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Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends of the School,
Tena Koutou Katoa Nga mihi nui Ki a Koutou Katoa,

Under grey skies with a little wind, it was clear that our students enjoyed competing at our annual Athletics Day. Our fields looked a picture once again and my thanks must go to Mr Watson for the hours of effort he put into preparing and marking the field. He had me on the ride-on mower and rotary hoe on Saturday morning barking out orders when I made mistakes with the markings! Tough standard here at 7am on a Saturday morning. My thanks also to Alice Browning for coordinating such a successful school event.

Moving to our athletes and what a year for breaking records. Congratulations to the following students who performed brilliantly in their chosen events:

Emily Cowan - Y7 Girls Long Jump - 4.41m (previous record 3.95m from 2013)
Emily Cowan - Y7 Girls 100m - 13.31 sec (previous record 13.50 from 2017)
Emily Cowan - Y7 Girls 200m - 28.93 sec (previous record 30.16 from 2018)
Leo Hobson - Y7 Boys High Jump - 1.45m (previous record 1.41m from 2015)
Summer Burge - Y7 Girls Shot Put - 8.75m (previous record 8.50 from 2016)
Eden Johnson - Y8 Girls 100m - 13.31 sec (equals previous record from 2017)

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our past students from 2016 who have been named Prefects for 2021 at Takapuna Grammar School. I am sure each young person will thrive in their respective roles next year.

Head Boy - Jack Clough, Head Girl - Emma Mason, Deputy Head Boy - James Fairbairn, Deputy Head Girl - Lizzie Chapman

Prefects - Julie Bongartz, Allegra Bouwer, Jasmine Bridge, Anna Browning, Charlotte Chamberlain, Sidney Glennie-Crosby, Amelie Hall, Kate Kaye, Sarah McClune, Ella McKinney, Kate McMillan, Holly Morse, Mayzie Mortimer, Nonoka Ohta, Jade Poppelwell, Tessa Renneberg, Priya Taua, Madeleine Thorne, Kotoe Tozaki, Grace Yee, Finn Barrett, Harry Beale, Shea Bratton, Dean Brownlow, Max Clarke, Andrew Crotty, Hugo Doughty, Joseph Duong, Cam Eastmure, Theo Edmonds, Hayden McKay, Will O'Brien, Monty Rose, Chinmay Sood, John Steel, Thomas Swarbrick, Oliver Travers, Emmanuel Trommer, Chris Williams, Kevin Zhang and Aloia Moataane.

Our BIS Idol finals were held in the hall yesterday with ten students competing in front of the entire school. As always, I was in awe of the talent and courage shown by all those involved. Each student should feel extremely proud of their effort and performance on the day. Congratulations to the following students: Soloists: 1st Ruby Jacobs, 2nd Milla Rodrigues-Birch 3rd Chamonix Brand Duets: 1st Reese Thomas and Charlotte Wiggins 2nd Eleanor and Isobel Johnston. My thanks to Mrs Norwell and all of the teachers who contributed to a successful competition.

We have recently experienced a spike in inappropriate use of both personal and school owned devices on our network. As a result a number of students have lost their privileges based on our cyber safety agreement that all families signed at the beginning of the year. Furthermore, a number of students are choosing to keep their mobile phones in their bags and not hand them into the office. Could I ask that you please remind your son or daughter about the expectation to hand their mobile phone into the office each morning and adhere to their cyber safety agreement. We want to continue to create the best environment for our students that emphasises academic progress and achievement while also providing age appropriate playing equipment, sporting opportunities and games during lunchtimes. Finding the right balance between physical activity and screen time is important to me and our teachers. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Finally, congratulations to those who received Principal's Certificates this week: Jack Gaynor, Rhys Honiss, Louis Jordain, Fletcher Gulik, Asha Edwards, Jessica Donnelly, Kate Barker, Heloise Phillips-Smith, Lachlan Russell, Megan Maurice, Lilah Furlong, Jamie Hopkins, Darcy Taylor, Aimee Rumball and Isaiah Blanchette - Matthews.

Ngā mihi nui



Nick Hill
Principal



Record Breakers: Summer Burge, Emily Cowan, Mr Hill, Eden Johnson and Leo Hobson

Upcoming Dates for Your Calendar

Tuesday, 10 November	TGS Testing at TGS: leave BIS 9:10am (Testing 9:30am - 11:30am)
Mon, 16 - Wed, 18 November	Y8 Transition Visits to TGS: leave 9am/ return 12pm
Friday, 20 November	Teacher Only Day - School Closed for Instruction
Wednesday, 25 November	Wig Wednesday
Wednesday, 25 November	BIS Concert Evening in the Hall 7pm - 8:15pm
Monday, 30 November	TGS Christmas Concert - Te Poho (TGS Hall), 7pm Start
Monday, 7 December	BOT Meeting in the Boardroom 6.30pm
Monday, 14 December	Annual Prizegiving at Harbourside Church 9:45am (details will follow in subsequent newsletters)
Thursday, 10 December	Year 8 Graduation Dance, 7pm - 10pm in the school hall
Monday, 14 December	Last day of Term 4

Merit Mentions

Room 1	Ashlee Bourke Isaac Richardson	For her kind, caring and empathic nature towards her peers. Also, for being a huge help on athletics day. For his focus and effort put into athletics day preparation.
Room 2	Risa Imada Ryo Kurose	For having a growth mindset and positive attitude towards her learning and trying to make new friendships in class which will benefit her learning English. I commend you for not giving up! For always being on task and being a responsible student, taking your role as Device Monitor seriously. I am proud of you!
Room 3	Keira Zhao Danny Yoon	For always showing respect to both teachers and peers. Well done Keira, keep up the amazing work! For consistently showcasing all of the BIS values and working to the best of his ability each day. Well done, Danny!
Room 4	Jessica Toft Toby Kulak	For her excellent respect and humility she always demonstrates. Jess, your effort and kindness are an asset to our class. For showing creativity, courage and integrity each day in all your subjects and for the clear respect you show to all.
Room 21	Tane Westbrook Jack Jones	For having a wonderful week of focus and enthusiasm. Demonstrating some of BIS' key values and being able to look back on his decisions with pride. For always giving everything he does 100%, including empathy for classmates and making the right decisions.
Room 5	Plub Sangwangloi Jacinda Gatman	For his improved attitude and effort to engage with his learning in class, and for completing homework within the given timeframe. Well done! For consistently remaining focussed on set tasks and completing these to a high standard. Well done!
Room 6	Fletcher Sloan Saskia Uri	For always being polite, kind and respectful towards his peers, and being determined and courageous in the classroom. For working diligently, collaboratively and asking questions in Maths. Keep up the great effort Saskia.
Room 7	Felix Warringsholz Olivia Manning	For his outstanding effort and motivation across all curriculum areas. Keep up the awesome work, Felix! For her positivity and organisational skills she consistently demonstrates. Awesome work, Liv!
Room 8	Denver Perkins Max Zollner	For always showing excellence in everything she does. Well done for always striving to achieve your best, Denver. For always participating in class discussions showing such eagerness and perseverance in your work this term. Well done, Max.
Room 9	Max Garland Holly Shipkov	For facing all challenges with an open mind and positive attitude. You're a great role model, Max! For demonstrating excellent leadership and organisation skills to successfully produce our class yearbook page. Thank you!
Room 10	Jess Mohns Brylee Snelling	For her excellent progress in Maths and for her positive attitude towards her learning. For her improved organisational skills and for managing her time more effectively.
Room 11	Liam Lawrence Hayley Naidoo	For always being a polite and funny member of the class. We value your character so much, Liam! For working so neatly, accurately, and enthusiastically. You have been producing such amazing work this term, Hayley; we are so very proud of you!
Room 12	Leonardo Bacchus Orla Langdon	For showing innovation and creativity both in and outside the classroom. Continue to practice your skills, Leo. For her perseverance in tackling challenging tasks and improving on her skills in Mathematics and creative writing.
Room 13	Will Fleming Liam Vogel	For the diligence and drive he displays in all curriculum areas. Will has also demonstrated a mature, and enthusiastic attitude during our grad dance practices. Liam consistently strives for personal excellence in all that he does. He has fabulous time management and organisational skills that make him a real role model for those around him.
Room 14	Savarna McAlpine Maddie Smith	For showing incredible resilience and always giving everything her best, keep up the amazing work Savarna! For showing courage, creativity and excellence in everything she does! It has been awesome having you back at school with us and seeing you progress and do so well!
Room 15	Stevie Hall Victor Del Barco Leyton	For her continued positive attitude towards her learning. She has already developed the ability of time-management and can be counted on to complete any task. Keep it up, Stevie! For always being willing to help his peers as well as his teachers. He enjoys doing things for others, showing a great deal of respect and initiative. Thank you, Victor!

Merit Mentions cont.

Room 16	William McGibbon George Read	Excellent attitude - for always showing respect and humility - for his consideration for others. For his commitment to the Kapa Haka - for showing respect and humility - for always being helpful and well mannered.
Room 17	Isobel Johnston Rufus Adam	For displaying courage by applying for BIS idol and performing in front of adults and peers. For his enthusiasm in his learning, especially with regards to Maths. Your positive attitude towards maths and determination to improve has substantially helped you in your learning throughout the year.
Room 18	Liam Richards Abi Goosen	For displaying a great attitude since returning to school, by maintaining outstanding focus and commitment to learning each day. Keep it up, Liam! For her truly impressive dedication to doing her best every day, by applying herself to everything she does, seeking feedback when necessary, and collaborating with her peers, and also for her fantastic, positive attitude. Awesome work, Abi!
Room 19	Tom Clark Harry Figgins	For consistently displaying the school values in everything he does. Tom, your maturity and ability to be inquisitive and respectful to other people's opinions is exemplary! For offering insightful, robust, yet maturely structured opinions and discussions in our Integrated Studies sessions.
Room 20	Isabelle Meyer Mikaylah Devlin	For her positive attitude, kind manner and hard work. Izzy, you are a role model to the whole school! For displaying the school values in everything you do. Respect, resilience, courage, excellence, integrity and creativity seem to be naturally ingrained in you. You always work hard, and your efforts are paying off!

Specialist Merit Mentions

Science	Nanae Sato-Nates, Ava Fitzgerald, Caspian Shepherd, Max Garland	For achieving excellence in section 1 of the science module
ESOL	Mitsuki Onda Hanna Shokei Joon Kang Amy Sathiah	Improved effort with homework and speaking. Great job, Mitsuki! Great effort in ESOL class, and for always trying to help her classmates. Excellent participation in class and perfect homework completion. Great effort in class and always asking excellent questions.
Food Tech	Henry Havea-Tuitupou, Chloe McCarthy, Isabella Watson, Andy Song, Lucy Lumsden, David Levin, Calliope Bower, Dean Lim, Alyssa Fellingham, Stella McKenzie	Excellent focus and effort in food technology
Languages	Daisy Arthur, Portia Swan, Sofie Perkinson, Henry Havea-Tuitupou, Charlie Hawkins, Milla Rodrigues-Birch, Flynn Proffit, Luna Kim, Maggie Johnson, Chloe McCarthy, Lucy Stuart, Hosea Teasia	For their creative title page
Visual Art	Keira Penny, Milla Macdonald, George Spooner, Joey Senior, Alexandre Burrex, Bjorn Piper, Hayley Naidoo	For excellence in clay sculpting
Kapa Haka	Te Iwi Kahu Crow Te Aira McKenzie-Berryman Aorangi Hall Halena Kerns Anahera Petera Harmony Wilson-Ngata Nathan Fry Kahuao Hall The whole Kapa Haka	For having courage and showing your support to our speakers on stage at Mrs Patterson's farewell assembly. For having courage and showing your support to our speakers on stage at Mrs Patterson's farewell assembly. For having courage and showing your support to our speakers on stage at Mrs Patterson's farewell assembly. For having courage and showing your support to our speakers on stage at Mrs Patterson's farewell assembly. For her graceful and passionate leadership of our rōpū. Thank you for speaking on our behalf and presenting Mrs Patterson with a taonga she'll treasure forever. For leading us confidently with her beautiful voice into our waiata. For supporting Whea Megan with his incredible guitar skills, learning the songs the morning of our assembly and playing them flawlessly. For his strong leadership, passion and mana. Kahuao you led an excellent Haka and made us all very proud. Well done. Well done to you all on your beautiful singing, your outstanding haka and the amazing tribute for Mrs Patterson's farewell.

School News

Pubertal Change - Year 7 Classroom Program

In Year 7 at BIS, we value the changes that occur at this adolescent stage in the student's lives. Therefore, as part of the health learning area of our curriculum, we teach the concepts of pubertal change and hygiene, as well as the importance of nutrition and exercise.

The pubertal change programme will happen, this term, in class and consist of three main learning areas: physical changes, hygiene and relationships. This will help students to develop an understanding of the physical, mental and emotional changes that will occur during puberty. They will examine the factors influencing our choices during puberty as well as develop a positive attitude towards the changes we experience.

If you have any questions or would prefer your child does not participate in pubertal change lessons, please contact your child's classroom teacher.

Newspaper Donations for the Art Room

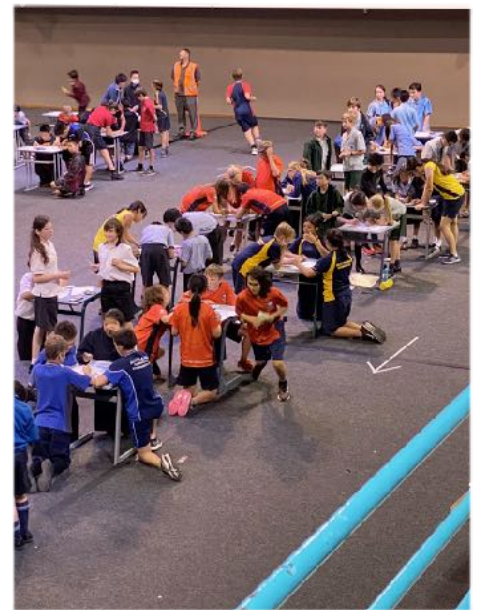
The Art Room is in need of spare newspaper. If you have any you want to get rid of, please send it into the Art Room. Thank you in advance.

School Yearbook

The School Yearbook 2020 will be available to purchase from our [Online Shop](#) from Monday, 9 November. It has a great selection of photos, events and class pages to mark a very 'memorable' year! The yearbooks will be distributed to the students who have purchased one, in week 9.

Auckland Mathex 2020

Last Thursday evening four teams attended the annual Auckland Mathex Competition in Auckland. It was a huge competition with the best of the best arriving at Barfoot and Thompson Stadium ready to problem solve. Both Year 7 teams scored a very respectable 75 in 30 minutes. Congratulations to Zach Walpert, Nikolas Tsulaia, Stanley Hollingsworth, Luisa Dong, Amelia Glenn, Daniel Fu, Hayden Steele, Charlotte Crotty for a fabulous effort. Our Year 8 teams included Oscar Cordnor, Aidan Clarke, April Liang, Chloe Choi, Andy Shi, Bill Sha, Audrey Melhuish, Abigail Goosen. They fought hard for the entire 30 minutes earning 75 and 80 points respectively. BIS would like to thank the parents for their fabulous support on the evening, and congratulate the students for all their hard work.



EPR08 Semi-Finals

Last night our three EPR08 teams competed at the semi-finals. It was a tough stage of the competition and all three teams performed exceptionally well. Our top placed team was 'Firebolts' who came third overall. Only the top two teams go through to the finals, so even though their EPR08 competition has come to an end, all of the teams gained a huge amount of knowledge and practical skills to take into the competition in 2021. Thanks to Mrs Janes who organised our teams entering the competition and who even came to watch the semis last night, along with Mr Lauder, Mrs Winslade and Miss Milligan.





Boys Volleyball Zone Day

Congratulations to our boys A team who were runners up at the boys volleyball zone day last week. The boys topped their pool winning all three pool play rounds and went on to beat Albany Junior High School in the quarter final and Northcote Intermediate in the semi-final. They started off really well in the final with some excellent serving by Hosea Teasia, but a strong Murrays Bay team fought back and went on to win 23-20. Well done boys this is an excellent result. Photos can be [viewed here](#).

Gymnastics Zone Day

Well done to the 12 students who competed at the gymnastics zone day last week. We had some fantastic results, especially in the boys competition:

Harry Brown	Nathan Davies
1st place all around	3rd place all around
2nd - Parallel Bars	3rd Equal - Floor
2nd - High Bar	
3rd Equal - Floor	

Harry Brown, Nathan Davies and Brandyn Snashall - Overall 2nd placed boys team.

In the girls competition Freida Jewell placed 2nd on vault. Well done Freida. Photos from the day can be [viewed here](#).



Touch Rugby Zone Day

On Monday this week three teams competed at the North Harbour Touch Rugby zone day. Congratulations to our mixed team (Brodie Webb, Indee Pateman, K'Mora Katu, Kaia tuuta, Raiha Jeory Reynolds, Darcy Taylor, Josh Glackin, Kane Te Whiu, Nathan Davies and Riley Scott) who went through their pool play rounds unbeaten and played Murrays Bay Intermediate in the semi final winning 2-0. They went on to meet Mahurangi College in the final and came away with a fantastic 2-0 victory. The team have qualified for the Auckland Inter Zone competition which will be held on 10 November in Papakura. Well done team this is a fantastic achievement.

Our girls team finished the day in 10th place and our boys team finished 11th. Well done to everyone who took part. A huge thanks to all the parents who helped with coaching the teams and transporting the students to and from the venue. Photos from the day can be [viewed here](#).



Boys Football vs Rosmini

On Monday our boys football teams played some small sided friendly games against local rivals Rosmini College. Thanks to Ryan Ward for organising these games - it was great for the boys to be able to play some football, given the zone days were all cancelled earlier in the year. A few photos from the day can be [viewed here](#).



Auckland Marathon

Some of our awesome teachers ran in the Auckland Marathon last weekend. Bianca Steyn, Caitlin Milligan and Mari van Zyl (pictured left) all ran the 11km. Shae Friedrichs ran the 1/2! (And our DP Claire Janes also ran the Devonport half marathon a couple of weeks ago!). Well done you guys!



School Athletics Day 2020

Our annual athletics day was a great success on Wednesday, with a number of school records broken. Well done to all the students who participated, it was great to see everyone out on the field competing. Congratulations to those who earned a top 3 placing (full results below). Students who have qualified to take part in the North Harbour Athletics Zone Day on Friday, 13 November at Millennium Stadium, will be notified at school early next week.

Some great participation on behalf of the staff as well, in the annual Students v Teachers Relay won by Tiri House, followed by the Teachers, with Brett coming in 3rd.!

The 800m event was delayed due to weather so will be run early next week. Photos of the day can be [viewed here](#).



Mr Lauder



Mrs Steyn



Mr Nichol



Mr Vallender

100m	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
Year 7 Girls	Emily Cowan	Asha Edwards	Jessica Donnelly
Year 7 Boys	Cooper McNaughton	Jack Jones	Isaac Richardson
Year 8 Girls	Eden Johnson	Kaia Tuuta	Isabella Wesney
Year 8 Boys	Grayson Walker	Cayd McGregor	Riley Scott
200m			
Year 7 Girls	Emily Cowan	Peri Alexander	Jessica Donnelly
Year 7 Boys	Cooper McNaughton	Leo Hobson	Harry Shannon
Year 8 Girls	Kaia Tuuta	Eden Johnson	Isabella Wesney
Year 8 Boys	Darcy Taylor	Dominic Cook	Liam Vogel
400m			
Year 7 Girls	Emily Cowan	Asha Edwards	Peri Alexander
Year 7 Boys	Cooper McNaughton	Leo Hobson	Freddie Fox
Year 8 Girls	Eden Johnson	Brodie Webb	Maddie Franklin
Year 8 Boys	Dominic Cook	William Fleming	Ethan Cash
Long Jump			
Year 7 Girls	Emily Cowan	Isla McLean	Asha Edwards
Year 7 Boys	Isaac Richardson	Felix Warringsholz	Nathan Davies
Year 8 Girls	Mischa Thomas	Justine Pausch	Zara Ahmed
Year 8 Boys	Grayson Walker	Brandyn Snashall	Harry Figgins
High Jump			
Year 7 Girls	Asha Edwards	Emily Cowan (=2nd)	
		Indy McCarthy (=2nd)	
Year 7 Boys	Leo Hobson	Cooper McNaughton (=2nd)	
		Isaac Richardson (=2nd)	
		Daniel Hirschauge (=2nd)	
Year 8 Girls	Kaia Tuuta	Mischa Thomas	Tasmin Thomas
Year 8 Boys	Lachlan Russell	Danny Glass (=2nd)	
		Lucas Bailey (=2nd)	
		William McGibbon (=2nd)	
Shot Put			
Year 7 Girls	Summer Burge	Molly Tauriri	Emily Cowan
Year 7 Boys	Leo Hobson	Oliver McGhie	Alex Craig
Year 8 Girls	Laura Wong	Lana Mourad	K'Mora Katu
Year 8 Boys	Kevin Chen	Nick Moataane	David Xie
Discus			
Year 7 Girls	Jayda-Belle Stirling	Charlotte Crotty	Emily Cowan
Year 7 Boys	Isaac Richardson	Alex Craig	Felix Warringsholz
Year 8 Girls	Laura Wong	Matilda Edwards	Isabella Meyer
Year 8 Boys	Nick Moataane	Kevin Chen	Harry Figgins
Class Relays			
Year 7	Room 6	Room 3	Room 1
Year 8	Room 15	Room 13	Room 14
House Relay	Tiri	Teachers!	Brett

La classe de Français



Last term, Y7 students had to create their “marionnettes” (puppets) for their conversation in “Le petit théâtre”. As always, the students worked really hard and were extremely creative in making their puppets, for example using the ‘baguette’, or the ‘camembert’ box, or real bananas... Mrs Janes & Mrs Tyler had the difficult task to choose the best Y7 puppets! A special mention to Jessie Hitchens for designing ‘Asterix”, work of a real puppeteer. Fantastique!! Here are a couple of photos and two videos : [video](#) & [video 2](#)

Mademoiselle Douarin



Performing Arts News

BIS Concert Evening - BIS Hall Wednesday, 25 November 7:00pm - 8:15pm

This is scheduled for Week 7. Our various performing groups have been keenly rehearsing and will present their items. As our year has been seriously interrupted by lockdowns associated with Covid-19, this will be our only concert evening this year. All parents and whanau are warmly welcome to attend.

TGS Christmas Concert

The annual TGS Christmas Concert will be held at TGS Te Poho (School Hall), starting at 7pm.

BIS Orchestra Enjoys Kiwi Kapers Concert

Thirty four students and five adults were delighted to attend the annual Kiwi Kapers concert at the Aotea Centre on Wednesday, 28 October. The concert called Fearless Hearts of Aotearoa explored the lives of three fearless New Zealand women - Nancy Wake, Jean Batten and Ruia Morrison. The APO played some amazing music and there were dramatic interpretations by three actresses from the Massive Theatre Company. One piece of music, especially composed for the APO, was The Five Million by John Psathas. This was a moving tribute to all New Zealanders who played a part in the Covid-19 response. Thank you to the parents who accompanied the group.

BIS Idol

Congratulations to all the courageous students who competed in this year's BIS Idol. Thank you to the staff who gave up their time to judge the event over the course of five lunchtimes. The finalists selected were:

Solos: Natalia Beard, Chamonix Brand, Nathan Davies, Nathan Fry, Aria Henderson, Ruby Jacobs, Esala Rasova, Milla Rodrigues-Birch

Duets: Eleanor and Isobel Johnston, Reese Thomas and Charlotte Wiggins

The judges for the final were Ms Catherine Peake (Music specialist teacher at Belmont Primary School), Mrs Helene Piper (who has a degree in music, specialising in vocals) and Mr Brett Sawyer (our school counsellor and experienced musician).

Solos:

First Place: Ruby Jacobs who sang Hallelujah by Rufus Wainwright

Second Place: Milla Rodrigues-Birch who sang Sway by Bic Runga

Third Place: Chamonix Brand who sang Bellyache by Billy Eilish

Duets:

First Place: Reese Thomas and Charlotte Wiggins who sang Set Fire to the Rain by Adele

Second Place: Eleanor and Isobel Johnston who sang A Million Dreams by Ben Pasek and Justin Paul

The winner of the BIS Idol, Ruby Jacobs, received a lovely guitar which was kindly donated by David Martin Motors in Wynyard Street, Devonport.

The photos from the final can be [viewed here](#).

Our thanks to Mrs Norwell for putting the whole event together



Student Success Outside of School

Stand Up Paddle Boarding

Rosara Davis (pictured right) competed in the National Distance Stand Up Paddle Board (SUP) recently at Takapuna Beach. It was supposed to be 8km, but they reduced course to 6.3 km on race day due to the conditions of a strong on shore wind, pretty tough conditions and high waves. She is now the National Champion Under 16 Womens 2020.



Riley Scott (pictured left) also competed at the NZ National Standup Paddleboard Championships and is now the Under 12 Standup Paddle Board National Champion! Riley placed 1st in the 8km Distance race, 1st in the the Sprint races and 1st in the Technical race. He also raced in the National Under 19 Technical event held in the surf at Pauanui and placed 3rd!

Riley also placed first in the Under 12 Intermediate & Secondary school champs in Mission Bay in February of this year.

Awesome results Riley and Rosara!



Cycling

Harry Shannon (pictured right) won the Novice Tour of Manawatu Road Cycling U13 boys. General classification, King of the Mountain and Sprint jerseys. It was a three stage race over two days. Well done Harry!

Skiing and Sailing

Liam Richards has had a great season and learnt lots of new tricks. He and his team mate who is the same age, are two of about four or five kids their age in the world to be able to throw double tricks! Unfortunately he broke his foot early September, which meant that he didn't get the chance to show off his skills in competition this year (other than in America pre-Covid!).

In addition, while he is concentrating on the skiing, he has also done a little sailing. He entered the P-Class North Island Championships two weeks ago and despite not having sailed at all since June, he came 2nd to the National Champion.

He has also been selected as a pre-HPAD athlete for High Performance Sport NZ which a view to representing NZ in 2026 Winter Olympics!

Liam's family would like to thank Angela Winslade (last year), James Lauder (this year) and Anne Paterson for all of their support with Liam's sporting career. Amazing Liam!



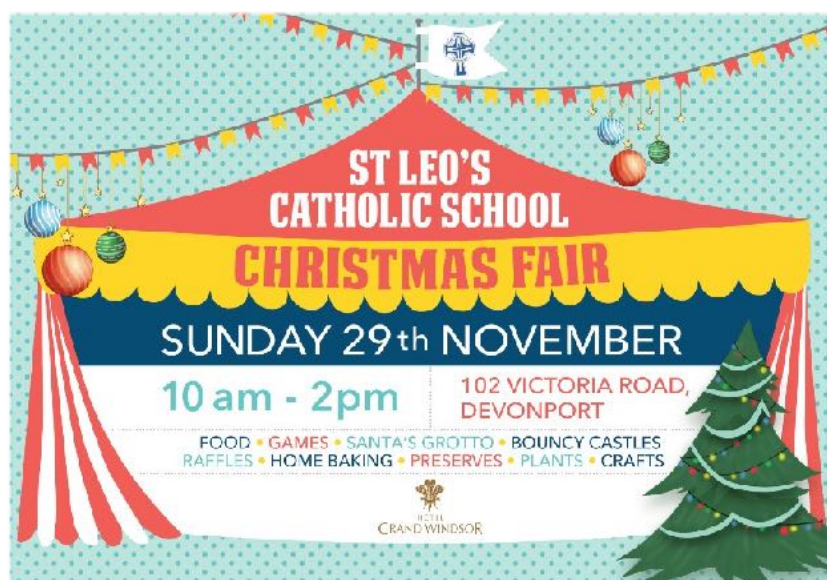
Community News

Broadway Squad 2021

Registrations are now open for Broadway Squad in 2021 which involves many students from BIS.

For those wishing to register their child(ren) for our TGS Broadway Squad in 2021 - our TGS junior musical theatre programme for students in Years 7 through 10 from TGS, BIS and TNIS, here is the registration form with all the important details!

LINK: <https://forms.gle/8mEJeKywMtR7oF2w8>



Annual Shore to Shore Run

The annual Shore to Shore event that was postponed in April has been rescheduled for Sunday, 8 November. It would be great to get as many students, teachers, parents and families as possible entering this annual fun run/ walk - and the good thing is that it starts right here on our doorstep! The start is at Takapuna Grammar and it runs along Takapuna and Milford beaches ending at Milford Reserve. There are non-timed and timed entry options - you can choose either but there is an extra cost for the timing chip. Remember to click on Belmont Intermediate when you enter.

For more information and to register go to: shoretoshore.co.nz

Belmont Music Centre

Ministry of Education funded Saturday morning music classes for Primary and Intermediate school aged children held at Belmont Intermediate School during term time.

Classes re-start 8th of February 2020.

2020 fees: \$150 and \$50 instrument hire for February through to December.

40-minute small-group classes in cello, clarinet, drums, flute, guitar, keyboard, recorder, saxophone, singing, trumpet, ukulele and violin.

Limited places still available in some classes - or plan early for 2021.

All BMC students are encouraged to also join a BMC band/orchestra for free, including Jazz Band, String Band, Concert Band, Rock Band and Choir.

Details and enrolment at www.belmontmusic.org.nz

Looking for DRUMS, BASS, or GUITAR Lessons?

AJ Macfarlane has tutoring slots available on weekday mornings at Belmont Intermediate for all of these instruments! AJ helps his students achieve their full potential in their bands and Grade examinations, as well as broadening their musical experience and abilities. Slots very limited, to book lessons and get in touch please visit: www.ajsmusictutoring.com or call 02102314586



Music Lessons after School: Guitar, Drums and Bass

If your child is interested in continuing or learning a new musical instrument please feel free to contact me, go to heathwatsonguitar.com for more information. Lessons are 30 mins long, lots of fun and work on songs and music you want to do as part of lesson content. There are also opportunities to play with other students on organised 'Jam Days' that are included as part of the lesson term fees.