

# Kōrero

## Berhampore Primary School



### From the Principals desk...

Kia ora koutou,

I would like to thank everybody for their help and support through alert level 2. Congratulations to the staff and parents who made the EOTC week work so well for the junior school. It was disappointing we were not able to make the senior plans work, however we look forward to making those happen in Term 4.

Congratulations to the Berhampore Fundraising Committee for an enjoyable quiz and a successful fundraiser last week.

The Board of Trustees has revised the strategic priorities arising from our charter for this year. The themes for this year's strategic priorities are, Diversity and Inclusion, Hauora, Success and Growth, Community and Connection and Te Tiriti. The strategic priorities are also available to view on the school website. Please let me know if you would like to discuss these further.

Strategic Themes Berhampore Primary School...	By 2024
<b>Diversity &amp; Inclusion</b> ...celebrates diversity and supports all students, staff and community members to participate fully in the life of the school.	...our school continues to be viewed as everybody's school.
<b>Hauora</b> ...is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all students and staff.	...our students and staff feel safe and supported.
<b>Success &amp; Growth</b> ...supports all students and staff to achieve their full potential.	...our students are self-motivated learners, progressing well both inside and outside of the classroom. ...our staff feel acknowledged and supported to grow professionally.
<b>Community &amp; Connection</b> ...is at the heart of our community.	...our school is a welcoming hub for all, maintains valuable community partnerships and is well-positioned to respond to roll growth.
<b>Te Tiriti</b> ...promotes the principles of Te Tiriti.	...our students and staff regularly engage with te ao Māori through te reo Māori and the school is engaging constructively with mana whenua.

I am still waiting on the contractor to be chosen for the refurbishment project in our middle block and Pīwakawaka. Once that contractor is found we will get a better idea of timeframes for construction.

A member of staff has found a very helpful interview on Te Ao with Moana which addresses a lot of the questions around vaccinations.

<https://www.facebook.com/TeAoWithMoana/videos/300670464821256>

Naku noa,  
Mark

18<sup>th</sup> March 2020

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### Upcoming Events:

Learning Through Play Parent Workshop – Wed. 24<sup>th</sup> March  
Autumn KNACK – Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> March  
Teacher Only Day – Thurs. 1<sup>st</sup> April  
Easter Holidays - Fri. 2<sup>nd</sup>-Tues. 6<sup>th</sup> April

### 2021 Term Dates

#### Term One

Wed. 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb. – Fri. 16<sup>th</sup> April  
Teacher Only Day – Thurs. 1<sup>st</sup> April  
Easter Holidays: Fri. 2<sup>nd</sup> April-Tues. 6<sup>th</sup> April

#### Term Two

Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Fri. 9<sup>th</sup> July

#### Term Three

Mon. 26<sup>th</sup> July – Fri. 1<sup>st</sup> Oct.

#### Term Four

Mon. 18<sup>th</sup> Oct. – Wed. 15<sup>th</sup> Oct.

For full term dates please check the school website.

If your child is going to be absent from school please contact the office, phone: 04 389 9391, text: 021 059 8683

# IN OUR CLASSROOMS



## Pīwakawaka

Each week we focus on a letter for handwriting. We made fruit kebabs and fairy bread when we focused on the letter 'f'. We had lots of fun!



## Room 12

In Room 12 we have been doing screenprinting. First some people used paper or cardboard to draw their stencil onto, and other people printed theirs out. Once they had decided what they were going to print or draw they cut them out with a craft knife or scissors. We had an option to either bring in a T-shirt or not., but everyone had to make a stencil for the hall wall display. Once we were ready to do our screenprinting, we laid the T-shirt flat and put some newspaper in the T-shirt. Next, we made sure the T-shirt was flattened and we put the stencil on top of the T-shirt. We put the screenprinting frame on top of the stencil. And then we put some ink on the top of the netting on the frame, above the paper. We made sure the ink was not on the shirt. Then we got the squeegee and ran it down the screen. It spread the ink down the screen, and it soaked into the stencil, then imprinted itself into the T-shirt, which would show itself on the T-shirt. Next, we got five or so people to hold the edge of the T-shirt as we carefully lifted the frame off. After this we needed to hang the T-shirt up until it dried. After it dried, we took out the newspaper. Finally, we ironed the back of the T-shirt for 5 minutes to fix the colour so it can be washed. And we were done! Here are some photos.





# IN OUR CLASSROOMS



## Kororā

### Kia ora from Kororā!

We've had a great start to 2021 and this is just a small sample of what we've been working on. Every day, we're making and creating, building and prototyping, coming up with ideas and testing them out. Our mahi connects with topics we're interested in and we're working together with our classmates, teachers and experts to learn more. Our goal is to share our learning with our community so we'll keep you posted!



## Movin' March

It has been great to see so many children embracing Movin' March and walking, scootering or biking to school. It has been fantastic to see the queues each morning at the sword in the stone patiently waiting for stamps.

If your child has a completed card, please send into Room 9 to go into the big prize draw. We will also have some smaller prize draws at assembly next week to celebrate the completed cards.

We are excited for our Walking School Bus. This will take place on Wednesday 31st March, starting at 8am from each point. We are just finalising our start points and more information will come out in an email. Children are encouraged to dress up and dress their scooter, or bike up too.

Alice & Kylie  
Movin' March Coordinators





# IN OUR CLASSROOMS



## Room 9

We had a blast during EOTC week getting to know what's good in our hood with the years 1-3 students.

The pepeha walk was a definite highlight of the three days. We started at the top of our maunga, on Tawatawa Ridge and the statue of Te Rauparaha. We walked down to our awa, Owhiro. The children had great fun walking along the stream bank, jumping over rocks and watching eels. We followed Owhiro stream, down to our moana, Raukawa. Everyone had a great time on the beach, enjoying the rock pools and a whole raft of sea creatures. .

Our day out at MacAlister Park was also fantastic. Highlights being sliding down the big hill, and playing with all the equipment out. It was great to see everyone taking turns, encouraging others to take a risk and having fun.

Melrose Park was our venue for our third day. Everyone enjoyed the walk in the trees past the zoo up the hill to the park. The children made some fantastic forts in the trees and enjoyed the play equipment, including the slide in the hill. Peter brought his guitar and we had an impromptu dance concert, which everyone absolutely loved.

It was a great three days getting to know what's good in our hood. Everyone went home tired and satisfied, with talk of what they are going to do next time they are at the park ...

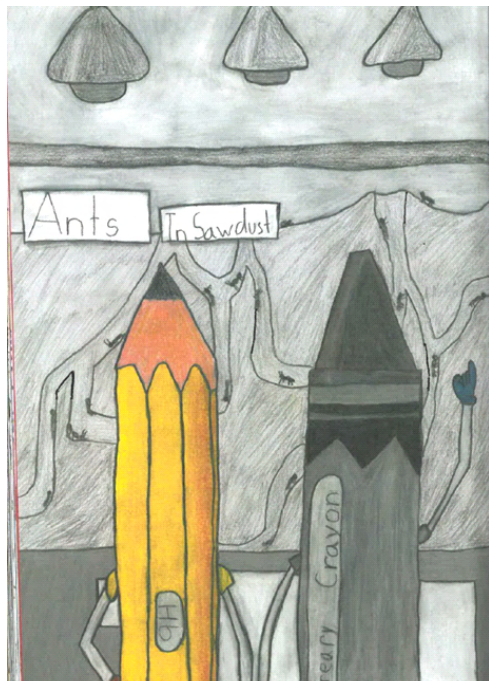


## Toitoti

Congratulations to Zola Manterys, one of our 2020 Year 6 graduates. Her story *Boring Pencil Goes to Boringtown* was recently published in Toitoti.

Toitoti is a collection of writing and art from young writers around Aotearoa New Zealand.

This is an amazing achievement for Zola and we are so very proud of her. Ka pai tō mahi Zola!



### Boring Pencil Goes to Boringtown

Once there was a pencil. His name was Boring Pencil. As you can probably tell, Boring Pencil was boring. He liked to read about the history of boring things. His best friends were Dull Pencil and Tedious Pencil.

One day, Boring Pencil decided to go to Boringtown. He packed a bag with a book on the history of Boringtown and a shrivelled-up apple. He walked to Boringtown. When he got there, he met a crayon.

"Hello, my name is Boring Pencil, what is yours?" he asked.

"My name is Dreary Crayon," the crayon replied. Dreary

Crayon decided to show Boring Pencil around. They went to Boring Museum, Boring Supermarket and Boring Arcade. Finally, they went to Boring Park, where they bought sawdust ice cream.

"Do you like living here?" enquired Boring Pencil.

"Yes," said Dreary Crayon. "It is so boring."

Next, they went to Boring Zoo and looked at exhibits of ants crawling through sawdust. They decided they were hungry, so they went to Boring Cafe and enjoyed a meal of sawdust toast. By then it was late so Dreary Crayon took Boring Pencil to the Boring Bus and he went home.

"What did you do today?" asked his mother, Monotonous Pencil when he arrived.

"I went to Boringtown," said Boring Pencil.

"That's so boring," she replied.



# UPDATES



## Board of Trustees Update

Ngā mihi, marhaba, olá, namaste, bonjour, nǐ hǎo, cześć, talofa, kon'nichiwa and hola everybody.

When our whanau met Mark when our daughter started at Berhampore School, he told us about the ethnic diversity at the school. At that time there were around 33 families who spoke a language other than English in the home.

I've not used all those languages in my greeting above but I've started with 10.

In my Kōrero messages for 2021, I'd like to greet each of you in your preferred language. This is to help reflect our diverse and unique school and community in Berhampore. To do this I'll be working with staff to understand more about the first languages used in our school community. I'd also love to hear from you directly about how to greet somebody in your first language, what the words mean and how and when the greetings are used. Please write to me at [boardchair@berhampore.school.nz](mailto:boardchair@berhampore.school.nz). It'd be great to hear from you.

Thanks to the Berhampore Fundraising Committee for all your work on the Quiz night. The Board members who attended told me it was a great night, well attended and raised a lot of money for the school. We are very lucky to have the Berhampore Fundraising Committee arrange the Quiz night and all the other events they organise throughout the year for the benefit of our kids. We really appreciate your on-going work.

There has been a bit of personnel movement on the Board recently. Susan Fullerton-Smith has come onto the Board to replace Constanze Schwind, who stepped down late last year, in accordance with the longstanding policy that the Board needs a person with knowledge and experience of students with learning support needs. Helena Tihanyi stepped down from the Board after many years of service as the whanau trustee and Colin Kennedy has stepped down after taking up a new role at his work. Thank you to Constanze, Helena and Colin for all of your contributions to the school over the past few years. We really appreciate the time you gave to the school and miss your contributions around the board table.

In related news, there are three spaces on the Berhampore Board of Trustees we'd like to fill. The Board wants to reflect the rich diversity of skills, ethnicities, cultures, education and life experiences our community has to offer. So please contact me at [boardchair@berhampore.school.nz](mailto:boardchair@berhampore.school.nz) if you would like to contribute your time, knowledge and experience to the Board or would like to discuss how you might contribute in other ways. We'd love to hear from you.

Ngā mihi mahana,  
Dominic Kebbelle

## Sports Coordinator Update

It's great to see so many children enjoying sport this term. This term we have teams for minipolo, floorball, and junior netball. There has been great interest in the Girl Cricket initiative too. It is exciting to see we have our biggest Weetbix Kiwikids Tryathlon team to date.

The Winter Netball season for years 5-8 is fast approaching. We welcome current players and new interested players into these teams. An email will come out with more information later this week. Please register your child's interest by 1st April.

The Tough Guy/Tough Girl challenge is coming up in May. Please let me know if your child would like to join our school team.

Cross Country is coming up next term. If your child is a keen runner, please encourage them to start training now. We will also be looking for parent support to run our whole school cross country event next term. Please let me know if you can help.

Kylie  
Berhampore School Sports Coordinator  
[kylieh@berhampore.school.nz](mailto:kylieh@berhampore.school.nz)



# UPDATES



## Berhampore Fundraising Committee

### Autumn Knack - Saturday 27 March

The Knack craft markets are the bedrock fundraiser for school, so please have a think about how you can contribute. Our first Knack for the year - Autumn Knack - is coming up on Saturday 27 March.

There are many ways parents and whānau can help. The market will be on between 9:30am and 1:30pm and we need plenty of volunteers throughout this time to help with a variety of market-day jobs, including:

- Set-up from 8am
- Running Eftpos
- Helping on bake stall
- Helping on BBQ/Sausage sizzle
- Helping on hot food stall Pack down (from 1.30pm).

An hour or two of your time volunteering is a big help. Get in touch with us via [berhamporefundraising@gmail.com](mailto:berhamporefundraising@gmail.com) if you want to get involved with the fun!

For those who are not available on the day but still want to help, we're looking to turn Knack a Baking Bonanza this time around! Think Great British Bake-off, Berhampore style! Keep an eye out for school bake stall notices over email or in children's bags from the teacher. And please help spread the word that Knack is on – tell your friends, family, neighbours and work colleagues about the beautiful crafts, delicious baking and amazing hot food on offer. Updates on what crafts you can expect to see are at [www.facebook.com/KnackCraftMarket](https://www.facebook.com/KnackCraftMarket)

### Quiz night a great success

Quiz Night 2021 was a splendid affair. Auctioneer Richard and Quizmaster Jim did a great job in building a fantastic atmosphere, and there was just a snifter of competitiveness in the air! Fortune Favours supplied some splendid questions that were supplemented (perhaps a little too enthusiastically) by the Chief Scorer. Team Locke It In Again were triumphant once again but many others were lucky enough to take home prizes thanks to the generosity of school whānau and local businesses. A huge 'thank you' to those who either donated prizes, attended on the night, helped with the organisation before or on the night and/or bought auction items. Berhampore businesses were very generous (Gramercy, Baron Hasselhoff, Natty, Munch, Fortune Favours, Bureaucrats gin, Food for the Soul) as were those from just a little further afield (Logan Brown, Beer Meets Grill, Paul Eagle, Next Stop Earth, Balliage Hair Boutique, L'Affare, Wiki Goods). The preliminary result is over \$2200 raised, which is a fantastic start for the year.

If you happened to be one of the two lucky winners of an auction pack with a restaurant voucher, please contact Kylie in Room 9 to collect the correct voucher.

### Join us?

The Berhampore Fundraising Committee organises fundraising events for the school. We're currently on the look out for more committee members - especially if your children are in the junior classes, as some of our parents of senior kids who will be heading off to new schools soon. With more people involved, there is less burden on everyone. One particular role we need to fill this year is Knack Stallholder Liaison. It's a really great job as our stallholders are a terrific bunch who regularly tell us how much they love coming to Knack. You can talk to Jo about what the job entails and how she'd make sure you had plenty of help during the transition. Reach her on 021 110 1083 or via email at [berhamporefundraising@gmail.com](mailto:berhamporefundraising@gmail.com)



# COMMUNITY NOTICES



## Traditional Kung Fu

KIDS + TEENS CLASSES



KIDS CLASS: Monday & Thursday, 3:30 - 4:30pm - 5-12 Years Old  
TEENS CLASS: Thursday, 4:30 - 5:30pm - 13-17 Years Old

WHERE: Berhampore School - 105 Britomart Street, Berhampore, Wellington PHONE: 022 398 6406 - Instructor, Conal Casey-Potter  
EMAIL: ccaseypotter@gmail.com

ADDITIONAL DETAILS: \$14 per class - 50% discounts for siblings - Start anytime during the school year - Concessions will be considered - All EDSOMA instructors hold internationally recognised martial arts/fitness qualifications and are NZ police-vetted.

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## WONDERPLAY

Wonderplay Drama Special: Join today and pay only 50% of the term fee! Thursdays 5-8yrs (3.30pm), 9-12yrs (4.30pm) and Advanced Drama (11-13yrs- 5.30pm) at Island Bay Community Centre. Teen drama classes Weds, Abel Smith St. Special is for new students only. Please contact Debs [debs@wonderplay.co.nz](mailto:debs@wonderplay.co.nz) 021-172-2836, [www.wonderplay.co.nz](http://www.wonderplay.co.nz)

### Ready for a challenge?

The **Heart Foundation** are relying on big-hearted people, like you, now more than ever before so we can continue to fund our life-saving work. That's why, this year, show your big heart by taking part in the **Gazley Volkswagen Wellington Marathon on Sunday 27 June 2021** and at the same time, make your support go further by raising life-saving funds to fight New Zealand's single biggest killer - heart disease.

Walk, run (or a bit of both) or join with friends...however you decide to take part in the Gazley Volkswagen Wellington Marathon we'd love to have you join us and help make a difference!

It's quick and easy to get started. Simply register for the event and enter the distance of your choice and then create your fundraising page and spread the word to your friends and family! We'll be there to support you every step of the way, plus, once your fundraising is underway, you'll receive a Heart Foundation running t-shirt.

### Can't compete?

If you're not planning to run the 2021 Gazley Volkswagen Wellington Marathon this year, how about joining this fun event as a volunteer? You'll be out enjoying the atmosphere and helping with tasks like registrations and support at the finish line. If this is something you'd be keen to know more about or you'd like to register you can find out more here

<https://www.heartfoundation.org.nz/get-involved/wellington-marathon-volunteers>

Berhampore  
Fundraising  
Committee

OUR  
SCHOOL  
NEEDS  
YOU!

We need  
more parents  
to help  
with school  
fundraising

so all our kids  
can keep benefiting  
from extra  
activities and  
resources

If you want to learn more about joining the committee, volunteering occasionally or just have a fundraising idea, please email: [berhamporefundraising@gmail.com](mailto:berhamporefundraising@gmail.com)  
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