

Welcome Back to Term 4 2016:

Kia Ora Everyone, we are right back into another school term of learning and progress for our students. The focus for our Inquiry is 'What is a Scientist?'

Our students will be taught to observe and think like scientists as they are engaged in a series of experiments and discoveries. I am posting our major school events on my BLOG as well as sending home a hard copy to each family to keep everyone informed about important dates of interest to our community. I intend to continue this form of communication within the first week of each term henceforth.

Newsletter by Email:

If you are not receiving the newsletter by email and would like to please check with the office that we have your details.

Term 3 Key Point Indicators:

Our BOT monitors our progress against the targets that they set to improve our National Standard Achievements. Each Term this year, our teachers have maintained fabulous progress of students. We monitor our students against students in the Maungakiekie Electorate and the New Zealand National Standard Situation (Dec 2015).

Writing: Reading: Mathematics: The Percent of Students achieving National Standards:

	BR = Bailey Road			MNGK = Maungakiekie			NZ = New Zealand		
Classification	WRITING			READING			MATHEMATICS		
	BR	MNGK	N.Z	BR	MNGK	N.Z	BR	MNGK	N.Z
Maori	57.0%	51.4%	61.6%	58.5%	60.3%	68.8%	63.1%	55.5%	65.4%
Pasifika	66.4%	55.6%	60.6%	65.0%	60.5%	66.0%	68.3%	58.6%	63.3%
Boys	59.0%	51.8%	63.7%	71.4%	60.0%	73.9%	76.3%	62.3%	74.8%
Girls	67.4%	68.3%	79.4%	74.4%	71.3%	82.4%	76.5%	64.9%	76.4%
Overall	63.8%	59.8%	71.4%	73%	65.5%	78.0%	72.0%	63.6%	75.8%

Scholastic Book Club:

Please bring orders and payment to Mrs Ginders in the office. The last day for orders will be 25th October. Don't forget you can order through the LOOP website at

www.scholastic.co.nz

Bailey Road Gala Day- Saturday 29 October - 10.00am - 2.00pm.

I know you will all be getting ready for our first Gala in over a decade and are wishing to support your child's school.

To assist your enjoyment of the day and to prevent long waiting lines, we are pre-selling Bailey Road Tickets (Gala Dollars) from the school office as of Thursday 13 October. Each ticket will be worth 0.50 cents. Tickets can be purchased on the day from the cashier near the hall. Although EFTPOS will be available on the day, all purchases for stalls, games, white elephant (2nd hand items) or (bric a brac) food and drinks will be paid for by purchasing Bailey Road Tickets. Whanau can purchase \$10.00, \$20.00 or \$50.00 ticket amounts from the office.

We will place the purchased tickets in named bags and have them ready for you at the information tent on Saturday 29 October. Whanau may also wish to pre-purchase hangi tickets from the office as well. Hangi Meals cost \$15.00 each and include 3x Meats, Vegetables, Fried Bread and a Drink. Pre-purchases can be made at our school office before and after school up until Friday 28 October. There will also be water games at the gala, so children may wish to bring togs/towels or a change of clothes. If any parents are available to help out on the day, please leave your details with the school office. We still need several helpers to run stalls and events.

Lateness / Absentees:

Please remember to either phone the school and leave a message if your child/ren is/are going to be absent or late. You can also text the school on 0211637876. This is for the safety of your child/ren.

School Disco Fundraiser for the Rimu Team Camp

On Friday the 21st of October the student leaders will be hosting a school-wide disco.

Rata - 9.45am - 10.30am Karaka - 10.45-11.30am
Kowhai - 11.30-12.30pm Rimu - 1.15 - 2.45pm

The cost is \$2.00. The \$2.00 allows for entry and mufti. Ice blocks will be sold at a cost of \$1.00 and glow bands will also be sold for \$1.00.

Thanks for your support, BRS Student Leaders.

Labour Day Holiday-Monday 24 October 2016:

Staffing for Term 4::

We welcome Michelle Smith into Room 10 for the next two weeks whilst we await Mrs Batmini Dass's return from overseas. Mr Darren Slade moves into Room 11 for the term.

We have advertised all of our vacancies and have employed 3 new teachers for 2017.

I will keep you up to date of all of the appointments and changes towards the end of the term. Mrs Preba Moodley will commence another New Entrant Class in Room 9 this term as she moves towards full time employment. Ms Joyce will move her 'Room 9 Year 3 - 4 students' into Room 21 for the term. We have had to do this to allow these new 5 year olds to have easy access to toilets.

Thank You:

I loved all of the positive comments about last term's Cultural Festival that were posted on FaceBook. Such a show revolves around the skills and generosity of many people. We would all like to thank the following for their major contributions to this year's show:

Tui Kini (Lolo & Talei's mum , dad & grandparents) Angus Grainger, Edgewater College, VistaPrint, Edwards Sound and Lighting, Renee Curd and Tracey Patana for helping the Senior Bollywood Group with make-up and our wonderful teachers aides for helping with costumes and student preparations.

New Orchard Planting:

This Thursday 13 October, we are fortunate to have APEX Staff on site to plant a new orchard for our school behind Rooms 4-6.

We hope to be providing our students with fresh fruit in 2017.

Positive Behaviour for Learning Awards -Term 3.

Congratulations are extended to the following students for achieving Silver Badges:

Marama Robin, Costello Yaung, Harlem-Isley Winterburn, Talei Waqasokolala, Aries Ng-Shiu, Laumanu Lavulavu, Charlize Chan, Emily Grant, DeAngelo Crawley, Calum Richardson, Costa Arnold, Mya Tabobo, Yamanaia Rairoa, Jesse-Paul Ngatai, Martin Nengomasha, Richard Cameron, Shanmuka Goli, Jayden Guptill, Arav Gounder, Cordejah Misipeka.

Silver Badges: Rovy-Jane Bajenting, Zafirah Ali and Piripi Dunnet.



After School Golf Lessons:-Years 4-6 ONLY.

SNAG Golf - Starting New At Golf lessons commence on our school courts NEXT Wednesday 19 October from 3.00 - 4.00pm. The lessons are free and run for 6 weeks. Please register on line at www.kellysports.co.nz

Daylight Saving- Hats to be worn:

A reminder that after Labour Weekend (24 October) students must wear an approved Bailey Road School hat when outside. If children do not have hats they will need to stay in the shade for protection from the sun.

Rata Team Snippet:

Welcome back to school. We are looking forward to our 'What is a Scientist?' hook in on Friday from 11.15 - 12.30. It will be great to see whanau there.

The sun is starting to shine so please start wearing sunscreen in the morning and bringing hats to school.

Karaka Team Snippet:

The children from Karaka have had a great start to the term already. All the children were quick to settle into their learning on Monday and we have got something exciting things planned for them this term. This week we have got our "Hook In" for our new inquiry - What is a scientist? Be sure to ask you children what they got up to!

Kowhai Team Snippet:

What is Scientist?

The Kowhai students are really interested to find out what is scientist. Well that is exactly what we will inquire this term. Mr Crump will fascinate the students on Friday with his amazing experiments. Join us with our hookin activities between 11 to 12 noon on Friday.

Rimu Snippet:

Term 4 focus for Technology. Our students will be learning about Science and Technology and how this links with Maths as well. The learning will link in with the whole school inquiry topic - "What is a Scientist?". Students will design outcomes related to Biotechnology.

Library Books:

We still have a large number of unreturned books. Please continue to look around home for them, and have your child/ren return them to the library for other students to enjoy.