

Botany Downs Primary School

Tuesday 9 February 2021

Our BEST - Always



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Congratulations to the following children who will be receiving their special awards at our School Assembly on Friday starting at 9.10 am:

Special Terrific Person Awards

Charlie Gao, Tom Robertson, Ezra Boyter, Jess Bredenbeck, Skylar Wolferstan, Henil Tailor, Ethan Liu, Micah Harrison, Skyla Kretzmann, Gary Taing, Khrish Ranchhod, Jessica Huang, Livia Ramos, Jamie Bruwer, Blake Good, Kieran Cooke, Saachi Aseemit, Jordan Mason, Yunseo Kim, Ahmad Muhammad and Katelyn Ma.



Values Programme

The following children have been selected for showing **COURTESY & MANNERS:**

Lillias Fisher, Arlie Clements-Goh, Zean Wang, Elani Venter, Candice Mao, Logan Baker, Vivaan Sharma, Oscar Wong, Reuben Apperley, Kyle Gouws, Gemma Yee, Leo Xie, Eric Guo, Liam Ontong, Yuri Kang, Thiaki Ono, Jesse Meng, Anthony Xu, Achintya Singla, Rose Keane and Ashlan Bratton.



Lunch Orders

We are now using **kindo** to order our lunches by Ezlunch. Starting 9th February 2021 ezlunch lunch orders through kindo are available on Tuesday, Thursday & Friday!



order online, delivered fresh to school
ezlunch.co.nz

This year you will be able to order hot and cold meals, sushi, salads and more provided by Daily Lunch & Catering, through **kindo** by simply [clicking here](#)! Just one login for every school payment.



You can order (or cancel) **any time before 9 am** on the day or schedule in advance. Your lunch will be delivered to the school in time for lunch.

Click [here](#) to view the menu.

Orders are made online through your myKindo account. One account for the whole family!

Get started now and be ready...[Click here](#) or go to www.mykindo.co.nz to start ordering!

For Apple and Android users download the mykindo app. **Need Help?** Visit support.mykindo.co.nz or phone 869 5200 weekdays 8am-4pm.

www.mykindo.co.nz / www.ezlunch.co.nz

Please contact trisht@botanydowns.school.nz for any queries about **kindo** at BDS.

Coming up...

Monday 8 February - Waitangi Day observed (public holiday)

Thursday 11 February - Whanau Picnic and Meet the Teacher/camp meeting

Friday 12 February - First school assembly

Monday 22 February - Year 5 Camp Adair

Wednesday 3 March - Senior swimming day

Wednesday 10 March - Year 6 camp parent meeting

Friday 2 April - Good Friday (public holiday)

Monday 5 April - Easter Monday (public holiday)

Tuesday 6 April - Easter Tuesday (school holiday)

2021 Teacher Only Days

Thursday 1 April (attached to Easter)

Friday 4 June (attached to Queen's Birthday)

Friday 1 October (Friday before Term 3 break)

Tuesday 26 October (attached to Labour Weekend)

2021 Term Dates

Term 1 - Tues 2 Feb - Fri 16 April

Term 2 - Mon 3 May - Fri 9 July

Term 3 - Mon 26 July - Fri 1 Oct

Term 4 - Mon 18 Oct - Tues 14 Dec

School Board of Trustees Election

Nominations are open for the election of two parent representatives to the board of trustees.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form and a notice calling for nominations – you can use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at noon on Sunday 7 March 2021. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at 4pm on Friday 9 April 2021.

Steph Elder
Returning Officer

**Na mihi nuhi,
Vicki Parkins
Principal**

Library News...

It is wonderful to have our whole library space open again for class visits - the books have missed the children over the holidays!

Reminders -

- Y1-3 may borrow 1 book at a time
- Y4 - may borrow 2 books
- Y5&6 - may borrow 3 books
- Books may be returned during class visit, at lunchtime, or before school

Please help children to -

- keep their library books safe, clean and dry
- return them on time so that others may borrow them (and they can borrow new ones)
- enjoy their books by reading them together (yes, even the big kids!)



PTA Update...

We Need You!

Welcome back to another school year at Botany Downs Primary, we have a lot of fun events planned for 2021.

As you are aware every year more schools are losing their PTA support due to a lack of parent volunteers not being able to assist their child's schools PTA. We look forward to more parents getting involved with the PTA in 2021, even if it is only assisting with an event for 30mins, as every little bit helps.

Next PTA meeting is scheduled for **March 1st at 7:30pm**. All parents are welcome to attend in person or via remote session. We look forward to new faces in our meetings for 2021.



Fruju Friday - It's back for Term 1

Just a reminder that Fruju Friday is now back for 2021 for Term 1.

We really would appreciate some parents that could assist the PTA with 30min of their time to assist with the selling/setup of the ice blocks.

If you can assist on a Friday for 30mins please contact us pta@botanydowns.school.nz



We also encourage more parents to purchase your child's ice blocks using Kindo as it removes the need for cash, and allows your child to access the Express Lane and not have to wait in line. <https://kindo.co.nz/>

Mufti & Pie Day - (WEDNESDAY 17TH FEBRUARY)

This term we are doing something different, we are having a Mufti & Pie Day.

Buy a pie from Jesters pies and wear your best dress, dress up as your favourite superhero or cartoon character! There will be prizes for the best dressed, so let your imagination run wild!



- Mufti is \$2 per child, please pay via kindo (Mr Insley will be on the hall deck to collect coins if needed).
- All payments to be made via Kindo for Jesters Pies. Cost is dependent on which pie you order.
- No cash payments can be accepted at school for pies as this is via **ezy lunch/kindo**.
- **Pie purchases must be completed in by 11am Tuesday the 16th Feb.**

SKIDS - Providing Before and After School, and Holiday Programmes

Before School care - 7.30am to 8.30am

After School care - 3.00pm to 6.00pm

Holiday Programmer - 7.30am to 6.00pm

To see if you qualify for an OSCAR subsidy, please click on the link:

<https://www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/deskfile/extra-help-information/childcare-assistance-tables/oscar-subsidy-current.html> (Government subsidy towards your child care)

To make a booking, please register on skids.aimy.co.nz or email us: botanydowns@skids.co.nz



**PACK A BLANKET.....
A LITTLE FOOD
A LOT OF FUN
AND JOIN US FOR...**



**RAIN OR SHINE
MEET THE
TEACHER WILL
GO AHEAD**

BDS 2021

Whanau Picnic and Meet the Teacher

Thursday 11th February 5 - 7.30pm

OUR SCHEDULE FOR THE EVENING:

5.15PM ESOL (MRS KATE KEENAN) TEACHER IN ROOM 26

5.15PM: PARENTS/CAREGIVERS OF 5 YEAR OLD CHILDREN MEET IN ROOM 7

FOR A PRESENTATION ON STRUCTURED LITERACY TO TEACH READING BY MRS LISA BETHUNE

5.30PM: JUNIOR SCHOOL PARENTS/CAREGIVERS GO TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM

6.00PM: MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENTS/CAREGIVERS GO TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM

6.30PM: YEAR 5 PARENTS/CAREGIVERS GO TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM

6.30PM YEAR 6 PARENTS/CAREGIVERS GO TO THE ILE (ROOM 18)

7.00PM: YEAR 5 CAMP MEETING IN THE ILE (ROOM 17)



**FOR SALE...
REAL FRUIT ICE CREAM
COFFEE + TEA**

