



# Bulletin

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## **Dear Parents and Caregivers**

I hope that you have had an enjoyable break with your families.

Over this time we have had some clearing of our grounds done and this term we get underway with our upgrade to the Technology Block. This is due to start on April 30<sup>th</sup> and should be finished by the end of the term. While this is going on, Mr Fah and Miss Munro will be using other areas for their programmes. Miss Munro will be based in the Science Lab and MrFah will be using the PC Lab. Student learning programmes will continue. Next term the upgrade of the Foods Room will be done! We are also expecting the Kimi Ora project to get underway this term. Our school grounds and buildings will be looking a lot smarter by the end of the year.

The Value that we are focusing on as we start the new term is **RESPECT**. We want our children to be respectful. They need to be taught to have respect for themselves, for others and for their environment.

## **DATES**

- 22<sup>nd</sup> The Year 8 Girls have the presentation about the Gardasil vaccination
- 27<sup>th</sup> School Cross Country – Hataitai Park.
- 28<sup>th</sup> St Catherines presentation to Year 8 Girls 9.45am

**NZEI PAID UNION STOPWORK MEETING FOR TEACHERS - 6<sup>th</sup> MAY Our school will close that day at 2.00pm.**

## **BOARD ELECTIONS**

If you are interested in standing for our Board then please call the Office and talk to Suzanne Hendry our Executive Officer. You can also talk to Mike Thompson our current Board Chairperson. Mike can be contacted on 496 – 0050 or 021 – 243 -1320. **The nominations close on 23 April.**

## **PARENT INTERVIEWS**

What did you think? Please email or phone me to let me know what you thought about having the daytime option for interviews. Staff reviewed this new option last week in our Teacher Only Day. It appears to have been a good option overall. I would like to hear from you too about this.

I hope you found this new reporting useful for you and for your child. The goals set that were recorded for you, will be used in the interview at the end of Term 2. At the end of this term you will be receiving the first of our reports to you on your child's progress in meeting the National Standards. **Please note that on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June the school will again be closed for instruction. Should you need to have your child supervised that day, we will be offering teacher supervision for students in the library.**

## **STAFFING THIS TERM.**

**Peme Leautaia** has been appointed as a full time teacher aide in the place of Miss Misa. Peme is an ex- EBIS student. He has been a teacher aide at Wellington Boys College. He will be working with students needing support in Reading and Maths and he will also work with the school polyclub.

We also welcome **Noel Meek** as the teacher in Room 6. Noel is known already to our staff and students. Miss **Nima Pemerika** also joins the staff in a 0.4 position. She will be doing teacher release. She has a passion for this age level and so we are sure she will enjoy being at our place.

### **BULLYING IN SCHOOLS**

I am sure that many of you heard on TV over the last two weeks ideas for how bullying can be better dealt with in schools. I want to remind you all again that you must let us know if anything is happening at school so that we can deal with it. We encourage students to speak-up. It was also interesting to read in the paper how they suggested that research shows that one of the most effective ways of dealing with bullying is by talking one on one, by bringing together parties to mediate and allow students to feel that they have had resolution. We do a lot of talking with students and allowing students to put right things that they have done that are not acceptable.

Attached to this Bulletin is also the **Term Planner for the term**. This gives you an idea of what is going on so you can diary these dates.

Don't forget to contact the school if you ever need to.

I welcome your calls at school on **939-3247**, cell phone **021- 252-1383** or at home on **234 – 8724** anytime the need arises.

Best Wishes



**Mrs Wendy Esera**  
**ON BEHALF OF THE EBIS STAFF & BOARD**