



Bayview School Newsletter

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Kia ora Team Bayview,

We have wonderful news! Our lovely Kara Napier and her husband have welcomed Tillie to the world. Tillie was born on Sunday the 24th May and both mum and bubs are doing very well. This was a little earlier than anticipated but she is already so loved! It's always heartwarming to have an addition to the Bayview whānau.

REPORTS

The government has introduced changes to school reporting. We are implementing these gradually, starting with digital mid-year reports on Friday 3rd July via Seesaw. Key changes include:

- 5 new progress descriptors: Emerging, Developing, Consolidating, Proficient, and Exceeding.
- Next learning steps now have a dedicated section.
- New "How you can help at home" section with resources for reading, writing, and mathematics.
- Paper copies will no longer be sent home.

PARENT PORTAL

The Ministry of Education has developed a parent portal where you can access information around the recent changes in education. The link for this is: <https://www.education.govt.nz/parents-and-caregivers/schools-year-0-13/parent-portal>

BRAINFOOD BREAK

Did you know that at around 10 am each day, we have a short 5-minute brainfood break? During this time, your child can have a small snack of fruit to help them get through the morning. To make it easier for your child, it would be helpful if you could have this snack ready to eat, i.e. cut up the apple, or peel the mandarin, etc.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW LEARNERS

Welcome to these fabulous new learners who have joined us:

Andrea Gorio, Stu McDonald, Amber Rose Gonzales



UNIFORM

Please help us by ensuring your child is wearing the correct uniform to school. If they have lost their fleece jacket, please check the lost property.

If your child wears a singlet under their polo shirt, please ensure it cannot be seen. We take pride in our uniform and want our learners to take pride in wearing it as well.

Sun hats are not required during terms 2 or 3.

Please know that the polar fleece jacket is very warm and should keep your child warm enough during the day. Every habitat has a heat pump, and these are turned on first thing in the morning to warm up rooms.

TEACHER ONLY DAY

The last Ministry of Education Teacher Only Day for this year will be on Tuesday, the 2nd June. This is the day after King's Birthday holiday. School will be closed for instruction on this day. It is being hosted at Bayview School, so we respectfully ask that you keep your children away from the school grounds on this day.

PARENT MEETING REGARDING INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

On Thursday, the 4th June, Mr Mark Whitford, Principal of Glenfield Intermediate School will be hosting a meeting at Bayview School for parents of year 6 learners. This is an opportunity to come and hear how Glenfield Intermediate school can support your child's learning and prepare them for college.

Meeting details:

Date: Thursday 4th June

Time: 8.30am

Venue: Bayview School Library

KEEPING OURSELVES SAFE

Every two years at Bayview School, we run the NZ Police Keeping Ourselves Safe programme. We last covered this in 2024. We will be teaching this programme during term 3.

The Keeping Ourselves Safe (KOS) programme is a personal safety initiative run by the New Zealand Police in schools.

In short, its main purpose is to teach children how to recognise unsafe situations and give them the confidence to get help.

Here is what the children learn, in a nutshell:

- **To trust their gut:** Learning the difference between safe and unsafe situations, and recognizing their body's "warning signs."
- **To say "No":** Giving them the confidence to speak up if a situation or behaviour makes them feel uncomfortable or unsafe.
- **To get help:** Teaching them exactly how to tell a trusted adult (like a parent or teacher) if something is wrong, and to keep telling people until someone helps them.
- **Healthy boundaries:** Learning how to treat others with respect and understanding personal space.

The lessons are strictly age-appropriate and designed to build your child's confidence, not scare them. It is all about giving them practical tools to stay safe in the real world.

We are offering a parent information session run by Senior Constable Louise Nicholas, on **Tuesday 21st July at 2pm in the Bayview School library.**

If you would like to learn more about this programme you can visit:

<https://www.police.govt.nz/advice/personal-and-community-advice/school-portal/resources/successful-relationships/info-parents-whanau>

The teachers will share the learning with you through Seesaw, and any follow-up activities you can do at home.

PERIOD PRODUCTS

Bayview School uses the free period product in schools initiative. This means we have free period products i.e. tampons and pads, available for our learners who may need them. These products are stored in the toilet in the 'Whare Ako' (old dental clinic) and any of our learners can access these at any time when required.

NEW BASKETBALL HOOPS

A huge thank you to Court Kings for supplying us with 2 brand new basketball hoops. These have been installed on our top court. We have also had a keyhole painted in front of these hoops so our basketball fanatics can use these hoops effectively. It is now up to all of us to look after these resources.

LIBRARY BOOKS

You may have received an email if your child has an overdue library book from school. All children are able to issue up to two books a week, and these are issued for one week. If your child does not return their book, our library system will automatically send out an overdue notice to their parent or caregiver's email. If you receive one of these and believe your book has been returned, please contact your child's teacher before contacting the school office, as books may still be in their classroom.

Term dates for 2026:

- Term 1: 30 January - 2 April
- Term 2: 20 April - 3 July
- Term 3: 20 July - 25 September
- Term 4: 12 October - 11 December

HOLIDAYS (school closed during term)

- Monday 1 June - King's Birthday Holiday
- Tuesday 2 June - Maths Teacher Only Day
- Monday 26 October - Labour Day holiday



Our winter sports, Hockey and Netball, are now well underway. It has been great to see some of the teams in action and hearing the children recalling the highlights of their games. Please

remember that there will be no hockey or netball on King's Birthday weekend. The games will resume as normal the following week. Basketball semester one has only a few more games left before finals start in mid June. Wow, that season has gone fast!

SPORTSPERSON WRISTBANDS

Some children have already received one of our special sportsperson wristbands for showing outstanding fairplay, empathy, perseverance or positive attitude when taking part in sport. If you see a child at a Bayview sports game or event showing these amazing qualities, we want to know! Please email your nomination to Mrs Roberts at hayleyr@bayview.school.nz so we can recognise them at assembly.

2026 Dates for diaries

- *28 May - Starship Mufti day / Rippa Rugby Festival*
- *1 June - King's Birthday holiday*
- *2 June - Teacher Only Day*
- *4 June - Parent meeting regarding Glenfield Intermediate (8.30am, Library)*
- *10 June - Showquest performance*
- *19 June - Y6 trip to GIS Showcase*
- *25 June - BoT meeting 6pm*
- *2 July - Kaipatiki Matariki Festival*
- *3 July - Mid-year reports via Seesaw / Last day of Term 2*
- *20 July - Term 3 begins (8.55am)*

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