



Beachlands School

Everyday Learning & Growing Together - Me mātau Ra

Week 8, Term 1 2025 - Monday 24 March 2025

From our Principal - Mrs Lisa Bethune

Kia ora koutou Beachlands School whānau,

Beachlands School Whānau Picnic - Tuesday 25 March 2025

On Tuesday we are hosting our first ever whānau picnic and we would love to see you all there! Our PTA has organised vendors to purchase food and we invite you all to come and enjoy the evening catching up with friends and making new school connections. The pedestrian gates on Bell and Wakelin Roads will be open from 4.45pm and the picnic will conclude at 7.00pm.

The picnic is a wonderful opportunity to visit our newly refurbished Library Information Centre. The Readathon in 2023 raised funds that has allowed purchasing of over 1,300 new books, as well as some new furnishings. Mrs Tina Brown, our wonderful Librarian, has organised fun activities for the night.



An email with all the finer details will be sent later today.

Keeping Ourselves Safe Parent Evening - Save the Date - Tuesday 29 April 2025 at 6.00pm

Constable Pauline Orpet from NZ Police will be running our parent information evening - more details to follow closer to the day.

We need your help at our school Working Bee - Saturday 29 March 2025 from 9.00am

From time to time our school needs some extra help to keep our school looking amazing. This coming Saturday, 29 March, we are holding a working bee to remove moth plant vines, transporting bark around our school and to plant some grasses in the gardens.

If you are able to lend a couple of hours on Saturday morning, it would be greatly appreciated. This working bee is open to all our school whānau including children. Entry from 9.00am through the Bell Road school gate.

Please email rskeen@beachlands.school.nz if you are able to help us and if you have any questions.



Happy Birthday to you!

May the following students who have an upcoming birthday this week, have a wonderful day filled with happiness, excitement & fun with family and friends!



Ava, Tahlia, Jasper, Atama, Ollie, Eleni, Tamara, Blaize, Charlotte, Paige, Tyson, Cleo, Carter, Enzo

Tread Lightly Caravan visit

We are eagerly looking forward to our Tread Lightly Caravan visit in Weeks 9 and 10 of this term. Your child's Kaitiaki teacher has sent out an email with information on your child's visitation day and time, along with information on the payment options.

Below is a brief outline of the fun, engaging and learning based activities your child/children will get to participate in. For this to run as smoothly as possible we are in need of parents, caregivers, or grandparents to lend their time, either for your child's session or for the whole day. If you are able to assist your child's class, please email your child's teacher. Here is the link to [teacher emails](#).

Please note that you do NOT need to be police vetted to help at this event.

Thank you kindly for your support and prompt payment for this activity.

Tread Lightly Caravan Information for parents

The Tread Lightly Caravan is visiting our School!

The Tread Lightly Caravan (TLC) is a mobile environmental classroom which visits primary and intermediate schools and community events in the Auckland region.

Through the use of fun interactive exhibits and activities, the TLC experience inspires students to live more environmentally responsible lifestyles. The TLC shows students how every day choices in an urban context (what we buy, how we travel, what we eat, how we use energy in our homes) can make a huge difference to our natural environment.

Students will use the power bike or hand generator to generate their own electricity for powering different lightbulbs and appliances, and test their knowledge of sorting and disposing of waste correctly at the waste activity. There is a video microscope to look closely at macro invertebrates and other organic matter, an environmental footprint calculator and demonstrations of stormwater pollution.

Students will be given a photo of themselves with their chosen Tread Lightly Pledge, an action they will do differently to help the environment.

We are looking for parent / caregiver helpers to assist, where you will help students with the interactive activities - guidance and instructions are provided. It is a 90 minute session for year 3 - 8, and up to 50 minutes for year 0-2. Please contact your class teacher to find out when your child's session is and if you would like to volunteer.

Visit the Tread Lightly website www.tread-lightly.org if you would like further information or visit their Facebook page www.facebook.com/treadlightlycaravan



tread lightly caravan
Auckland's mobile environmental classroom

Police Vetting for Parent and Whānau volunteers

A friendly reminder that a clean police vet is required for all helpers and volunteers to the school. Police Vetting forms are available from the school office and there is a \$10.00 application fee for all police checks.

Please complete the form and return to the school office with two forms of ID (one must be photo ID) and payment. Police vetting forms take around 8 weeks to be processed, so please ensure you return your completed form to the office if you would like to be a volunteer in the classroom, attend trips, sports events and school camps. We appreciate your support and value the time you are able to spend volunteering to help us provide amazing opportunities for our students.

South Eastern Zone Swimming Sports

Last Wednesday, four confident swimmers represented Beachlands School at the Intermediate Zone Swimming Championships held at Lloyd Elsmore Pools. Our students performed exceptionally well in their respective events, showcasing both skill and determination. They can be incredibly proud of their achievements, and their hard work truly paid off. Congratulations to our swim team!



Year 8 Whanau Leaders - GRIP Leadership Conference

On Monday 17 March 2025, our fourteen Whānau Leaders attended the GRIP Student Leadership Conference. The event was an inspiring experience, offering valuable insights into how to be a young leader. Key messages, such as 'Being a leader is not a privilege, it's about people,' encouraged our students to reflect on the kind of leaders they want to be and how they can make a positive impact on others. The interactive sessions sparked meaningful discussions and allowed our leaders to explore their leadership styles. It was a fantastic day of growth and inspiration!



HPPA Swimming Sports

Last Friday, Beachlands School participated in the HPPA Swimming event, where our talented swimmers competed against other East Auckland primary schools. The event was a fantastic display of talent and sportsmanship, with students racing in various events. Our swimmers performed exceptionally well, showcasing their FERN values in the pool and while supporting others. With a range of results across different races, each swimmer gave their best effort, and we are proud of their achievements. Miss Grant said it was a great day of competition, and the Beachlands team proudly represented the school!



Pork Pie Mini Charity Run for KidsCan - Non-Uniform Day - Tuesday 25 March

Local parents James and Kelly Norris are proud to have been selected to partake in the Pork Pie MINI Charity Run for 2025, travelling the length of NZ in their MINI. They will travel more than 2,300kms in just 6 days!! They leave Paihia on Friday 4th April and they will be raising money for KidsCan, along with 49 other Minis. KidsCan is an amazing charity who help to meet the physical and nutritional needs of Kiwi kids who are less fortunate than others, so that they can be more engaged in their education and have a better chance at reaching their potential in life.



Beachlands School has happily agreed to support them once again in helping to achieve their fundraising goal. **Students are invited to come to school dressed in non-uniform on Tuesday 25 March and bring a gold coin or donation to support them.** James and Kelly will be at school with their Mini parked by the courts before the start of school, come and give them your donation and in return students will be given a Goodness Me fruit stick. You can even have your photo taken with the mini!

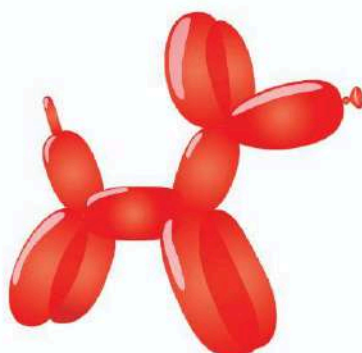
They would love you to follow their journey on Facebook – Team Goodies Pork Pie Charity Run and support them in any way you can at <https://porkpiecharityrun.org.nz/t/team-goodies>

Whānau Picnic

TUESDAY 25TH MARCH 2025
5PM - 7PM



CORNHOLE
OBSTACLE COURSE
RUNNING RACES
COLOURING COMP
RING TOSS



BALLOON TWISTING

SPOT
PRIZES

DRINKS
ICE BLOCKS
SAUSAGE SIZZLE



SCAVENGER
HUNT



Fletcher Living®
this is living

PTA FUNDRAISER

BAKERS DELIGHT

HOT CROSS BUNS



Made with real fruit, delicious spice mix and no bitter orange peel!

TRADITIONAL FRUIT 6PK

Filled with raisins, currants, and mixed spice.

\$12*



APPLE CINNAMON 6PK

A delicious blend of red apples and cinnamon.

\$12*



CHOCOLATE CHIP 6PK

With over 100 chocolate chips per bun!

\$12*



ORDER ON KINDO (CLOSE MIDDAY FRIDAY 4TH APRIL)

***\$3 PER PACK DONATED TO PTA**

Treat Friday

4th April

Hot Dog... \$4.00

Hot Dog & Chips... \$6.50

Chicken Nuggets (6)... \$6.00

Chicken Nuggets & Chips... \$8.50

Cinnamon Doughnut... \$2.50

Order on Kindo
(Closes Tuesday 1st April)

A vibrant, cartoon-style graphic for 'Treat Friday'. The words 'TREAT' and 'FRIDAY' are in large, bubbly, multi-colored letters. Surrounding the text are various food items with faces: a hot dog, a burger, a donut with pink frosting and sprinkles, a cup of popcorn, and a slice of pizza. The background is a rainbow with confetti.

COMMUNITY NEWS

BEACHLANDS MARAETAI RUGBY CLUB Players Wanted!

With the season just around the corner, we're looking for a few more players to join our teams in the following age groups:

- Year 4 Mixed Tackle
- Year 5 Mixed Tackle
- Year 8 Mixed Tackle



<https://www.sporty.co.nz/beachlandsmaraetai/registration/junior-registration-form-1>



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Whānau School Picnic: Tuesday 25 March 2025

KidsCan Non-Uniform Day: Tuesday 25 March 2025 (gold coin donation)

Tread Lightly Caravan at Beachlands School: from Monday 31 March 2025

Treat Friday: Friday 4 April 2025

Beachlands School 2025 Term Dates

Term 1: Monday 3 February 2025 to Friday 11 April 2025

Term 2: **Monday 28 April 2025 to Friday 27 June 2025 (**Monday is Teacher Only Day)

Term 3: Monday 14 July 2025 to Friday 19 September 2025

Term 4: Monday 6 October 2025 to Tuesday 16 December 2025

2025 Teacher Only Days (school closed)

Term 2 Teacher Only Day: Monday 28 April 2025

Term 3 Teacher Only Day: Friday 22 August 2025

2025 School Holidays (school closed)

Term 1 Holidays: Saturday 12 April 2025 to Sunday 27 April 2025 (*includes Easter and ANZAC Day*)

Term 2 Holidays: Saturday 28 June 2025 to Sunday 13 July 2025

Term 3 Holidays: Saturday 20 September 2025 to Sunday 5 October 2025

Term 4 Ends: Tuesday 16 December 2025 (school closes at 1.00pm)

2025 Public Holidays (school closed)

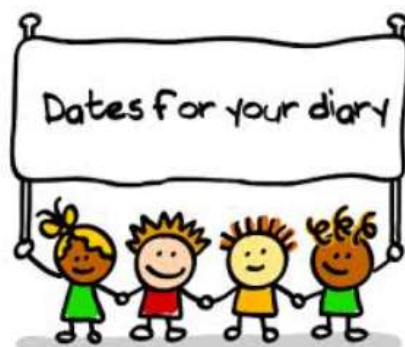
Easter: Friday 18 April 2025 to Tuesday 22 April 2025 (within school holidays)

ANZAC Day: Friday 25 April 2025 (within school holidays)

Kings Birthday: Monday 2 June 2025

Matariki: Friday 20 June 2025

Labour Day: Monday 27 October 2025



Kelly Club - Before and After School Programme



Contact: Debbie Lightfoot Programme Coordinator
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KELLY CLUB BEACHLANDS UPDATE

What's been happening...

Last week's "Once Upon a Time" theme was so much fun! We baked tasty Mermaid Cupcakes, constructed a Fire Breathing Dragon, and built amazing Lego creations. Rainy days were filled with dress-up play and games like Wolf Tag and indoor volleyball.



What's happening in the Holidays!



WEEK 1	Mon 14 April HYBRID HOOPLA Let's see how wild things can get when crazy ideas collide! Create your own hybrid - it could be a zebra, monster truck, uni-cat, or four-baseball!	Tues 15 April TIME TRAVEL A day with no limits! See if you can be the first to invent a time machine and imagine moving through the ages of the past and exploring the future!	Wed 16 April BUTTERFLY CREEK Join us for an awesome kip day to Butterfly Creek to see some amazing animals. Please remember a big lunch, drink bottle, shoes and a hat! \$20 extra for the day.	Thurs 17 April EGGSTRAVAGANZA Hop along for our Easter Eggstravaganza! Bring your looking eyes for our Great Easter Egg Hunt. Who knows what kind of goodies you may find!	Fri 18 April PUBLIC HOLIDAY GOOD FRIDAY
	Mon 21 April PUBLIC HOLIDAY EASTER MONDAY	Tues 22 April GLITTER VS GOO Get ready for a day of strategy, exploration! Let's mix up some goo and get messy. Don't forget to bring a change of clothes.	Wed 23 April KC'S GOT TALENT Today we're discovering the hidden talents that Kelly Club kids have in store! We can't wait to see what you've got!	Thurs 24 April ANZAC HEROES Work together as a team to overcome challenges, big and small, and embody the spirit of our ANZAC heroes.	Fri 25 April PUBLIC HOLIDAY ANZAC DAY

Pricing:
FULL DAY: \$55 **HALF DAY:** \$39
7:00am - 6:00pm 7:00am - 12:30pm or 12:30pm - 6:00pm
SCHOOL DAY: \$45 **EVENT DAY:** Extra \$20
8:30am - 3:00pm

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