

Tena koutou, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Fakalofa lahi atu, Bula vinaka, Ciao, Namaste, Al Salaam a'alaykum, Ni hao, Merhaba, Konnichiwa, Hola, Annyong hasayo, Greetings



Balmoral Primary

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Vision

To value diversity and to develop curious, confident and connected learners.

Friday 13 April 2018

Primary Dates to Diary

Mangere Mountain Education Centre

Whetu Syndicate Rm 16 & 17

Rm 30 & 15

Rm 29

Rm 18 & 19

Science Road Show

Paid Union Meeting

Kids Movie Night

Whittaker's Chocolate Fundraiser

PTA Surprise Event

Wednesday 13 June

Thursday 28 June

Monday 2 July

Wednesday 4 July

Monday 18 June & Tuesday 19 June

Wednesday 20 June 12.30pm

Wednesday 27 June

All payments must be made by

Friday 29 June

Saturday 23 September – save the date

Primary Whanau Blogs

Koru

<http://korusharingspace.blogspot.co.nz/>

Mahira

<http://mahirasyndicate.blogspot.co.nz/>

Whetu

<http://fabulouswhetu.blogspot.co.nz/>

Hiringa

<https://hiringabalmoral.blogspot.co.nz/>

Canteen Days

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday only

Closed Wednesday 20 June & Thursday 5 July

Please check the calendar on our school website (www.balmoral.school.nz) for up-to-date events and times

Tena koutou e te whanau, he mihi nui kia koutou katoa

Dear Parents, Whānau and Caregivers

Next week our teachers are attending a Paid Union Meeting on Wednesday afternoon. While this meeting is disruptive for both parents and our school, staff are legally entitled to attend.

It is becoming increasingly difficult to staff our school and in the most recent teaching position I advertised we received only two applicants. We currently have a support teaching role which was advertised in Term 1 which we have not been able to fill.

Something has to be done very soon to incentivise teaching as a profession to ensure that our school has access to high quality workforce.

I would like to thank those of you who have indicated to your child's classroom teacher about arrangements for next Wednesday.

Kia pai to mutunga wiki (Have a good weekend)

Naku noa

Malcolm Milner

Principal (Te Tumuaki)

**PAID UNION MEETING
Wednesday 20th June from 12.30pm
School Canteen Closed also**

School Reports

On Friday 29 June parents will be able to access their child's report through the caregiver online portal. The link to this can be found here

<http://www.balmoral.school.nz/parents/caregiver-portal-2/>

Student Conferences - REMINDER

Wednesday 4 July, 3pm – 6pm

Thursday 5 July, 1pm – 7pm

NOTE: SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 12:30PM ON THURSDAY 5 JULY

School Canteen Closed also

On Wednesday 4th July, school will close for children at 3.00pm. Conferences will start at 3.15pm and continue through until the final interview at 5.45pm.

On Thursday 5th July, school will close at 12.30pm. Conferences with teachers will begin at 1.00pm and the final interview for the day will be scheduled for 6.45pm.

Further information about how you can book these will come out next week.

Property Update

MAJOR BUILD: The BoT and the Senior Leadership are working alongside the MoE reviewing the detailed design. Value engineering (VE) has been completed to come within budget constraints. The Board has reviewed the detail of the VE exercise and feel that a balance has been maintained between quality of build & budget constraint.

Detailed design is underway, and the Ministry are working towards a tender date later in the year.

Current indication is that the build will commence in Q1 of 2019.

RELOCATABLE CLASSES: The contractors are currently mapping the location of an underground gas pipe. The location of this pipe needs to be drawn up for engineer, so piles can be driven. Once piles are driven we will then be in a position to know delivery of these classes. This is weather dependant, but we hope the piles in place by 22 June. The Eldon Road Gate will need to be shut on the morning of delivery.

Keeping Healthy and Medicines at School

As it is now the time when children often become sick it is important to be aware of protocols around sickness and medicines.

- If children are sick, please do not send them to school. We are having extreme difficulty in finding relief teachers and we also want to keep our pupils and staff healthy
- Children should not bring medicines to school and leave in their bags or classrooms. We have small children at school and we would not like them to have access to these
- School staff will not administer prescription medication at school except in exceptional circumstances.
 - Parents must apply in writing on the Administration of Medicines to Students form. Before any medication is administered the completed form must be signed by the Principal or the Associate Principals.
- We have included some helpful instructions for hand washing below. Please reinforce this hand-washing and drying routine at home. It is very important for keeping ourselves healthy. Fifteen minutes talking about this could save days of illness.

How should I wash my hands?

- Wet your hands under clean running water. Use warm water if available.
- Put soap on your hands and wash for 20 seconds. Liquid soap is best.
- Rub hands together until the soap makes bubbles
- Rub on both sides of both hands...
- And in between fingers and thumbs...
- And round and round both hands for twenty seconds
- Rinse all the soap off under clean running water. Use warm water if available
- Dry your hands all over for 20 seconds. Using a paper towel is best (or, if at home, a clean dry towel)



News from the Primary School

To value diversity and to develop curious, confident and connected learners

Kia ora e te Whānau o Te Roto a Rangi,

There has been much published recently about research into the brain. Much of this is not new but is building on discoveries as far back as the 1990s which was titled "The decade of the brain." For many years, Balmoral School has grounded its pedagogical beliefs and practices in research and, in particular, brain research. With the removal of National Standards, we are at a wonderful point in time where we can explore more fully the existing, and new, research about what children actually need in order to become happy, healthy and successful adults. Much of this thinking will require some paradigm shifts and a 'letting go' of what we thought to be true or of how we've always done something in the past.

Below is a link to a Radio New Zealand interview with Nathan Mikaere-Wallis, a neuroscience educator based in New Zealand, which discusses what is important for children to learn from 3-7 years old.

<https://www.radionz.co.nz/national/programmes/ninetoon/audio/2595176/what-3-to-7-year-olds-need-to-learn-nathan-mikaere-wallis>

Have a lovely weekend,

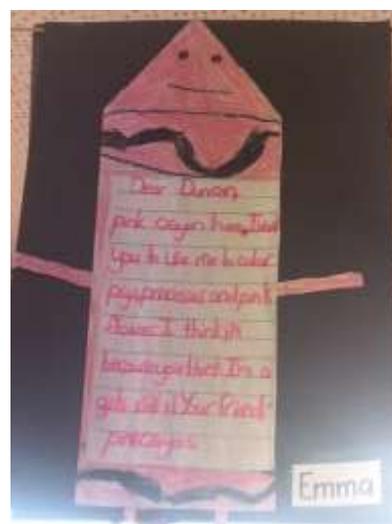
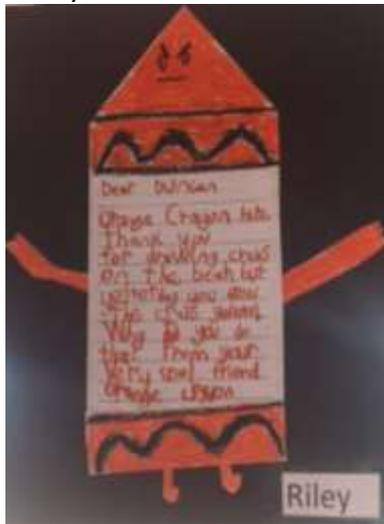
Ngā mihi

Katy and the Primary Team

Shared learning from Mahira

Whānau Mahira had a brilliant time celebrating book week. Sally Sutton came and spoke to us about being an author. We loved her story about the tractor rescuing a car from the mud. We had a really fun dress-up parade on Friday and a special Tūhuratanga time. Each class also did lots of reading, writing and art about some wonderful books.

Room 11 read *The Day the Crayons Quit* then wrote their own letters from the crayons.



Room 12 read lots of Joy Cowley books, and loved learning to read *The New Cat* in Samoan as well as English (we were also celebrating Samoan Language Week!) They painted



some gorgeous Greedy Cats.

Room 13 have been reading *The BFG* together. They painted the BFG and wrote character descriptions about him.

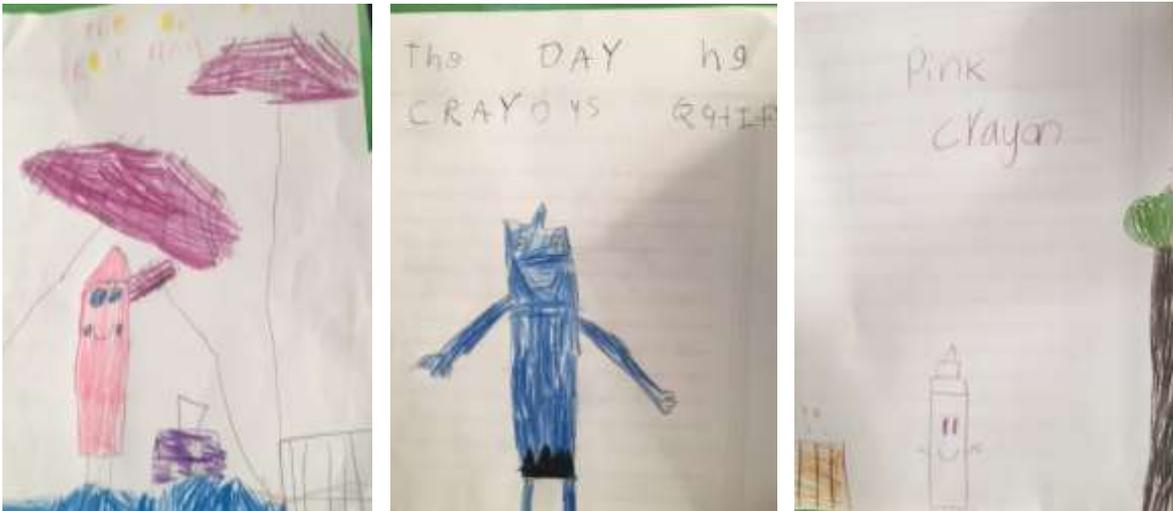
The BFG has eyes that sparkle like gold coins and a pointy nose. He has ears that are bigger than a truck carriage. His big shirt has no collar. He has gigantic sandals with holes. He is a giant. His clothes are gigantic. He also has a black cloak and he is kind.

Felix

The BFG has sparkling eyes and a pointy nose. He has a wrinkled face. He is kind of cool because he has gigantic ears. He is hard to see because he is a giant. He is different from the other giants because he doesn't eat human beings. He has faded green trousers and also the BFG is friendly too.

Sara

Room 14 also read *The Day the Crayons Quit* and designed their own book covers.



Primary Cross Country

On Wednesday 6 June, the Primary School ran their annual cross-country event. Despite it being quite wet underfoot on the field, everyone showed perseverance and resilience over the course.

The morning block heats for Year 3-6 were fine, with a cold breeze. Runners ran the outer school block before returning for a circuit of the field. The middle block heats for Y0-2 were met with constant drizzle as soon as runners took to the course. Both events were well supported by parents and grandparents alike. Special thanks to our parent helpers for their help on the course and in marshalling the events, and to supportive teachers in running this event.





PTA Facebook page

The PTA runs a Facebook page called Friends of the PTA. It is a place to come for PTA information, updates on PTA fundraising activities and events as well as posts and photos of what is happening around the school. Only people that have liked the Friends of the PTA page are able to see the content on the page. We are currently reviewing the admin and rules of our PTA Facebook page, in particular etiquette and guidelines associated with the publishing of photos.

From time to time we take photos of our students participating in activities and lessons. If you would like us to avoid showing your child on this page, please email a photo and the name of your child to pta@balmoral.school.nz. Additionally, if anyone submits a photo to us for publishing on the page we would like you to please check with your child that they are happy for the photo to be posted. Submitting a photo does not necessarily guarantee publication.

Our admins will regularly check feedback and comments on the page and negative comments will be removed. If you have an issue with any post or photo on the page please message us directly via the Facebook page or again contact us at pta@balmoral.school.nz

Thanks from the PTA team.



KIDS MOVIE NIGHT

Proudly brought to you by Balmoral School PTA

WED 27TH JUNE • FROM 6 - 8PM • SCHOOL HALL

TICKETS \$5.00 (includes complementary popcorn)

Tickets on Sale Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21st, Friday 22nd, Monday 25th from 8.30am - 9.00am
Outside Katy's office (cash only) If you cannot make these times, please email deb.tonyce@gmail.com
and pay directly to the PTA account 06-0145-0226748-00. Ref "Movie Night"

SAUSAGE SIZZLE & ICEBLOCKS FROM 5.00PM - 5.45PM

(please note sausages will not be permitted in the hall)

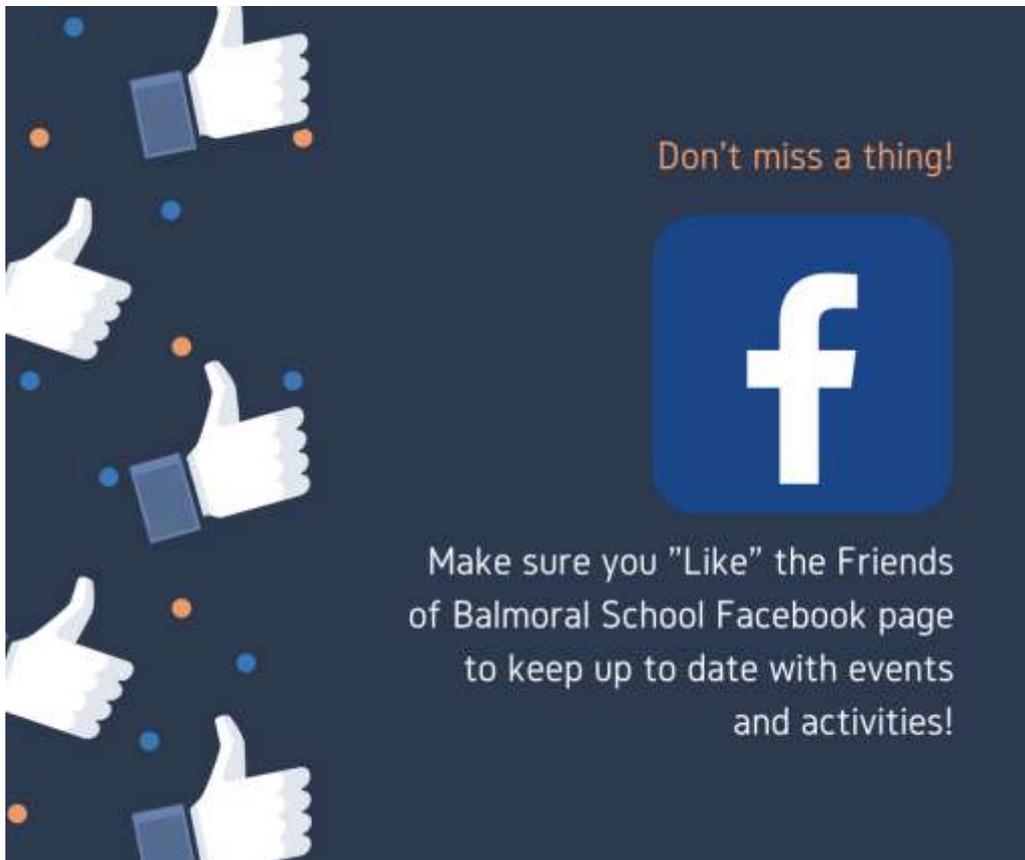
Movie starts at 6pm sharp, please make sure you are in the hall and ready to go by then

BAGS OF MIXED LOLLIES ON SALE FOR \$1.00

BYO CUSHIONS, BEAN BAGS OR PILLOWS. PJS AND ONESIES OPTIONAL

This is a great opportunity for parents to drop off and nip off with a few pals for a bite to eat while your children watch the movie!
Parents are welcome to stay if they wish and can use the seats up the back of the hall. For safety reasons, children must remain in the hall once dropped off, and cannot leave unless they are with an adult. Please make this clear to your children, at no stage will they be able to leave the hall or roam around the school grounds.





[Facebook/friendsofbalmoralschool](https://www.facebook.com/friendsofbalmoralschool)

Put a ring around 22nd Sept!
It's a night you won't want to miss - watch this space...





WHITTAKER'S CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER 2018

Two weeks to go!

GET YOUR MONEY IN BEFORE THE 29TH JUNE TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE PRIZE DRAW!

Thanks to everyone who has participated in our chocolate fundraiser so far!! We really appreciate everyone's efforts and involvement in getting behind one of our biggest fundraisers for the year! Don't forget the major prize draw is coming up in a few weeks. This will take place at the last assembly for Term 2 on Friday, 6 July.

To be eligible you need to have all your money paid in by Friday, 29th June.

We have great prizes up for grabs!!

- There will be a prize for the Top 3 Primary and Intermediate sellers – a \$100 Westfield voucher each!
- There are also spot prizes for ANYONE who has sold a box of chocolates throughout the Term. Prizes include Portable Waterproof UE Boom Blue Tooth Speakers, Skull Candy Wireless Headphones and Action Camera's Waterproof 4K Ultra HD.
- To be eligible for the prize draws all money must be returned by Friday, 29th June.

How to return cash for sold chocolates

- Once all bars are sold, please return \$60 in the envelope provided to the PTA Box in the School Office, or via bank transfer to the Balmoral PTA.
- For bank transfer the account details are Balmoral PTA - Account number: 06-0145-0226748-00. Particulars: Chocolate. Code: *(Student Name)*. Ref: *(Student Room Number)*.

Would you like to sell more chocolates?

- If you would like to still want to see more additional boxes of chocolate, these can be collected from the back door of the School Office on a Wednesday morning between 8:50-9:05am OR Friday afternoon between 3-3:15pm.
- Alternatively, you may email Genevieve at Balmoralschoolchocolates@gmail.com to arrange collection.
- Primary children will need a parent to accompany them when collecting extra chocolate, OR have arranged for an email to be sent to Balmoralschoolchocolates@gmail.com 24 hours prior.
- Intermediate children will need to check with their parents beforehand and sign the distribution sheet.



YOU CAN'T BEAT A GOOD CHOCOLATE CAKE!



Here's an easy recipe to use up some of your chocolate bars (if you haven't eaten them already). You could even give it a twist by using some of the different

Ingredients:

170g self-raising flour
¼ tsp baking soda
200g brown sugar
180g castor sugar
25g cocoa powder
3 medium eggs
75ml plain unsweetened yoghurt
200g Whittaker's Dark Chocolate
200g butter, cut into pieces
1tbsp instant coffee
125ml hot water
Icing sugar to dust

Ganache

100g Whittaker's Dark Chocolate – broken up
110ml thickened cream
1 tbsp caster sugar

Method:

Preheat the oven to 160c (140c fan bake). Grease a 22cm round cake tin and line the base and sides with baking paper. Mix together into a bowl the flour, baking soda, brown sugar, caster sugar and cocoa powder. Mix to separate out any lumps. In a separate bowl beat the eggs and yoghurt together. Melt the chocolate and butter in a bowl over hot water or in a microwave slowly. Mix the instant coffee with the hot water and add to the melted chocolate and butter. Pour both the melted chocolate and the egg mixtures into the flour mixture. Stir until you have a smooth, quite runny consistency. Do not over mix. Pour the cake batter into the tin and bake for 40 minutes or until a skewer pushed into the cake comes out clean. Leave to cool before turning out the cake. When the cake is cold, either dust with icing sugar or serve with a dollop or whipped cream or yoghurt, or for special occasions top with ganache.

Ganache

Place the chocolate in a heat proof bowl. Heat the thickened cream and sugar in a saucepan until nearly boiling. Take off the heat and pour over the chocolate. Stir until the chocolate has melted and the mixture is smooth. Pour over the top of the cake.

Community Notices

Calling all LEGO lovers, we are running the Kohia Terrace School annual fundraiser:

LEGO® FAN DISPLAY

Kohia Fundraising Show, Play, Competitions

Kohia Terrace School
3 Kohia Terrace (off Gillies avenue),
Epsom
10am – 4pm Sunday 17 June 2018

Tickets \$8

www.fundraisingevent.co.nz

Calling all LEGO lovers

- Interactive LEGO® 4X4 cars you can drive
- Exciting new displays of Dr. Who, Thunderbirds, Trains, Boats, Planes, Technic, Friends, Star Wars, Classic Space & much more
- Competitions to build your own creations, bring them in for judging and prizes.
Entry forms available on www.fundraisingevent.co.nz
- LEGO® to play with, thanks to Toyco
- Sausage sizzle and bake sale

This is a fundraising event for Tonga, following the devastation of cyclone Gita, plus a local New Zealand rural community. <https://www.fundraisingevent.co.nz/about>

Free parking is available thanks to the University of Auckland Epsom campus, enter from Kohia Terrace (gate 8) or St Andrews Road (gate 9).

LEGO® is a trademark of the LEGO® Group of companies which does not sponsor, authorize or endorse this event. This event is a privately organised event by Kohia Terrace School with LEGO® displays by the Auckland LEGO® User Group: aucklug.co.nz

For more information see www.fundraisingevent.co.nz

Or ring 021 178 1384



THE MINISTRY OF FOLK

**HOOP PRESENTS AN INTIMATE EVENING WITH SOME
OF NEW ZEALAND'S LEADING ACOUSTIC MUSICIANS**

Featuring:

**Jocee Tuck
Hoop
Echo Children**

Saturday 23rd June

7.15pm doors - 10.15pm

**Entry: \$15 cash (No EFTPOS)
or in advance from Under The Radar**

BYO drinks and nibbles

**St Alban the Martyr Church
(Right Side Back Hall)**

**443 Dominion Road, Mt Eden,
Please park on the road**

WATERLEA SCHOOL PTA & THE ICE SKATE TOUR
presents:

ICE SKATING

at the

WATERLEA SCHOOL HALL

17 House Ave, Mangere Bridge

Kids
\$8



Adults
\$12

Family
\$35

Family pass
(2 adults & 2 kids or 1 adult and 3 kids)

Door sales and eftpos available.

FRIDAY 15th JUNE

3pm-6pm

SATURDAY 16th JUNE

11am-4pm



WATERLEA
SCHOOL

With Learning We Grow

30 mins sessions plus time to get fitted.
Maximum 40 on rink at any one time.

Snacks & sausage sizzle will be available to purchase.

Centennial Park Playground celebration the
Albert-Eden Local Board invites you to celebrate the new playground -
90A Marsden Road, Mt Eden, **Saturday 23rd June 10am - 12 noon.**

TKU FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CAMP

Want to immerse yourself in
football for the school
holidays???



Week 1: Monday 9 July to Thurs 12 July, 9am-3pm

Location: Keith Hay Park, Arundel Street

Who: Boys and girls of all levels and experience

For: 6th-15th grades - groups will be split into boys, girls & age banded

Run by: Camp Manager DoF Paul Bateson, along with qualified TKU coaches

Price: \$160 full 4 days - \$50 per single day / Register through Club Hub

For more info: www.threekings.org.nz or email dof@threekings.org.nz