



Beachlands School - Te Kura o Kahawairahi

Everyday Learning & Growing Together

Me Matau Ra

Week 3

Term 1

17 February 2020

From the Principal – Mr Anthony Noble-Campbell

Dear Parents, Whānau and Caregivers,

Learning Conferences: *Learning and Growing Together – Me Matau Ra*

This week all our teachers are looking forward to meeting you all and discussing learning goals for your children. Please return the Parent Voice questionnaire before your learning conference so your child's teacher has some time to think about the goals you would like to set.

As parents and first teachers of your children, you can choose whether you would like your child to attend these learning conferences and the school supports the decision you make at this time.

Mr Andrewes and I will be cooking up our famous sausage sizzle by the blue cover that will operate between 2.45pm and 6.15pm on Tuesday and Thursday. Only \$1.00, so pop over for a chat and purchase a sausage (sauce and bread included!!) for those hungry tummies.

Years' 4-8 Swimming Sports Day

This Friday all students in Years' 4 - 8 will be competing in competitive and non-competitive races at Lloyd Elsmore Pools, with racing commencing at 9.30am and finishing at 1.45pm. Parents, caregivers, families and whanau are most welcome to pop in during the day to support our swimmers. Students competing in the competitive races will be considered for the HPPA interschool swimming sports later this term.

Many thanks to Miss Kennedy, Mrs Burns and Miss Loveridge for all the preparation that has gone into preparing for this swimming sports day – your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Howick Primary Principals Association Cultural Festival Dance

This year we will be working with a group of senior students to present the South African Gumboot dance at the HPPA festival on 2 April at Sancta Maria College.

If any parents know of this dance and would have some free time to come up to school to help our students learn this dance, please email Mrs Helen Els at hels@beachlands.school.nz



Student Writing

A recount is the retelling or recounting of an event or an experience. Often based on the direct experience of the writer, the purpose is to tell what happened. Below is Eden Brown's recount of her selection as house leader:

'Being selected as a House Leader' by Eden

It's the middle of the Kauri team prizegiving for 2019, we are all seated in the hall upon the bleachers. As every minute goes by I become more and more nervous, because today is the day that the new House Leaders for 2020 are being announced.

After waiting in suspense it's finally the time to announce the new House Leaders for 2020. One by one we got called up, suddenly I heard my best friend's name being called and I immediately congratulated her. After a few more names are called I suddenly hear my own name being called out.

At first I hear cheering and then all the voices around me drown out until they are a faint noise in the background. I get up and walk towards everyone, my heart is pounding in my chest and I'm grinning from ear to ear. Before I know it, I'm shaking Krystal's hand and she's pinning on my badge. I turn and face the crowd of parents trying to spot and mum and my nanny I quickly scan the crowd and suddenly I spot them, I can see them waving to me and a surge of pride washes over my face.

I'd never been happier and proud of myself in my entire life. After all the names are called out, we walk out of the hall waving our house flags. As soon as I'm outside the cool refreshing breeze washes over my face and I turn around to see my mum and nanny with their arms wide open ready to congratulate me.

As I look around, I see so many happy faces and families, all proud of each other. All my new House Leader friends and I congratulate each other for our amazing accomplishment. I can't wait to start next year.

But I can't believe that I'm a Te Arawa House Leader.

Eden, 2020 Te Awara House Leader



Welcome to our newest Beachlands School students.

We hope you enjoy your time at our school!

Ethan, Matthew, Caoimhe,
Clemente, Lachlan, Charles.

Key Dates

Student Learning Conferences – Tuesday 18 February and Thursday 20 February

Years' 4 – 8 Swimming Carnival – Friday 21 February

Totara Team Top Town – Wednesday 4 March

PTA School Disco – Friday 27 March

Te Puru Family Fun Day – Saturday 28 March

PTA Treat Friday – Friday 3 April

Last Day of Term 1 – Thursday 9 April

2020 Teacher Only Days – 18 May and 3 July





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Music In Schools

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Community News

Intermediates Friday Nights – Beachlands Baptist Church

INTERMEDIATES
FRIDAY NIGHTS
YEAR 7&8
6PM - 7:30PM
FUN-FAITH-FOOD-FRIENDSHIP
Contact Lisa & Fonz Leat for more info
021 068 7300 / lisa.leat@xtra.co.nz

The poster features a blue and yellow color scheme. At the top, it says 'INTERMEDIATES FRIDAY NIGHTS' in white text on a blue background. Below that, 'YEAR 7&8' is written in white on a black circle. The time '6PM - 7:30PM' is in black on a yellow background. The middle section shows silhouettes of people with their arms raised against a light blue sky. At the bottom, 'FUN-FAITH-FOOD-FRIENDSHIP' is written in white on a black background. The contact information is at the very bottom in white on a yellow background.