# BELL BLOCK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER #20 Friday 28 July 2023

Focus Value:
Tū Māia – Standing Brave



**School Goal:**Showing Tū Māia in the playground

Week 2 has seen some of our students showing Tū Māia — Standing Brave and taking the opportunity to stand on stage and present a performance during the Arts Showcase. I was pleased to see so many students get up and give something a go and although we have had a lot of nervous students, they have done a fantastic job. We now look forward to the grand finale at the Arts Showcase which will culminate our learning in the arts with performances and displays of what the students have created. More information will follow before the Showcase on Thursday 17 August.

Today, at our Celebration Assembly, we welcomed our new Class Councillors from the Middle and Senior teams. These students form the Junior Council and work to develop skills, provide opportunities for students and learn about leadership by running meetings and sharing the ideas from students in their classes. Congratulations and we look forward to working with the Junior Council over the second half of the year.

Room 7	Room 8	Room 9	Room 10
Charlotte Green	Charlotte Poole	Lucy Upton-Fleming	Dolly Genji
Mason Page	Bentley Vile	Zaiden Bishop	Harshad Gunnam

Room 11	Room 12	Room 13	Room 14
Lily Hooper	Chloe Yang	Maatai Taogaga	Cohen Mullin
Chase Tijsen-Pine	Kingsley Yang	Charlotte Russell	Peyton Metcalfe

We also celebrated another fantastic group of Bell Block School students with Triple A and Values Awards. Well done to everyone who received awards this week.

Ishaan Lijin, Ada Aspden, Carter Walsh, Karter Bailey, Konrad Turama, Ezra Stewart-Jacks, Finn Gardiner, Lachie Early, Chester Mattson, Sophie Stretton, Pippa Welton, Isla Green, Drey Henry, Daniel Setoudeh, Meila Dwyer, Ramaya Ram, Kahn Hamann, Liam Harris, Lucy Bisson, Xanthe Poi, Evaan Bal, Nikau Russell, Summer Cleary, Milly Williams, Tasman Sullivan, Ziggy Harris, Camaro Swan, Harper Taylor, Beau Henderson, Emily Cooper, Riley Smith, Troy Ireson, Charles Wallworth, Caleb Daniels

## Let's Go Cycle Skills

Our Intermediate students have been involved with cycle skills training this week. Although the weather hasn't always played its part it was great to see the students growing in confidence while completing the Grade 1 training before taking on Grade 2 next week. There has been a noticeable increase in students biking and scootering to school over the past few weeks which is very positive. Thank you to Mrs Piercy who has co-ordinated this opportunity with the Let's Go team.



## **Hoops In Schools**

We also had players from The Airs basketball team come in to work with a group of students this week. Seeing the improvement in their skills will certainly pose a challenge for our staff in the Staff vs Students basketball game that the Student Leaders are organising for later this term.



	Looking Ahead						
	Monday 31 July	Tuesday 1 August	Wednesday 2 August	Thursday 3 August	Friday 4 August		
Week 3	8:00 Breakfast Club     Let's Go Cycle Skills –     Room 17	Let's Go Cycle Skills – Room 18	8:00 Breakfast Club     Let's Go Cycle Skills –     Room 19     2:00 Kapa Haka Group     practice	Intermediate     Technology     5:00 Board Meeting	<ul> <li>8:00 Breakfast Club</li> <li>9:00 New Entrants'         Transition Visit     </li> <li>Let's Go Cycle Skills –         Room 20     </li> <li>LEAD Conference</li> <li>2:00 Singing Assembly</li> </ul>		
	Monday 7 August	Tuesday 8 August	Wednesday 9 August	Thursday 10 August	Friday 11 August		
Week 4	8:00 Breakfast Club     Let's Go Cycle Skills –     Room 11	<ul> <li>Let's Go Cycle Skills – Room 12</li> <li>ICAS exam – Digital Technology</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>8:00 Breakfast Club</li> <li>Let's Go Cycle Skills – Room 13</li> <li>ICAS exam - Writing</li> <li>2:00 Kapa Haka Group practice</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Intermediate         Technology</li> <li>Let's Go Cycle Skills –         Room 14</li> <li>Juniors – Fire Fighter         Visit</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>8:00 Breakfast Club</li> <li>9.00 New Entrants' Transition Visit</li> <li>Principal for the Day winners take over</li> <li>2:00 Celebration Assembly</li> </ul>		

## **Arts Showcase**



Well done to everyone who auditioned for the Arts Showcase this week. We had a spectacular number of acts from all of our teams at school. We were amazed by the performances ranging from magic to music, dancing, gymnastics and poetry. The variety was impressive and well done to everyone who took the time to practice their act and perform on stage this week. All acts that will be in the Arts Showcase will be announced next week.

#### **Attendance**

	# of Students Attending Last Week	% of Students Attending Last Week	Potential Lost Learning Days per Year
Regular Attendance <b>90-100%</b>	337	77.83%	Up to <b>19</b> days
Irregular Absence <b>80-89%</b>	58	13.39%	Up to <b>38</b> days
Moderate Absence <b>70-79%</b>	4	0.92%	Up to <b>58</b> days
Chronic Absence <b>0-69%</b>	34	7.85%	Up to <b>193</b> days

## Children's Monster Book Sale

The Taranaki Toy Library is holding this year's Children's MONSTER Book Sale on Friday 15 and Saturday 16 September. On their behalf, we are collecting any good quality second hand children's books (suitable for ages 0-13). If you have any unwanted books that you wish to donate, please drop these off to the school office. Please do not include colouring-in or activity books unless they are in new condition. To find out more about this book sale, please browse the Taranaki Toy Library Facebook page under 'Children's Monster Book Sale'.

### **PTA News**

Our annual art calendar fundraiser is coming up. Students are busy working on some amazing art work which can be printed on calendars, notepads, cards, diaries or drink bottles. These make great Christmas gifts! Order forms will be coming home soon and art will be available for viewing in the classrooms before ordering.



## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**



