e-mail Brooke at

Brooke_cull@windowslive.com

Spots are limited in each session so get in quick!



Upcoming Events

Friday 5 July	Assembly with R15. Last day of Term 2
Monday 22 July	First day of Term 3
Monday 29 July	School Photos
Friday 2 August	Assembly with R13
Monday 12 August	School Speech Finals
Tuesday 13 Aug 2019	Kids Sing Choir Gala Concert
Friday 16 August	Assembly with R17

PTA Update

Oh what a night.....

I have to say our Mid-Winter Christmas Party was a great success. It was wonderful to see 250 parents, teachers and others from our community in one place, and to get such positive feedback. You all came to mix and mingle, and certainly opened up your wallets! The evening raised \$22k for the school, which we'll use to provide resources as per your feedback from our survey. We'll keep you all updated.

A massive thank you to the **organising committee Natalie Maddigan, Natalie Denton, Kelly Fry, Deanna Barber, Deb Grainger, Vanessa Cutfield, Briar Williams, Kate Eiem, and Julia Crossfield** who did an outstanding job with putting the whole evening and auction together. The school hall was completely transformed into a winter wonderland. We are so lucky to have such talented mums who so willingly give up their time to help support our school.

Thank you also to Toni Street for taking time out of her busy schedule to MC the evening. She certainly kept us all entertained! Mike Sweetman and the Dukes of Hammersmith - thank you very much. You had the dance floor rocking right till the lights came on!

And thank you to other PTA members and staff who helped with the event in some shape or form. Your support helped contribute to a truly successful night.

It's so lovely to end Term 2 on such a high and to feel the nice, happy buzz around school. Hope you all have a lovely holiday. Enjoy and be safe.

Look out for Movie Month next term in August.

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