

Birkenhead Primary School



Newsletter August 24, 2018

Dear Parents

Kei te pehea koutou?

Important security issue: Just a reminder that the board will not ask you to click on a link or provide credit card or any personal information on any websites. If you see an email from board members asking you to click on such links, they may be malicious sites trying to steal your data, so please beware. Emails to bot@birkenheadprimary.school.nz are a safe way to communicate with the board.

Congratulations to Joey Lin: Joey won a silver medal at the North Harbour and Auckland Schools rhythmic gymnastics competition today where she represented Birkenhead Primary School! She has also qualified for the L4 National gymnastics championship competition for 2018. Only the top 20 out of 76 girls nationwide can attend this. Her older sister, Heidi, qualified for the L5 national competition. A proud day for the family!



Hockey: Alex Hui, Sam Teague and Dijon Thin have been selected for the North Harbour Representative programme for Hockey. The boys want to thank their coach, Carmen Hui, for his wonderful coaching and support.

Rippa: A special thank you to Mrs Anderson and Mrs Lapuste, and ALL those wonderful parents who helped at the very wet, muddy and cold rippa tournament.



Kirsty Way, one of our parents, reports:

'The Year 6 girls Rippa Rugby team represented Birkenhead Primary exceptionally at the tournament this week. All 13 girls gave their very best effort in the wet and wild conditions and it showed in the three out of three wins they earned. What was more impressive was the way they all supported each other, ensuring everyone in the team was involved and the great sportsmanship they displayed in every game by being respectful to the opposition and the referees. What a team! Great job girls.'

Fruit Trees: Thanks to Nina Rasmussen for her annual presentation of fruit trees to the school. CSI have planted two mandarin, one orange and one dwarf apple tree in the orchard and gardens.

Calendar

August 31 - Daffodil Day. See below

September 7 - Whole school cross country

September 19 & 20 - BPS Bites, a performing Arts showcase involving all students. See below

September 21 - PTA trivia night

September 25 - Triangle Meetings

Daffodil Day Friday 31st August-



At 9am the Pikiake children will be showing off their spring hats and collecting gold coins for the Cancer Society. All children are invited to wear 'spring' colours and bring a gold coin for a daffodil. Afterwards, our assembly will be hosted by Room 9 and will include some special songs for Daffodil Day.

BPS Bites - What is this? Think Share the Arts, at night. You can expect amazing, short, stand-alone items from each class.

PTA news - Trivia Night: Get your diary out and lock in the evening of 21st September for our annual Fancy Dress Quiz Night! Email trivia@birkenheadprimary.school.nz to enquire about booking a table or to donate auction items!.

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Ezlunch Tuesdays – Father's Day Competition: Ezlunch are running a Fathers' Day promotion to celebrate Dads. Place an order with Ezlunch for delivery next Tuesday 28th August (our Pita Pit Ezlunch day is Tuesday) and be in the draw to WIN ONE OF TWO \$50 gift vouchers for Father's Day. Winners will be notified by email and/or phone on Friday 31st August. Register (if you are a new customer) and order online at www.ezlunch.co.nz. Any questions, please contact Katrina on kanddking@xtra.co.nz.

Kawakawa Balm: Our new, improved containers of Kawakawa Balm are on sale at the office. Only \$4, for organic balm that is made from our own kawakawa trees and by BPS students' own hands! Excellent for all skin rashes, bites and other ailments and a must for the first aid kit.



A group of Northcote College students (including former Birkenhead Primary School student, Kieran Gordon-McKee) have invented a one of a kind product that can remove sunblock stains from your car's paintwork. Until now the only solution for this problem was to have your car completely repainted. It won a regional award for Product Development in 2017. Their sunblock stain remover

is available online at <https://www.autofresh.co.nz/> for just \$14.99 with \$5.00 from every sale being donated to Youthline.

This week's writing comes from an international student who has been visiting in Room 14.

My mum is very beautiful. She is a lawyer. She has long hair, big eyes, a small nose and a small mouth. She likes iphone, computer, TV, burgers, milk, pizza, games, toys, pandas, English, Maths, Chinese, Music, Art piano, cola, water, ice creams. She doesn't like t-shirts or animals. Her characteristics are lazy, angry, silly, noisy, funny and happy. She usually plays iphone. She likes to go to the ocean. She never goes to the park, zoo or jungle. She likes waterfalls a lot. She looks at the waterfall and can go swimming in it. Yes, she is very crazy. She has only one kid, it is iphone. She likes her iphone very much. I want to get rid of her iphone, because I am my mum's only kid.

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Ka kite a Mane, Nigel Bioletti, Principal

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Wed 19 Sept, 6.30pm

Thu 20 Sept, 9.30am

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Gold coin donation - cash only
Tickets On sale from Monday 3 September
8.30-9.00am in ROOM 12