



Monday 18 February 2019

"OUR BEST ALWAYS"

Dear parents and caregivers

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: **Arabela Stewart, Vanisha Singh, Addison Xie, Stella McHardy, Chanelle Good, Skyla Kretzmann, Gemma Stephenson, Orlando Khammy, Samreet Thind, Elena Huang, Naya Abou Hassan, Madison Kong, Martin Grobler, Blake Elliott, Amber Newson, Roxie Lindgreen, Marche Esterhuysen, Yuni Choi, Ashlan Bratton, Kieran Cooke and Anna Ferguson.**

FAMILY PICNIC

**This Friday 22 February
5pm-7pm**

Pack up a family dinner for our annual **Family Picnic** on the field.

Items of food and drink will be on sale by the senior classrooms to help fundraise for camps, so bring your gold coins.

The pool will be open, with supervision provided for school-aged children, but all preschoolers **MUST** be supervised by an adult.

The toilets next to room 9 will be open, but will be locked at 7.00pm. Please take note of this if planning to stay into the evening.

If wet the picnic will be cancelled.

Botany Downs School Values Programme

The following children have been selected for exhibiting courtesy and good manners and will be acknowledged at this Friday's assembly, and their names put on the Values tree, which is now in the library: **Nicholas Luo, Ken Hoang, Nathan Du Bois, Chloe He, Jazzy Godara, Jaaveis Iese, Ian Ma, Ian Lopez Woo, Maanvi Patel, Ryder Lindgreen, Niamh Hunkin, Oliver Rayson, Haidar Hoosen, Vicente Cornejo Araya, Sacha Alexander, Matthew Barry, Kobus Kaalsen, Jesslyn Ma, Austin Zhou, Ila Cropp, Kathy Stubbs and Travis Cracknell.**

Maths-Whizz

This Year the BOT will be funding Maths-Whizz for students to use in our year 4 and 5 classes. **Maths-Whizz** is an online **maths** tutor for students that caters to the students own ability.

Bought Lunches

No sushi until further notice. This is until a new a new provider is found.

Online Safety Support

Netsafe helps people to be safe online. They can help if you are having problems online. They have free, private help for any online safety problems, and they are there to help seven days a week. You can get hold of them on the phone 058638723, or their website at netsafe.org.nz

BOT Meeting

This Wednesday, starting at 6.00pm.

Kind regards

Mr T

principal@botanydowns.school.nz

Walking School Bus

Have you thought about joining a school Walking School Bus?

A Walking School Bus is a group of adults and children walking together to and/or from school.

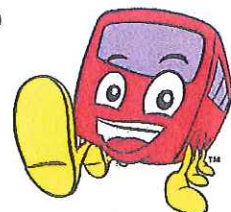
Benefits include:

- Improved fitness
- Making new friends
- Decreasing traffic around the school gates
- Improves safety
- Rewards

If you would like to start a Walking School Bus or find out more, please contact Claudia
Claudia.moreira@at.govt.nz ; 487 585; 021 908 572

If you live further away, just drive to a Walking School Bus and join in 😊

We look forward to seeing you on the Walking School Bus!



Next PTA meeting in the staffroom Monday 4th March at 7.30pm. This will be the AGM for the PTA. All Welcome!

Your PTA Weekly Update: Fruju Fridays are on now!



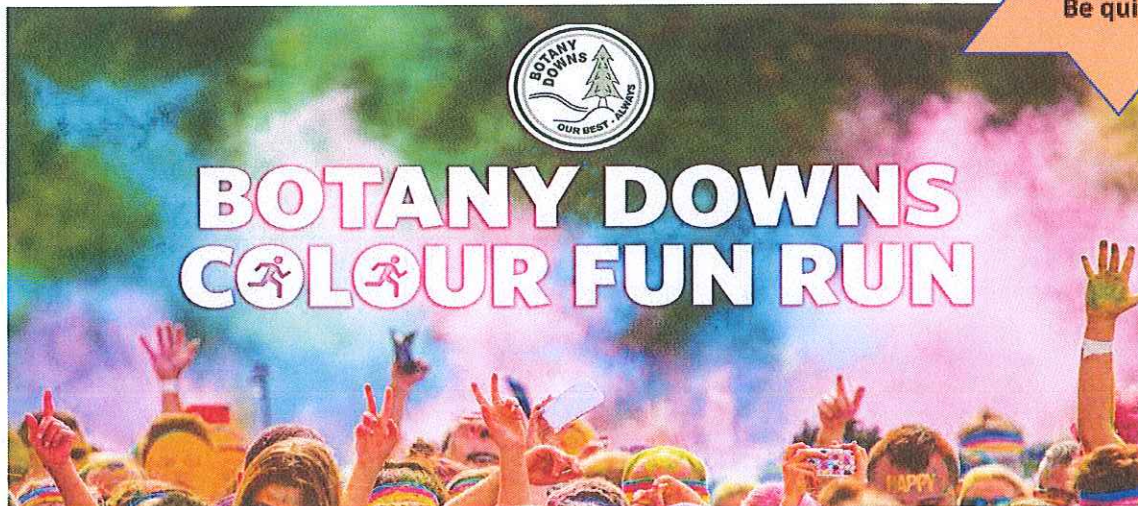
Each Friday after school you can buy a refreshing ice block, paddle pop or mini pop to cool down in the summer heat. Mini pops are \$1 each and all other iceblocks are \$2 each.

If any parents are able to assist with Fruju Fridays, please can you contact us on friendsofptabs@gmail.com.

BDS Colour Fun Run- Sunday 7th April- Tickets on sale now!

\$20 per ticket

Be quick!



Our colour fun run ticket sales are **now live via our Facebook page** or alternatively you can purchase tickets through the school- information is available during Fruju Fridays. A flyer to purchase tickets was sent home last week as well as a copy sent via email. Tickets are limited so don't delay. Any questions, please email us or message us via Facebook.

Please like and share our event and help support our school!
<https://www.facebook.com/botanydownsprimaryevents/>

We have some sponsorship packages still available .If you have a business that would like to sponsor a colour zone, please get in touch with us via email: bdscolourfunrun@gmail.com