

# Belmont Primary School

Newsletter 5 August 2021



Dear Parents and Friends of the School

**A very special welcome to all our 11 new New Entrant Children** who started in Room 8 last Monday. Also, a **special welcome to the 5 other students** that joined our school in different year groups.

Mr Thorne, Mrs Bioletti and I just attended the **New Zealand Principals' Federation conference**. It was an outstanding learning experience with excellent keynote speakers. One of the speakers was Sir Ian Taylor and he has gifted a wonderful resource to all NZ schools. This is the site that our staff and students will use as we navigate our way around the **Aotearoa New Zealand Histories curriculum**, starting next year. We will also be involving our Maori Whānau as well as other resources.

100 of our **Year 5 and 6** children were fortunate to go to The Cloud on Monday and be involved in the **interactive Olympic Experience**. They thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

**Mrs Naera's** last day is tomorrow. We wish her and Francis all the best and we look forward to seeing Emma in a month's time when she brings "Bump" into school.

Next Thursday, Belmont Primary is hosting the **annual Choir festival**. Thank you Miss Peake for all your work. This starts around 9.30am.

On Tuesday 17 August our Choir is performing in the **Kids Sing Competition**. This is again a wonderful opportunity for our students to experience the thrill of performing. Miss Peake has worked extremely hard with our Choir and

regardless of the results (yes, it is also a competition) I know our choir has worked very hard, put a lot of effort into their learning and will remember the time they sang at the Town Hall.

**Thank you Mrs Sykes** for coordinating 30-40 pieces of art work as part of the **Cluster art festival** which will take place at **The Lake House Art Centre from 28 August to 11 September**.

**I would like to acknowledge all the staff for the work they do with all our students**. We are fortunate to have wonderful teachers, fantastic support staff and great office staff. After spending 3 days with colleagues from across New Zealand and listening to their stories about staff, students and parents our children are very fortunate to have a wonderful learning environment with people who are highly skilled and care. Therefore **thank you to all the families that have paid donations** so we can fund teacher aides, resources and provide many extra curricular activities. If you have not paid your donation can I ask you to consider paying this please.

Finally, I look forward to seeing you at **Room13's assembly tomorrow**.

**Bruce Cunningham**  
**PRINCIPAL**