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Newsletter

Term 2 No.9

Principal's voice:

Kia Ora, Bonjour, Talofa, greetings to all,

What a busy time we have had over the last few weeks! And our finalé was our wonderful Matariki Kapa Haka Festival! How wonderful was that! Thank you to all the volunteers who cooked sausages, ironed costumes, served tea, dressed children and helped with KapaHaka, set up and cleaned up. What a great community day at Birkdale North!

A special thanks to Whaea Tui for working with all the children and Whaea Rhiannon for coming in each Monday morning to work with our junior tamariki. We were so proud of our tamariki!

Our sausage sizzle was so successful that I had to go and buy more sausages and bread! We made a profit of \$909.34! We then sold some of the left over cans with a small packet of chips on Wednesday to the students as an end of term treat and made another \$117.13.

What a fantastic effort!

A big thank you to Pak n Save at Wairau Road for donating 400 sausages!

Originally we had tagged this money to help to purchase our TVs but with the great response to the Read a thon we can use this money for some other resources needed. (We have already bought some new bibs for our netball teams and 4 new netballs).

We have decided that the next fundraiser will be to raise money for Kapa Haka uniforms. We were so proud of our students and feel it is time to upgrade our uniforms.

**Read A Thon**

The final total from our sponsors was \$4365! That is amazing and we have now ordered two 65" TVs on stands with sound bars, one for the hall and one for the Library. Thank you for the enormous effort made by everyone to make it a great week to encourage our children to read as well as help us to resource our school.

We were delighted to give our Read a Thon prizes out this week.

- Two book vouchers donated by Paper Plus Glenfield go to : Elias (most minutes - Senior) and Keziah (most minutes Junior)
- The water bottles, smart band and lollies donated by Ricoh go to: Lily- Belle (name pulled out of the draw for getting money in on time)

- Senior class game (donated by the Warehouse, Glenfield) goes to room 8
- Junior class game (donated by The Warehouse, Glenfield) goes to room 11
- The family prize, DVDs, lollies, speaker and coke (donated by Ricoh and The Warehouse) goes to the Goffinet family

Vistab electronic sign in/out

You may have noticed the new electronic tablet in the foyer to sign in and out. This is a great way for us to monitor who is coming in and out of our school, and for our children to sign in if they arrive late or if you have to collect children early for an appointment. It is a great support from a health and safety aspect should there be an evacuation of some sort in the school.

We have been very fortunate to have this unit sponsored by Barfoot and Thompson who have paid for the initial set up and are also covering the monthly cost for us. A big thank you to Emma Angelino (her child is in room 9) who works for Barfoot and Thompson and approached her branch manager Pete Taylor about sponsoring us. If you are able to support them in return that would be great.

Our Term 3 Concept

Our Term 3 Concept will be based around our environment, looking at reducing waste and the impacts we have on the environment. We hope to organise a visit to the Waste Management Station to help our children understand the enormity of environmental issues.

Reporting and Three-way conferencing

You will have noticed that the mid year report looks a little different. We have now got our reports linked through our Student Management System, Edge. This means ease of access for the teachers and a more aligned way of tracking data. It does mean that the template for the mid year report is different from previous reports. We will be working on the end of year report, which will look similar but will also include space for your child to add their comments.

We are gradually working towards three way conferencing rather than parent interviews. This gives the students the opportunity to share their growth as a learner. Three-way conferences take the form of a conversation between the student, their parents and their teacher. It helps students to accept accountability and responsibility for their progress and achievement, and demonstrates a growing understanding of their development as independent learners. Three way conferences will take place in Week 3 of next term, on Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th August. We will be setting up a booking system for appointments in week one.

Please be assured that we are more than happy to talk with you about your child's progress at any time. Although we report twice yearly in a written form and have a three way conference for discussing your child's learning, we are keen for you to share your knowledge of your child to ensure they have the best education. We know that education does not just start at 8:55am and stop at 3:00pm, but involves a partnership between home and school. We are all part of the development and progress of our tamariki.

We would love to know what you liked about the report and if you have any other suggestions, please go to the link below for our very quick survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CR6GT7D>

Have a wonderful and safe break.

Green Certificate winners



Well done to all our learners for the past four weeks.

Our first Gold certificate winners!



Upcoming Events

Term Dates 2019:

Term 2	29 April - 5 July
Term 3	22 July - 27 September
Term 4	14 October - 13 December

Public Holidays:

28 October	Labour Day
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Whats on:

3 July	Mid Year Reports home today
5 July	Term 2 ends - school finishes at 3pm
22 July	Term 3 starts - day 1, Term 3, 8.55am start
25 July	Board of Trustees monthly meeting
1 August	Rippa Tournament 2 of 3
6 August	3 way conferences
7 August	3 way conferences
14 August	Vision & Hearing testing
22 August	Board of Trustees monthly meeting

12 September Rippa Tournament 3 of 3
26 September Board of Trustees monthly meeting
27 September Term 3 ends - last day Term 3 3.00pm finish.

9 - 15 September Maori Language week

Junior Assembly every Friday Term time 11.30am
Senior Assembly every Friday Term time 12.15pm
Whole School Student Administration Assembly every Monday Term Time 9.00am to 9.30am

Public Health Nurses are available on 09 486 8996. Alternatively call Healthline on 0800 611 116 or visit www.health.govt.nz. The Public Health Nurses are able to help with providing things like nit treatment, action plans for students that have medical conditions and other general health queries.

School Dental service contact phone: 09 444 6160.

Hearing & Vision Technicians will be at BNS as part of the Hearing and Vision Screening Programme on 14 August from 9.30am. Children eligible to be tested include new entrants who have not had a B4 School Hearing & Vision test at Pre-school, children who need rescreening or were absent from previous testing and new children to the school who have not been tested in New Zealand.

The Walking School bus is up and running this term again. If you have any queries or need further information, please contact Mrs Singh.

Samosas for sale: Don't forget to order your Samosa to support the trip to New Caledonia. Detailed information below.

Samosas for sale

Fundraiser for school trip to
New Caledonia

10 SAMOSAS FOR \$20

MADE FRESH TO ORDER



Ideal for lunches, snacks dinner and parties

Butter Chicken
Lamb
Vegetable

HOW TO ORDER:

1. Online order form: (Preferred method)

<https://goo.gl/forms/d24qbYJfe5stow4p2>

Thank you for supporting this fundraiser

Other ways to support this fundraiser- email the flyer and the link to your friends, family and work colleagues

Many Thanks

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