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## NEWSLETTER

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## OUR VISION

To provide in partnership with home and community the educational opportunities for all pupils to develop into life long learners who actively contribute to society in a positive way.



**22ND MARCH 2017**.....  
Kia ora koutou, jumreap sooa, magándang hapon, nĩn hão, hello.

We have welcomed a number of new children into Room 1 this term, some of whom we weren’t aware of when we planned the classes for this year. To ensure we maintain a healthy pupil / teacher ratio the second new entrant class will open in Room 2 in Term 2. Miss Siān Evans has been appointed to the position. Siān is a very experienced junior teacher who has been a syndicate leader in a large school for Year 0/1 and is a trained Reading Recovery teacher. Other strengths of Siān’s are maths, music and filmmaking. Until Siān is able to take up the position in week 2 of next term, Mrs Bayly will teach full time with Mrs Knuckey in Room 1, for the remainder of this term, team teaching and taking groups.

**SCHOOL PHOTOS**.....  
A reminder that School Photos will be taken TOMORROW Thursday 23 March. You should already have received an envelope with which to order photos. Sibling photos must be ordered in a separate envelope which is available at the office by request. THE DEADLINE FOR PHOTO ORDERS IS TODAY.

**MEET THE LEADERS**.....  
Hi! My name is Penny Hambling! I am SUPER excited to be a Piwaiwaka Whanau Leader for the first half of 2017! My goal is to make school a happy place to come to for everyone. I will work hard for the school, and make my last year at Bell Block School one to remember.



**FROM THE MIDDLE TEAM**.....  
All of the Middle Team teachers are super proud of all the children who participated in the school Swimming Sports on Friday. Children who took part in the width races had a focus on showcasing their abilities rather than gaining a placing. The children who swam lengths were the finalists from heats that we had done during our swimming sessions and were given placings on the day. Well done to Room 12 who won the Middle Team Class Relay. This week we will be preparing our children for the School Triathlon where they can compete as an individual or as a team. Recently all of our Middle Team classes had 3 cricket sessions. Through these sessions the children enjoyed learning skills, in particular holding a cricket bat correctly and striking the ball in different ways. Ask your child to show you a skill they learnt from these sessions.

**PTA NEWS**.....  
It’s almost been three weeks since we had our Twilight Gala. What a ride it has been. We had our PTA meeting last week and we are very excited to let you know that we made a profit of \$12,500 to go towards to the PE Shed. Thank you all once again for making this happen. What an amazing outcome! We have already started planning for Term 2. Anderson Pies is on the agenda - how cool is that! More to follow in the next few weeks. Watch this space!  
Our next meeting (with cheese and wine) is scheduled for Tuesday 16 May 2017 at 7pm in the staff room. If you are interested in finding out what the PTA is all about, then please join us on this date!

**BALLET IN A BOX**.....  
We are impressed with the number of children at our school who choose to get involved in the performing arts. When the Royal New Zealand Ballet came to the TSB Showplace last week we were thrilled to be invited to take 20 children, from Years 3 to 8 along to experience world class ballet. The children were interested to see professional dancers at practise, and heard that they were expected to listen to an instructor and try their very best. The dancers shared some brilliant pieces including the “Dying Swan” and “Sleeping Beauty” then to finish the session the audience was allowed to ask questions. Many thanks to the lovely parents for transporting our group and Tessa and Penny for organising this valuable outing, which absolutely inspired our own budding performing artists. In fact Alaina Maltby was so inspired that she has agreed to dance for us at our next assembly. - Linda McBreen



**TE REO PHRASE OF THE WEEK**.....  
Tauīwi / Landing people. People from elsewhere. In modern days it refers to non-Māori New Zealanders including Pākehā and people from other cultures.

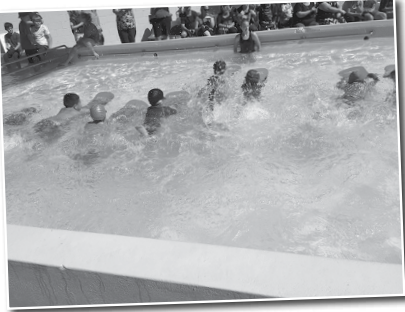
**TUCKSHOP . . . THIS WEEK’S SPECIAL - Pie Combo \$6 – Includes pie (mince & cheese or bacon & egg), drink (milk, juice or water), large cookie (chocolate chip).**  
Check out our Facebook page to be in to win two lunches valued at \$6. Tell us what you like at the Tuckshop and give any suggestions. Drawn Friday 31 March.

**SWIMMING SPORTS RESULTS**

**Year 3 Girls**  
Freestyle...1st Viv Benton 2nd Adele Keighley 3rd Keily Hooper  
Backstroke...1st Keeley Taylor 2nd Adele Keighley 3rd Viv Benton  
Breaststroke...1st Katie Martin 2nd Viv Benton 3rd Adele Keighley  
**Year 3 Boys**  
Freestyle...1st Coredae Wipiiti-Boylan 2nd Joey Te Pau Konui-Franek  
Backstroke...1st Nico Jordan 2nd Steven Henry  
**Year 4 Girls**  
Freestyle...1st Cian Flannagan 2nd Charlize Duncan 3rd Ruby Evans  
Backstroke...1st Cian Flannagan 2nd Ruby Evans 3rd Charlize Duncan  
Breaststroke ...1st Cian Flannagan 2nd Charlize Duncan 3rd Ruby Evans  
**Year 4 Boys**  
Freestyle...1st Kyle Beard 2nd Kahurangi Emmett-Pene 3rd Jamie Clark  
Backstroke...1st Kahurangi Emmett-Pene 2nd Kyle Beard 3rd Tyler Aiono  
Breaststroke ...1st James Aitken 2nd Kyle Beard 3rd Jake Honeyfield  
**Year 5 Girls**  
Freestyle...1st Samara Lester 2nd Mia Padrutt 3rd Lara Murdoch  
Backstroke...1st Samara Lester 2nd Mia Padrutt 3rd Kelly-Ann Lockley  
Breaststroke ...1st Samara Lester 2nd Lara Murdoch 3rd Mia Padrutt  
**Year 5 Boys**  
Freestyle...1st Dylan Chilcott 2nd Sam Hunger 3rd Cade Johnstone  
Backstroke...1st Tyler Reade 2nd Dylan Chilcott 3rd = Sam Hunger & Adam Chilcott  
Breaststroke ...1st Sam Hunger 2nd = Adam Chilcott & Dylan Chilcott 3rd Cade Johnstone  
**Year 6 Girls**  
Freestyle...1st = Mia Waruhia & Amanda Masters 2nd Lauren Keighley 3rd Abby Gardner Harrison  
Backstroke...1st Mia Waruhia 2nd Abby Gardner-Harrison 3rd Lucy Evans  
Breaststroke ...Lucy Evans 2nd Mia Waruhia 3rd Amanda Masters  
**Year 5/6 Girls**  
Medley...1st Samara Lester 2nd Mia Waruhia 3rd Abby Gardner-Harrison  
**Year 6 Boys**  
Freestyle...1st Tyrehse Ruwhiu 2nd Matthew Masters 3rd Cooper Pringle  
Backstroke...1st Tyrehse Ruwhiu 2nd Bryn Emmett-Pene 3rd Cooper Pringle  
Breaststroke ...Tyrehse Ruwhiu 2nd Bryn Emmett-Pene 3rd Cooper Pringle  
**Year 5/6 Boys**  
Medley...1st Tyrehse Ruwhiu 2nd Dylan Chilcott 3rd Sam Hunger  
**Year 7 Girls**  
Freestyle...1st Tiana Wright 2nd Briar Jensen-Voullaire 3rd = Kiera Johnstone & Tayla Fredrickson  
Backstroke...1st = Tiana Wright & Kate Henry 2nd = Briar Jensen-Voullaire & Kiera Johnstone 3rd Lucy Leach  
Breaststroke...1st Kiera Johnstone 2nd Tiana Wright 3rd Tayla Fredrickson  
Two lengths Freestyle...1st Tayla Fredrickson 2nd Tiana Wright 3rd Kiera Johnstone  
**Year 7 Boys**  
Freestyle...1st Arlo Jordan 2nd Dylan Benton 3rd Nathan Macartney  
Backstroke...1st Dylan Benton 2nd Arlo Jordan  
Breaststroke...1st Arlo Jordan 2nd Dylan Benton 3rd Toby Webb  
Two lengths Freestyle...1st Arlo Jordan 2nd Dylan Benton 3rd Nathan Macartney  
**Year 8 Girls**  
Freestyle...1st Campbell Smith 2nd Aimee Witehira 3rd = Samantha Reade & Amber Jordan  
Backstroke...1st Campbell Smith 2nd Aimee Witehira 3rd Akeisha Hinz  
Breaststroke...1st Campbell Smith 2nd Aimee Witehira 3rd Samantha Reade  
Two lengths Freestyle...1st Campbell Smith 2nd Aimee Witehira 3rd Amber Jordan  
**Year 7/8 Girls**  
Medley...1st Campbell Smith 2nd Kiera Johnstone 3rd Tiana Wright  
**Year 8 Boys**  
Freestyle...1st Heath Cummings 2nd Jackson Kilgour 3rd Zharn Kidney  
Backstroke...1st Heath Cummings 2nd Chris Hardegger 3rd Zharn Kidney  
Breaststroke...1st Heath Cummings 2nd Chris Hardegger 3rd Zharn Kidney  
Two lengths Freestyle...1st Heath Cummings 2nd Ashdin Tuuta-de Thierry 3rd Jackson Kilgour  
**Year 7/8 Boys**  
Medley...1st Chris Hardegger 2nd Heath Cummings 3rd Arlo Jordan  
**Relays**  
Whanau Relay...1st Piwaiwaka 2nd Kereru 3rd Takahe  
Intermediate Team Relay...1st Room 16 2nd Room 17 3rd Room 15  
Senior Team Relay...1st Room 9 2nd Room 10 3rd Room 8  
Middle Team Relay...1st Room 12 2nd Room 11 3rd Room 13  
Staff vs Students Relay...1st Parents 2nd Intermediate Team 3rd Staff 4th Senior Team

**DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**.....  
Wednesday 22 March.....Last day to return photo orders  
Thursday 23 March.....School Photos  
Friday 24 March.....Celebration Assembly 2pm in the hall  
Monday 27 March.....Triathlon – Teams 11.30am, Individuals 1:15pm (NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)  
Wednesday 29 March.....Weetbix Tryathlon  
ICAS entries close  
Hockey registrations close  
Tuesday 4 April.....Interschool Swimming Sports  
Wednesday 5 April.....Orientation Morning for prospective new families  
EPR08 Challenge Y7/8  
Thursday 6 April.....EPR08 Challenge Y5/6  
Immunisations Y7/8 - 11:30am in the Library  
Friday 7 April.....Celebration Assembly – 2pm in the hall  
Thursday 13 April.....Last day of term  
Friday 14 April.....Good Friday

On behalf of the staff  
Roz Miller, Principal



**COMMUNITY NOTICES:**  
**Bell Block United Junior Football Club**...Registrations are now open for the 2017 season. We are having a sign-up day on Saturday 25 March at 10am at Puketapu School Hall for those who haven’t registered or those who need somewhere to hand in the registration form. We are also having a kick-around at Puketapu at the same time so bring your boots and join us, all welcome. Registration forms are still available at Bell Block School Office. For more information contact Jo Daken (0273852936)