

Kia ora parents, students, staff, families, whanau,

Learning Conferences

Late last week, our teacher union NZEI notified all schools that it would not be enforcing the work to rule as part of the strike action. This now means we will be offering our conferences on two nights from 3.00pm to 7.00pm on Tuesday 14 and Wednesday 15 May.

At these conferences the teacher will review progress to date as well as focusing on goals you as families shared with the teachers in Term 1. There will also be an opportunity for your children to share work they are proud of and time to reset any goals for this term.

Shortly you will receive a notification from School Stream with a link to the School Interviews website which will take you directly in to the Beachlands School booking site. Or go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and enter the code **z2we6**.

New Staff and Staff Changes

It is with both happiness and sadness that I inform the school community that Mrs Leah Nairn has tendered her resignation effective Friday 7 June. I am happy to advise that Mrs Nairn has been appointed as a learning support teacher at Howick College, however it is with sadness, as we will miss her as a teacher and leader of Totara Team.

On behalf of all of us I wish Mrs Nairn all the very best in this new and exciting position at Howick College.

We welcome Mrs Catherine Stockton to our school teaching team.

Mrs Stockton will be joining the Koru Team and opening a Year 1 classroom on Monday 13 May 2019.



The time is getting very close for when Miss Emma-Lee Dromgool will be taking leave from her teaching position in Room 18 and I am pleased to confirm that Ms Joelene Lendrum and Mrs Jo van der Mescht will be team-teaching in this room.

Ms Lendrum will be teaching Monday to Thursday and Mrs van der Mescht on a Friday.

Currently Mrs Eileen Potgieter is on leave and Miss Kimberley Buchanan is teaching the students in Room 13 until such time as Mrs Potgieter is given the all clear to return to school.



At this time, when it is difficult to employ teachers, I greatly appreciate the commitment the above-mentioned new teachers have made to joining our school teaching team. I hope you have a FERN-tastic time at our school.

A very special FERN welcome...

To our new students who joined our school this week. I hope you and your families enjoy your time at our school and within our wonderful community.

- ◆ Ella Broughton
- ◆ Krishan Govender
- ◆ Blake Helliwell
- ◆ Brody Helliwell



NZEI Industrial Update

Late last week, while it was great to hear our Minister of Education the Hon Chris Hipkins, announce \$97 million over the next 4 years to attract teachers in to our profession, this piece of good news does not address the industrial concerns of our teaching profession which is:

1. More funding to support students with additional needs
2. Workloads
3. Attraction and retention in our teaching profession

This week teachers across New Zealand are meeting to discuss next steps in seeking a credible response from the government in regards to the three above mentioned areas. Once these meetings have been concluded, announcements will be made with the response.

Thank you for your understanding and support of our teachers, as in the end we are fighting for the best solutions for all our children in all our schools.



Board of Trustees' Triennial Election of Parent Representatives

Nominations are invited for the election of three (3) parent representatives to the Board of Trustees. A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters by the end of this week.

You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself. Both parts of the form must be signed. Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the School Office.

Nominations close at noon, Friday 24 May 2019, **and may be accompanied by a candidate's statement and photo.**

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours. There will be a list of candidate names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school. Voting closes at noon Friday 7 June 2019.



Key Dates

Dental Van Visit – Thursday 9 and Friday 10 May

Whole School Sports Block – Friday 10 May

Learning Conferences:

Tues 14 May and Wed 15 May – 3.00pm till 7.00pm

Whole School Assembly – Friday 17 May

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.



PB4L
This week we are focusing on:

In the Library we...

- Listen to the Library Leaders
- Use quiet voices
- Share beanbags and cushions
- Be gentle with books and games
- Put things away where you found them

Respect for myself  Respect for others  Respect for property and environment

Scholastics

- ◆ All classroom orders in by Friday 10th May
- ◆ Parent LOOP orders close Friday 17th May

Juicies are back on sale every Friday in Term 2 (at least until the temperature plummets!!)

Juicies are \$2.00 each.

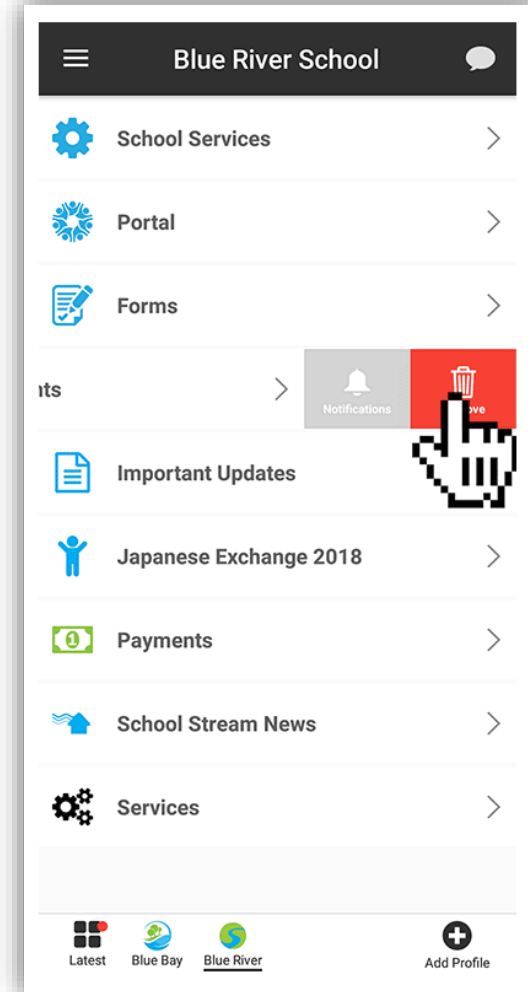
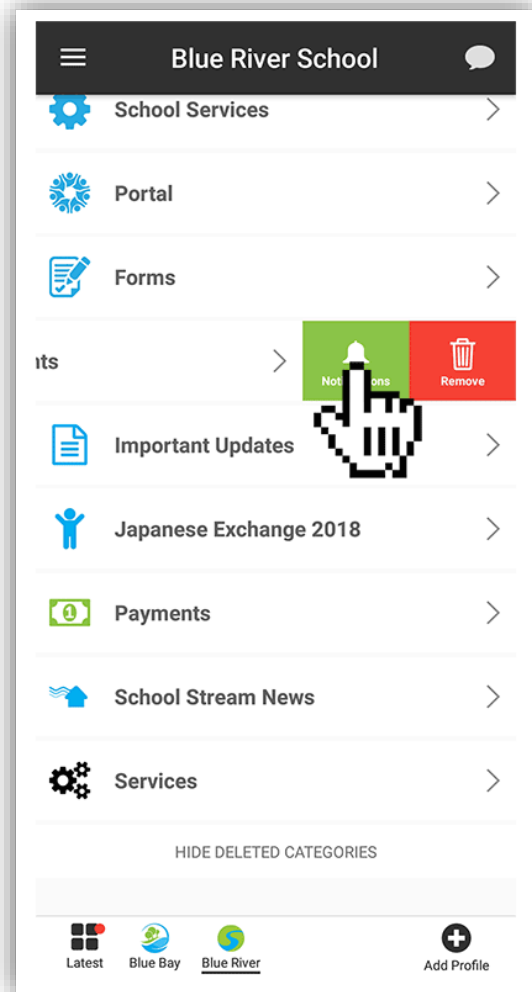
If your child brings cash, please remind them to give their cash directly to their classroom teacher. Juicies purchased via Kindo (our online shop) incur a small admin fee.



Tips from School Stream, our School App

Getting too many notifications from our School Stream school app?

Quite simply, you can choose the Categories you receive notifications for. Swipe left on the desired Category, the Notification light will be green, press the Notification button and it will become a dull grey. If you change your mind or turned it off in error, swipe left again and press the Notification button and it will highlight green. Easy!



For more tips and support see: <https://support.schoolstream.com.au/tips-for-parents>

PTA NEWS

Community Ball – coming soon!!

The inaugural 2019 PTA Community Ball is in its early planning stages. If you are able to assist in any way, be it small or large, all help is appreciated. Please email beachlandspta@gmail.com



Sushi

Sushi is available via our online shop, Kindo, 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.



Beachlands PTA Facebook Page



The PTA has its very own facebook page where we post information on all the fundraisers we are running and any important information for parents.

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/>



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