

Bailey Road School Newsletter: # 18.



TERM 2 Wednesday 11 June- 2014:

Walking School Bus:

We would like to commence a walking bus this term. If you walk to and from school with your child why not collect others on the way and be rewarded for the time and exercise. If you can help please leave your name at the office.

Student Learning Catch Ups.

The optional interviews held last week went well as teachers and parents 'checked in' about student progress. As a staff we are so focused upon each child making progress and achieving their potentials.

If you were not available last Thursday evening but would still like to have a chat with your child's teacher, please ring the school and Sonnie will organise any appointments.

If it is difficult for you to get to school we are happy to talk over the phone or even by text or email.

Teachers are completing Mid year Reports at present and these will be sent home on Thursday 3 July. These reports provide an indication as to how children are progressing against the National Standards 5 months out from the end of their school year.

Parent interviews then take place on Thursday 31 July from 3.15.p.m - 7.30.p.m.

Transport Safety.

I have received a few complaints again about parking along Bailey Road.

This time it is about parking upon the yellow lines. We are well aware that parking can be an issue especially at 2.45.p.m as parents try and find a space as close to school as possible.

Parents will be aware that safety is paramount and we would all feel dreadful if an accident was to occur. Therefore please follow the road rules and park in assigned areas.

The staff car park is NOT a 'pick up / drop off' area. Please do park and wait for your child or go to class and collect them.

The only time this is allowed is when you have come to collect a child when they are unwell or for an appointment.

Please ensure also that if you are transporting students in a car and they are under 148 centimetres that they are seated in a booster seat.

I am aware that a Police Transport Safety review will take place in our area in the next few weeks.

Please follow the rules and avoid being ticketed.

Rimu Team Disco:

Don't the students just love an opportunity to dress and up 'show their moves' on the dance floor!

Everyone seemed to have a good time at last week's Rimu Team Disco and many thanks are extended to the parents that attended and assisted the event.

Rooms 11,12,13 and 16 with your support were able to raise over \$1000 towards their end of year camp at Hunua.

Drum Lessons: (Years 4-8: Reminder)

Mrs Grainger has organised for the teaching of drum lessons after school. The cost is \$10.00 per hour for each session with students learning how to play the drums in pairs. If you would like to know more, or register your child, please leave your name at the school office and Mrs Grainger will ring you to assist.

Reading Together:

Our third session of Reading Together takes place TONIGHT from 5.00.p.m. in the Library.

Student Voice:

A real drive in modern classrooms is for students to do the majority of the talking. When I was at school we were told to sit down and listen to the teacher! This is not the way we learn best by simply 'absorbing' skills and knowledge. Students need to discuss, question and challenge their thinking in interactions with a buddy, a small group, the entire class and the teacher. By grappling with problems and situations, children's learning is more responsive and sure. Help your child develop their 'voice' by discussing the school day, and issues raised on the TV news together.

My BLOG:

This week's BLOG discusses the development of Student Voice in more depth and how you can help at home.

Up Coming Events.

*Friday 13 June -School Assembly hosted by Rata team. Our ukulele Group will perform.

*Bailey Road School's Got Talent. Monday 16 and Tuesday 17 June -Years 5-8 auditions. Wednesday 18 and Thursday 19 June Years 1-4 auditions at Lunchtime in the hall.

*Wednesday 18 June - PTA Meeting 7.00p.m. in the staffroom.

* Friday 20 June -Enviro School's team Waste Audit.

Science Road Show:

On Tuesday the 24th of June the year 5's, 6's, 7's and 8's will be attending the Science Roadshow. It will be hosted by One Tree Hill College, and the cost per student is \$12. We welcome parents with students in these year levels to join us for this exciting science experience.



Seniors Corner:

We've been experiencing some problems with students who have been playing near the puddles in the playground. They are also playing in Mr Talo's construction area. So we please ask with respect that you, encourage your children not to play close to these areas as they may get injured or dirty.



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Enrolment at One Tree Hill College: (IMPORTANT).

One Tree Hill College are implementing an enrolment scheme for 2015 to safeguard entry for students living within the zone. (The zone will be advertised once it is finalised.)

If you live within their zone your entry will be guaranteed. Nonetheless, the College is requesting that if you intend your Year 8 to attend next year, please enrol your child on either 12 or the 14 August.

If you live outside of the enrolment zone and again wish that your year 8 child attends OTHC in 2015, you MUST apply for a place by Wednesday 3 September. There are NO exceptions to this date.

More details will be supplied by the College as they come to hand and we will place all announcements in our newsletter.

KidsCan Breakfast Club:

Many many thanks are extended to the lovely parents and whanau who volunteer for our Breakfast Club on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. We have 50-60 children coming for breakfast on most days.

On Friday 13th June, some members of the NZ Herald Advertising team will be volunteering to help with the KidsCan breakfast. The reason why they are doing this is because they have recently been split into Houses and each house has chosen a charity to support and the advertising team has chosen KidsCan.

They would really love to see the great work KidsCan does for our kids and to

get involved. They look forward to meeting some of you on Friday and can't

wait to see how much you enjoy the work KidsCan does for Bailey Road School.

Many thanks is extended to Taiana Silinu'u for assisting with the arrangement of the visit.

Rata Snippet:

Kia ora! If you have any time to spare, it would be greatly appreciated if you could come and help put reading books away for the teachers in Jessop House (our Reading Resource Room). Come and visit our rooms and spend time reading with the children. The more reading mileage they get, the better they will get in Reading. Connection with our parents is very important in every child's education! Thank you very much.

On Friday we went to a disco. I bought a glow band. My favourite song was Let it Go. It was fun. I danced with Chelcee. I had a fun day.

Karaka Snippet:

Room 22 had lots of fun at our first hockey lesson yesterday and for most of us it was our very first time picking up a hockey stick! We learnt how to be safe by keeping our sticks on the ground and we also practised dribbling the ball. Some of us showed natural ability by controlling the ball and scoring a few goals. We can't wait for next week!

Kowhai Snippet:

Room 19 has a device called grid spy data installed in their classroom to track how much electricity we use. Looking at the given data we realise that we use far too much electricity. So a team of

way to investigate

and explore ways to reduce electricity not only at school but at home too.

So help us to successfully complete our investigations.

Rimu Snippet: Eastern Zone Sport

In the last 3 weeks our year 7 and 8 students have competed in soccer and rugby. The girls' soccer tournament was held at Madills Farm in Kohimarama and although our girls didn't win, they enjoyed their games thoroughly.

Both boys teams had their tournaments at Sacred Heart School, with both teams coming third.

The rugby tournament was held on Monday at Dunkirk Reserve in Panmure. Our U55kg and Open weight teams were both placed fourth.

Rimu Cake Bake Day

The Rimu Team would like to organise a cake Bake fundraising on Friday 27th June for their Camp.

We would really appreciate it if children in the Rimu team could donate a cake or any other home baked food for selling on the day.

Looking forward to your support.

For queries or suggestions please contact the school.