

BELMONT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter 9 June 2011

TERM DATES 2011

Term 2 Mon 2 May to Fri 15 July

Term 3 Tue 2 Aug to Fri 7 Oct

Term 4 Tue 25 Oct to Thu 15 Dec

Principal's Comments

Dear Parents, Families and Friends of the School,

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible tomorrow for our International Assembly. This day has been a highlight of our school year for many years and it is a wonderful way to celebrate diversity, different cultures and food. Mrs Harvey has sent a notice home relating to costumes and international dishes for our shared lunch however I would also like to take this opportunity to say thank you for your support of your child in preparing something appropriate to wear and assisting with the finger food shared lunch. If you are a relatively new family to the school, can I suggest, if you have time, you come to assembly this Friday morning at 9.00am.

I also look forward to seeing some of you at our cross country event next Tuesday 14 June. The Year 1 & 2 children are running between 1pm -1.30pm, then from 1.30pm onwards the 8, 9 & 10/11 year old boys and girls race around the block. We might even have a teacher-parent race around the field for the Year 1 & 2 parents.

The following week, June 22, **all** Year 4, 5 & 6 children will be at a kiwisport rippa festival day. Ms Logan and Mr Thorne will be sending out letters soon regarding what to bring and costs for the bus.

On June 23 there will be the second cluster rippa/tackle tournament for selected children. Both events will be at Hato Petera College.

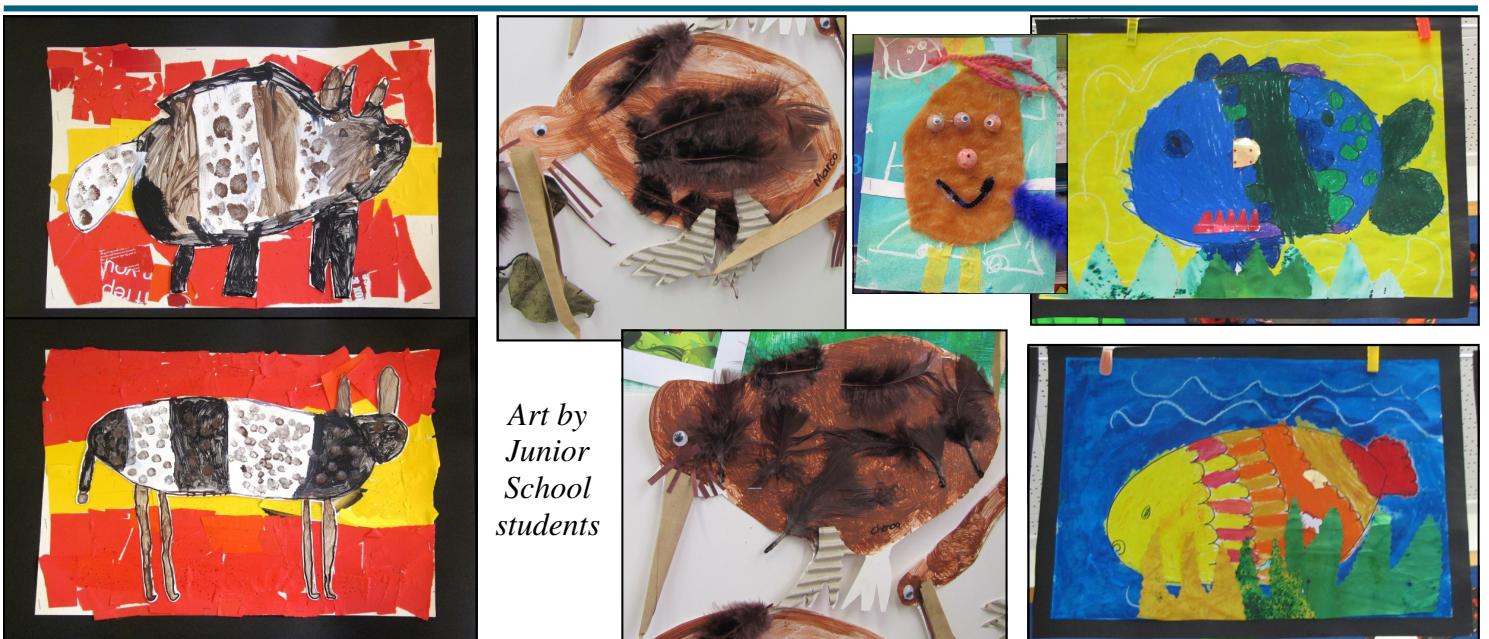
I would like to thank the many families who paid their school donations last month. This is very much appreciated.

If any more parents would like to be involved in assisting with road patrols after school could they please contact the office as soon as possible.

Finally, a big thank you to all the mums and dads I see regularly, and the phone calls or emails I receive giving feedback. This is appreciated and mostly affirming. I read out a letter at assembly last week from a member of the community regarding the superb learning and behaviour of our students. We are very fortunate to be working in a wonderful school community and our children do very well socially, academically and enjoy many extra curricula activities. However it is important that if we do not do something right, that may cause anxiety, that you let us know so we can hopefully rectify the situation for the child.

Bruce Cunningham

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*Art by
Junior
School
students*

Phones for Starship

We are collecting old mobile phones for the Starship's Air Ambulance Service fundraising campaign. The good news is that our school gets to benefit too.

Depending on how many phones our school collects, there are some exciting rewards we can claim, including interactive whiteboards, projectors, PCs, books, handycams, sports gear and cameras.

Please drop off the phones in the box at the office.

The Awesome Colgate Carton Race

Fantastic things are happening in our bid to win the \$10 000!!! Oliver Travers' dad has put a bottle of Pinot Noir up for the colleague who brings in the most boxes. Dominic Johnson has put a box in Foodtown asking customers to pop their Colgate boxes in and it is overflowing! The Navy are on board collecting for us. John Ashton from Devonport New World is being so supportive letting us have two weekends outside the store collecting boxes. Brody Kent has delivered hundreds of flyers in Glenfield and has a sign on his letterbox asking for neighbours to drop boxes in. Many other wonderfully creative ideas are happening. Thank you for all of your support...we are fluctuating between 2nd and 3rd place. Remember we only need to be in the Top Five.

Welcome students

Welcome to our new student Amelia Murch from Churton Park School, Wellington.

If you would like to see your newsletter online, email lesleyc@belmont.school.nz. Please advise the names of your children and their classes

Julie has a collection of keys that have been handed into the school office and not claimed. If you have lost keys in the past please see Julie.

Message from BIS

Would you be interested in joining the Belmont Intermediate School Board of Trustees? We will be electing two new board members this year so we're looking for parents who have children about to enter Belmont Intermediate and who would like to be involved. The board is also looking to co-opt extra board members with skills in finance, legal matters, human resources or property. Please contact RBarracough@xtra.co.nz or phone the board chairperson Rosemary Barracough on 489 7314.

Junior Kapa Haka

Due to staffing issues this group will start in Term 3 on a Monday lunchtime.

International Assembly

Tomorrow is our International Assembly which is always a wonderful occasion. We have many interesting items so come and join us if you are able.

Please have children who are in the parade dressed and ready in the hall by 8.45. Girls may use Room 5 to change and boys the library. All children have been asked to bring a small plate of food to be taken to the classroom.



See the Matariki decorations in the Junior Quad

Upcoming Events

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| Friday 10 June | International Assembly and International Lunch |
| Tuesday 14 June | School Cross Country |
| Wednesday 22 June | Kiwisport Ripa Festival Day for Years 4-6 |
| Friday 15 July | Reports go home |

Community Notices

We have a brochure display unit in the office area with a huge range of notices. Please pop into the office and have a look. Notices from: Bubbledome, Kidactive parties, Holiday fun, Swimsation, Helen O'Grady's Children's Drama Academy, Elite Group Training, Yoga at the Rose Centre, Music Education Centre, City Nippers surf lifesaving, Kumon Maths and English, Art classes after school, NZ Modern School of Music Ltd, Skids After School Care, Pita Pit order envelopes, Sushi order envelopes, in2it street games brochure, Learn to Surf brochure, Awataha Young Mariners, Wynton Rufer Soccer School, Takapuna Athletics Club, Harbourside Childcare Centre, Belmont Primary School Dads working bee, Kelly Sports.

Kumon is now open in Belmont! The Rose Centre, School Road. Tuesdays and Fridays. Contact your local Kumon Supervisor, Sylvia Wong, 09-410-2183 or 021-886-991 to enroll in our Maths and English programmes. For more information, please e-mail: kumonbelmont@gamil.com. or visit <http://nz.kumonglobal.com/>

KELLY SPORTS ARE BACK! This term we are coaching: HOCKEY, BASKETBALL/ NETBALL, RIPPER RUGBY AND SOCCER. www.kellysports.co.nz/takapuna.asp for enrolment form or contact Jeremy jeremyb@kellysports.co.nz or 09 443 0254/027 278 4254.

MID-WINTER MUSICAL CONCERT - Thursday June 23 from 7.30pm, held in St. Leonards Chapel at The Wilson Home Trust, Belmont. Acoustic guitar, LipsNZ singing group, Robyn Allen-Goudge on harp, barbershop quartets, string quartets, The Rose Centre singers, a little bit of jazz, and more. Mulled wine and refreshments available. Tickets \$15 call Diane Eaglesome (09) 485 3464 or email diane@wilsonhometrust.org.nz

TAKARUNGA PLAYCENTRE on Mt. Vic is pleased to offer you the **NEW VOUCHERCODE** discount book, valid from now to the 1st June 2012. It's cost effective, portable and has everyday specials local to your area that ensure you earn your money back, with over \$5,000 worth of family, home & garden savings in each book of 100 vouchers. **For just \$25** you will help the fundraising efforts for Takarunga Playcentre, as \$10 from every sale goes directly to them. To purchase a VOUCHERCODE book, please contact: Liz Brown on 550 5823 / 021 0220 4685 / lcannon73@yahoo.co.uk For more info www.vouchercode.co.nz

NS Hospice presents a lecture from Dr Kamal Karl "The Health Mantra - Maximising your Life Potential" on Thursday 23rd June, 7pm at Carmel College. Enquiries to Therese Russel 021 837 218, mail@prodel.co.nz, www.nshospice.co.nz