

Bailey Road School Newsletter: # 14.



TERM 2 Wednesday 21 May- 2014:

Health & Physical Education Survey:

Every 18 months the Ministry of Education requests that schools survey their communities about the teaching of Health and P.E. Our last Survey took place in 2012 and we are seeking your views about what we should be covering in our Health Programmes. We would really like to receive as many surveys as possible so we are offering a chocolate fish to each member of your family once you return your survey. It should take less than 10 minutes to complete. Please return all surveys to school by Friday 30 May. Thanks for your help.

BOT Meeting:

Our Board of Trustees meets next Monday 26 May from 6.30.p.m. The agenda if you would like to attend will include:

*George Gavet from the Ministry of Education who joins the BOT to discuss 'How our teachers could be Culturally Responsive to Pasifika.

*A report on the teaching of Social Sciences at BRS.

*The progress of the building of Child's Time Penrose Early Childhood Centre.

*The staff's Professional Development in the teaching of Mathematics.

*An update upon developing a one on one i-pad teaching programme for Year 7-8's from 2015.

PTA Meeting:

Our PTA will meet tonight -Wednesday 21 May from 7.00 - 8.00.p.m. The agenda will include:

*Fund-raising activities for Term 2

*Term 4 Tamaki Schools' Cultural Festival.

Come and join us and see what happens at our meetings.

Free Basic Dental Treatment for selected Adults (18+ Years)

The KidsCan Lumino Dentists Day will take place on Saturday 14 June at 54 Main Highway Ellerslie for low-income families that would otherwise not have the opportunity to see a dentist.

If you would like to be considered for this free treatment (for extractions, pain relief, fillings, cleaning, basic exam / x-rays) please see Sonnie in the office for the appointment instructions.

Mathematics Information Evening: Tuesday 27 May 6.00-7.30.p.m. Come and Join us.

You are warmly invited to an Information Evening about Mathematics. This is an opportunity for you to find out about what and how your child(ren) learn Mathematics.

Food and drinks are available from 5.30.p.m. Bailey Road School staff will provide you with a 'raffle ticket' as you arrive for the draws that will take place during the evening. You will also receive a Maths take home pack of games, activities and information that you can use with your family. Child minding is organised in the library.

We have arranged 6 activities using our teachers and students so that you can observe and then question how we teach maths in our classrooms. We have arranged the activities into two levels Years 1-4 and Years 5-8. The tables are arranged side by side so that you can see how the following are taught at the various levels.

1. Solving maths problems in a variety of ways.
2. Mathematics from the Supermarket.
3. How we teach Fractions.
4. Musical Algebra.
5. How Mathematics is all around us and evident in each culture.
6. Building Mathematical Vocabulary.

See my BLOG for more information about Maths Strategy levels.

Term 2 2014:

*Fri 30 May -Karaka Assembly 2.15-2.45.p.m.

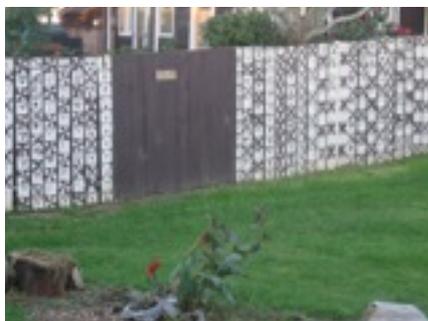
*Mon 2 June Queen's Birthday Holiday.

Weka House (Reminder.)

A reminder that members of Weka / Red House are allowed to wear mufti as long it is mostly red to school on Friday to celebrate their Term 1 success as being the house to accumulate the most points.

All Weka / Red House members will also receive an ice block at lunchtime to further congratulate their win.

Which house will win in Term 2?



Breakfast Club Term 2: (Reminder)

We are requesting parents to assist with the Breakfast Club in Term 2. Please leave your name at the office (579-4619) if you can give the school an hour on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays.

Many thanks is extended to laJane Anae, Eun Mi- Rm 16's mum for volunteering to run the Friday sessions.

Reading Together:

Doriane Raman and iris Neighbours supported by Jean D'Souza, Rachel Stiers and Olive Dolan-Robson recommenced their Reading Together sessions last Wednesday. The next session will run on Wednesday 28 May from 5.30p.m. and every Wednesday fortnight thereafter.

Feel free to join us in the library.

Whanau Meeting:

Next Thursday 29 May from 6.00.p.m. We will be holding our termly Whanau Meeting in the staffroom. Food and drinks are available from 5.30.p.m.

The agenda will cover:

*Our Building Programme and our attempts to include the Maori Culture in the design and school environment.

*Maori Literacy Achievement.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Rata Snippet:

The children from Room 5, 6 and 7 had a great trip to the Stardome at the Observatory last Friday. Rooms 2,3 and 8 are looking forward to their trip on Wednesday May 28th. Please remember that we may arrive back at school slightly later than 2.45.

We will be having a Rata assembly at 12.00 this Thursday May 21st. All are welcome to attend.

Karaka Snippet:

Here are Peter, Vavega, Jasneem and Emily-Rose performing the play "The Ant and the Grasshoppers" in class. They worked very hard to memorise their lines and to use expression and actions to show what the characters were saying and doing. Well done you



four!

If your child is doing a play at school, make sure you help them to learn their lines as it is great for them to perform without needing a book in their hands to remember their lines!

Kowhai Snippet:

Parent Helper for Kowhai Gardens

Thanks to Bridjot Arnold-Comer who volunteers to spend a few hours of her valuable time to work in the Kowhai gardens each week. We would love to see more of our parents coming in to help us.



Rimu Snippet:

Room 13 has been learning about clouds. We did an experiment where we made a cloud in a jar. It looked really interesting when we took the lid off and the cloud started to float out. It disappeared very quickly though. We also researched different types of clouds, what they look like, where in the atmosphere they are found and what they do.

Some of us have even tried to make different shaped clouds using cotton wool. Ask us to name the different types of clouds in the sky.

