

Bailey Road School Newsletter: # 10.



Wednesday 9 April- 2014

Commissariat Road Safety:

As you are aware, Auckland Transport are working with Bailey Road School to make sure that our students get to and from school safely each day. The survey that we are asking our community to complete at present will give information to help this become a reality. Teachers have noticed that a few parents are crossing their children at Commissariat Rd rather than using the patrolled crossing opposite Gate 1 in Bailey Road. Please model the correct road safety rules for our children and use the crossing before and after school.

Rimu Team (Room 12) School Assembly:

Following on from the above, Auckland Transport will attend our whole school assembly this Friday and bring their mascot the Pukeko. They will talk to the students about road safety. Please come and join us if you are free.

Reading Together:

We MUST encourage our students to read in their spare time, read ALL kinds of texts, fiction, non-fiction, comics, magazines, e-books, pamphlets, the local newspaper, letters, the Warehouse / Countdown / Harvey Norman etc advertisements that come through the mail to broaden and strengthen their understanding.

Please take 5 - 10 minutes to read with your child(ren) EVERY day. You will be astounded as to the progress they will make in their reading at school after a term.

Our final Term 1 Reading Together session will be held next Wednesday evening in the library. We are now asking for names for the term 2 session. Contact Doriane Raman, your child's teacher or the school office if you would like to be a part of this great programme.

The expected dates for term 2 Reading Together are- (ALL WEDNESDAYS):

*14 May *28 May *11 June *25 June 2014

Auckland Mobile Library Bus Visits BRS:

At some stage in June or July we are expecting to close our library so that our 1.2 million dollar refurbishment programme can begin.

Our books will need to be boxed away for several months.

Our Deputy Principal Jody Hayes has been negotiating with the Panmure library for the Auckland Mobile Library Bus to visit Bailey Road School every 14 days during the lunch hour so that students (and the community) can have access to more books.

The Panmure library has been only too happy to oblige and the library bus will commence its fortnightly visits from xxx

The bus will park on the court outside of the hall during the lunch time.

If your child has a Auckland City library card they can begin using the library bus immediately.

You could join your child up to the library during the holidays or get a Registration Form from the bus when it first visits Bailey Road School.

See my [BLOG](#) this week about the importance of reading to your child's progress.

Travel-Wise Draw

Many thanks to the 60 families who took the time to fill in the Auckland Transport survey form. The draw was conducted by assigning a number to each form that was returned. A random number generator from the internet was then used to pick the 8 winning numbers. The winners are:

The Moses (Mikey, Yr 2), The Copes (Leroy, Yr 5), The Sanchezes (Jed, Yr 5 & Jarrett, Yr 7), The Pillays (Shivi, Yr 5), The Minhas (Jassica, Yr 4), The Maharaj (Amol, Yr 7 & Aastha, Yr 5), The Romanas (Talon, Yr 6 & Mystique, Yr 8), and The Osorios (Clarisse, Yr 4).

Sharing Shed Sylvia Park!

Many thanks go to the Sharing Shed Sylvia Park for their generous donation of hair colour sprays and gels for Whacky Hair Day.

Mrs Yesmeen Rassool:

After many years of wishing to be parents, Khalid and Yesmeen Rassool were able to adopt a 2month old baby girl last week. Yesmeen has taken 9 months maternity leave to bond with her baby, Maira and to enjoy being a family.

We are negotiating with teachers at present to continue Room 12 students education from 5 May. In the meantime our thanks are extended to Maria Papanui who will take the class through to the April holidays.



Upcoming Events:

- *BOT Meeting Monday 14 April - 6.30-8.30.p.m.
- * PTA Meeting Wed 16 April 7.00-8.00.p.m.
- *Term 1 ends 3.00.p.m. Thursday 17 April
- *Good Friday 18 April
- * Term 2 commences Monday 5 May at 8.50.a.m.

BOT Meeting:

Our BOT meets next Monday 14 April from 6.30.p.m. in the staffroom. The agenda will include:

*Progress towards raising Mathematical Achievement at BRS.

* Term 2 new Spelling Programme.

*Property Plans for the refurbishment of Bailey Road School.

*Staffing for Term 2

*ICT Review.

Walking School Bus: (Reminder)

We hope to have the Walking School Buses operating in Term 2. Initial draft ideas for the 'Bus Routes' are:

1. Panorama Rd to Penrose Rd to Bailey Rd
2. Aranui Rd to Commissariat Rd to Bailey Road
3. Barrack Rd to Ruawai Rd to Commissariat Rd to Bailey Rd.

At present we have only had interest from 3 parents wishing to operate Walking school buses.

PTA Meeting:

The PTA meets next Wednesday 16 April from 7.00-8.00p.m.

The agenda will include:

*Term 4 Tamaki Cultural Festival to be held at BRS.

*The Big Fat One film premiere to be held at BRS at the end of term 3 2014.

Come and join us. See what the PTA do and perhaps how you could help.

Rata Snippet:

A reminder that Rata students will be going on their Mission Bay trip as part of their Ocean Explorers unit on Friday the 11th of April. Please make sure your child is in the correct uniform, including hats. Lunches and water bottles will need to be packed because we will be having lunch at the beach. We will not be swimming so there is no need to pack swimming togs. If you are able to come as a parent helper, please let your child's teacher know.

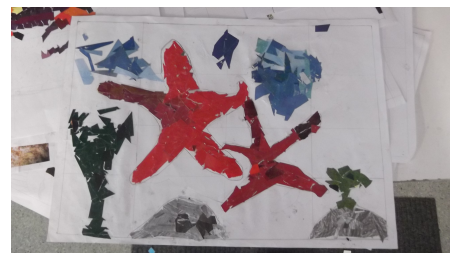
Karaka Snippet:



Here is a poster created by Supriya, Kajal and Naviya about Dr. Seuss. We learnt about how Ted Geisel grew up to be Dr. Seuss and how his name is actually pronounced "Zoice." The text reads: Dr. Seuss was born in Springfield, Massachusetts (USA). When he was little he feasted on books because he loved reading!

Kowhai Snippet:

Kowhai Team students are studying the seashore and the creatures and plants that live there. At the moment they are working on artwork, creating a collage using paper from magazines. They are choosing different shades of the same colour to show how the colours of their creature go from light to dark. This is one student's work in progress



Rimu Snippet:

Sausage Sizzle: The Rimu Team are selling Hella's Sausages on the final day of Term 1, Thursday 17 April for \$2.00 each to raise funds for their school camp in November. NO other lunch orders will be available.

If you would like to order a sausage in bread for your child(ren) please use the order form included in this newsletter.

In drama this term the Year 7 students have been looking at Anzac. We started by creating a cinquain about war.

Nations

Total destruction

Guns firing loudly

Countries unite to conquer

Defend the country you love

By Jarrett Sanchez