



Newsletter No 7

# Bathgate Park School

3 May 2019

**A**ct kindly and gently

**R**espect yourself, others and the environment

**O**wn your actions

**H**ave a positive attitude

**A**lways do your best

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

Welcome to Term 2. After a slightly wet and colder start to the term, it is nice to finish the week seeing the sun again. Everyone arrived back on Monday looking well rested and ready to start another great term full of learning and AROHA.

### **A.N.Z.A.C Ceremony**

A.N.Z.A.C day was once again in the holidays so we held our special ceremony over to the start of term. A huge thank you to the senior speakers for their role in leading the A.N.Z.A.C assembly today. Thank you to Amelia (eldest student) and Hazel (youngest student) for being our wreath layers. It was a lovely assembly with time to reflect and think on the steps taken to achieve peace. **WE WILL REMEMBER.**



### **New Caretaker**

Welcome to our new caretaker Ray McAleice who has officially started this week. We know you will be a welcome asset to BGP.



### **Snow Days**

It is that time of the year again when the weather can be unpredictable. We are sending home information about how to find out if school openings are affected. Please be aware that the whole of Dunedin primary schools follow this same procedure. Decisions for late starts or closure are not taken lightly but quite often a lot of staff do not live in the local area – safely getting to and from work in these conditions is a consideration. Also in the past we have had to send students home early because of snow – it is **VITAL** that we have your correct phone numbers and that there is also an emergency contact number. Thank you to those that updated this in Term 1.

### **School Mornings**

Teachers are not expected to be at school until 8.30am and before this time there can be no guarantee that someone is around to look after your child. Last term A LOT of children were arriving at school from as early as 7.45am. This is far too early and unsafe. In the winter terms children could be exposed to extreme weather conditions. Please don't drop your children off until at least 8.20am. A reminder the breakfast club does not start until 8.20am either.

### **Board of Trustees Meeting**

Our next meeting is Monday 20 May. 6.30pm in the staff room.

### **Friends of Bathgate Park, AGM**

This will be held next term Wednesday 15 May 2pm, in the staffroom.

## **New to BGP**

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



## **Student Teachers**

Bathgate Park will have 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> year teaching students coming to work in a number of classrooms in weeks 3 & 4. We look forward to working with them.

## **Lucky Book Club**

Orders to Katrina with money by Friday 24 May.

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION INFORMATION**

Below please find the timeline for Election of Parent & Staff representation for the BoT:

### ***Friday 10 May***

Information sheet and nomination forms will be posted to parents on our school electoral roll, to fill 5 positions as parent representatives.

### ***Friday 24 May***

Nominations close at 12pm. All nominations validated. If number of valid nominations received equals number of representatives required, candidates will be declared as duly elected.

### ***Friday 24 May***

Receive nominee statements.

### ***Wednesday 29 May***

Voting papers posted with candidates personal statements to all eligible voters.

### ***Friday 7 June - Poll closes at noon.***

### ***Thursday 13 June***

Votes opened and counted. Declare election results. Current Board chair and candidates notified of results. Results displayed in local newspaper.

### ***Friday 14 June***

New Board of Trustees takes office. Ministry of Education notified of results. BGP community advised of results.

## **Paid Union Meetings for Teachers**

Next week, a series of paid union meetings, in the afternoon, are being held in Otago for teachers. We have managed to stagger attendance and have arrangements for the classes to be covered, so there will be no early finish or closure required.

## **Fantastic Work**



We are loving the work coming from Haumia tiketike for ANZAC day.

## **Community Notices**

### **Caversham AFC First Kicks Programme**

Caversham Association Football Club is running a First Kicks programme for children turning four and five this year, at Tonga Park, on Friday afternoons from 4:00-4:30pm. It runs during terms two and three and only costs \$30 for the season. Register by sending your child's name and date of birth to [juniors@cavershamafc.co.nz](mailto:juniors@cavershamafc.co.nz)

**2019 JUNIOR GIRLS RUGBY**  
Be involved this winter with our line-up of games for Junior Girls.  
Existing and new players welcome!

**WHEN AND WHERE**

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| Sunday 5 May   | Alhambra-Union – North Ground               |
| Sunday 12 May  | Green Island – Miller Park                  |
| Sunday 19 May  | Kaikorai – Bishops Court                    |
| Sunday 26 May  | Taieri – Peter Johnstone Park               |
| Sunday 2 June  | (Taieri 7s) - Taieri – Peter Johnstone Park |
| Sunday 9 June  | Pirates – Hancock Park                      |
| Sunday 16 June | Pirates – Hancock Park                      |

**BRING**  
Football boots, mouth-guard and water bottle

**SIGN UP**  
By Sunday 28 April, online: [www.orfu.co.nz/community/womensrugby](http://www.orfu.co.nz/community/womensrugby)  
Any questions please contact Ellis Doyle at [ellis.doyle@orfuc.co.nz](mailto:ellis.doyle@orfuc.co.nz)

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