



Bathgate Park School

Te Mea Nui, He Tangata

Term 4 Week 7

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

Last Friday, we said thank you, farewell and good luck to Lauren Latimer for the work she has done as teacher, team leader and Acting Deputy Principal in her 6 years at BGP. Thank you to all the children who made comments for our video acknowledgement. I know it meant a lot to Ms Latimer. We had beautiful singing from Tima with the songs *Rise Up* and the School AROHA song, accompanied by the band which consisted of Anaru, Samsin, Felicity & Nerida. This was followed by a performance from the senior girls with the *Who Runs the World* production dance performance before a specially written rap was performed by Samsin & Zhibasjian. After speeches we were able to get some final photos. A wonderful opportunity as Ms Latimer is usually hiding behind the camera, but not this time. We were even able to get a photo with the students who were in Ms Latimer's first classroom. Ms Latimer will be greatly missed but we wish her all the best in her future endeavours at the University and know that she takes a lot of wonderful BGP memories away with her.



Lauren Latimer and her family.



Ms. Latimer pictured with students from her first BGP class.



Xmas Raffles

Raffle cards due back to the office by Friday 4 December.



Final Assembly

Please join us for our final assembly for 2020 on Wednesday 16 December, 11:30am in the hall.

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ACT

Kindly and gently

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RESPECT

Yourself, others and the environment

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OWN

Your actions

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HAVE

A positive attitude

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ALWAYS

Do your best



Duffy Caught Being Good

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



Players of the Day



UENUKU CELEBRATION

Well done to Uenuku who were lucky enough to be rewarded with a chocolate fountain after their class compliment chain reached all the way to the floor from above their classroom door. Ka pai Uenuku, you have worked as a team to achieve your goal!



Children's Wonderful Work

Well done to Lissy and Nicholas who have been persevering and working collaboratively on this mini Technology project. What a fantastic final product.

2021 LSC Appointment

As we mentioned in an earlier newsletter, it is with sadness that we are losing our current Learning Support Co-Ordinator, Andre Hansen. He is leaving us to take up a similar job in the Cook Islands. We will farewell him as part of our End of Year Assembly. It is with delight that we can now confirm we have been able to successfully fill this position. Jenny Albrecht, formally of Mornington School, will be taking up this position for 2021 and beyond. We look forward to her working in our school as well as Carisbrook and Sara Cohen.

Friends of BGP Xmas Raffle

You will have received the last fundraiser of the year, our annual Xmas Raffle. Card and money due back on Friday 4 December and raffle drawn on Wednesday 9 December.

Christmas Raffle Items

If you are able to send something to the office to go towards the Xmas hampers we would be appreciative. Something as simple as a jelly or a spare can from the cupboard. If any contributions could be brought to the office by Wednesday 9 December.

St Johns First Aid

Next week, each class will have a chance to take part in a session with St John, practising their first aid skills, whether it is knowing how to ask for help using 111, through to assisting in an emergency situation. We are looking forward to this.





Congratulations!

Bathgate Park School are incredibly proud of the following (ex BGP) students who received a Rector's Commendation Award at King's High School in Year 9 this year:

- Arkyn Petrie
- Jackson Fieldwick
- Nesara Wewalage

Congratulations boys!
Keep reaching for the stars!

Term Dates Term

Last day of Term 4 = Wednesday 16 December

Final Assembly = Wednesday 16 December 11.30am

2021 Term 1 Start Day = Wednesday 3 February

Tidiest Classroom

Week 5 = Rehua

Week 6 = Te Rakiātea



BGP Diwali Celebrations

Last Thursday at BGP we came together to share and celebrate our learning about Diwali - The Festival of Light. We would like to say a big dhanyavaad (thank you) to Dan and Madhu Pariachi who came and shared some of their Diwali traditions with us as well as teaching us about the origins of Diwali. It was lovely to see the variety of learning and presentations from across the school.



HE IWI KŌRERO

The Ministry of Education is a partner of the South Dunedin Communities of Readers project and our team is working with Mātāwai Associates to coordinate a community hui, **He Iwi Kōrero**.

This event will be held on **Wednesday 9 December at 5.30pm** at **Bathgate Park School**. You may already have received an email about this opportunity for families /whānau with tamariki and I encourage you to share it with your ECE / school communities. Please contact Pip Laufiso pip.laufiso@education.govt.nz or Anna Parker info@matawai.co.nz if you haven't received it or require further information.

Register your interest vis this link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfZ7Nk_Aud8JVgrj7i7FJtFgGtj_klh5xLHN8QV3xpVh5AU7A/viewform