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**Families** Dear and Caregivers,

Comments: Congratulations to **Bellbirds** Choir received a Silver Award in the Kids Sing Choir Competition. All the children have been committed to

early morning practices, learning their three songs and have been open to feedback. A big thank you to Kerry Ackerman for all her time, effort and skill in coaching this large choir. A fantastic achievement.

Tomorrow one of our dance troupes is performing at the Peninsula Dance Festival at BIS, while today we have over 100 children at the interschool rippa and tackle day. Once again, thank you to all the parents for their support in managing, coaching and supplying transport.

On Monday our school speech finals were held with two children from each class being selected for the final. This in itself is a very difficult decision. Thank you to all the children for your hard work in preparing and delivering your speeches. The winners of the Junior Syndicate were Arlo Brodie 1st, Edith Coles 2nd and Lucia Balgarnie and Seb Peacocke 3rd equal. In the Middle Syndicate it was Jack Quincey 1st, Annabel Priddy 2nd and Saxon Martin and Ryan Robson 3rd equal. In the Senior Syndicate it was Jayda-Belle Stirling 1st, William Robson 2nd and Emma Arwanitis 3rd. Jayda-Belle and William will represent our school at the Peninsula Speech Finals this Tuesday 20 August at Bayswater School.

I would also like to offer congratulations to Nathan Davies, a Year 6 student, who represented Belmont Primary School at the 2019 National Duathlon Sprint Championships at the Pukekohe Racecourse. He placed 2nd in the U12 Male age group. He raced 2.25km/8km/1km and received the silver medal. Well done Nathan.

Parents Evening. On Tuesday 17 September at 7pm, we will have a Parent Information Evening with Declan Scott again being the presenter. Declan did a wonderful job last year and the feedback was very positive. Our theme this year will be focused on our vision of creating confident, curious and creative children. The evening will start with wine and cheese at 7pm and the presentation will start at 7.30pm. We look forward to seeing as many as possible.

We have noticed several children are arriving after the 9am bell. Please ensure your child is at school prior to 9am. The socialisation prior to school is important for every child, as well as ensuring they are organised for the day ahead.

Finally, next week is Jules Dallas' last week at school as she begins motherhood for the first time. On behalf of the entire school community we wish Jules and her husband Mike all the best for the upcoming year and we look forward to seeing Jules and baby soon.

**Bruce Cunningham** PRINCIPAL

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Welcome to our new students Yena and Juhyeong Lee from Summerland School.

**TERM DATES 2019** 

Term 3 Mon 22 Jul - Fri 27 Sep TERM DATES 2020 Term 1 Mon 3 Feb—Thu 9 Apr Term 3 Mon 20 Jul–Fri 25 Sep Term 4 Mon 12 Oct–Tue 15 Dec

Book Week is Coming 2-6 September Time to start thinking about your Book Week costume for the Book Parade and inviting your Grandparents for Grandparents day on Wednesday. We will have authors visiting and books on sale for the Library from 8.30-9am Mon to Fri and 3pm-3.30 Mon to Thur.





## **PTA Update**

#### Hi Everyone

Seems like we are flying through this term, can't believe we are at the end of Week 4 already!

#### **Upcoming Events**

**1) Kids Movie Night** this Friday (Secret Life of Pets) tickets \$10 each which includes popcorn.

Here's how to get yours, plus everything else you need to know:

Tickets can be purchased via online at the new 'Online Shop' tab on our school website.

Doors open at 6pm for a 6.30pm start

Kids will need a drink, and a bean bag (if you have one).

You're welcome to head off until pick up time (unless you're bringing kids under 5 years old, in which case you'll need to stay)

You'll need to be back to the hall by 7.45pm for pick up.

**2)** Grandparents Day 4 Sept – PTA will be organising a morning tea for Grandparents and we will need your help with some sweet and savoury items. Look out for your class emails where you can put your name down on the catering roster.

Any questions feel free to email me.

Regina Adams PTA reginadwhl@xtra.co.nz The **Values Award** went to Hosea Teasia.



### The Living the Vision Award went to Nanae

Sato-Nates and Lucy Stuart.



### **Upcoming Events**

Friday 16 August	Assembly with R17
Friday 30 August	Assembly with R14
2-6 September	Book Week–Sales 8.30-9 and 3-3.30 Mon to Thu
Wednesday 4 Sep	Grandparents Day
Friday 6 September	Book Week Parade
9-13 September	Maori Language Week
Friday 13 September	Assembly with R18
Monday 16 September	Life Education starts

Certificate Winners	
Room 1	Freddie La Hood
Room 2	Patrick Li
Room 3	Alex Craig
Room 4	Jacob Howell
Room 5	Manea Tuuta
Room 6	Scarlett Bakewell
Room 7	Cyrus Carmen
Room 8	William Mahoney
Room 9	Cara Tingle
Room 10	Tom Congdon
Room 11	Olivia Mu
Room 12	Zayed Mahdi
Room 13	George Glancy
Room 14	Caleb Mako
Room 15	Saxon Martin
Room 16	Thomas Garde
Room 17	Harlem Kistler
Room 18	Joanne Sun
Maori	Connor Brady