

BIRKDALE

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Kawerongo

Newsletter

Kaupeka 2

Term 2

Principal's voice:

The start of term once again had its ups and downs with broken weeks and unexpected floods etc! It seems to have settled down and children are moving on with their learning. I would like to say a very big thank you to all of our parents for a quick response to picking up your tamariki during the terrible weather. I did think at one point our classes were going to be flooded but as quickly as the rain started it seemed to stop again! The weather is nothing if not changeable!

1st aid courses for all our staff

BNS staff will be doing a first aid course this Saturday. We regularly update ourselves and make sure we all hold first aid certificates. Marion and Taryn did a full day course as they are the two people more likely to be dealing with the children.

Book reviews with Suzy Cato

The students who recorded the book reviews are all online now. These links will take you through if you would like to have a look at any of them. Thank you to all our tamariki who did the reviews, we are super proud of you!

Cortina's review of **Messy-o-sauras** <https://youtu.be/4LhBvzmd4ul>

Peter's review of **Pelorus Jack** <https://youtu.be/Z8H2Txgvr0k>

Maiwenn's review of **There are NO Mōa e hoa** <https://youtu.be/yuwDbyMrW04!>

Kenji's review of **Kaewa the Kororā** <https://youtu.be/I0ObzWIM-FY>

Sonetane's review of **Lion Guards the Cake** <https://youtu.be/grlv942pxEQ>

Luluana's review of **Three Things to Know** <https://youtu.be/fzqrERyM-C0>

Pink Shirt day

We will be supporting Pink Shirt day this week. (Friday 19th May) If you are able to wear something pink and bring a gold coin donation that would be fantastic. [Read more about pink shirt day here](#)

Student reports and three way conferences

Your child's reports will be home with you on June 29th. We will be holding three way conferences with parents on 24th and 25th of July. Look out for more information and booking times in the next few weeks

Matariki Festival

We are very excited to be hosting the Matariki Festival at Birkdale North this year. Covid has meant that for the past two years we have had to have the festival at the end of the year, but we are back on track this year.

The festival will be on Wednesday 28th June, the last week of this term. As we are the hosts we will be opening and closing the festival, our Kapa Haka group are already in full swing and practising hard.

We will need some help to keep everything running smoothly, we will also be running a sausage sizzle and selling drinks on the day. If you are able to help please [click here](#) to fill in your details on our google form.

Heads up for year 5 and 6 camp in Term 4

We will be having yr 5 and 6 camp this year in term 4. We will be going to a camp in South Auckland this year called [Kokako Lodge](#) by Hunua Falls. We will be going on the 18th to 20th October, week 2.

More information will be with you in the next few weeks.

We have managed to secure Shakespeare Lodge for 2024 with the intention of alternating between the two camps.

BNS Friends and Whanau

BNS Friends and Whānau group are keen to support the school. If you have ideas for fundraising or would like to be part of the group please let us know. We would like to arrange a meeting with all interested parties. Please if you would like to express an interest in being part of the group please add your details [here](#)

The King's Birthday

Just a reminder that The King's Birthday falls on Monday 5th June.

Weekly achievement certificates - orange certificates.

Well done to our students who were recently awarded orange certificates:



Noho ora mai rā,

Jan.

Important dates

2023 Term Dates

Term 1	Monday 1st February - Thursday 6th April
Term 2	Monday 24th April - Friday 30th June
Term 3	Monday 17th July - Friday 22nd September
Term 4	Monday 9th October - Friday 15th December

Public Holidays - School closed

Friday 7th April	Good Friday
Monday 10th April	Easter Monday
Tuesday 25th April	ANZAC day - school closed
Monday 5th June	King's Birthday - school closed
Friday 14th July	Matariki
Monday 23rd October	Labour Day - school closed

Upcoming Events

Check our calendar on the website for more details.

Monday 15th May to Sunday 21st May - Road Safety Week

Friday 19th May	Pink Shirt day
Saturday 20th May	Staff 1st Aid Course
Tuesday 30th May	Photo life - Class, portrait and sibling photos
Wednesday 28th June	Matariki Festival
Thursday 29th June	Report Home
Friday 30th June	Last day of Term 2
Monday 17th July	First day of Term 3
Friday 22nd September	Last day of term 3
Monday 9th October	First Day of Term 4
Friday 15th December	Last Day of Term 4

Public Health Nurses are available on 09 486 8996. Alternatively call Healthline on 0800 611 116 or visit www.health.govt.nz. The Public Health Nurses are able to help with providing things like nit treatment, action plans for students that have medical conditions and other general health queries.

School Dental services are based at Glenfield Intermediate, Chivalry Road, Glenfield. Contact on 09 444 6160.

Hearing & Vision: Testing day Monday 27th February

If you have genuine concerns for your child's Vision or Hearing or want to rule it out as a contributor to behaviour and performance in school you can make an appointment at one of the WDHB clinics. Please click on the link below for further information.

<http://www.waitematadhb.govt.nz/hospitals-clinics/clinics-services/child-and-family-services/>

If you are unsure that your child has been tested, all children have been seen either at school or as a B4SCH check when they were 4 years.

The vision screening is for distance only so if you have concerns for Vision you could see an optometrist, they will do a full eye check - Specsavers do free checks for children under 16 years.