BELL BLOCK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER #30 Friday 9 September 2022

Focus Value:

Tū Māia –

Standing Brave



School Goal:

To do something you have never tried before

Another week has flown past. The Year 8 students' enrolments for high school is now complete. If you missed out, please contact the high schools directly to arrange a time to enrol your child.

Celebration Assembly

In last week's Celebration Assembly, we saw some mountain art from Room 5, some of the students from Room 7 shared their writing using lots of descriptive similes and Room 20 students shared their reflections about their recent Interschool Sports Tournament. It is fantastic to see so many students presenting to a large audience with such confidence. Well done to all the students who showed Tū Māia and shared their learning with us.

As always, we congratulated another group of fantastic Bell Block students with Triple A and Values awards.

Slayde McCulloch, Apikale Ligavatu, Jasper Welton, Jakob Fleming, Georgia Emeny, Mackenzie Price, Dallas Peters, Pippa Welton, Carraeah Stevens-Rapana, Katey Peterson, Kingsley Yang, Maatai Taogaga, Lily Hooper, Charlie Goldfinch, Curtis Peters, Marley Norman, Amelia Ratu, Wynter Ngoi Hawaiki Te Amora, Ava Mischeski, Nadhir Ali, Caleb Williams, Isla Turner, Olive Stephens, Jack Gordon, On You Han, Aston Gesterkamp, Daniel Lourens, Chloe Yang, Charles Wallworth, Natalie Watchorn, Daniel Setoudeh, Jed Williams-Jones, Luke Peters, Zuriiah Petera-Maxwell

We also acknowledged another group of Intermediate students receiving awards as they worked towards their Honours badges.

Adele Keighley - Academic Olive Roach — Sports Daniel Fidow — Cultural Itrat Afroz - Culture and Arts Amelia Plowright - Community Autumn Felstead - Community Adele Keighley - Academic

Well done to all the students who received awards last week. Keep up the great work.

Next week

Next week our new Board will be announced and will begin their role. Some of our Intermediate students will be involved in the Outdoor Academy on Wednesday, spending the day at TOPEC. There are lots of trip and camp documents and permission slips out at the moment with the Senior Camp, Year 6 AWE swimming programme, and the New Plymouth Cross Country (which closes today). Please ensure permissions are completed via the school app and returned promptly.

Pizza Day



Pizza Day will be held on **Wednesday 28 September** to raise funds for the Student Council Legacy Project. Order forms are due back to the office with correct change by Friday 23 September. Unfortunately, due to the rising cost of ingredients, there has been a price increase to the pizzas which we have had to pass on. Pizza is now \$3 per quarter. However, there is also now an option to order Pepperoni pizza.

Our current school attendance rate for this week is 90%

Calendar Art

The calendar art is now on display in classroom windows for the next two weeks. Get your child to point out their design and any orders can be made up to Friday 16 September. Order forms have gone home with your child or can be downloaded via 'Documents' on the school app. The products are usually delivered early in Term 4. All funds raised will support our seniors getting to camp in Term 4.



Looking Ahead							
	Monday 12 September	Tuesday 13 September	Wednesday 14 September	Thursday 15 September	Friday 16 September		
Week 8	8:00 Breakfast Club Calendar Art on display in classroom windows	•	 8:00 Breakfast Club 9:30 Social Worker in school 2.00 Kapa Haka Group practice Outdoor Academy 	Intermediate Technology 11:30 Open Morning (new parents)	 8:00 Breakfast Club 9:15 New Entrant Transition visit 2:00 Celebration Assembly Calendar Art orders close Cricket/Hockey registrations close 		
Week 9	Monday 19 September	Tuesday 20 September	Wednesday 21 September	Thursday 22 September	Friday 23 September		
	• 8:00 Breakfast Club	 Year 6 AWE Swimming Room 7 & 9 Trip to Lake Rotokare 	 8:00 Breakfast Club 9:30 Social Worker in school 2.00 Kapa Haka Group practice Year 6 AWE Swimming NP Cross Country at Fitzroy School 	 Year 6 AWE Swimming Intermediate Technology 5:00 Board Meeting 	 8:00 Breakfast Club 9:15 New Entrant Transition visit Singing Assembly Room 8 & 10 Trip to Lake Rotokare 		

Kids Literacy Quiz 2022

Two Bell Block School teams travelled to Sacred Heart Girls College this week to participate in the Kids Lit Quiz 2022 (Taranaki heats). The quiz this year had 37 teams from around the Taranaki and Whanganui area competing for the chance to represent our province in the National Competition held in Wellington. While we didn't come away with any of the top spots, our students had an awesome attitude, always showed respect towards others and had lots of fun! Well done to everyone who went. For more information, click here for a recent article written by Stuff about the Lit Quiz.





Senior Team Camp

In Term 4, our Senior Team students will be attending Vertical Horizon Camp from 31 October to 2 November. We are requesting voluntary donations towards the camp, we will need to raise \$18,000.00 to enable the camp to go ahead, this equates to \$180.00 per student. The donations are to help towards the cost of the food, activities and accommodation. Any donations made by parents are tax-deductible and parents can claim an income tax credit from Inland Revenue in relation to any donations made to the school. We will provide parents with a donation receipt.

The deadline for donations is **Wednesday 19 October**. The following week the decision will be made on whether we have received enough donations for the camp to go ahead. We appreciate your help with this, as without parental support we would be unable to offer these opportunities to the students.

There is an option to pay smaller weekly voluntary contributions prior to camp. If this would suit you (and you can start straight away, should you wish to do this), please contact the Bell Block School Office (office@bellblock.school.nz).

Scholastic Book Club:

Issue 6 of Scholastic Book Club is out to students this week! As we have had a delay in the delivery of Issue 5, we have extended the due date back for all orders by a week. All orders are due to the school by **Friday 16th of September** not the 9th of September. Thank you and apologies for any confusion.

- Ms Manukonga, Book Club Organiser

Dogs

A reminder that dogs are not permitted inside the school grounds at any time.

Board Election 2022

Voting for the new Board has now closed. Results will be announced next week.

New Enrolments 2023

The Board invites applications from parents who wish to enrol their sons and daughters at Bell Block School for next year. Parents of students who live within the home zone should apply to assist the school to plan appropriately for next year. Please note that children with siblings currently enrolled who live outside of the school zone must apply as an out of zone student.

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office.

To apply for a place for your child please download an enrolment form from the Enrolments page of the school website and provide your child's birth certificate and immunisation record to the school office.

Applications for out of zone enrolments for 2023 must be received by **3:30pm on Monday 26 September** 2022 (please see the timeline below for further information).

The exact number of out of zone places available will depend on the number of applications received from students who live within the school's home zone. If the number of out of zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot. If a ballot is required it will be held on 28 September 2022. Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three school days of the ballot being held.

Should you have any questions regarding enrolments, please contact Kim Thomas in the office on 06 755 0838 or email office@bellblock.school.nz.

ENROLMENT TIMELINE FOR 2023

Thursday 23 June 2022	Board meeting to determine number of places available	
Wednesday 31 August 2022	Advertisement of out of zone places commences	
Monday 26 September 2022	Deadline for out of zone places closes at 3:30pm	
Wednesday 28 September 2022	Ballot for out of zone places (if required)	
Friday 30 September 2022	Parents notified of outcome	
Friday 28 October 2022	Parents must confirm whether the offer of a place is accepted or declined	

Term 4 Sports

Registrations for Touch and Netball close today:

Registrations forms here:

Netball (Years 1-2) - https://forms.gle/dzbP36wb4Y91T8Mn8

Touch (Years 1-8) - https://forms.gle/qpTXz6w37BeJBiWw9

Payment for touch is due by Thursday 15 September. If you are having difficulty making payment before the deadline, please contact the office to make alternative arrangements.

Registrations for Hockey and Cricket close next Friday 16 September.

Registrations forms here:

Hockey (Years 3-6) - https://forms.gle/gDSUUQmvZWXHCCH5A

Cricket (Years 1-8) - https://forms.gle/2cefaLMrdBT45pbz8

Cricket

There is plenty of space in our senior/intermediate cricket team and we will need more players for the team to be able to go ahead. If you're interested, please register as soon as possible or contact me for more information.

Coaches needed



We need volunteer coaches in order for our school sports teams to go ahead. The teams will not be entered without a coach to support them. Please, if you can help coach a touch team, intermediate cricket team, hockey team, or Year ½ netball team, please contact me as soon as possible by email to sport@bellblock.school.nz



Meet the Leaders



Kia ora, my name is **Frankee O'Brien**. I am proud to be one of your amazing Kōtuku Whanau Leaders for the second half of 2022. Ever since I started at Bell Block School I always hoped to become a leader by putting in the hard work and showing the Triple A Vision and Values at all times to everyone. Some things I love to do include playing football, experiencing new challenges, and hanging out with my family. I am grateful for working alongside the Student Council and hope to provide many exciting opportunities. If you ever see me around the school don't be afraid to say hi!



Kia ora Bell Block School and community. I am **Azra Khan**, one of your outstanding Pīwaiwaka Whanau Leaders for the second half of 2022. I enjoy a wide variety of activities including reading, cricket and hanging out with my friends and classmates but I am also hard working and diligent in all learning areas. I am originally from the West Indies and have been attending Bell Block School for around 5 years since I was 8 years old. I thoroughly love attending Bell Block School and can't wait to work with the new Student Council to make the school a better place to live, laugh and learn.

Conrad Hailes
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES:

Stay well, get vaccinated

- COVID-19 (first, second or boosters)
- Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR)
- Flu (eligibility criteria apply)

Come along to any of the clinics listed below to get your free vaccinations! They are the best way to help you and your whānau stay well.



COVID-19

If it's been three months since you've tested positive for COVID-19, you can now get your next vaccination. You can get COVID-19 again so it's important you're up to date with you vaccinations.

MMR

Are your tamariki under five vaccinated against measles? It's a serious disease that's highly contagious. Many children missed their FREE measles vaccinations due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Your tamariki needs two doses of the measles vaccine to be fully protected.

Flu vaccination

Flu vaccination is free for people aged 65 and over, Māori and Pacific people aged 55 and over, people who are pregnant, people under 65 with underlying health issues (like asthma, diabetes, and heart disease and some cancers), children aged 3-12 and people with serious mental health or addiction needs.

Got questions?

The team are happy to answer any questions you might have or to just have a chat.

SEPTEMBER VACCINATION CLINICS IN YOUR AREA							
DAY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION				
Friday	2 September	11am-5pm	Uruti Hall				
Monday	12 September	11am-5pm	Tikorangi Hall				
Wednesday	14 September	11am-6pm	Fred Tucker Hall, Bell Block				
Friday	16 September	11am-5pm	Uruti Hall				
Monday	26 September	11am-5pm	Tikorangi Hall				
Wednesday	28 September	11am-6pm	Fred Tucker Hall, Bell Block				
Friday	30 September	11am-5pm	Uruti Hall				









Te Ara Tūtohu – Waitara to Bell Block Community Drop-in Session

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency invites you to meet the team and find out more about how we're making SH3 between Waitara and Bell Block safer for everyone.

We've nearly completed stormwater works along State Highway 3 (SH3) and are on track to begin construction of the first of four roundabouts planned for the route this summer.

Head along to the Bell Block drop-in session to find out more about the Princess Street roundabout and underpass as well as other safety improvements planned for this route.

When: Thursday 22 September, 3.00-6.00pm Where: Bell Block Hall, 27 Bell Block Court, Bell Block

For more information on Te Ara Tūtohu – Waitara to Bell Block safety improvements visit www.nzta.govt.nz/w2bb

Kiley Family Memorial Trust Scholarship



James Francis
Kiley (1883-1965)
whose land purchases
enabled the Kiley
Family Memorial
Trust to be

Call for Scholarship Applications for Year 8 students commencing secondary education in 2023

The Kiley Family Memorial Trust was established in 2000 by brothers John and the late Peter Kiley. Revenue from the Kiley Family Memorial Trust owned farm in Taranaki funds the Kiley Family Memorial Trust Scholarships to help young people who are facing financial challenges meeting their education costs.

Eligible to Year 8 students who plan to attend:

- Taranaki / Whanganui based Secondary Schools in 2023 or
- Wellington based Catholic Secondary Schools in 2023
 Day School and Boarding Scholarships are available.

Preference is given to students from less well-off backgrounds who would otherwise have difficulty paying their school fees and meeting other school costs.

Applications for any field of study will be considered but further preference will be given to those students planning a career in agriculture related fields.

Please enquire at the School Office to obtain an Application Form. Closes 5pm 17 October 2022.

The Kiley Family Memorial Trust Scholarship









If you have a head torch bring it along,

ReCharge is a Youth Group for kids in Year 7 & 8 at school.. For more info please contact us at recharge@northpoint.org.nz

