

13th -17th May 2013

Talofa Lava, Malo e leilei

Student Lead Conferences:

The staff at Bailey Road School work extremely hard to deliver the best education to our students as is possible.

Teachers place a huge amount of hours into their jobs, some arriving around 7.00.a.m. other not leaving school before 6.00.p.m.

They are constantly involved in on-going Professional Development and extra study outside of school hours to benefit teaching and learning.

They take their personal time to make resources, organise events and special activities to prosper their student's experiences.

They agonise when students do not achieve at expected standards and frequently change their groupings and programmes to try to maximise learning.

It therefore upsets me when some members of our community are not supporting their children's learning.

Last night we only had **188/412** students at Bailey Road School represented by whanau at last night's Student Lead Conferences.

We cannot do it alone! Education is a partnership!

We must work with our parents. We need to communicate gains made, the next steps in learning and ways in which you can help at home to ensure your child's learning is progressive and sure.

Huge thanks to those parents who made the time to support their children in their learning towards the National Standards by attending last evening. This is appreciated by all of the staff because we are strong believers in the adage

'It takes a village to raise a child.'

BUT it's not too late! Teachers are available to chat with you about your child's progress. Please make an appointment to see a teacher as we are all involved in many meetings before and after school but, we will find time that suits everyone.

Also if you have any suggestions that might improve how we can run student lead conferences better, please make contact with your child's teacher, Diane Facon or myself.

We will be only too eager to listen and try to accommodate your ideas.

Education Review Office Visit.

You will remember that BRS received its scheduled 3 Year Review during Term 1 2013.

ERO have released their findings of the school and it is a very positive report.

You will be able to read the full report on our website www.baileyrad.school.nz and on the ERO website www.ero.auckland.govt.nz

On Monday 27 May when the report becomes a public document.

Please see the ERO insert page contained in this newsletter.

WOW!

Attendees at Friday's assembly were treated to a wonderful array of student performances.

Kowahi syndicate presented great examples of their writing from Ayan Tangapa, Sadie Roi. Phoenix Jorgensen and Wamiq Sohail.

Mrs Grainger introduced the school to NZ Music Month by leading them in a song called Paradise by Wai-Marie Smith which won the NZ Music month competition for song writing.

Mr Tupou-Vea and Ephraim Matafai then combined in a duo to sing The Prayer.

Well done to all participants.

We invite community members to our next whole school assembly on Friday 24 May when the Karaka Syndicate will be our hosts.

Term 2 Up Coming -Events:

Wk	Date	Event
2	Wed 15 May	PTA meeting at 7.00.p.m.
2	Thu 16 May	Nominations For BOT close at 12.00.p.m.
3	Fri 24 May	Karaka Syndicate Assembly 2.15.p.m.
4	Mon 27 May	BOT Meeting at 7.00.p.m.
4	Mon 27 May	Life Education Caravan at BRS
5	Mon 3 June	Queen's Birthday Holiday
5	Fri 7 June	Rata Syndicate Assembly 2.15.p.m.

Board Games:

The Staff is trying to increase our class supplies of 'Wet Day Games.'

During those intervals that prevent students from venturing outside, we want to provide students with a range of special activities to keep them positively occupied.

Do you have any unwanted board games, Snakes and Ladders, Ludo, Guess Who, Boggle, Lego, Blocks, plastic animals etc. that our students might enjoy playing with across the school 5-13 year olds?

Please bring them to the school office if you have anything going spare.

Main Entrance:

Whanau are reminded that the main entrance car-park is reserved for staff and school visitors.

For the safety of our students we do not want cars driving in and uplifting students.

The front gate will now be closed from 2.30-3.00.p.m daily.

Enviro-Schools Development:
(Reminder)

The BRS Enviro team has plans for adding works of art to the student's playground over the next two terms.

Can you help? We need donations of paint both oil-based and acrylic and a range of colours to achieve this goal.

Of great use to us are Countdown or New World dockets that offer a two for one Resene test pot deal.

The dockets and paint pots can be delivered to your child's teacher and House points will be awarded for each donation.

PTA Meeting:

Our PTA meets tonight Wednesday 15 May from 7.00.p.m. in the Teacher's Workroom.

Please read the enclosed flyer of the agenda for tonight's meeting. Chairperson. Sheree Crump-Leys
Email: sheree@gridspy.com

Board of Trustees Elections. Reminder

Nominations are open for those wishing to stand on the 2013-2016 Bailey Road BOT.

Nominations close tomorrow Thursday 16 May at 12.00.p.m.

Nomination forms are available from the school office.

Volcanic Eruption and Ash fall Procedures: (reminder)

Each child must have a named 750ml bottle of water brought to school.

Please feel free to reuse a plastic soft-drink bottle refilled with tap water.

Water bottles are to be handed to classroom teachers.

Gladiators of Change: (reminder)

Promoting Positive Parenting hosted by Tofiga Fepulea'i. supported by guest speakers, a live band, spot prizes and a free sausage sizzle.

The women only evening takes place tonight Wed 15 May. At Otahuhu College Hall in Mangere Rd.

For more information please phone Anglican trust for Woman and Children (ATWC) on 276-3729.

Happy Birthday:

The following students have either had or are going to celebrate their birthday this week.

Congratulations we hope that you enjoy/ed your special day.

Lile LAVULAVU Rm18

Teuila LEMOE Rm21

Isaac CAMERON Rm18

Vienna ALAPAE Rm07

Amy KHAN Rm11

Villiami MA'ASI Rm07

Tu'inukue'a MA'ASI Rm08

Ana FITIKEFU Rm07

Life Education Trust Visit

The caravan will be visiting our school during Week 4, 5 and 6 of this term. All classes will have sessions in the caravan. The cost is \$5 per child. Topics that will be covered:

Year 1-2 VIP (Self Esteem Strand). Focus: What makes us special and unique? What we need to keep happy, healthy and safe?

Year 3-4 I'm Different (Self Esteem Strand) Focus: The importance of celebrating uniqueness in ourselves and others. There are many things that make us special and unique, especially our personalities.

Year 5-6 It's Great To Be Me (Self Esteem Strand) Focus: Our personalities make us unique. We must accept responsibility for the choices we make.

Year 7-8 From The Shadows (Substances Strand) Focus: Drug use has an impact on the user themselves and other people around them. We need to be kind to others particularly as we cope with our changing bodies and feelings.

There will be a parent session for the Year 7 and 8 parents on the 27 of May from 8:30 to 9:30. Any questions will be answered. Parents will be able to visit the caravan as well. A letter with more

information accompanies this week's newsletter.

Karaka Syndicate Snippet:

Students in Karaka Team (Year 3 and 4) will be visiting the Te Tuhi Arts Centre in Pakuranga for a workshop on Creative Stories. Students will learn about the different ways a story can be told. They will explore their own chosen story through role play and will create their own poster.

When: 27 and 28 June 2013

Time: Two sessions a day (9:45 – 11:30 am) and (12:15 – 2:00pm)

Cost: \$6

Parent Help: 3 helpers needed per class.

Kowhai Syndicate Snippet:

The school holidays was a very relaxing time for me because I got to sleep longer and take small naps. I also watched a few movies, but I mostly played games on my I-pad and watched some of my favourite television programmes. My family and I visited a family friend in the north shore, which I couldn't have done if I wasn't on a school holiday.

By: Ayen Tangapa

School holidays was a relaxing time for me. There was no rush. I had some late nights watching movies and got to sleep longer than usual. I helped mum in the gardens. These are the things I couldn't have done if I wasn't on a school holiday.

By: Sadie Roi

Rimu Syndicate Snippet:

A reminder that the Rimu team are still collecting articles for the trash to fashion show. If you have anything that you think will be of use please send to the office asap.

Absent / Late Arrivals

When ringing in please remember to state the class and reason that your child is absent / or late.

Regards

Jim Stafford-Bush