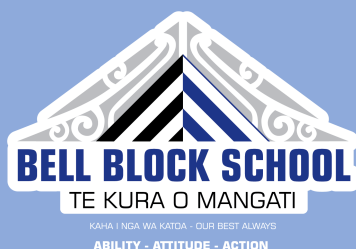


BELL BLOCK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER #17
Friday 27 May 2022

Focus Value:

Manaakitanga –
Caring



School Goal:

To be kind to
ourselves

Our building upgrades are progressing well and Rooms 11 and 12 are looking like being finished next week. They look great and the addition of new windows and doors and a new layout has made them more functional, lighter and have more usable space. Rooms 11 and 12 will be moving back into these new spaces on Tuesday. The final stage of the project is an upgrade to our office area. While this work is carried out the office will move to Room 1. Any parents needing our office team can come to the door in the Room 1 undercover area.

Staff and their families having to isolate over the past couple of weeks has required a few more relievers and split classes than usual for this time of year. We thank you for your patience as we manage our way through this situation.

Our Senior Team begin their traditional Interschool Sports next week. They will play games against four other schools over the coming weeks in netball, rugby and football. Our thanks go out to the staff and parents who help out by coaching these teams. It is always great for our students to have the opportunity to be a part of these sports exchanges, hosting and visiting other schools. Parents are welcome to come and support our teams at both home and away matches.

Looking Ahead

	Monday 30 May	Tuesday 31 May	Wednesday 1 June	Thursday 2 June	Friday 3 June
Week 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 Breakfast Club 9:00 Life Ed Rm 13 10:00 Life Ed Rm 12 11:30 Life Ed Rm 19 Brass lessons 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rm 11, 12 and office moving 9:00 Life Ed Rm 11 10:00 Life Ed Rm 14 11:30 Life Ed Rm 20 2:15 Student Council meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 Breakfast Club 9:30 Social Worker in school 9:45 Life Ed Rm 17 11:30 Life Ed Rm 18 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 Life Ed Rm 13 9.15 New Entrant Transition Visit 10:00 Life Ed Rm 12 11:30 Life Ed Rm 11 1:45 Life Ed Rm 14 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 Breakfast Club 9:45 Life Ed Rm 19 11:30 Life Ed Rm 20 12:00 Senior Interschool Sport vs Inglewood (Home game)
	Monday 6 June	Tuesday 7 June	Wednesday 8 June	Thursday 9 June	Friday 10 June
Week 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Queen's Birthday - Enjoy the long weekend 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 PTA Welcome Morning Tea 12:00 Senior Interschool Sport vs Stratford (Home game) 2:15 Student Council meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 Breakfast Club 9.30 Social Worker in school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:15 New Entrant Transition Visit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student Leader applications due 8:00 Breakfast Club 2:00 Celebration Assembly

Our current school attendance rate for this week is 84%

Honours Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received their Honours Awards at assembly recently:

Katie Gorrie, Kaeden Waitere, Amelia Plowright, Adele Keighley and Milla Ellis



Thank You



Room 4 have been spoilt with some lovely slippers for each student to wear in the classroom on chilly days. Perfect timing for the stormy days last week! The students' feet were measured then Karter's Great Nana Lucy and her friends made each pair in different colours. Thank you so much! If anyone has spare wool they would like to donate for future slipper making, please bring to Room 4. This would be most appreciated.



Wearable Art

Unfortunately the Taranaki ShowQuest and Toi (Wearable Art) live show was cancelled this year. However, we were very fortunate to have some visitors from the ShowQuest team come to Bell Block School this week and take professional photos of our creative garments. This is all part of the Wearable Art competition across Aotearoa. The students will be showcasing their garments at assembly later in the term and hopefully receiving some awards for their creations. Well done to all the students who took part. We are very proud of you.

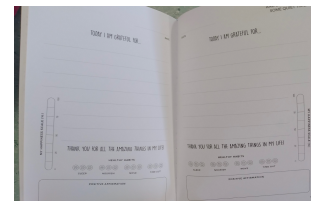


Life Education with Harold the Giraffe



Next week is the last week of hosting Harold and the Life Education teachers.

There is a gratitude journal being sold at Warehouse Stationery called 'Create Your Own Sunshine' about resilience and focusing on the positives. A donation of \$3 from every sale will be made to Youthline or Life Education. Please support this great cause.



National Young Leaders Day (NYLD)

On Wednesday the Student Council travelled down to Palmerston North for National Young Leaders Day. It was such a fun and cool experience to listen to some inspiring speakers and hear their amazing stories. One of the quotes I was very inspired by was "Don't fight like an octopus, fight like a shark" which means that if life is the fishing rod, an octopus would give up the fight straight away but sharks don't give up, they fight for their freedom. We need to have the inner fight. Overall, it was an awesome day and I enjoyed every second of it. -Taj Taogaga, Room 19



PTA News

Meet the PTA

I would like to introduce myself as the new Secretary of the PTA. My name is Shannon Withers and I have my 4 boys attending Bell Block School, Max (9), Leo (8), Jay (7) and Ash (5). With my kids all at school now I figured the PTA is a great opportunity to meet some new people and help with fundraising for the school. I am really looking forward to my new role and some fun times ahead!

Welcome Morning Tea for New Families

With the change in Traffic Light setting, the PTA would like to welcome all new families who have started at Bell Block School since August 2021. Please join us in the staffroom on Tuesday 7 June after school drop off to enjoy a nibble and a cuppa and to meet fellow school parents.



Bell Block School PTA
presents
QUIZ NIGHT

Thursday 16 June 2022
Quiz Starts at 7pm
The Fitz Fitzroy

\$10 per person
Teams of 6

Quick-fire Raffles! Prizes!

Online payment to PTA 15-3956-0037784-00
with your name in the reference

Food and Drinks available for purchase from the Bar
Get a team together and join in the fun!

Quiz Night

Who's ready for a night out? Gather your friends and book a table at our Quiz Night.

Thursday 16 June at 7pm at The Fitz Bar in Fitzroy

Tickets are \$10 per person and can be purchased by online payment into the PTA bank account – 15 3956 0037784 00.

Please CLEARLY state your name in the reference.

Max of 6 in a team. Numbers limited – get in quick.

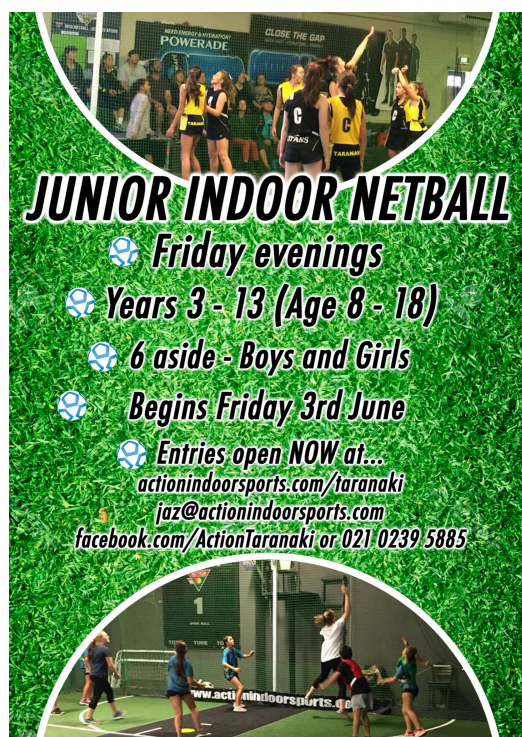
We have some incredible prizes generously donated by our local businesses that you won't want to miss!

There will be raffles for sale between rounds for \$2 per ticket – please bring cash to the Quiz Night to purchase raffle tickets Contact the PTA by email to pta@belblock.school.nz

Take care and keep safe.

Conrad Hailes
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES:



JUNIOR INDOOR NETBALL

Friday evenings

Years 3 - 13 (Age 8 - 18)

6 aside - Boys and Girls

Begins Friday 3rd June

Entries open NOW at...
actionindoorsports.com/taranaki
jaz@actionindoorsports.com
[facebook.com/ActionTaranaki](https://www.facebook.com/ActionTaranaki) or 021 0239 5885



**BE PART OF THE FUTURE
PLAY INLINE HOCKEY**

- Ravens Inline Hockey are looking for young players to come and join our teams - indoor skating facility
- We are looking for **Goalies and Floor Players**.
- We will provide coaching and goalie player equipment.
- We offer three sessions to come and give inline hockey a try.
- The club has very reasonable annual fees
- Male and Female players welcome
- Age grades from 10U, 12U, 14U, Junior Women 14U plus older teams
- Can advise on playing gear needed
- Offer coaching to all members as part of the package.
- We do need GOALIES in the junior grades. This role in the team is VERY IMPORTANT with goalie training available from club members who have played and coached at NZ representative level.

Learn to play, Cool Open, Team Spirit, Make Friends, Lifeline Skills, Learn to Skate, Have Fun

RAVENS INLINE HOCKEY - NEW PLYMOUTH - TARANAKI
contact us now: skatesport.taranaki@gmail.com



Sal's
NEW ZEALAND
NBL
CJ Gardner: 50%

GAME DAY
SUNDAY 29 MAY
5:00 PM

AIRS VS **OTAGO NUGGETS**

sky SPORT Taranaki Civil Construction Ltd



Junior TEAM

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Junior Team Goal

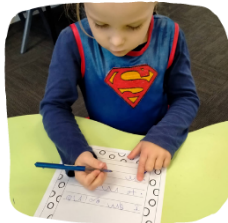
For students to get themselves prepared for learning in the mornings

Parents, we would love your support with this. Your support may look like:

- Verbal reminders to unpack their bag as you say goodbye in the morning
- Discuss which activity your child would like to do until the bell rings (this will help with a smooth separation).

Room 2

Room 2 have been learning all about school. We have been practising our writing by writing amazing stories about what we like to do. We have been practising reading books all by ourselves. We have been practising maths by building towers and fast finger counting. We have already learnt so much! Ka pai tamariki!



Room 3 have been learning about different types of animals and the habitats they live in. We watched a video about insects and learnt that all insects have a head, abdomen and a thorax and that they all have 6 legs. We created insect art by painting a background and creating grass out of newspaper. We drew our favourite insects and then cut them out and stuck them down on a background in a way that looked good to us.



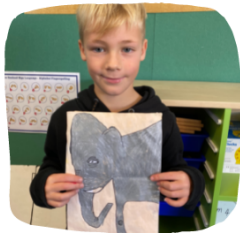
Room 3

Room 4

Room 4 have been enjoying learning about 'Animal Diversity' as our inquiry. Our zebra artwork involved blending colours with paint for an African sunset background, then gluing on our zebra and the black stripes. We also had fun designing a hood for our jellyfish. Keep up the great work Room 4!



Room 5 have had a fantastic start to the term. We have been to the Life Education Bus. Our focus was on sleep, belly breathing, self confidence and how to be a good friend. We played a range of card games looking at how to share, respect and help other people. We also got to watch Harold negotiate some tricky situations with his friends and were able to help him out. This week we are finishing our diversity inquiry. We have been looking at many different animals around New Zealand this term. It has been loads of fun. We look forward to sharing more work with you when we can. Keep up the great work Room 5!



Room 5

Room 6

Room 6 have been enjoying learning about diversity in animals. We have learnt to classify animals by features such as whether or not they have a backbone. At the end of Term 1, Room 6 painted some amazing portraits with Miss Baker. This term Room 6 have enjoyed visiting Harold the Giraffe in the Life Education Bus.

