

BELL BLOCK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER #17
Friday 16 June 2023

Focus Value:
Tū Māia – Standing Brave



School Goal:
To be positive about new changes

As we draw closer to the end of the term, we can now update the new staffing arrangements for the second half of this year. Mrs Emily Doelman will be taking the role of Acting Deputy Principal as we go through the appointment process with the aim of having our Deputy Principal start in 2024. Mrs Renee Pearce will take on the Acting Assistant Principal role for the second half of the year and Ms Ruhina Leong in Room 20 is stepping up to take on the role of Intermediate Team Leader for the remainder of the year. We are excited to have appointed Mrs Rachel Taylor to join our staff and be the classroom teacher of Room 13. Rachel is vastly experienced and brings with her a wealth of skills and strengths.

Unfortunately, we will be farewelling Miss Hannah Ross and Miss Alicia Venter at the end of this term. Hannah will be leaving teaching for an exciting business opportunity and Alicia is heading overseas with her fiancé. We wish both teachers all the best for their next adventures. We have also appointed Mrs Janine van den Berg to be the Room 9 classroom teacher joining our Middle Team and Miss Josie Hick will be a part of the Senior Team and taking over in Room 14. It is always sad to lose staff from our school and community but bringing in new people will bring new opportunities for the continued growth of our school.

Next week our prospective Student Leaders will be presenting their speeches and, if the quality of their application letters were anything to go by, we have some tough voting decisions to be made. Well done to all the students who applied and although some will miss out on the roles they wanted, I have been impressed with the quality of the applicants and how well they model our school motto Kaha i ngā wā katoa – Our Best Always.

Looking Ahead

	Monday 19 June	Tuesday 20 June	Wednesday 21 June	Thursday 22 June	Friday 23 June
Week 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 Breakfast Club Reports available on @school app 1:45 Juniors PMP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tiaho Mai Be Seen Day 4:30–8:00 Noodle Head Fundraiser 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 Breakfast Club 9:00 Juniors PMP 11:30 Senior Interschool vs Stratford (Home) 12:30 Inglewood High School Open Day 2:00 Kapa Haka Group practice Parent/Teacher Interviews 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 School Open Morning Intermediate Technology Parent/Teacher Interviews 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 Breakfast Club 9.00 New Entrants' Transition Visit Hearing and Vision Screening 2:00 Singing Assembly
	Monday 26 June	Tuesday 27 June	Wednesday 28 June	Thursday 29 June	Friday 30 June
Week 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 Breakfast Club 1:45 Juniors PMP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:30 Junior Celebration 1:45 Intermediate Celebration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 Breakfast Club 9:00 Juniors PMP Pizza Day Lost Property on display 9:15 Junior Trip – Glow Show 2:00 Kapa Haka Group practice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intermediate Technology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 Breakfast Club 9.00 New Entrants' Transition Visit 9:30 Senior Celebration 2:00 Celebration Assembly LAST DAY OF TERM 2

Tiaho Mai Be Seen Day

To promote our new school crossing on Murray Street and to encourage you to *safely* walk, cycle or a combination of drive and walk to school, we are having a Be Seen Day next week on Tuesday. All you need to do is wear your brightest outfit AND be seen walking or riding to school and you will get a prize! We can't wait to see all of your super bright, colourful outfits.



Parent Teacher Interviews



Parent Teacher Interviews are filling up fast so please book in a time that suits you to come in and talk about your child and their progress. If you are away or can't make it to the interview afternoons, please let the classroom teacher know and they can arrange a time to give you a call and go over the information with you as we aim to speak to every family about every student.

Interviews will be held on **Wednesday 21 June** from 3pm-7:30pm and **Thursday 22 June** from 3pm-4:30pm. Bookings can be made by tapping on the Interviews button in your '@school' app.

Pizza Day

Pizza Day is on **Wednesday 28 June** to raise funds for the Student Council Legacy Project. Please return the order form and correct money to the Office 'Dropbox' by 12pm on Friday 23 June.



Senior Interschool



Well done to the Senior Interschool teams who won all four of their games against St Joseph's School on Tuesday. The weather turned on a much better showing this time and it was great to see the support of the parents and the students cheering them on. We wish the teams all the best for their final sports exchange next week against Stratford Primary School.



High School Enrolments 2024

The process for enrolling Year 8 students for high school is soon to begin. Caregivers are responsible for organising the enrolment of their children at their selected high school. We are happy to assist with co-ordinating promotional visits and enrolment interviews for some high schools here at school, however open days and visits to the high schools are the responsibility of caregivers.

The following schools have advised that their Open Days are scheduled as follows:

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| • Inglewood High School | Wednesday 21 June | 12:30-2:30pm |
| • New Plymouth Boys' High School | Wednesday 26 July | 3:30pm or 4:30pm |
| • New Plymouth Girls' High School | Thursday 27 July | 3:30-6:30pm |

If your preferred school is not included above, caregivers will be required to make contact with schools directly to arrange tours and enrolment.

Promotional visits to the Year 8 students will take place as follows:

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| • New Plymouth Boys' High School | Tuesday 18 July |
| • New Plymouth Girls' High School | Tuesday 18 July |
| • Inglewood High School | Friday 21 July |

The following schools will provide enrolment interviews at Bell Block School:

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| • New Plymouth Boys' High School | Tuesday 15 August | 9:00-11:30am |
| • New Plymouth Girls' High School | Tuesday 15 August | 9:00-11:30am |
| • Inglewood High School | Wednesday 16 August | 9:30am – 1pm |

Enrolment interviews for NPBHS and NPGHS will be booked by caregivers online – information will be forwarded to caregivers directly from the high schools. To book an enrolment interview with Inglewood High School please contact our office staff to reserve a time. Students are required to attend interviews with their caregivers.

If you are unable to attend enrolment interviews on these dates, please contact the high school to arrange an interview on an alternate day.

Reminder – Bikes and Scooters

A reminder that bikes and scooters are not to be ridden within school grounds during school hours while there are students onsite. Please walk your bike or scooter if you need to move through the school.

Attendance

	# of Students Attending Last Week	% of Students Attending Last Week	Potential Lost Learning Days per Year
Regular Attendance 90-100%	325	76.83%	Up to 19 days
Irregular Absence 80-89%	18	4.26%	Up to 38 days
Moderate Absence 70-79%	46	10.87%	Up to 58 days
Chronic Absence 0-69%	34	8.04%	Up to 193 days

Scholastic Book Club

Orders for Issue 4 of the Scholastic Book Club are due in **today at 3pm**. Due to recent delays in deliveries all orders for this issue are to be processed online only. This will hopefully mean our orders will be delivered before the end of term. To order online, you can download the LOOP app via Google Play or the App Store and then purchase your items from this issue. Any cash orders received will be returned to students.



PTA News

NOODLE HEAD FUNDRAISER

Don't forget our amazing fundraiser with Noodle Head Bell Block! With every order from the menu (made either by phone or online) Noodle Head will donate 15% to the PTA and Bell Block School. Not only is dinner sorted, you will be contributing to a local business AND supporting our school!

Tuesday 20 June 2023

4.30pm-8.00pm

1. Choose anything off the delicious menu.
2. Order by phone or online and don't forget to mention Bell Block School.
3. The PTA and Bell Block School receives 15% off every order!



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Conrad Hailes
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

KIDS LATIN DANCE
LEVEL 1
7-12 year olds
8 week course starting in Term 3
AOD Studios, 6 Devon Street West
Register at www.alegrialatindance.co.nz

ReCharge
Intermediate Youth

HANGOUTS

FRIDAY 16th JUNE
6:00-8:00pm
@Northpoint Baptist Church
116 Mangati Road, Bell Block

Boys bring something savoury and girls bring some fruit for shared kai.

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

FUN GAMES! WORLD CUP! SHOOTING! SKILLS & DRILLS! PRIZES!

Date: Mon 3rd July - Thursday 6th July
Time: 9:00am - 3:00pm
Venue: Francis Douglas Memorial College
Age: 6-12 year olds
Cost: \$90 for 4 days

Register via your child's MYCOMET account
For more info | Johnh@centralfootball.co.nz

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME!

Central Football