



Newsletter No 2

Bathgate Park School

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Act kindly and gently

Respect yourself, others and the environment

Own your actions

Have a positive attitude

Always do your best

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

Happy Valentines Day. I hope you had a kind word / action shared with you today.

Can I thank Fetuli for his wonderful caring for BGP by being a prolific rubbish picker upper as well as Evelyn, Shanyn, Jasmine & Rio who of their own initiative have created an information sheet for our BGP students on how to be a Tidy Kiwi. How wonderful to see AROHA living and breathing in our school.

Correct Contact Details

The start of the year is also an opportunity to make sure that we have your correct details. Added to this, the need to contact you re sickness or learning progress. In term 4 we were struggling to make contact with families due to incorrect details. **Any time, your phone or contact details change we need to know. Please phone, email or share with staff your new ones and we will update these.**

Chairperson's Monthly Notice

Something new this year is the Chairperson's notice which will come out in the newsletter closest to the start of the month. Our Chairperson Selena will include one in our next newsletter.

Masters Games – Opening Ceremony

We received this wonderful feedback from the Otago Community Trust around BGP's involvement in the Opening Ceremony for the Masters Games. We are so proud of the all.

Thank you to all the effort you put in to supporting the opening of the Otago Community Trust Masters Games on Friday night. I would also like to pass on my gratitude for your waiata kinaki following my korero on behalf of the Otago Community Trust. This was

very much appreciated as the waiata upheld the kaupapa of the event.

I understand that many of the students were year 8 last year and are now starting high school. I just wanted to acknowledge the effort of the teachers and the students practicing over the summer break that enabled them to deliver such an outstanding performance.

Accompanying this Newsletter

If you want a chat, have questions or a small concern please don't hesitate to make contact with your children's classroom teacher first or myself. Issues that are small are so much easier to deal with rather than waiting. We can't guarantee to solve everything, but we are here to listen and work with you.

Accompanying the newsletter is:

A copy of the school's 'Concerns and Complaints' procedures. This is printed annually and handed out early to ensure all members of our school community are aware of the correct process to follow if an issue or concern needs to be addressed. We do appreciate discussing and resolving matters early. This is always available on the school website.

Term 1's calendar of events

Meet & Greet BBQ

What better way to start the year than to have a chance to come, in a relaxed environment, to chat with teachers, meet new parents and enjoy a sense of community together. We have given everyone a chance to settle into the school year so BGP is going to be having a sausage sizzle on Monday 2 March 5.30-6.30pm. We would love it if you came and join us for this. Feel free to bring your blanket; pull up a space and enjoy this time.

Board of Trustees Meeting

The first meeting of the year is Monday 24 February, 6.00pm, in the staffroom. Everyone welcome.

Whanau Hui

Wednesday 18 February 5.15pm in Te Rakiatea. Everyone welcome.

Friends of BGP Meetings & AGM

Friends of BGP are looking to have a fair / gala styled event on 1 November 2020. To make this the most successful possible we need to start organising now. On Friday 21 Feb, 1.30pm in Tangaroa there is a fair meeting for anyone interested in being involved. Whether it is sharing your ideas, experience or organisational skills – we can use your help. Join us to share ideas and find out how you can support this event. On Friday 28 February the normal Friends of BGP meeting will take place 11.30 in the staffroom. All welcome.

AGM meeting will be Thursday 19 March 2pm in staffroom.

Lucky Book Club

The first issue of the Lucky Book Club is out. Orders to Katrina by Friday 6 March. If you want your order kept secret and not sent home with your child, please include a note with the order.

New to BGP

A huge welcome to BGP. We know you will enjoy your time at our wonderful school.

Players of the Day

Congratulations to the following players for their wonderful sportsmanship and effort in their teams.

Tidiest Classroom

Well done to Te Rakiatea Teina for for being the tidiest classroom in the first week of school.

