



BREAM BAY COLLEGE

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From the Principal

He mihi nui kia koutou katoa

Term 4 is nearly over. The students are eagerly awaiting two days of electives. Our year 10 students are busy doing NCEA assessments and our year 7 to 9 students are completing work in all their curriculum areas. Our seniors have just finished their exams and will have completed their clearance yesterday (Wednesday 5th of December.) Enrolments for 2008 are on track, the 2008 timetable is progressing well and our 2008 staffing situation looks good.

Dental services: We have been following up on the lack of dental services for year 9 to 13 students in the Bream Bay area for approximately a year. Good news! It has worked. I am pleased to report that in 2008 Bream Bay College will have a Motormouth Clinic operating at the College for a designated time (yet to be confirmed) next year. We are pleased to be able to say that the service will also be extended to Otamatea High School and Ruawai College should they make a suitable space available for the mobile clinic. Finally some equity in this service. I wish to thank the DHB dental team for their work in making this happen.

Junior prizegiving: This is on Thursday 13th of December starting at 10.45am. We look forward to our community joining us to celebrate the achievements of our students. We can promise another truly memorable event as the students have achieved highly throughout the year. See you there. Buses will depart Bream Bay College at 1pm.

The 2007 NCEA results look set to be a further improvement on our 2006 results. The College was above the national average at NCEA level 1, 2 and 3. Of particular interest is the number of students who will get an excellence endorsement on their 2007 NCEA certificates. Having looked at the 2006 year-10 "100 Plus Club" students' NCEA Credits obtained in 2007 we can predict a well above the national average number of excellence endorsements. Nationally excellence endorsements would go to between 2% and 5% of the population. We are expecting between 6% to 9% to get these awards. In 2006 we had 19 year 7 to 10 students in our 100 Plus Club. This year at the time of writing this report we had 26 students. Staff and students are to be congratulated for their work and effort.



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The College wishes to thank Doug and Marvyn Smith for providing \$2500 this year so that members of the 2007 "100 Plus Club" can be awarded \$100 for their efforts. Our students have risen to the challenge and appreciate the incentive.

Year 9&10 Boys Cricket

On the 19th November Bream Bay College sent a Year 9 and 10 boys cricket team into Whangarei to play in a 20/20 tournament. For most of the boys this was the first time they had played cricket. Our first game was against Kamo High School and was always going to be pretty tough as these boys looked like they knew what they were doing. Bream Bay bowled them out for 111 runs which was a great effort by our boys with some excellent wicket keeping from Nicholas Stobart. In the 2nd innings Kamo came out full of confidence and even though our boys tried their best they couldn't match the experience of Kamo.

Throughout the game our boys were full of positive comments for each other. Their attitude was excellent and they never gave up. Well done boys for putting in a top effort. Congratulations to Kamo on winning the match.

Our 2nd game was against Kamo Christian College. Despite the loss in the first game the boys were full of self-assurance and went into bat scoring 123 runs. Well done to Nicholas Stobart and Reece Cole who both put in a great effort. Kamo CG went into bat 2nd and with some outstanding fielding by Bream Bay we bowled them out for 59. Congratulations to Bream Bay winning the match.

It was a great day and the boys all had a very enjoyable time. The second part of the tournament will play on the 26th November.

Yr 5 Taster Day & Y6 Orientation Day

On Tuesday 23rd November Year 5&6 students visited Bream Bay College to discover the array of opportunities provided by our skilled staff and reinvigorated programme.

Year 5 students were treated to "taster" classes of Computing, PE (climbing wall), Science experiments and Cooking. Year 8 and 9 students provided guidance and support.

Year 6 students met their 2008 teacher, learnt their House and Whanau teacher and were able to participate in orienteering activities and familiarisation of general



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features within their new environment. The morning culminated in an entertaining musical item performed in the courtyard by Bream Bay College students.



Students from One Tree Point Primary, Ruakaka Primary and Waipu Primary took advantage of the activities provided for them on the Yr5 Taster and Yr6 Orientation Day. Activities included: Rockwall climbing, cooking, science experiments, and a concert put on by the Bream Bay College students



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Squash Championships

This year we had a lower number of entries than previously for the Bream Bay College Junior Girls Squash Championships. Congratulations to Pania Whare, the Junior Girls Champion Runner-up was Shontelle Thomas.

In the boys event we had a large number of entries. Congratulations to Chris Smith, Junior Boys Squash Champion, and runner-up Tristan Kewene. The score was 9/3, 9/3. Well done to all the pupils that entered there was some fantastic squash played.

Yr 7&8 Beach Volleyball

On Thursday 15th November there was enough of a break in the heavy showers and blustery winds of the previous day to allow the Year 7+8 Beach Volleyball Tournament to proceed. Over 50 pupils participated in the event and 35 games of volleyball were played. The skill level of the pupils progressed significantly though out the course of the day. Team cohesion factored largely in the final which was eventually won by Ciara Swords, Jaime Newton, Jarrin Nathan, Rhadyn Teokotai, Laura Andrews and Kain Beven. It was a pleasure to see so many enthusiastic pupils enjoying the day. Many thanks to Emma Carran, Kyle Taylor and Norman Dalebrook for umpiring the games throughout the day. We look forward to a good result at the Northland Intermediate schools tournament next week.

Waipu Beach Volleyball



Bream Bay College had two teams in the Year 7 and 8 Beach Volleyball Competition this year which was held at Waipu Cove on the 20th November. Both our teams played extremely well throughout the day and their attitude towards the opposition was outstanding. They were very supportive



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and cheered each other along throughout the day.

Team 1 had four games playing Tikipunga High, Pompallier College, Te Horo, and Matarau. They won all four games quite convincingly and we were the winners of Pool A.

Team 2 also had four games playing Kamo Christian College, Matarau 5, Matarau 1, and Tikipunga High. They also won all four of their games with ease. They were the winners of Pool B.

Well done to both teams they had a great day and played some excellent volleyball.

Yr 7&8 students enjoy a game of Tug of War on their beach visit





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UP AND COMING EVENTS

2007 Term 4 Dates – 8th October – 14th December

December

- 1 Bream Bay Dance Extravaganza
- 6-10 Yr 9 Wellington Trip departs
- 5 NZQA Exams finish
Senior reports issued
Senior sign out day
- 7 Electives Day 1
- 10 Electives Day 2
- 11 Yr 7&8 Blues Assembly - 2.20pm
- 13 Junior Prizegiving – 10.45am start
Buses will depart Bream Bay College 1pm
Term 4 ends

FREE language games for you at home!

Christine Birss and Peter Hope of Whangarei Bayleys have partnered with New Beginnings Educational Resources and kindly donated a subscription to our school valued at \$600 + GST.

All of the staff and students at Bream Bay College can access these games and activities in French, Spanish, German, Italian and English at school and at home. The student's websites are Linguastars, Linguascope and ~~www.Linguascope.com~~

You can get your password from the Languages Department or you can email info@newbeginnings.co.nz.

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