



WHAT'S COMING UP

JUNE PIPIRI	JUNE PIPIRI
Wed 9: CZ Cross Country @ Liardet Park : Tui Information Workshops 7pm-8.15pm	Mon 21: Kiwi Swimming (Pukupuku) @ WRAC Moa Swimming @ WRAC
Thurs 10: Kiwi Swimming (Roroa) @ WRAC	Tues 22: Parent Meeting – Reporting to Parents, Hall 6pm-7pm
Fri 11: Takahe Swimming @ WRAC CZ Cross Country pp @ Liardet Park	Thurs 24: Kiwi Swimming (Roroa) @ WRAC BoT Meeting, Hall 7pm
Mon 14: Kiwi Swimming (Pukupuku) @ WRAC Moa Swimming @ WRAC	Fri 25: Takahe Swimming @ WRAC Moa planting, Polhill
Tues 15: Interzone Cross Country @ Grenada North Park	Mon 28: Kiwi Swimming (Pukupuku) @ WRAC Moa Swimming @ WRAC
Wed 16: Restorative Practice Parent Info Night, Hall 6pm-7.30pm	Tues 29: Boostrix Immunisation , Year 7's
Thurs 17: Interzone Cross Country pp @ Grenada North Park Kiwi Swimming (Roroa) @ WRAC	Wed 30: Parent/Teacher/Child Conferences – SCHOOL CLOSED
Fri 18: Takahe Swimming @ WRAC	

From our Principal | Mai i to maatau tumuaki o te kura

Dear Parents/Whanau,

School Cross Country

Thank you for coming and supporting our Brooklyn School Cross Country event. The first 5 runners from each year group (years 4- 8) are competing today at the Central Zone Event. We were so lucky with the weather and the athletes were fantastic. The next event is the Interzone Cross Country on 15th June (postponement 17th June).



Parent/Teacher/Child Conferences - Wednesday 30 June & Thursday 1 July 2021

Our upcoming Parent/Teacher/Child Conferences will take place on Wednesday 30 June and Thursday 1 July. A reminder that **Wednesday 30 June** is one of our Teacher Only Days, therefore school will be **CLOSED** for instruction, open for conferences via bookings only.

Students are expected to attend (siblings can be supervised in the school library during your conference times on Wednesday between 8.30am and 3pm). Bookings are open until **Friday 25 June at 4pm**. We use the online booking system, School Interviews. Please go to www.schoolinterviews.co.nz and type in the code **ctee2**

Please ensure that you don't make back to back bookings for siblings, as you will need time to move between classes. Also be mindful that these conference bookings are 15 minute slots. If you are not able to attend, or you cannot get a time with your child's teacher that suits, please feel free to email the teacher directly. If you have any difficulties, or do not have access to the internet, the school office will be happy to help. Please call Fee on 04 3896758.

We look forward to seeing you and your child/ren at the conferences.

Tui Information Evening

This is on tonight. We are excited to offer a range of workshops for you to find out more about some of the learning programmes we have in our junior school. The workshops will run for either 30 minutes or an hour. These will be informative workshops as well as providing practical ideas for how you can help at home. There are a variety of workshops on offer. For planning purposes, it would be helpful if you could let us know the workshops you are planning to come to. If you would like more information, please contact your child's teacher or karen.overell@brooklynprimary.school.nz

Brooklyn School Restorative Practice Information Night

At Brooklyn School we use the Restorative approach to dealing with behaviour. Restorative Practice is a relational approach to school life grounded in beliefs about equality, dignity, mana and the potential of all people.

The Brooklyn School Restorative Practice model focuses on building and maintaining positive, respectful relationships across the school community and offers school staff best-practice tools and techniques to restore relationships when things go wrong. By building and maintaining positive, respectful relationships within a school, staff to staff, staff to student and student to student, issues are more easily managed.

If you are interested in learning more about how this approach works, Clint Brandon our Associate Principal/ SENCO will be running a parent information session on **Wednesday 16th June** in our Staffroom/Hall from 6pm- 7.30pm.

If you wish to attend have not already responded on the HERO app please email clint.brandon@brooklynprimary.school.nz to confirm your attendance.

Children's Progress Reporting

We would like to invite you to a parent meeting about 'How we Report to Parents at Brooklyn School'. This will be held on Tuesday 22 June from 6pm-7pm in the school office/hall. We will also be sharing our 'Active Learner Pathway' with you and will share our slides with the community afterwards.

Communications & Engagement review

One of the school's strategic goals is to strengthen our engagement with whānau to nurture learning both inside and outside the school gate. As part of this goal, we are reviewing our communications strategy and are conducting a survey to understand more about how our community interacts with the school, your opinions on the current arrangements and your suggestions for improvements.

You can access the survey at the following link – [BPS Communications Survey](#) – or requesting a paper copy from the office. Please complete your feedback by **end of Friday 11th June**. We have had 114 responses so far which is fantastic. Thank you for contributing.

Staffing Update

Unfortunately, Carla Macleod who teaches in Tui Toru, has decided to leave our school as of the end of this term. She loves it here, however needs a break to spend more time with her family. We are currently recruiting to find someone suitable for this awesome class and wish Carla all the best. We will miss her.

Fire Alarm Activations

As you may well be aware, our fire alarm has been activating for no apparent reason over the last 6 months. We understand that a number of households within the Brooklyn area heard our alarm system go off again around 5.45am this morning, which would have been concerning not to mention extremely frustrating.

We have had ongoing discussions with the relevant service providers along with our building contractor, to figure out why this is happening and have put in a lot of time and energy into trying to solve the problem.

Earlier today, our fire alarm service provider was back onsite and we believe they have now found the fault, a loose wire connection in a manual call point.

Here's hoping this will be the end of the early morning wake-up calls!

Matariki

A reminder that our Matariki celebrations are on Wednesday 7th July, (postponement 8th July). We will be sending out more information regarding this next week.

Whanau Pumanawa – Matariki Hangi

As a group, whanau pumanawa are wanting to organise and put down a hangi for kai on the night of the Matariki school celebration. Matua Breach has plenty of experience in doing these on a large scale. His vision is that on the day, our whanau pumanawa group will be involved during the whole process of planning, preparation of kai, doing the hangi and then enjoying the fruits of their mahi afterwards while sharing with our wider school community. Below is a list of things that Matt will need help with -

Wood to burn, pellets and any other hot burning larger wood, hessian sacks (Caribbe/ Havana coffee etc have helped in the past with these), large cotton sheets, hangi rocks/heavy steel (this will be the hardest to find), steel food baskets, volunteers to help the kids with preparing veges etc (possibly the day before), volunteers to help serve kai back at school.

If you would like to be involved or have connections to help with any of the above please email Matt - breama@brooklynprimary.school.nz

Hooded Sweatshirt Orders

We will be offering the Brooklyn School hooded sweatshirt once again this year. Order forms will be given to the eldest/only child in your whanau this afternoon. Keep a look out for the bright pink form in your child's school bag.

Lost Property

The orange lost property bin is quickly filling up with many un-named items of clothing, lunchboxes and drink bottles. All named clothing has been returned to its owners. This is a friendly reminder to name all your child's clothing, so we can return it to them quickly should it make its way to the bin. Clothing will be placed out on the top playground tomorrow and Friday this week before and after school, for you to look over. Any items remaining will be given away to charity.

Ngā mihi

Liz

From the library

Recently a number of our students entered a creative writing competition– “What’s Under The Bed” through Brain Bunny.

There were 305 entries received, ranging over different age groups.

Three of our Takahē students made the shortlist for the 9 and under age group. These students were Bill Kelly, Innis-Rose Poff and Isaac Driver.

Congratulations to Bill Kelly! Competition winner for the 9 and under age group. Well done Bill!

His story is titled – The Forgotten Land (under the bed). Below is a wee snippet of Bill’s story-

Welcome to my world! I live in an empty wasteland of toast crumbs, odd socks, forgotten toys and giant marbles. I am a knight, the King and rightful ruler over this domain and the collection of figures discarded by the Human. It has been a long time since we were last played with. Since then my hand has been stolen by the dog, my body has faded, and my yellow face chipped and scratched, thanks to a new kitten. However, I live on, enjoying the peace and quiet of retirement in my castle. A magnificent abode of four floors, each covered with a colourful arrangement of assorted bricks and purple flags.

Community Notice

Invest in yourself and your wellbeing!

Come to our FREE 50-Minute Wellbeing Workshop on Thursday 17 June at 7.40pm.

Limited to 25, book your spot via email: patricia@fitnessmove.co.nz