

BELL BLOCK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER #17
Friday 7 June 2024



Focus Value:
 Manaakitanga - Caring

School Goal:
 Care for others by being
 inclusive

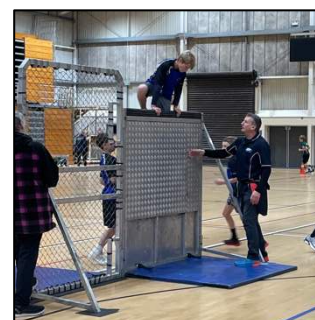
The highlight of the week was our first Community Open Afternoon. So many of the students, particularly across the Junior Team and Middle Team, were so excited waiting for their whānau to arrive that it made the afternoon a great lesson in patience. The students were so proud to show what they had been working on and learning so far this year and it was nice to see them being good hosts to their guests. We hope our families enjoyed seeing the learning and the spaces that their children use around the school. This event came about as a result of the community questionnaire that was completed last year by many of our whānau who were looking for more opportunities to find out about their child’s learning and to be involved in the life of the school a little more. The Open Afternoon is one of the events we have put in place to begin to develop our school from our community’s feedback. We are hoping to make the Open Afternoon a more regular event moving forward. Thank you to all the parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents and loved ones who were able to come. Keep an eye on the newsletters and the school website for information about the date for the next Open Afternoon.

Looking Ahead

	Monday 10 June	Tuesday 11 June	Wednesday 12 June	Thursday 13 June	Friday 14 June
Week 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8:00 Breakfast Club 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8:00 Breakfast Club ● 2:00 Kapa Haka group practice ● Life Education Bus ● Senior Movie Trip Rooms 11/12 ● Rippa Rugby Tournament Year 7/8 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Life Education Bus ● Senior Movie Trip Rooms 13/14 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Life Education Bus ● 10:15 Celebration Assembly
Week 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8:00 Breakfast Club ● Life Education Bus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8:00 Staff v Students Volleyball 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8:00 Breakfast Club ● 11:00 Senior Interschool Sports vs West End (Home) ● 12:30 Inglewood High School Open Day ● 2:00 Kapa Haka group practice ● Life Education Bus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Life Education Bus ● 5:00 Board Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Life Education Bus ● 10:15 Celebration Assembly ● Reports sent home

PCT Challenge

Today we have four teams of Intermediate students participating in the PCT Challenge. This challenge involves students completing the Police Competence Test in a timed event hosted by NZ Police simulating the test that sworn police officers are required to pass every two years. The challenge is a 14-part test which includes commando crawling, jumping through a window, climbing over a fence, scaling a wall and a 74kg ‘body’ drag. We wish them all the best and know they will enjoy the challenge.



Life Education



Next week we welcome the return of Harold the Giraffe and the Life Education team who will be at Bell Block School for the next couple of weeks. Each class will be visiting the mobile classroom for lessons on topics selected by each of our teams. The students look forward to these visits, especially the Year 8 students who have their last session with Harold.

Sports Team Photos

All school sports teams will have a team photo taken at school on **Monday 24 June**. Players in winter sports teams will need to bring their uniform to school on Monday 24 June for the purpose of the photo. If your child was part of a touch or cricket team in Term 1, they will be issued a uniform on the day for the photo. Photos will be available to view and purchase online with PhotoLife Studios.



High School Enrolments 2025

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 preferred 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 as scheduled:

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| • Inglewood High School | Wednesday 19 June | 12:30pm -2:30pm |
| • New Plymouth Boys' High School | Wednesday 31 July | 3:30pm - 6:00pm |
| • New Plymouth Girls' High School | Thursday 1 August | 3:30pm - 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 23 July |
| • New Plymouth Girls' High School | Tuesday 23 July |
| • Inglewood High School | Wednesday 24 July |

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

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| • New Plymouth Boys' High School | Tuesday 13 August | 9:00am - 11:30am |
| • New Plymouth Girls' High School | Tuesday 13 August | 9:00am - 11:30am |
| • Inglewood High School | Wednesday 21 August | 9:00am - 12:00pm |

Enrolment interviews for NPBHS and NPGHS are booked by caregivers online – information for booking and a prospectus will be forwarded to caregivers directly from the high schools early in Term 3. To book an enrolment interview with Inglewood High School please contact our office staff to reserve a time.

Caregivers are required to attend enrolment interviews with students, and must complete an enrolment application prior to the interview. If you are unable to attend enrolment interviews on the scheduled dates, please contact the high school directly to arrange an interview on an alternate day.

Conrad Hailes
Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Want to try a FREE After School Care session with Kelly Club Bell Block?

OSCAR PROGRAMME SUBSIDIES AVAILABLE!

Have a free session on us and see why other kids enjoy the fun & variety of our programme.

DID YOU KNOW? CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES INCREASED IN 2023!

3 EASY STEPS

- 1) Send an email to bellblock@kellyclub.co.nz with Free Session in the subject line and let us know which day you would like to come try us out. (Be in quick to secure the day you would prefer).
- 2) We will email you back a link to register (we need contact details for any children in our care).
- 3) Once you have registered online and confirmed your booking let us know which class your child is in and we will collect them from class and walk them over to Kelly Club for an exciting afternoon full of fun!

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- Free session is for one session only
- Your child must not have been to Kelly Club before or hasn't attended the programme since prior to 01Jan22.
- Emailing us prior and registering is essential

 **KELLY CLUB**

ReCharge

If it's your first time please get your parent or whānau to register them when they drop you off. Thanks again!

No charge, but a koha is appreciated

 **MOVIE NIGHT**

FRIDAY 7TH JUNE
6:00-8:00PM

@ NORTHPOINT BAPTIST CHURCH
116 MANGATI ROAD, BELL BLOCK

BRING SNACKS TO SHARE

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