

The term continues to fly by and we are already looking at the last couple of weeks of learning before the holiday. Staff will be looking to complete assessments over the next two weeks that will set up teaching and learning programmes for Term 2. We also have the celebration days coming up that recognise the students who have consistently met the school behaviour expectations and again we have the vast majority of students eligible for these fun activities. Our attendance rates will start improving again once our students return from isolation and we can then look forward to a more settled state for the last two weeks.

This week we are farewelling Carol Lopusiewicz, one of our Teacher Aides and ELL Teacher for speakers of other languages. Carol has been with our team for 5 years and has worked closely with a number of students and their families during that time. Our thanks go to Carol for her contribution to Bell Block School and we wish her all the best in her new role.

School Cleaner

We are looking for an additional cleaner to help with our expanding number of spaces. The role would be from 3:15pm – 6:15pm each school day during term time with some additional hours possible during the holidays. If you are interested in this position, please contact Kim Hill in the office or via email kim.hill@bellblock.school.nz for further information.

Pizza Day



Pizza Day is coming up next week on Wednesday 13 April. Please remember to return order forms and correct change to school **before midday Friday 8 April**. Proceeds will go towards the Student Council Legacy Project.

Volleyball – Year 7/8

Payment for Volleyball registrations is due no later than this **Friday 8 April at 3pm**.

Sports Uniforms

Now that touch and cricket have finished for the season, could all sports uniforms please be returned to the office or classroom teacher.

PTA AGM

The AGM for the Parents and Teachers Association will be held on **Tuesday 12 April at 7pm at Pekaren**.

All parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.

If you're interested in joining the committee or simply hearing about our plans for the year, please come along! As always, there's a place to share your thoughts with us - email pta@bellblock.school.nz



Tuckshop Specials

This week's highlight:

Hotdog Combo \$7 (Hotdog, large cookie and drink)

Egg-citing Cupcakes \$2

EFTPOS and text orders are welcome to 021 0242 0269.

See Facebook for our full menu.

Take care and keep safe.

Conrad Hailes
Principal

Our current school attendance rate for this week is 77%

Senior Team Newsletter

Room 11

We have been very busy this term! In maths we are learning how to solve multi-digit equations using algorithms and lattice multiplication. It is challenging and very rewarding! As part of our reading programme, we are all studying a novel in depth. It is fun having the opportunity to explore the story and characters in detail. For our Diversity Inquiry, we have been learning about Japan. We are creating travel brochures to share all the amazing new knowledge we have. Most exciting of all, we have temporarily moved into Room 16 while we wait for our classroom to be renovated into a brand new space!



Pepeha art as part of our Whakapapa inquiry

Room 12



As part of our Diversity Inquiry, Room 12 has been researching what it would be like if we lived in Japan and how it would differ from here in New Zealand. For art we used water colours and acrylic paints to create some cherry blossom trees.



Mr Hailes joined our class to take two maths sessions looking at estimating, measuring and costing. Students had to estimate the length of the perimeter fence around the school, then go out and measure it. With these measurements they calculated what it would cost to build a new fence using various materials.

Room 13

It has been a busy time in Room 13. For maths we have been working on number knowledge and currently we are learning different strategies that we can use to solve multiplication and division problems. We have discovered interesting facts about Japan in our Diversity Inquiry Unit.

Our back wall is looking pretty good with a lot of our work up on display



On Wacky Whānau Day we were challenged with a STEM activity where we had to build a chair for a soft toy, made only out of paper and tape! So much fun. Lots of ingenious designs.



Room 14

Over the past few weeks Room 14 has been learning about Japan. We learnt about the schooling system, the tea ceremony, bonsai trees, interesting places to visit in Japan and that there are vending machines for just about everything, including soup, fish and underwear! Did you know that the cherry blossom is culturally significant and very special to the Japanese people? They have a cherry blossom festival every year! We created some cherry blossom art and made people wearing kimonos by colouring and folding paper! Earlier this term we created anime style portraits and our pepeha art.



COMMUNITY NOTICES:

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EXPANDING
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GOVETT -
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GALLERY

BakerTilly Staples Rodway Young Visionaries | Term 2



The Gallery's after school art classes return for Term 2 to inspire great ideas with great art!

Our themes for Term 2 are mythical creatures and heroes.

Local artist Ellie Field will help students create miniature paintings inspired by ancient cultures and techniques. We will release our mythical creatures onto large printed textile paintings. We will also have fun making experimental earth sculptures with ideas of home, memory and family, inspired by the current exhibition *There Is No Other Home But This*.

Ages 6 – 8 | Wednesdays 4 May – 6 Jul | 3.45 – 5.15 pm

Ages 9 – 12 | Thursdays 5 May – 7 Jul | 3.45 – 5.15 pm

Where | Todd Energy Learning Centre | Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre

Cost | \$65 per term

Booking | Book your spot for Term 2 at the following links:

- [Book for the Wednesday sessions for 6-8 year-olds](#)
- [Book for the Thursday sessions for 9-12 year-olds](#)

For your regular dose of art and culture be sure to take a look at our [website](#) to see the latest events, exhibitions, films and more.

Young Visionaries are generously supported by BakerTilly Staples Rodway.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS TERM 1 2022

APRIL

- Fri 8** New Entrants' Visit 11:45am
Digital Assembly 2pm
- Tue 12** PTA AGM 7pm
- Wed 13** Pizza Day
- Thu 14** New Entrants' Visit 11:45am
Last day of Term 1
- Fri 15** **SCHOOL CLOSED** Good Friday

MAY

- Mon 2** First day of Term 2
- Thu 19** Board Meeting

2022 Term dates:

- Term 1** 31 January – 14 April
- Term 2** 2 May – 8 July
- Term 3** 25 July – 30 September
- Term 4** 17 October – 14 December

Dates for school events are also located on the School Calendar on our website and parent app.

Bell Block Rugby Junior Registrations



Registrations are now open for all juniors for the 2022 season

Please go to:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/bellblockrugby> to register your child for the season

Any further enquires please phone
Matu Adams: 0221309628



General Information: We believe in giving children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging environment. We provide quality childcare in safe and fun surroundings for children out of school. Our holiday programme is focused around sports, games, and outings to local attractions. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children. They are provided with training on behaviour management techniques, first aid and activity planning/delivery.

Who can attend: Children aged 5-13 yrs

What do you need to bring: Shoes and appropriate clothing, jacket or sweatshirt, hat, drink bottle and food.

Food: Please bring plenty of packed food and drink for morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea. Lunch will be from approximately 12:30pm to 1:00pm each day.

Programme activities: Programme activities are adapted to suit children of all ages and children may be grouped by age depending on numbers. Programme activities may vary without notice dependent on weather conditions and programme numbers.

Payment details: Payment is required before the holiday programme begins. An invoice will be issued when a completed booking is received. All payment details will be included on the invoice.

Work and Income OSCAR Subsidy: Parents / caregivers that meet certain criteria will be able to access a WINZ subsidy to help cover the cost of our programme. For more information visit www.workandincome.govt.nz

Please note: Every care will be taken to ensure the safety of your child/ren and their property. However, organisers of Kelly Club accept no liability for any injury sustained to your child/ren or any loss or damage to his/her property whilst at a programme. If your child/ren are collected late after the conclusion of the programme you will be charged \$20 per 15 minutes or part thereof.

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APRIL 2022 HOLIDAY PROGRAMME BELL BLOCK SCHOOL

WEEK 1	Mon 18 April PUBLIC HOLIDAY EASTER MONDAY Happy Easter! No programme today, see you on Tuesday!	Tues 19 April EGGSTRAVAGANZA Hop along for our Easter 'Eggstravaganza'! Bring your looking eyes for our Great Easter Egg Hunt. Who knows what kind of goodies you may find!	Wed 20 April EVENT DAY Bring your bike/scooter and helmet along for a fun Wheels Morning. Then join us for an afternoon swim at Bell Block Pools. \$10 extra for the day. Please remember lunch, a drink bottle, shoes & a hat.	Thurs 21 April BALL BLAST We know how to have a blast with these games! Come along and join in games of Football, Touch and Dodgeball.	Fri 22 April YUM IN MY TUM We love food! It nourishes our bodies and feeds our souls. What wonderful treats will we bake today?
	Mon 25 April PUBLIC HOLIDAY ANZAC DAY Public Holiday No programme today, see you on Tuesday!	Tues 26 April ANZAC DAY Today we are New Zealand and Australia vs The World! Are you ready to represent your country? We will get into our home colours and play some of our country's top sports.	Wed 27 April EVENT DAY Enjoy a nature walk down to the Bell Block Playground area, where we will set up some games and have a picnic. \$10 extra for the day. Please remember a big lunch, drink bottle, shoes and a hat.	Thurs 28 April KELLY CLUB SURVIVOR Out-smart, out-laugh, out-think. Build a fort, play Capture The Flag and take part in our team challenges!	Fri 29 April GIANT DAY Fee-fi-fo-fun! Giant board games, giant ball games and giant fun. Are you up for the giant challenge of today?

FULL DAY: \$52 8:30am-5:30pm
SCHOOL DAY: \$37 9am-3pm
HALF DAY: \$32 8:30am-1pm or 1pm-5:30pm
EVENT DAY: \$10



BOOK ONLINE NOW AT www.kellyclub.co.nz



2022 Junior Rugby Registrations are now OPEN!

Registrations are now open for all children wanting to play rugby and be a part of the 2022 rugby season.

Please go to: www.sporty.co.nz/cliftonrugbyjnr/ to register

Any questions, please contact Shaun Buckley (Clifton Junior Rugby Convenor)
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