BROADLANDS SCHOOL



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'The Broadlands Bulletin'

<u>Term 4</u>

Awards from Week 3 Friday 5 November

Ruma Tahi Josiah Baker For your enthusiasm towards learning. Maria Stewart For your enthusiasm towards writing. Emma McDonald For your improvement in Reading and Writing.

Ruma Rua

Cullen Phillips

For asking great questions when we have visiting experts in Room 2. It helps with all our learning.

Levi Amoamo For showing excellence in maths and helping others with a strategy to do subtraction.

Roman Pyrah

For your consistent use of manners. Thank you!



Ruma Toru

Oliver Cocks

For the peacefulness displayed in class. It is appreciated.

Hasi Rathnayake

For the improvements in the quality of work being produced in writing. Keep it up!

Ruma Rima

Jack Lee

For the positive attitude you are showing in your learning. You are persevering to try your best! Well done, Jack.

Laura Clarkin

For the positive and enthusiastic attitude you are showing in your learning. You are making great progress!

Kruden Wills

For the positive and determined attitude you have to always try your best. You are making great progress in your learning. Well done!



Forthcoming Events - Term 4:

The complete list at this time!

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Monday 15 November - Book Fair starts Tuesday 16 November - School Athletics Sports Wednesday 24 November - Cluster Athletics Cancelled Friday 26 November - Grandparents' & Friends' Day Cancelled Monday 29 November - Photo Day Friday 3 December - Photo Day Tuesday 14 December - Awards' Assembly Details/format TBC Wednesday 15 December - Prize Giving Details/format TBC Thursday 16 December - Last day of Term 4



From the Desk of the Tumuaki

Ngā mihi nui, ki a koutou (Greetings to everyone!)

Let's be a community that appreciates what we DO have!"

Respect for ourselves guides our morals; for oth

Public Health Order - Covid-19 Vaccinations

As with all NZ schools, legal advice and guidance has been received this week from the **Ministry of Education**, **NZEI** (the teachers' union) and the **NZ School Trustees' Association** (which advises Boards of Trustees) concerning the recent vaccination-related mandate and Public Health Order (PHO).

A number of PHO decisions concern you as our valued parents/caregivers and whānau. So next week I will send out a letter to clarify what the expectations of you are based upon advice and guidance received this week.

Rest assured though, the expectations are manageable for our community.

Absentee Notification

It is important that the office is contacted if your child/children are going to be absent.

This can be done in a number of ways:

- 1. Phone call to 07 333 8576
- 2. Text message to 021 029 19131
- 3. SchoolApp
- 4. Email office@broadlands.school.nz

A *reason* must be provided as this is a legal requirement which we have to code. For example, saying "at home" is not enough.

An apology! Our school phone has been playing up with text messages arriving late/next day. We have just ordered a new one!

Dental Hygiene

On **Tuesday 2 November**, our **Health Reporoa** nurse, **Kelly Dawson**, was here talking to each class about dental hygiene.

It is always good to remind everyone about the importance of daily teeth cleaning habits! In fact, habits for life!

Learning about Science

During 2021 our staff and students have been well-supported by Anne Barker, our Science facilitator through the University of Waikato.



Anne was with us on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, including a staff meeting. Here are a few pics of Science in action in class and during our staff meeting where staff too were engaged in one challenging activity.

PTA News

At Wednesday evening's PTA meeting, the PTA agreed to donate an additional **\$1594.75** to purchase a further six exciting Dash Robots for all year levels to use during our weekly STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics) sessions with Mrs Shaw.



So why robotics?

<u>*Creative thinking*</u>. Opportunities to think divergently and 'outside the square'

<u>Engagement</u>.

Enhancing concentration, attention levels and catering for learning styles (the visual and tactile 'hands-on' learners)

Preparedness. For a life of rapid technological change including AI, robots in the workplace/at home, driverless cars & space exploration!

<u>*Programming (or coding)*</u>: Giving the robotics instructions and learning to think like robots think!

<u>*Perseverance*</u>: Solving robotic challenges and problems

<u>Team work</u>: Working together to solve a problem or achieve a learning outcome



Athletics

It is our intention that the **Athletics Sports** proceed as scheduled on **Tuesday 16 November**.

However, there will be a modified organisation in order to meet Ministry of Education/Ministry of Health - Alert Level 2 - Covid-19 gathering guidelines AND some conditions placed around parent/caregiver/whānau involvement on the day if you are here on-site.

These include:

- 1. No whole school gatherings at the beginning and end of the Athletics Sports (to avoid gatherings of adults on-site).
- 2. Championship and achievement awards will be presented at Friday's weekly assembly.
- 3. Visitors QR code in (QR codes at all entry points).

- 4. Maintaining physical/social distancing of 2 metres.
- 5. Masks are optional but recommended.
- 6. Visitors must assist staff at each event rotation in order to support the delivery of our Health & PE curriculum (either at one event all day OR moving from event to event).

Thank you in advance for your anticipated support.

Cultural Festival Hangi

It is unfortunate that the hangi being prepared by the Reporoa Razorbacks for the Cultural Festival did not proceed.

However, the *good news* is that the hangi will be available to the **42** who have already ordered AND pre-paid on **Friday 12 November** at 2.30pm.

Ideally, these should be picked up, but we can send them home securely in a bag if not.

Kasey will text those who have ordered on Wednesday 10 November as a reminder.

Thank you to Rebecca Brown for organising this for us.

Staffing News

Tracey Foden has now formally resigned her position as Office Manager dating back to 2006.

Thank you Tracey, for your great commitment and service to Broadlands School over the 16 years. We wish you every success and happiness with your new career direction and life ahead.

Ngā manaakitanga ki a koutou

Graeme



Please could ALL 2020 Prize Giving <u>Trophies</u> be returned



Photo Day

All going well for Masterpiece Photography and their Waikato Alert Level, our annual **Photo Day** will be held on **Monday 29 November**.

Photos are taken by Masterpiece Photography. Masterpiece will be taking individual photos of **ALL** our school children as well as sibling photos. They will also be taking some

leadership photos. Once we have draft copies, they will be displayed on the Office windows.

If you would like photos of your children with their pre-school or college siblings, please be at school at 9.15am. We will have the pre-schoolers and college students' photos taken first.

An envelope will be sent home approximately a week **after** photo day with a sample of individual/sibling photos attached. You may keep the photo regardless if you order the photo or not.

You will have two weeks to send back the envelope and money to the Office for free delivery. If you have any questions please contact Kasey in the Office.

Healthy Active students practicing throwing



Healthy Active students practicing long jump





Healthy Active students practicing high jump



