



Birkdale Bulletin

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Providing a quality education in a caring environment

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Dear Parents

Year 8 Winter Ball

Last Night, we held our annual Year 8 Winter Ball. Our students arrived looking smart and well dressed for the event. It was a great opportunity for the parents to see their children showcase the dances which were learnt over the term. Special spot prizes were awarded to Kiann (R15), Monet (R4), Jahra (R14), Olivia (R12), Julius (R7) and Blaze (R1) for their energy and enthusiasm throughout the night.



NSIS Speech Competition

Last night Michael and Gwendolyn represented our school at the North Shore Intermediate School Speech Competition. Michael's speech was 'Never Give Up'. Gwendolyn's speech was, 'Why children should play sport'. We are very proud of both Michael and Gwendolyn as they have both progressed to the next round of the competition and will be representing our school at the Auckland Championships. They have shown us that it pays to be bold and strong and to share your strong messages with others. They both Strive for Excellence.



Calling all old Mobile Phones to help Sustainable Coastlines look after NZ's coastlines and waterways

After \$2.5 million donated to the Starship Foundation from the sale of unwanted old mobile phones it is time for a new multi award winning NZ charity - Sustainable Coastline to benefit from this scheme. It would be great if you could rummage around in your drawers and toy boxes and bring into School any unwanted mobile phones you may have. Phones collected help our school gain valuable rewards and also the environment benefits by keeping our landfills free of mobile phones and their array of hazardous toxic substances. Please drop any unwanted mobile phones you may have in the collection box in the Resource Room at school.

2017 Sports Camp

Good luck to our 35 students, five adults and two teachers heading to Totara Springs, Matamata on Monday to compete next week in over 35 codes of sport. You will be able to keep up to date with happenings via our School's Facebook page.



Good luck to our Robocup Auckland Championship Winners!

Mrs Thompson and the team, Braeden, Ben, Otomar and Luka, will be competing in the National Championships in Dunedin on Saturday. Good Luck Boys!



Production Intensive Week

For this year's production 'The Wizard of Oz', our hardworking Performing Arts Teacher has strived to prepare the students for their performances during our annual 'Production Intensive Week'. The whole week, Mrs Dooley, along with a number of other teachers and staff, tirelessly directed the students in the production cast, the choir, those

operating sound and lighting, some behind the curtain changing the scenes and others helping to create costumes, props and backdrops.

Through our extensive practice and rehearsal that will go towards our matinee and night performances, we hope to make this the best production to ever be performed at Birkdale Intermediate School. By Jahra R14

Can you help?

To provide the wonderful resources and programmes we have here at Birkdale Intermediate School we add to our Government funding with some fundraising projects. Here are two ways you and your family and friends could help us with this with very little effort:

If you're a parent, staff member or a member of the school community and draw down a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate \$500 to your chosen participating school. Mention this school donation offer to your ASB banker when you apply for a new ASB home loan.

Bianca O'Dea and Sahand Naghi from Harcourts will donate \$1,000 to BIS for any contact referred with a successful sale. Please tell everyone you know about these two schemes so we can continue to improve our school.

Fundraising made easy...
Bianca & Sahand will donate \$1000 to Birkdale Intermediate School for any property referred via members, relatives and friends upon a successful sale.


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All the best for the coming week

Richard Coote,
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Important Dates

17-18/9	Nth Harbour Science Fair	18/9-22/9	Sports Camp
18/9	BOT Meeting	25/9	Production Matinee
		26-28/9	Production
		29/9	Term 3 ends