

Kia ora parents, students, staff, families/whanau

We had a great first week at our school last week. All our students settled well into their classrooms and were excited to catch up with all their friends.

A very special welcome to all our new students and their families/whānau and I hope you have a FERN-TASTIC time at our school.



Our new students are:

Year 1

Amelia	Blake	Blake	Briar	Camden
Thea	Chloe	Dylan	Ethan	Ethan
Finn	Harrison	Imogen	Jemma	Levi
Luke	Nico	Olivia	Ryker	Willow
Sebastian	Charlie	Sammy	Savanna	

Year 2

Rex	Livvy	Bailey	Luca	Mila
Hazel	Philippa	Mikey		

Year 3

Hannah	Maiya			
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Year 4

Eva	Kingston			
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Year 5

Cristin	Callum	Jared	Emma	Aidan
Danica Yin				

Year 6

Jacob	Milan	Hugo	Isabel	Braithe
Jerome				

Year 7

Mia	Ella	Katie	Ashton	
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Year 8

Eli	Ethan	Harmani		
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Today all students will bring home a 'Getting to Know You' questionnaire. Our school recognises the key role all parent's/caregivers play in the lives of children, particularly as their first teacher.

This questionnaire asks that you share your knowledge about your children in the sections provided as this will give your child's teacher a deeper understanding of the strengths they come to school with, and also ideas on the goals you, as parents, have for your children this year. Please return this questionnaire in the envelope provided to your child's teacher by 20th February. Thank you.

Finally, all the very best to all our students in Team RIMU (Year 5/6) and Team KAURI (Year 7/8) who have their annual swimming sports at the Lloyd Elsmore pools this Wednesday between 9:30am -1:45pm. Parents are most welcome to join us at the pools for this swimming sports.

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L)

Each week there will be a school wide focus that highlights specific behaviours that we want to see strengthened across our school.

This week it is 'Moving Around the School'

- Walk quietly
- Be aware of others that may need to go first
- Keep left
- Use the correct staircase



Students Absent from School

Please note that our preferred method of receiving absences is to the following email address:

absentees@beachlands.school.nz

Spam E-Mail

If you are not receiving e-mails from your classroom teacher please check your spam e-mail folder. If you are still not receiving e-mails contact your child's teacher to check your e-mail address.

Seasons for Growth invitation to Parents and Caregivers

Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage of our lives. At our school we recognise that when changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We therefore are offering a very successful education programme called Seasons for Growth. The programme is facilitated in small groups of 4-7 young people and is based on research that highlights the importance of social support and the need to practise new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The programme focuses on issues such as self-esteem, managing feelings, problem-solving, decision making, effective communication and support networks.

Seasons for Growth runs for eight weeks and each weekly session is 60 minutes, held on site at Beachlands School. This programme is facilitated by grief and loss support services in Howick who have received special training in the use of the programme. If you think your son or daughter would benefit from Seasons for Growth we would encourage you to talk to him or her first. Should he/she decide to participate please register your interest with Barbs Dinnissen bdinnissen@beachlands.school.nz or if you would like to talk about this programme please e-mail or ring to make an appointment.

PTA NEWS

This year we will be running our normal fundraisers along with a few new ones which will be advertised in the weekly newsletter as well as on our Facebook page. Follow the link below to our page:

<https://www.facebook.com/beachlandsschool/>

Sushi

Sushi is available via our online Kindo School shop or through the paper bag system available from the office. Orders are due by 8.30am on Tuesday.

If you choose to continue to use the paper bags, please ensure your child's order is in the classroom by 8.30am each Tuesday morning, with your child's name, room number and order written clearly on the bag. Please do not staple or sellotape the bag and please send the correct money as no change is given.



Road Patrol Help Needed

Although the Road Patrol is not run by the PTA we support the school in anyway we can. The school requires help with running road patrol before and after school on both Wakelin and Bell Roads. I myself have done road patrol and it only took 20 mins out of my day so if you are able to spare 20 mins before or after school to support the children and teachers during road patrol this year please contact Kylie Porteous kbiggs@beachlands.school.nz.

NEW PTA MEMBER REQUIRED

PTA Chairperson Vacancy

It is with regret that I am having to stand down from my position as Chairperson for the PTA, but unfortunately due to next year being my last year at Beachlands School I feel it is best for me to move on from the Chairperson position at the beginning of next year so that I am able to spend the year still involved with the PTA and be able to help the new Chairperson transition into the position before I leave the school.

If you feel this position is something you would like to know more about or would like to find out more about joining the PTA allowing another member of the PTA to step into the Chairperson position please contact me - shellygeddes@xtra.co.nz



SUNDAY OMANA

3 March REGIONAL PARK

FIRST RACE 10AM

OPENING NIGHT 2019



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YOUTH DIVISION

We invite all the locals, aged 6-18 years to the year opening night on Thursday 14 February. They will have the opportunity to learn great skills, have fun games, make friends and try cool new things (incl snacks and prizes).

Division Contact Details

Time: 6pm-7.30pm, Thursday 14 February 2019
Venue: Beachland Memorial Hall, 49 Wakelin Road
Contact: 021567614 Rachel Gu

0800 ST JOHN | youth.stjohn.org.nz