# BELL BLOCK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER #10 Thursday 5 April 2024

Focus Value: Respect - Whakaute



School Goal:

Make eye contact when talking to others

Despite this week being a short week, we have still managed to fit in a lot of action-packed learning experiences for our tamariki.

#### **Carving - Koruru**

Recently we have begun a small group carving project working alongside carving experts Dave Trinder and Morgan Watson. These carvers are responsible for our beautiful school waharoa and pou. In the carving sessions we are focusing on learning how to correctly use a chisel and mallet as well as different skills and techniques to create a variety of outcomes with woodwork. Our end goal is to create multiple koruru (mask) style carvings which will be added as features onto our Junior playground. We will also be creating two new patu that can be used within our Kapa Haka rōpu performances. In our most recent practice sessions, it has been great to see the enthusiasm our tamariki have, as well as the perseverance and patience they are showing with all of the new learning they are being exposed to.

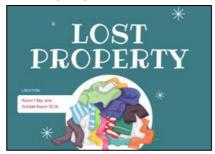


## **Road Patrol Volunteers**

We are looking for parent/caregiver volunteers to donate approximately 30 minutes of their time each week from Term 2 onwards to support our Year 6 tamariki out on Road Patrol. This would include helping our students collect their jackets, flags and signs; supervising them during the crossing period and helping them to return their equipment at the end. Our crossing operates from 8:25am – 8:55am and again from 2:55pm – 3:15pm. If you think this is something you could help with please email Emily Doelman (emily.doelman@bellblock.school.nz) or Courtney Goldsworthy (courtney.goldsworthy@bellblock.school.nz) as soon as possible to let us know your preferred day and time to help out.



#### **Lost Property**



As the mornings start off colder and finish on a warmer note, we have been noticing a lot of clothing being left around the school. At this time of term, we make an extra push to reunite lost property with its owners. Lost property will be out on display in the Room 1 bay on **Tuesday 9 April**. Classes will be taken through and parents are welcome to have a look and retrieve any misplaced property. Any items left at the end of term will be donated to charity. Before we begin Term 2, it would be great to check that your child's clothing is clearly labelled. This helps to ensure we can return belongings to the rightful owner sooner rather than later.

Looking Ahead					
	Monday 8 April	Tuesday 9 April	Wednesday 10 April	Thursday 11 April	Friday 12 April
Week 11	<ul> <li>8:00 Breakfast Club</li> <li>Immunisation catch ups Y7/8</li> <li>Hearing/Vision testing new entrants</li> <li>Vision testing Y7</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Lost property on display</li> <li>Intermediate Team Celebration @ pool</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pizza Day</li> <li>8:00 Breakfast Club</li> <li>9:00 New Entrants' Transition Visit</li> <li>Kids' Literacy Quiz</li> <li>2:00 Kapa Haka group practice</li> </ul>	Senior Team     Celebration	<ul> <li>8:00 Breakfast Club</li> <li>10:00 Celebration     Assembly</li> <li>Junior Team     Celebration</li> <li>Middle Team     Celebration</li> </ul>
					● LAST DAY OF TERM

#### Pizza Day

Pizza Day is this **Wednesday 10 April** to raise funds for the Student Council Legacy Project. If your child is absent that day and you have ordered pizza, please contact the office to make alternative arrangements.



#### **Hearing and Vision Testing**

Vision and hearing screening is completed by Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand Vision and Hearing Technicians at our school. The technician will be visiting our school on **Monday 8 April** to test eligible children for vision and/or hearing. Eligible children include:

- New Entrants Routine screening is completed for children who are new to school, and/or have not completed their B4 School Check and/or require further testing post B4 School Check.
- Year 7 students Routine vision screening is completed for all Year 7 students and Year 8 students who have not completed the Year 7 screening and/or students that require further testing.

If you have any queries or concerns, or do not wish for your child to have this screening done, please contact the school office.

## **Senior Camp Photos**

The Senior Team had a fantastic time at their three day camp at Vertical Horizon last week. Here are some photos of students participating in new activities, facing challenges and making new friends.

















## **Netball Umpire**

Our Year 8 netball team is looking for a registered umpire for their Saturday games. If you know a family member, ex-student, older sibling or friend with netball umpire experience, please contact the Team Manager Kirsty Geurts on 027 370 3348 as soon as possible. A koha will be provided for any assistance received.

#### **Ryan Hailes Memorial Scholarship**



Congratulations to **Tyler Gu** who is the Term 1 recipient of the Ryan Hailes Memorial Scholarship. Tyler has a passion for taekwondo and has currently achieved a green belt/blue tip in his most recent grading examination. Tyler has been selected to compete in competitions held in Tauranga, Auckland and Wellington. We are pleased to support Tyler in fulfilling his sporting dreams and wish him the best of luck with his taekwondo journey.



Applications for the Ryan Hailes Memorial Scholarship for Term 2 are now welcomed. The Scholarship recognises emerging young sports people who demonstrate excellence in their chosen sport. If you know a deserving recipient, please apply in writing by email to sport@bellblock.school.nz.

#### **Interschool Swimming**

It is always a great privilege to be able to host other schools for our Interschool Swimming Competition. This year has been another success! We congratulate all of the students who participated for their wonderful efforts, and I commend you on your sportsmanship. It was lovely to watch our tamariki celebrate, not only their own successes, but also the successes of others as well.

These events cannot run without the support of many people, so a huge thank you to Abby Piercy for all the work she has put in to ensure this event ran smoothly for everyone involved. Thank you to our staff members who chipped in to help keep time, organise swimmers into races and record scores (to name a few of the many jobs). Thank you also to the parents that were able to come along and support your child/ren. Your support means a lot!

Here are the results for the Bell Block School placegetters:

#### Year 6 Girls

25m Freestyle 1st Olivia Davis, 2nd Emma Davis 25m Backstroke 1st Emma Davis, 2nd Olivia Davis 25m Breaststroke 1st Olivia Davis, 2nd Emma Davis 50m Freestyle 1st Emma Davis, 2nd Olivia Davis

75m Medley 1<sup>st</sup> Emma Davis

#### Year 6 Boys

25m Freestyle 1st Reeve Coster, 2nd Jack Goldfinch 25m Backstroke 2nd Reeve Coster, 3rd Jack Goldfinch 25m Breaststroke 1st Reeve Coster, 3rd Jack Goldfinch 50m Freestyle 2nd Reeve Coster, 3rd Jack Goldfinch

75m Medley 1<sup>st</sup> Reeve Coster

#### **Year 7 Girls**

25m Backstroke 3<sup>rd</sup> Indie Mattock

#### Year 7 Boys

25m Freestyle 3<sup>rd</sup> Odyn Adlam 75m Medley 2<sup>nd</sup> Regan Martin

## Year 8 Girls

25m Freestyle 1<sup>st</sup> Lani Johnstone 25m Backstroke 1<sup>st</sup> Lani Johnstone 25m Breaststroke 2<sup>nd</sup> Lani Johnstone 50m Freestyle 1<sup>st</sup> Lani Johnstone 75m Medley 1<sup>st</sup> Lani Johnstone

## Year 8 Boys

25m Freestyle 1<sup>st</sup> Nikora Cassidy

25m Backstroke 1<sup>st</sup> Gwenith Genji, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nikora Cassidy

25m Breaststroke 2<sup>nd</sup> Nikora Cassidy 50m Freestyle 3<sup>rd</sup> Nikora Cassidy

### **School Relay**

1st Bell Block School

Courtney Goldsworthy Acting Principal



#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**







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RAINFOREST ADVENTURE



INGLEWOOD MINI PUTT



WHEELS DAY







FULL WEEK; \$255 FULL DAY; \$55 8:30am-5:30pm 8:30am-5:30pm 8:30am-5:30pm 8:30am-3:30pm 8:30am-3:30am-3:30pm 8:30am-3:30pm 8:30am-3:30pm 8:30am-3:30pm 8:30am-3:30am-3:30pm 8:30am-3:30pm 8:30am-3:30pm 8:30am-3:30am-









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