

Bathgate Park School

He kākano ahau i ruia mai i a Rakiātea - A seed born of greatness.

Term 1 Week 5

Kia ora koutou, Mālō e lelei, Talofa, Bula, Ola, Namaste, Kamusta, Bonjour, Ni hau, Ahlan, Salam, Greetings to you all.

It is scary to think that we are approaching half way through the term already. As always the term is racing by. We already have so many events already completed and a range of activities up and coming.

A huge thank you to those families that were able to join us for our start of year meet & greet. The weather was very unfavourable but that didn;t put a damper on the chance to get together, share kai and have an informal catch up. Keep an eye out for future events that we will hold in the coming terms.



After reading the story, *The Lion in The Meadow*, the students of Haumia created their own lions using dandelions from the grass outside. What wonderful bright uellow manes have been created.



Governance Meeting

The next Governance meeting will be Thursday 20 March, 3.30 pm in the staffroom. We would love to have you attend.



Concerns & Complaints Policy



Please don't bring dogs onto school grounds unless permission has been given by the Principal or Deputy Principal. Thank you

Farewell to Joy Fleming & Welcome to Felicity Bennett

In term 4, we held a farewell afternoon tea to say "haere ra" to Joy after 28 years supporting tamariki on this site, both at Macandrew Intermediate and then Bathgate Park School. Just when she thought she could become a lady of leisure and get to turn her alarms off, we asked her if she could stay off to support us at the start of the year for a wee while, until our lovely new office administrator could begin. Joy, very kindly said yes. A huge thank you to Joy for this. Last Friday then became her official last day.





Joy by name and by nature, a jovial spirit that brightened each day

Over two decades of service, dedication and caring

Your sense of humour and caring nature will be missed.

This Monday, we officially welcomed our new office administrator with a mihi whakatau. Felicity will be in the office Monday - Friday 8.20am -3.30pm. She has had a successful first week and has quickly become a part of the BGP family. A huge welcome to her. If you pop into school please take the opportunity to introduce yourself.

Harold Came to Visit

Last week Harold, Rachael and the Life Education Bus came to visit. Each class had the opportunity to visit the Life Education Bus for two sessions. This was used as an igniter for our Keeping Ourselves Safe unit which we will be doing in the last weeks of this term.

Thank you Bathgate Park School!

To: the amazing ākonga and wonderful kaiako of Bathgate Park School.

Thank you for being so welcoming and showing us your A.R.O.H.A values during our visit!

Harold and I were so impressed
 with the kind and respectful
 students at Bathgate Park School.

- Your A.R.O.H.A values shined brightly during your lessons Harold's classroom!
- Ka kite anō au i a koutou, Harold Gi. Raffe & Racheal

New Staff to BGP

A huge welcome to all of our new staff. We are so happy to have you join our kura.

Salote Rouvi - Deputy Principal & Tāwhaki teacher



Kim Provis - Tāne Mahuta



Felicity Bennett - Office Administrator



Players of the Day



Ex-Students Visiting BGP

Mālō, warm greetings from Tāwhaki,

It was lovely to meet ex-pupils of Bathgate when the High Schools had a Teacher Only Day. You are always welcome in Tāwhaki before and and after school, however **if you are wanting to visit during the day, it is crucial that this is prearranged at least 3 days before.** This will allow me to judge whether it will be a suitable day for you to join us. You can email me directly using the email salote@bathgatepark.school.nz

Policy Reviews

At each Board / Governance meeting there are usually policies that are reviewed. This is part of a review cycle that is in place to ensure our policies are kept up to date and reflect the school's values, Te Tiriti o Waitangi and Government legislation. After each Board / Governance meeting these will be shared with staff and community for the opportunity to provide feedback before they are ratified at the following month's meeting. At our last Governance meeting our complaints policy was reviewed and updated. This will be shared with you, alongside a flowchart to assist, if needed. These can also be found on our website and are available upon request from the office.

Community Code of Conduct

Linked in with our Concerns & Complaints review we are resharing our Community Code of Conduct. Bathgate Park School is committed to providing a safe, respectful, and inclusive learning environment for all students, staff, parents, whānau, visitors and wider members of the school community. This Community Code of Conduct outlines the expected standards of behaviour and conduct to uphold our school values. It ensures the safety and wellbeing of everyone on school premises and at school-related events.

Our Code of Conduct is extending our AROHA values into the community and linking in with our current school expectations.

By adhering to this Code of Conduct, we aim to create a safe and supportive space where every student, teacher, staff member, visitor and parent feels valued and empowered to succeed. This will be part of the enrolment process from March 2025. This is attached to our newsletter for your viewing.

New Students to BGP

A huge welcome to all of our new students to BGP. We are so happy to have you join our kura.





Sunhats Sunhats are compulsory in Term 1. No hat, no play!

Cellphones at School

As you may be aware the new government has introduced phone-free schools in 2024. We are fortunate to have systems already in place in the school for cellphones at school.

A reminder that no cellphones are allowed for our junior end of the school. We are aware that often in the senior school, communication with parents is needed after school. The process we have t is that **all cellphones** are handed to the class teacher or the office at the start of the day. The class teacher or office will then lock them up and return them after the 3pm bell has gone. **Any communication needed with your child during the school day should be communicated through the office**. Any child who is caught with a phone on them will have it confiscated and an adult will need to come in and collect it. It is important to also know **cellphones can not be out from the time they step onto the school property.** This means they remain in bags until they are handed in. Use of cellphones can only take place out of school hours, and off school property i.e. the footpaths.

Banned Items Reminder

A friendly reminder that the following items are not allowed to be brought to school:

- Energy drinks
- Fizzy drinks
- Lollies / Chewing gum
- Toys (Teachers will notify you if there are special occasions these can be brought to class. The teacher will look after them for the day before returning them to go home.)

PB4L

Here are our PB4L expectation foci for the next 2 weeks, so you can talk with your children about them at home too.

Week 6's focus setting is **Everywhere, All the time 24/7** The expectation being taught, reinforced and acknowledged is:

- I sit down to eat
- I eat my own food only

Week 7's focus setting is **Everywhere, All the time 24/7** The expectation being taught, reinforced and acknowledged is:

- I am wearing my hat in T1 and T4
- I take care of my belongings

Duffy Caught Being Good & AROHA Certificates

Congratulations to the following people for the wonderful learning and AROHA they have been showing.











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RESPECT yourself, others, property and the 0

OWN your actions



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Wonderful Writers

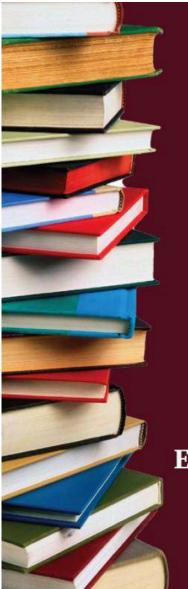




Tidiest Classroom Term 4 Results Week 1: Rūaumoko Week 2: Uenuku Week 3:Uenuku Week 4: Bebug	
Week 4: Rehua	

Week & Date	Event
Week 6: Monday 3 March	Uenuku at cricket workshop for the day
Week 7: Monday - Friday	Kākano Swimming
Week 7: Thursday 13 March	Highlanders visit Y7/8
Week 8: Monday - Friday	Keeping Ourselves Safe - schoolwide
Week 9: Monday 24 March	Otago Anniversary Day - SCHOOL CLOSED
Week 9: Tuesday - Friday	Kākano Swimming
Week 9: Tuesday - Friday	Keeping Ourselves Safe - schoolwide
Week 10: Monday - Friday	Keeping Ourselves Safe - schoolwide
Week 10: Monday - Friday	1st Year student teachers
Week 10: Thursday 3 April	Y8 HPV #1
Week 11: Monday - Friday	Keeping Ourselves Safe - schoolwide
Week 11: Monday - Friday	1st Year student teachers
Week 11: Friday 11 April	Last day of term

Community Notices





The 24 Hour Book Sale

Friday, 28th February Saturday, 1st March 10am to 10pm

Edgar Centre - More FM Arena

PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY: nettl



Dream South D will be hosting another free skip day for our community to have a clean up, get rid of general household rubbish, declutter and spring clean! For South Dunedin residents only, and there's a limit of one load per household please!

Sunday 2 March: 11am-2pm or until skip is full Victoria Road Carpark (next to the Dunedin Ice Stadium) 120 Victoria Road, St Kilda

FREE E-Waste and Soft Plastics Collection !!!

Trailer onsite for E-Waste until it is full - No commercial E-waste accepted. TVs, monitors, small appliances, computers, cellphones, keyboards, home printers welcome.

Soft Plastic Recycling onsite



Free Store area - (weather dependent) Is your trash someone's treasure? Drop to the Free Store area onsite or take what you need.

PLEASE NOTE: due to Skip weight limits and materials that the tip must refuse, we absolutely can not accept these items:

NO green waste, furniture, large appliances, building waste, commercial waste, hazardous waste, concrete, bricks, soil, polystrene, liquids, paint, solvents, oils, chemicals, asbestos, fibrolite, tyres, expanded foam, hot ash, explosives or flammable waste.

No flood damaged/contaminated items or materials accepted.



We hope you can make good use of this event! Any enquiries, please contact hello@dreamsouthd.org.nz



Parenting Session

FERNCOLLECTIVE



Saturday March, 01, 2025

Topic: The Power of Perception: Seeing Through the Empowerment Perspective.



JOIN US NOW

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EXPLORING SLEEP, COGNITIVE ENGAGEMENT, AND CHILD FUNCTIONING

We are recruiting children aged 6 to 10 years who often daydream, are inattentive, sleepy, and/or hyperactive, as well as children who do not display these behaviours to take part in our study at the University of Otago.

You will be required to complete a brief log about your child's sleep for one week and attend a one-off 3-4 hour visit at the University with your child.

Parents/caregivers will receive \$40 and children will receive \$20 as a thank you for your participation.

There is **free parking** and **weekend and school holiday sessions** available!

> INTERESTED? Email: selfregulationresearchcentre@gmail.com Phone: 021 279 0549

> > ETHICS REFERENCE NUMBER: 22/116



It's an ideal opportunity for parents to share in a life journey with their children!

Nothing is impossible - the word itself says ... "I'm possible"







Everyday people doing extraordinary things

Become a caregiver We are seeking to expand our team of volunteer caregivers to provide regular opportunities for Dunedin whānau to recharge their batteries.

This unique role has flexibility to fit within your lifestyle.

Includes quality training, support, and koha. Contact us in confidence.



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