



Monday 10 September 2018

## "OUR BEST ALWAYS"

Dear parents

### Road Patrol Training

Senior students are currently being selected for Road Patrol training for the last part of term 4 2018 until Term 4 (half of Term 4) 2019.

If your child is interested they need to see Mrs Henderson if they haven't already expressed an interest.

Children will be selected on their reliability, responsibility and initiative in discussion with their teachers and management. Once selected training will take place with Constable I. Willetts who will make the final decision.

Children will need to select one day a week both morning (8:15 am to 9:00 am) and afternoon (2:45 pm until 3:20 pm ) for their duty. Further details will be given on selection.

If your child misses out please encourage them to look at other monitor roles that will become available later in the year.

*Caroline Henderson*

### Special Terrific Persons Awards

*Congratulations to all the following children, who will receive their special certificates at this Friday morning's assembly, starting at 9.10am in the hall: Joshua Dale, Austin Hei, Benjamin Chen, Lillie Cross, Ishnoor Virk, Abigail Harrison, Ishaan Khan, Dion Choi, Daisy Yang, Callum Budd, Mason Young, Richard Qu, Heath Donaldson, Rafal Hussein, Kalea Ah Chee-Poole, Kate Jacobs, Lara Donaldson, Danielle Clark, Yuchun Bai, Ben Eggers, Jack Lilly and Blake Lundgren.*

### Bake Sale

Don't forget the bake sale and mufti day on Wednesday! \$1 to dress in mufti, \$1 per item of food.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES SURVEY OF PARENTS

You should have received via email the survey instructions and a personalised login link.

Thank you for your assistance in helping to shape the future direction of our school.

The survey closes this Friday.

## Botany Downs Primary presents "Te Toi" (The Arts)

On the 20th of September 2018 at 5:15 pm, Botany Downs School will be transformed into a world of creativity, passion and culture as our talented students take to the stage. Through determination and co-operation we present an evening of dancing, singing, wearable arts and visual art proudly showcasing our Maori Culture.

### Fruit Trees Coming to BDS

On Tuesday last week, Mrs Parkins, Kate McKeen, Alex Johnson, Jack Brown and Blake Elliott went to Kings Plant Barn to thank them for providing fourteen free fruit trees for our school. Jason from Kings Plant Barn came to our school to show us where the best place would be to plant the trees. The sites chosen are behind the hall and alongside the concrete path on the far side of the field. The trees will be arriving in the next couple of weeks. A huge thank you to our Howick Local Council and Kings Plant Barn.

### Our School Values Programme

**Congratulations** to the following children who will be acknowledged at our assembly on Friday for showing the value of Co-operation: **Zoey Wong, Annabel Duan, Ella Mitchell, Harmony Hemi, Vinson Sha, Victor Zhang, Stella McHardy, Luise Peng, Reece Parkin, Chloe Cooke, Maddison Budd, Ila Cropp, Kobus Kaalsen, Reuben Martin, Jaco Kaalsen, Amy Cao, Jude Clayton, Reeves Angell, Crystal Macwan, Ella Marshall, Keana So and Taine Sanderson.**

## Coming Attractions at Botany Downs School!

Wednesday 12 September	Bake Sale
Thursday 13 September	Gymnastics Champion of Champions
Friday 14 September	Last day of Parents' (emailed) Survey Closing day for calendar art orders <b>DISCO Y3-6 6pm to 8pm</b>
Thursday 20 September	<b>BDS Festival of the Arts</b>
Friday 21 September	YO-3 Cross Country
Tuesday 25 September	Mathex
Friday 28 September	End of term 3
Monday 15 October	Term 4 begins

Parents, feel welcome to add



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And don't forget to add our schoolapp to your phone!

*Have a great week everyone*

*Kind regards,*

*Mr T*

(principal@botanydowns.school.nz)

## *"A Say from Your PTA"*

### **Senior Disco Year 3 to Year 6**

The senior disco is this Friday 6pm to 8pm in the school hall. You have until Wednesday to fill out a permission form and purchase your ticket.

### **Calendar Art**

The last day for calendar art orders is this Friday 14th September. Thank you.

### **Mufti Day & Bake Sale this week**

On Wednesday 12th September, rooms 1 to 4, 7 & 10 will be hosting the Mufti Day and Bake Sale at morning tea. Mufti means you can dress in your normal clothes- no school uniform! Cost is \$1 to wear mufti and \$1 for each cake or cookie item. Money must be given to your teacher on the day. Please note that we cannot guarantee sufficient baking for children with allergies, so if your child has allergies we suggest baking a small plate to place on the allergy table.

### **Arts Evening- helpers required**

We will be running a sausage sizzle at the arts evening on **Thursday 20th September**. We will need helpers to man the barbeques and assist with serving. Please can you contact us via our facebook page Botany Downs Primary School PTA or email us on [friendsofptabds@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofptabds@gmail.com) if you have some time to help out.

### **Dollars for Schools- vote for us!!**

The Good Home Gastropub in Howick is running their Dollars for Schools Programme from 25th June until 4th November.

All you need to do is to tell staff at the Good Home to allocate your points from any yummy meal or drinks to Botany Downs Primary. Make sure you continue to spread the word to family and friends so we can score our school a cash prize! Quiz Nights on Tuesdays, Mick Peck the Magician on Thursdays, Live Music on Fridays and of course the Sunday Roasts. Lots of excuses to pay a visit!

## **NOTICES**

### **Message from the Ministry of Education:**

*Education Conversations - Kōrero Mātauranga for Ethnic Communities*

*Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 5.30- 7.30pm*

*Guest Speaker Hon. Jenny Salesa*

*The Ministry of Education, with support from the Office of Ethnic Communities, is holding meetings for ethnic communities to contribute their ideas and opinions about New Zealand's education system. If you would like to be involved please come along to Ormiston Junior College. Refreshments will be provided and there is ample free parking.*

More information on the above meeting is held in our school office.