# Newsletter 17

## **Dates to Remember**

Friday 4th September EZ Lunch - hot and cold lunches ordered online (by 9:00am) and delivered today.

Monday 7th September Sushi orders collected from the school office at 9.00am for Tuesday lunchtime delivery.

Mon-Fri 14-20th September Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori (Maori Language Week)
Monday 14th September Last day for Scholastic Books Orders today.

Tue-Wed 22-23 September Communication of Learning.

Kia u kit e pai! - Hold on to that which is good!

## Kia ora koutou!

# Rāhui and Return to School

It has been wonderful to have the children back with us this week. We can't wait to be able to welcome whānau back onto school grounds very soon. During this first week back, children have been sharing some of the amazing creations which they constructed during the rāhui lockdown. We have had lots of maps and models of islands shared with us online and children are now beginning to bring these into school.









We are making a display in the foyer and look forward to being able to welcome everyone back into school to have a look. If your child still has an island creation at home, please encourage them to bring it into school to share.



### **News from the Board of Trustees**

The Bayswater School Board of Trustees is embarking on a community consultation and wants to hear your views about the school. The views of the community are taken into account by the board as it prepares its strategic plan. The strategic plan is the guide which the school will use to develop and change over the next few years.

So far this year, small groups of parents have met to chat about what they like about the school, what they think needs to change and their aspirations for their children looking ahead to when they leave the school. The themes and ideas which have been identified in these discussions are being compiled into a questionnaire which will be sent out to all families. This is your chance to have a say and influence the future direction of the school.

One example of how community views have helped to shape the school in the past is in the area of Te Reo Māori. Prior to 2017 there was very little Te Reo Māori in school. Teachers did not, at that time, have the skills or knowledge to teach the children and so it really didn't happen. In the community consultation which was carried out during 2016, the lack of Te Reo Māori was a recurring theme brought up by parents and whānau. At the end of that year, the development of this area was included in the school's strategic plan and this in turn meant that funding was earmarked in the school's budget. Now we have a much healthier situation where Te Reo Māori is learnt and used throughout the school, taught by staff who have upskilled and a Kaiako who comes into school each week.

Look out for the questionnaire which will be available electronically or on paper if you prefer. It will be sent out to you soon!

### How was the Rāhui Lockdown for you?

It has been very noticeable that many families seem to have had a harder time during this lockdown than previously. The idea that we have all been through the same storm but in different boats seems as apt today as it was before. Some children and families have found the online learning harder to engage with this time. Many parents seemed quite worn down by the situation when the children returned to school yesterday and there was not so much of an upbeat feeling as before.

I am pleased to say that the teachers report that the children were very chatty (VERY CHATTY!) at school yesterday and seemed very engaged and glad to be back with their friends. If you are feeling anxious, particularly about sending your child back to school, don't hesitate to get in touch. Hopefully we will be able to reassure you and explain what we are doing to keep everyone safe. If your child is back at school and you have any niggling worries, give us a call and we will do our best to put your mind at rest.



# Whānau Kokoru / Senior School Camp

My heart goes out to the children – particularly the Y6 children – who must feel like the opportunity to have a school camp is slowly slipping away from them. From the week long camp at Long Bay which was initially booked and then cancelled because of the first lockdown, we have downsized our plan to a two day Education Outside the Classroom experience and one night sleep-over at school. This is now in jeopardy because of the Level 2.5 restrictions. Claire S is doing her very best to work through all of the issues with the Sir Peter Blake Marine Education and Recreation Centre (MERC) so that some sort of camp can still go ahead. I am pleased to say that they are being very helpful in their efforts to accommodate us in these new circumstances. It is looking hopeful! I apologise for all the uncertainty and the inconvenience this is

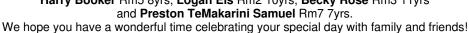
causing. As soon as arrangements have been finalised, we will be in touch.

Meanwhile, please keep your risk disclosure paperwork coming into school in the expectation that we can go ahead.



# Happy Birthday to.

Harry Booker Rm5 8yrs, Logan Els Rm2 10yrs, Becky Rose Rm3 11yrs





Congratulations	to our students who	received a certificate a	t assembly on Frida	y 14th August for:-
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Room 1	Dola	demonstrating resilience and personal excellence. You are giving everything a go and trying your best at new and challenging activities. I am so proud of your positive attitude and progress! He whetu koe - you are a star.
Room 2	Mirach	demonstrating personal excellence in writing. You have shown a commitment to independently work on your speech. I can't wait to hear it. Mīharo!
Room 3	Becky	showing personal excellence and creativity in speech writing. You selected an idea which shows your passion for writing and language. Miharo!
Room 4	Lily	demonstrating the Bayswater value of resilience. Your positive self talk is enhancing your own hauora as well as those around you. Ka rawe!
Room 5	Ryoji	Using your developing understanding of English to initiate conversations, contribute your ideas and even share jokes - mīharo!
Room 6	Cutler	enhancing the hauora of others. Your sense of humour and cheerful nature brightens up our day.  Through working hard towards your goal, you are becoming considerate and aware of other people's feelings around you. Ka rawe!
Room 7	Samuel	the Bayswater value of Respect. You are a role model at all times, and a quiet leader especially when working in groups. He whetū koe!
Room 8	Hunter	the value of Hauora. You have taken on the role of tuakana for friends in the class. You are so supportive and kind. Tu meke.

Nellie

Room 9

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Elizabeth

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the Bayswater value of Resilience. Your writing is really improving because you are using your

Congre	แนเลแบบร	to our students who received a certificate at assembly on <b>Friday 21st August</b> for
Room 1	Tyler	demonstrating personal excellence in your Bayswater Studios mahi. You used critical thinking in your scientific experiment to figure out which bottle would be best for our documentary. Tumeke Tyler!
Room 2	Hugo	for demonstrating personal excellence. You have shown a commitment to completing learning tasks and have inquired into your own learning to research your own interests. Miharo!
Room 3	Gretta Rose	showing personal excellence in writing. You have shown your creativity in your writing. It has been wonderful listening to your imaginative stories. Miharo!
Room 4	Elias	demonstrating the Bayswater value of personal excellence. Thankyou for your effort to engage and participate in home learning and for sharing your enthusiasm, creations and ideas with others. He whetu koe!
Room 5	Lily	being a proactive learner who seeks clarification and support when necessary as you continually strive for personal excellence - ka rawe!
Room 6	Nathan	the resilience and personal excellence you have shown in your mahi during our second rahui. Tumeke.

letter/sound knowledge independently. Keep up the great learning.

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Room 7	Hunter	Bayswater value of Resilience. You have worked really hard this week, tolerating the feelings of
		learning during our tricky situation. We loved seeing your diorama with emotion words written on the
		hoat sails. Kei te nail

Room 8 Vinnie the Bayswater value of Personal Excellence. You have used your understanding of fractions in order to demonstrate how to scale down a paper boat from 1 A4 paper to 1/512th, for our smallest prototype

yet. Incredible!

the Bayswater value of Personal Excellence. Your diorama prototype for the stormy sea scene, really Room 9 Megan captured the atmosphere. We loved your 3D movable boat made with sticks and your explanation of

the Bayswater value of Personal Excellence. You have been independently engaging in distance

how you made the clouds move. Ka rawe.

learning and extending your creative thinking. Ka Rawe!.

Congra	itulations	to our students who received a certificate at assembly on Friday 28th August for:-
Room 1	Leo	demonstrating personal excellence with your amazing kraken interview and diorama. Your questions were thoughtful and unique, and your on-set kraken was incredible. Tumeke Leo!
Room 2	Emanaite	demonstrating personal excellence in your writing. You asked some wonderful in-depth questions to the kraken and made a terrific kraken prototype. Tumeke!
Room 3	Petra	showing personal excellence and creativity in your learning. You shared your creative writing and construction to the class with mana.
Room 4	Ailee	challenging yourself to develop an on-line skill. Using Scratch information technology, you applied your artistic talent to share the story of the voyager's journey to the island. He whetu koe!
Room 5	Mareikura	demonstrating our school values of resilience and personal excellence while learning from home, you have stepped out of your comfort zone more than once - he māia koe!
Room 6	Julian	demonstrating both the Bayswater values of personal excellence and resilience. You have shown great perserverence when technology proved to be tricky when trying to share your work during our morning hui. Tumeke!
Room 7	Thomas	the Bayswater value of Resilience. You tolerated the feelings of learning from home and persevered in your writing to produce some great interview questions and conducted a brilliant interview with the help of your Bayswater Studios home colleagues! Ka pai tō mahi!
Room 8	Zach	the Bayswater Value of Hauora. You are engaging with your peers and their learning during hui in a positive way. You are providing them with compliments and asking thoughtful questions. Ka pai!

# **Community Notices**

# Swimming Lessons at Devonport Primary School – Term 4 2020

(Times available from 3-3.30pm and then every 30min until 6pm Mon – Fri). First week of lessons start 30<sup>th</sup> November.

# Private Lessons only (you can book a one off or a series of lessons)

\$40 for a 30min one-one lesson. (Book for 5 discount cost \$180)

\$50 for 2 children 30mins - they can be at different levels (Book for 5 discount cost \$230)

\$60 for 3 or more children (need to be the similar ability levels) (Book for 5 discount cost \$280)

Week 1 Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Nov to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> to Friday 11th December

Week 3 Monday 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> December

Week 2

After School 3pm to 6pm

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# DEVONPORT SPRING EQUINOX SWIM



to the Devonport Scouts. For more info contact Amanda 021 184 7271

# **Soul Sprite Party Packages**

Don't know what to do for your child's next birthday party? Not to fear, Soul Sprite is here!

We offer 8 awesome party packages, ranging from pamper parties, edible science and masterchef like competitions.

It will be a party they won't forget! For more details please view our website: soulsprite.co.nz/party-packages



DEVONPORT Thanks to: Donna Gustafson, Amanda French, The Officers Mess, Druid of Devanport

Devonport-Takapuna August Local Board

It's time to celebrate Dads - and how better than to get them something a little different!

# WIN A \$50 NOT SOCKS VOUCHER THIS FATHER'S DAY FOR DAD...





When: Saturday, 19 September 2020 3:30pm-6:00pm ( Covid Alert level 1 permitting) (Rain date 15th Nov)

Where: Takararo/Mt Cambria Reserve & Devonport Community Garden

Cost: Free

A relaxed family event with stories, music, games, flax weaving, bubbles, bike safety, seed planting, FREE sausage sizzle, food for sale, and hot chocolate and coffee for Koha.

Ride your bikes to the event, and don't forget to bring a picnic, a mug and your gumboots! Caregivers are responsible for children under the age of 14 years attending this event.

Many thanks to all our wonderful supporters for bringing this event together: Devonport-Takapuna Local Board, Devonport Community Gardens, Auckland Transport, Royal New Zealand Navy, Kelly Club Bayswater, Restoring Takarunga Hauraki, Devonport Scouts, Devonport Library, Devonport Flowers, Dukes of Devonport-Ukulele band, Fran & Leo -Jazz, John & Michelle -Didgeridoos & Conch Shell. For more info about the event or with any queries, contact Maria at maria@devonportpeninsulatrust.nz

