# BELL BLOCK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER #24 Friday 25 August 2023

Focus Value:
Responsibility Takohanga



School Goal:
Taking responsibility for your own learning

Week Six of the term saw the weather turn on two spectacular days for our Cross Country. It was great to see our students in action giving it their best even if it isn't their favourite school event. The Junior Team Cross Country was a running spectacle with all students from across the school out supporting and cheering on our youngest students as they took on their events. It has been wonderful to see so many of our families being able to attend school events over the last two weeks. We are a community school and really do value our families' support when they are able to attend events. The students certainly love having you there.

Our Intermediate sports teams participated in their Interschool Sports Competition in Hawera on Thursday and did a great job representing our school and our school motto — Kaha i ngā wā katoa. The netball team showed great team spirit amidst some exceptional talent. There were some very close games, losing by only 3 or 4 points but ultimately Bell Block School lost 3 games and drew 1 with Stratford. The rugby team showed immense tū māia against their opponents and kept a positive attitude for every game. It was a closely fought tournament at the football grounds where our team had 3 wins, a draw and a loss to narrowly miss making the final.

The Celebration Assembly closed out our week and another group of fantastic students were acknowledged for their hard work and for living the school values over the past two weeks. Well done to all the students who received awards at the assembly.

Jesse Franklin, Felix Rook, Joe Hargreaves, Tyler Gu, Olive Stephens, Sai Prasanth, Juvania Raigan, Harshad Gunnam, Regan Martin, Payton Rook, Jessica Grundling, Monique Paris, Luka Gowler, Ramaya Ram, Zara Khan, Tess Sanderson, Leila Turner, Musahib Haroon, Nico Newland, Zoe Trim, Eve Goldfinch, Fatih Muhammad Faris, Jake Sanderson, Amritraj Singh, AJ McDonald, Alex Hanover, Chloe Gacuma, Yuki Wada-Butcher, Harriet Stretton, Nikora Cassidy

Next week we have the beginning of the Life Education lessons with the ever popular Harold the Giraffe and the team from Life Education. All of our classes will visit the mobile classroom over the next three weeks for lessons selected by each of our teams.

|        | Looking Ahead  |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
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|        | Monday 28 August   | Tuesday 29 August  | Wednesday 30 August  | Thursday 31 August  | Friday 1 September   |  |  |  |
| Week 7 | <ul> <li>8:00 Breakfast Club</li> <li>Life Education bus</li> <li>Calendar art on display in classrooms</li> </ul> | <ul><li>Life Education bus</li><li>ICAS exam - Maths</li></ul> | <ul> <li>8:00 Breakfast Club</li> <li>Life Education bus</li> <li>Staff v Students<br/>basketball game</li> <li>2:00 Kapa Haka Group<br/>practice</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Intermediate         Technology – Rotation         3 begins</li> <li>Life Education bus</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>8:00 Breakfast Club</li> <li>9:00 New Entrants'         Transition Visit     </li> <li>Life Education bus</li> <li>Touch/Hockey/Cricket registrations close</li> <li>2:00 Singing Assembly</li> <li>Pioneer Village deadline</li> </ul>                             |  |  |  |
|        | Monday 4 September   | Tuesday 5 September  | Wednesday 6 September  | Thursday 7 September  | Friday 8 September   |  |  |  |
| Week 8 | <ul> <li>8:00 Breakfast Club</li> <li>Life Education bus</li> <li>Calendar art on display in classrooms</li> </ul> | Te Ao Māori Day  | 8:00 Breakfast Club     Te Ao Māori Day     2:00 Kapa Haka Group     practice  | Intermediate     Technology     Life Education bus     5:00 Board Meeting                                   | <ul> <li>8:00 Breakfast Club</li> <li>9:00 New Entrants'         Transition Visit     </li> <li>New Plymouth Cross         Country (9-11 yrs)     </li> <li>Life Education bus</li> <li>Calendar Art orders close</li> <li>2:00 Celebration         Assembly     </li> </ul> |  |  |  |

## **Cross Country Results**

| r | oss country Results       |                                     |                                      |  |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
|   | 5 year old boys – Race 1  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Ishaan Lijin        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dylan Franklin       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Rykah Northcott              |
|   | 5 year old boys – Race 2  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Ethan Blackett      | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Carter Walsh         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Felix Rook                   |
|   | 5 year old girls – Race 1 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sophie Chapman      | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Pranika Prasanth     | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ava Page                     |
|   | 5 year old girls – Race 2 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Maali Soffe         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lola Shaw            | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Leila Turner                 |
|   | 6 year old boys – Race 1  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Cian Marsh          | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Joe Hargreaves       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Novak Kendall                |
|   | 6 year old boys – Race 2  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Roman Payne         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lachlan Poole        | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tame White                   |
|   | 6 year old girls – Race 1 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Tess Sanderson      | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Franky Logie         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thea Parkinson               |
|   | 6 year old girls – Race 2 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Karam Kaur          | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mokshasri Setti      | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mela McGovern                |
|   | 7 year old boys (Y2)      | 1 <sup>st</sup> William Stretton    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fynn Chaloner        | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Arlo Rook                    |
|   | 7 year old girls (Y2)     | 1 <sup>st</sup> Salote Mauga        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Emily Collins        | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Lily Sweetingham             |
|   | 7 year old boys (Y3)      | 1 <sup>st</sup> Preston Adlam       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Leo Charlton         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Cory Franklin                |
|   | 7 year old girls (Y3)     | 1 <sup>st</sup> Ella Walsh          | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jessa Pollock        | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Taylor Reardon               |
|   | 8 year old boys           | 1 <sup>st</sup> Jake Sanderson      | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ziggy Harris         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sai Prasanth                 |
|   | 8 year old girls          | 1 <sup>st</sup> Edi Coster          | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Eve Goldfinch        | 3 <sup>rd</sup> =Mary Stephens & Chloe Green |
|   | 9 year old boys           | 1 <sup>st</sup> Jack Goldfinch      | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lewis Wipiiti-Boylan | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fergus Luke                  |
|   | 9 year old girls          | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sophie Stretton     | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Olivia Davis         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Emma Davis                   |
|   | 10 year old boys          | 1 <sup>st</sup> Reeve Coster        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ethan Shea           | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Harpa Young                  |
|   | 10 year old girls         | 1st Charlotte Russell               | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Natalie Watchorn     | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Evelyn Haw                   |
|   | 11 year old boys          | 1 <sup>st</sup> Flynn Pollock       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ty Hardgrave         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Kingsley Yang                |
|   | 11 year old girls         | 1 <sup>st</sup> Harriet Stretton    | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Chloe Bishop         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ruby Jeffries                |
|   | 12 year old boys          | 1 <sup>st</sup> Charlie Goldfinch   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Rimu Austin          | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Riley Davis                  |
|   | 12 year old girls         | 1 <sup>st</sup> Heera Lopinti       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Gemma Maltby         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Katey Peterson               |
|   | 13 year old boys          | 1 <sup>st</sup> Markko Ayling-Emeny | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Marley Norman        | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Leo Padrutt                  |
|   | 13 year old girls         | 1 <sup>st</sup> Hailey Duncan       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ocean Felstead       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Chloe Gacuma                 |
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#### **Attendance**

|                                 | # of Students Attending<br>Last Week | % of Students Attending<br>Last Week | Potential Lost Learning<br>Days per Year |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Regular Attendance 90-100%      | 271                                  | 62.16%                               | Up to <b>19</b> days                     |
| Irregular Absence <b>80-89%</b> | 73                                   | 16.74%                               | Up to <b>38</b> days                     |
| Moderate Absence <b>70-79%</b>  | 12                                   | 2.75%                                | Up to <b>58</b> days                     |
| Chronic Absence<br><b>0-69%</b> | 80                                   | 18.35%                               | Up to <b>193</b> days                    |

## **Term 4 Sports**

Registrations are now open for the following Term 4 school sports teams:

Touch – Years 1-8

Cricket – Years 1-8

Hockey - Years 3-6

Netball - Years 1-2

Registrations can be completed by visiting the school website www.bellblock.school.nz

Touch/Cricket/Hockey - Registrations close on FRIDAY 1 SEPTEMBER at 11.59pm Netball - Registrations close on FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER at 11.59pm

#### Netball

Year 1 and 2 netball registrations are open.

This is a great introduction to netball for our youngest players and the focus for this age group is on exploring netball. Games are played 4 aside on 1/3 court size. With a small team and small space to play, your child will have many opportunities to have their hands on the ball, increasing their involvement and fun. It allows players to catch, pass and shoot from day one – a programme designed just for them. Junior Co-Ordinators and Star Helpers are on court to guide and assist. There is no charge to participate. Please visit the school website for all information and to register www.bellblock.school.nz/netball

## **Player of the Day Trophies**

If you have a Player of the Day trophy at home, please return it to school as soon as possible.

#### **Yummy Stickers**



Please continue to save all your stickers or cut-out labels from Yummy apples to help us earn new sports gear for the school. We will start collecting in the completed sheets in two weeks, just before the end of the term. If you need extra sticker collection sheets, they are available to download from the school app under 'Documents' or can be collected from the office.

## Conrad Hailes Principal

#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**





