

## Newsletter 2 -Term 1 -5 March 2020

Kia ora Parents and Whanau

Welcome to week 5. It is hard to believe that we are nearly half way through the term already. This week, I have spent time in classrooms and it has been great to see the children settling into school routines and immersing themselves in their learning.



A big focus for us all at the moment, is our **“Maui the Magnificent” production**, which goes on stage next week. The classes are working extremely hard in rehearsals and the show will be amazing! We are looking forward to seeing a good turn out of family and friends at all three shows next week. Previous information has come out about how to purchase tickets, and the timetable for the week (including rehearsals times at the theatre). This information is also included in this newsletter. If you have any questions, please contact your child’s teacher.

### Ministry of Education Donation Scheme

As I'm sure you are aware, Bellevue School has opted into the MoE School Donation Scheme this year. This means that the school receives \$150 per child of funding, in addition to the usual school funding sources. The purpose of this scheme is to reduce financial pressure on families.

Opting into the scheme means that the school cannot ask for money for anything curriculum related. Whereas in the past we have asked for money for school donations, trips, learning programmes such as Life Education, school production costs and extra classroom activities, under the new scheme, we will not be asking our community for these things.

The two things that we can ask our community for, under the scheme, are camp donations and the cost of materials for a project that has a take home component. For us at Bellevue School, paying for camp is a pressing concern. We can ask parents to pay for camp costs, but cannot exclude children from attending if families opt not to pay. Given that the school is now meeting the costs of all curriculum related expenditure, we cannot afford to run camps if our families do not pay. 2020 is our trial year; if our community is able and willing to pay for camp, it is something we will continue to run in the future, as we see it as an extremely valuable learning experience. However, if our community opt not to pay, we will not be able to hold camps in 2021 and beyond.

So, if at all possible, we ask that families of senior students pay our Bellevue School camp donation of \$120pp. This amount is subsidised by our hardworking PTA and through school-run fundraising. We are doing everything we can to ensure that the cost to whanau remains as low as possible.

If you would like further information about the MoE Donations Scheme, please follow the following link: <http://education.govt.nz/assets/Documents/School/donations/MOE-Donations-Scheme-Info-A3-FA-Web-2-DEC.PDF>

### **After School Care**

As you are aware, the YMVA programme is finishing at Bellevue School at the end of the term. This is due to unsustainable numbers enrolled in the programme on a regular basis. We appreciate that the YMCA has run the Bellevue programme at a financial loss for two years and understand their difficult decision to withdraw. We know though, that this decision is hard for our families who rely on the service. Enclosed in this newsletter are options for the after-school care as provided to us by other providers. I hope that families can arrange after-school care for children for term two and beyond, and am happy to be contacted if you have any questions, or need further information about any of the options.

### **Mark Francis –Tremain Real Estate**

Last week, I was visited by Mark and his wife Yvette who are huge supporters of Bellevue School. Mark presented us with a cheque for \$500 which was generated by the sale of a house in our area. If you work with Mark on a property sale, you can nominate our school to receive \$500 as a donation from Mark and the Tremain business. In this instance we appreciate one of our Montessori teachers and her family who sold their home and nominated our school. Thank you Karina Fry.



Thank you to all parents and whanau for your support with our production in the coming weeks.

Me te wa  
Whaea Melissa

## **COVID-19 Update:**

There has been three cases of COVID-19 is now confirmed in New Zealand, however the likelihood of a widespread outbreak is low-moderate.

The Ministry of Health's expert advisory group provides a list of countries or territories of concern on their website.

Anyone who has travelled from a country of area of concern, or who is a close contact of a confirmed case of COVID-19, and who has clinically compatible symptoms should be considered a suspected case of COVID-19 and testing performed.

**COVID-19 countries and areas of concern – Ministry of Health:** For COVID-19 health advice and information, contact Healthline (for free) on 0800 358 5453 or +64 9 358 5453 for international SIMS, or see the latest health advice on the Ministry of Health website.

Temporary restrictions on travel remain in place as a precautionary measure to protect against the spread of the novel coronavirus COVID-19. You can keep updated on travel restrictions and pertinent information for New Zealand Schools, through the New Zealand Immigration website:

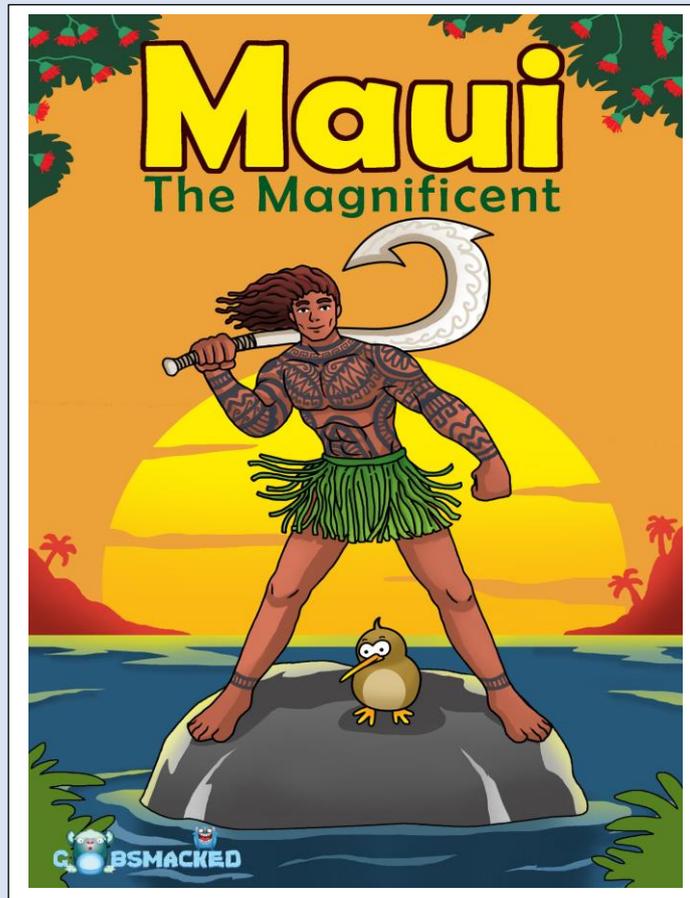
<https://www.immigration.govt.nz/about-us/media-centre/news-notifications/coronavirus-update-inz-response>

The Ministry of Education is working closely with the Ministry of Health to provide the most up to date information to the education sector, and caregivers and whānau of learners.

At Bellevue School, we are taking a pragmatic approach to responding to the virus and are following MoE advice. In the meantime, please talk with your children about being vigilant about washing their hands with soap and drying them thoroughly, before and after eating and after going to the toilet. Make sure that if they are coughing or sneezing, that they cover their nose/mouth with a tissue, handkerchief or with their elbow. If you, or anyone in your whanau experience symptoms, please contact your health professional.



# Not to be missed!



## **Bellevue School Gobsnacked Performance** Maui The Magnificent

Our students from Bellevue School have been working tirelessly to produce a spectacle not to be missed. We know you will be utterly Gobsnacked with what they have in store!

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Wed, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

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Thu, 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

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Thu, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

You can purchase tickets through Eventbrite

<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/bellevue-school-gobsnacked-maui-the-magnificent-tickets97885238383>

Tickets cost \$20.00 (plus a small booking fee)

We know that production week will be a tiring week for your children. If for some reason, your child is going to be late on Friday, or not attend school at all, please call the school's absence line, before school starts, so we have accurate information for our roll. This is a health and safety requirement. We appreciate you keeping us informed

## Dates to Remember.....

**Choir: Claire (Room 17) will be leading the school choir this year. In Term 1 we will be focusing on the whole school Gobsmaeked production - each class will participate in one of two choirs for *Maui the Magnificent*. Children will have the opportunity to join the school choir in term 2, preparing for various events throughout the year... More information will follow at the end of Term 1/beginning of Term 2.**

### Teacher Only Days

13th March 2020

2nd June 2020

17th August 2020

27th October 2020

### Senior Swimming sports

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March

Otumoetai Pools



### TERM DATES

#### 2020 Term Dates

Term 1- 03 Feb-09 April

Term 2- 28 April-03 July

Term 3- 20 July-25 Sept

Term 4- 12 Oct-16 Dec

## Bellevue School Gobsmaeked Performance

Maui The Magnificent

Starting Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>

Matinee and final show Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March

Cake stall next week – yummy home baking for sale in room 14 on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March, from morning tea onwards

## Funky fun day –Years 3 & 4

## Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 5 -notices to go out next week

## Senior Camp Fundraising

For the rest of this term, our senior team are trying their best to fundraise as much as possible for their camp coming up next Term. This helps keep the cost for parents and caregivers as low as possible. These are the following fundraisers happening at school and out in the community....

Every Friday lunch time till the end of the term

Juices are for Sale \$1.00 outside Room 2



Whittaker Chocolates are on sale – our seniors have taken boxes home with them and are already doing an amazing job selling!

Chocolate bars are \$2.00 per bar.



Cake stalls!

Yes that's right – cake stalls will be starting as of next Wednesday in Room 14

Yummy home baking will go on sale starting at morning tea onwards

There will be a cake stall one day a week over the next 3 weeks, notices will be sent out about this.



Thank you very much for your support



## **Junior Badminton Club**

(for students from Yr 5 through to Yr 8)

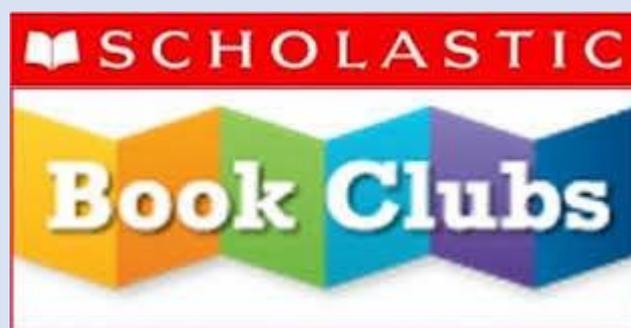
**Where: Tauranga Boys College School Gym**

**When: Tuesday's 6.00pm – 7.30pm**

**Starts March 3<sup>rd</sup> – runs through to end of Term 3 (term times only)**

**Cost: \$90 subscription or \$5 casual**

**Racquets available**



Flyers are not going to be handed out this term  
as there is a lot going on.

If you would like to order online as usual you still can.

Scholastic Book Fair will be on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Held in Room 14.



### Make a Splash

Our school pool is still open after school till end of this term

3-4pm Monday-Friday

\$1 entry

Please supervise your children

This is run by volunteers and no bad behavior will be tolerated.

School Hats still for sale on Kindo

All children will need to wear a hat in Term 4 & Term 1.

If they do not have a hat, children will be sent to a designated area under the shade.

Would you like to join us ....

Our next PTA monthly meeting will be held in the school staff room, on  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm

Raising funds for your child's school is worthwhile and rewarding.

You are welcome to join us to find out more about how the PTA works.

The money raised by the PTA benefits children at the school by providing them with resources, equipment and experiences, that the school might not otherwise have been able to afford.

You can contact the PTA directly on

[pta@bellevue.school.nz](mailto:pta@bellevue.school.nz)

## Absentees

Please call the office if the child in your care is going to be absent from school

Phone the Office on 07 576 5916, press Option 1, leave a message

Text the Absentee Officer on 027 379 6136

Send an email to [admin@bellevue.school.nz](mailto:admin@bellevue.school.nz)



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INTRO Special Early Start 8am-6pm \$35.00  
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 Trip fees extra as advertised

**No MASH Today**

Mon 13 Apr

Easter MONDAY

No MASH today due to the public holiday - so enjoy an extra day at home!

**Animal Park**

Tue 14 Apr

Animal Park

CHIPMUNKS Playland & Cafe

We're off to see and feed the animals at Marshalls Animal Park today! \$13 Trip Fee

**Around The World**

Wed 15 Apr

World

CHIPMUNKS Playland & Cafe

We're exploring loads of different amazing countries and cultures today. Think language, food, clothes- the world!

**Swimming**

Thu 16 Apr

CHIPMUNKS Playland & Cafe

Splash, Dive, Kick and Float! It's swim time! Be sure not to forget to pack your togs and a towel! \$5 Trip Fee

**Freaky Friday**

Fri 17 Apr

FREAKY FRIDAY

CHIPMUNKS Playland & Cafe

Topsy-turvy, inside out, spookiness- it's all things freaky today at MASH!

**Magical Monday**

Mon 20 Apr

CHIPMUNKS Playland & Cafe

Get your wands ready for today's magical day at MASH! You will even learn some tricks to go home and show your family!

**Swimming**

Tue 21 Apr

CHIPMUNKS Playland & Cafe

Splash, Dive, Kick and Float! It's swim time! Be sure not to forget to pack your togs and a towel! \$5 Trip Fee

**ANZAC Celebrations**

Wed 22 Apr

CHIPMUNKS Playland & Cafe

A day to remember and a day to be proud! We are going to be creating all things ANZAC, including baking poppy cookies.

**Event Cinema Movies**

Thu 23 Apr

CHIPMUNKS Playland & Cafe

We're off to check out the latest flick today at Event Cinemas. \$13 Trip Fee

**Awesome Autumn Party**

Fri 24 Apr

CHIPMUNKS Playland & Cafe

The leaves are falling, and we are partying! All things Autumn today for our MASH party. Don't forget to bring a plate for the shared lunch.

For more information, call 03 366 9408  
 or email [chipmunkstga@mashkids.co.nz](mailto:chipmunkstga@mashkids.co.nz)

Book now at [www.mashkids.co.nz](http://www.mashkids.co.nz)

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Kia ora Parents and Whanau,

Our students from Bellevue School have been working tirelessly to produce a spectacle not to be missed. It is remarkable to witness their level of progress in just two short weeks. We know you will be utterly Gobsmailed with what they have in store for you!

In show week we have a very busy and important timetable. We ask that you take note of the schedule below and support us with ensuring your child is at **EVERY** rehearsal and show. Please notify us immediately if for some urgent reason your child will not be able to attend, as we will need to re-arrange their class item. Please call us on 5765916, or contact the class teacher by email.

Hairspray and makeup will be provided for students on show nights and the matinee, however if parents are able to apply stage make-up to their child before they are dropped off at 6pm on Wednesday and Thursday night AND prior to school on Thursday morning that would speed up our process for application (and be hugely appreciated☺). Stage make-up involves: foundation, eyeliner, mascara, blush and lipstick (brown for boys). ALL girls must have their hair in a neat bun.

On Wednesday March 18 and Thursday March 19, 2020, please drop your child/children to Bethlehem Performing Arts Centre, 24 Elder Lane Bethlehem at **6pm**. Tickets are on sale now via Eventbrite website, look for **Bellevue School 'Maui the Magnificent'** The foyer will be open at 6pm for guests to buy limited door sales and programs. Parents will not be able to go backstage with their children.

It is important ALL students are dropped off at Bellevue School before 8:50am on the Thursday morning as well because they will be getting their professional photos taken at the theatre before the matinee performance at 12:00 midday. Please note that you cannot drop your child at Bethlehem Performing Arts Centre on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during the day due to the traffic coming in and out of Bethlehem College. Please drop your children at Bellevue School so we can transport them there using buses.

This year our students will be showcasing New Zealand's most famous Maori myth, '**Maui the Magnificent**'. It will be showing on **Wednesday, March 18 and Thursday, March 19** at the Bethlehem Performing Arts Centre. This highly anticipated event will commence at 7pm and is one not to be missed. Tickets are available on Eventbrite website:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/bellevue-school-gobsmailed-maui-the-magnificent-tickets-97885238383>

| <b>Date</b>  | <b>Event</b>   | <b>Time</b>      |
|--|--|------------------|
| Monday,<br>March 16, 2020<br><b>(AT BETHLEHEM<br/>PERFORMING<br/>ARTS CENTRE)</b>    | Rehearsal for main characters at BC  | 8:00am           |
|  | Buses leave from Bellevue School to go to Bethlehem College Performing Arts Centre   | 9:00am           |
|  | Full Rehearsal on stage  | 9:30 – 11:30am   |
|  | Full Rehearsal on stage  | 12:00 – 2:15     |
|  | Buses will bring students back to Bellevue School  | 2:20pm           |
| Tuesday,<br>March 17, 2020   | <b>SWIMMING SPORTS</b>   |                  |
| Wednesday,<br>March 18, 2020<br><b>(AT BETHLEHEM<br/>PERFORMING<br/>ARTS CENTRE)</b> | Buses leave from Bellevue School to go to Bethlehem College Performing Arts Centre   | 9:00am           |
|  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Dress Rehearsal on stage   | 9:45am – 11:45am |
|  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dress Rehearsal on stage   | 12:00 – 2:00pm   |
|  | Buses will bring students back to Bellevue School  | 2:20pm           |
|  | Drop off child at Bethlehem College hall and foyer will be open for guests to mingle   | 6:00pm           |
|  | <b>Opening Show</b>  | <b>7:00pm</b>    |
|  | Pick up child from Bethlehem College hall  | 8:30pm           |
| Thursday,<br>March 19, 2020<br><b>(AT BETHLEHEM<br/>PERFORMING<br/>ARTS CENTRE)</b>  | <b>Buses leave for the entire school from Bellevue School to go to BC Performing Arts Centre</b>                                       | 9:00am           |
|  | Professional Photos for everyone in FULL costume – class photos & viewing of last Bellevue School musical 'The Beetles' in the theatre | 9:45am           |
|  | <b>Matinee</b>   | 12:00 midday     |
|  | Drop off child at Bethlehem College hall and foyer will be open for guests to mingle   | 6:00pm           |
|  | <b>Closing Show</b>  | <b>7:00pm</b>    |
|  | Pick up child from BC hall   | 8:30pm           |

### A few reminders for Show Week:

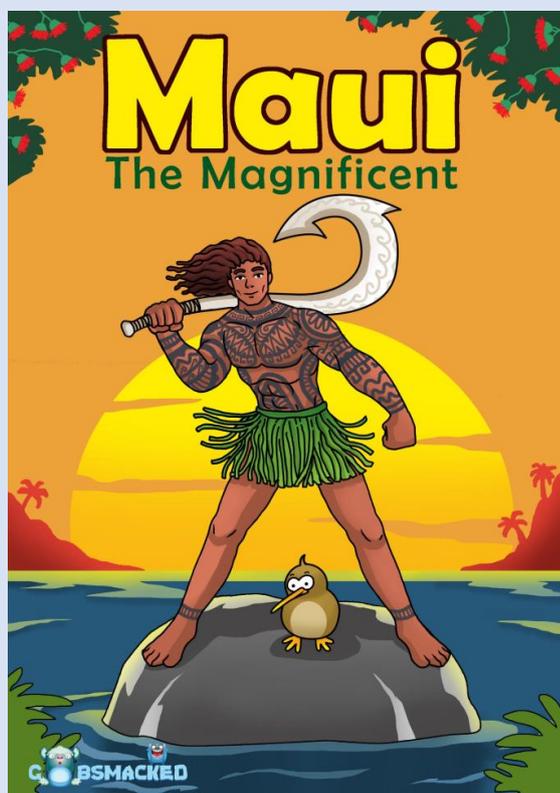
- Remember tickets are available for families, friends and the wider community so spread the word!
- Students will need morning tea, lunch and a drink for the 3 days at Bethlehem College (don't bring messy food eg. yoghurt, wet food etc)
- Costumes - All costumes for the musical are provided by Gobsmacked. However, we advise that ALL girls wear a **shoestring black singlet and black bike pants** underneath their costume so that everyone can get changed without a changing room. We also advise the boys to wear little black shorts if they feel self-conscious about getting changed in front of everyone. If they're a boy who is a Villager they must wear black shorts.

To receive regular updates regarding the progress of your child go to the Gobsmacked website, like them on Facebook, and follow Gobsmacked on Instagram. From here you will see pictures and video footage of students preparing for the musical. Updates are also seen on our school blog/website.

We are really looking forward to what is going to be a wonderful learning experience for our students.

Kind regards,

Melissa Nelson  
Principal





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