



# Birkdale Bulletin

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Providing a quality education in a caring environment

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Dear Parents

### Enrolment Evenings next Tuesday and Wednesday

Our School's office will be open next Tuesday 15 and Wednesday 16 August from 8:00am to 7:00pm, to take enrolments for 2018. If you know of any families with Year 6 students who have not enrolled please encourage them to take advantage of these longer opening hours.

### Netball Zone Day

On August 1, Year 7 Team 1 and Year 8 Team 1 participated in a North Harbour Netball Tournament. We were up against some tough competition on the day but that didn't stop us from enjoying ourselves. Unfortunately we didn't place on the day but we loved the opportunity to get to know the girls in our team more. Thank you to the parents who helped with transporting us to and from the games, our coaches and umpires who organised our team and Miss Creasey for supervising us on the day.

By Rayne and Paige Rm 17



### Cross Country Inter-school Competition

On Monday Birkdale Intermediate participated in the North Shore Interschool Cross Country at Sanders Reserve. The Birkdale students have been training for the past week running up and down a hill to prepare for the race. Before the race we walked the course and thought it would be easy

(apart from the students that had raced last year). The year 7 girls were first, followed by year 7 boys. Then the year 8 girls were up next, when we got to the start line we started to get nervous, "on your marks, boom" and the year 8 girls race began. All of the kids had to do the course twice and when we got onto our second lap some of us thought we might not make it to the end. But we did, it was now the year 8 boys turn and we had some great results at the end with Louis (Rm14) finishing in 20th place and Jasper (Rm14) finishing in 28th place. But the best runner of the day was Dasha (Rm14) finishing 8th place overall for the year 8 girls. Congratulations must be given to everybody that participated in such a tough course and tried their very best.

By Hannah, Kaden, Kate, Aiesha and Mitchell, Rm12



### 'Student of the Week' award - well done!

Zachary & Flinn R2, Damien R3, Rosie & Julia (Korean Students) R4, Aneil R7, Tylah R9, Natasha R10, Eva R11, Amber R16, Kaizy & Jaymee R17, Detroit R9 - Visual Arts, Matthew R2 - Performing Arts and Flinn - Technology.

### NSIS Chess Zone Day at Wairau Intermediate

On Wednesday the BIS chess team went to compete in the North Shore Chess Zone Day tournament. When we got there the air was full of happiness. We sat our bags down and started to play some chess. All of our Year 7 and 8's were competing to win. We may not have been able to win the tournament, but we won a few games. Without the parents, this amazing adventure would have never happened. Thanks to all parents and teachers for making it possible to go to the chess tournament. The students had an amazing day competing against other students and schools.

by Kaizy and Tamati of Room 17.



### Science Fair

This week the school held it's annual Science Fair. Projects from students across the school were on display in the school hall. The standard of competition was high with students investigating a wide range of scientific questions. Congratulations to all who participated. The winners of this year's Science Fair will be announced next week.



### Science Road Show

On Monday the Science Roadshow visited our school. It taught us about scientific things such as dry ice, expanding foam and liquid nitrogen. After their presentation, they let us roam around the hall looking at their interesting and mind blowing science experiments and investigations. Some things that stood out for me, more than others, were the 3D printing of the human body's digestive system. After we looked at all the exhibits, the instructors showed us how x-rays and telescopes worked and how they have helped us for years. Overall we learned a lot about different sciences and how much we actually know about our world.  
Written by Jamie (R8)



All the best for the coming week

Richard Coote,  
Principal

### Community Notices

The information below is printed as a service to parents. The School neither endorses nor recommends any offers or proposals made.

## BIRKENHEAD COLLEGE



### ENROLLING FOR 2018

No appointment necessary. Please bring your child, a copy of recent school reports and Birth Certificate or passport.

14 – 17 August, 3.30pm – 6.00pm  
in the school library

Phone: 09 483 9039 ext 832, email: office@birkenhead.school.nz  
website: www.birkenhead.school.nz

**Wave Warriors**  
**Holiday Surf Programme**

The O'Neill Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the spring holidays for 6-16yr olds at Crewa Beach

**Fun, Safe, Active & Healthy**

6-16yr olds | 5 Day Programme | Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> – Fri 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017  
\$150 per person | Morning or Afternoon session times

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment at Crewa Beach

Limited spaces | Please email to book  
surf@oneillsurfacademy.co.nz  
www.oneillsurfacademy.co.nz

## Important Dates

15-16/8	Enrolment days 8am-7pm	14/9	Y8 Winter Ball
22 August	Basketball Zone Day (B)	17-18/9	Nth Harbour Science Fair
23/8	Basketball Zone Day (G)	18/9-22/9	Sports Camp
24/8	AMA Mathex	25/9	Production Matinee
5 Sept.	NS Rugby League	26-28/9	Production
8/9	Muffi Day		
11-15/9	Production Intensive Week	29/9	Term 3 ends