

## Beach Haven and Birkdale Community Houses – 1<sup>st</sup> quarter Summary

### What activities/programmes have been started / run within this quarter?



#### New Groups Beach Haven

- Evening French Language
- Community Christmas day lunch at Beach Haven.
- Community Pantry
- Ukulele Picking practice
- Community Reiki
- Kims candles – Monthly workshops
- Bookings for Birthdays parties are growing
- Mandala After school for kids class

- Family Yoga
- Baravi Koula has confirmed another year of bookings ( Fijian Healthy eating group)
- Coffee and a cop – Opening 15<sup>th</sup> Sept
- Night Art- monthly art group
- Budgeting Course with North Shore budgeting services
- Family Yoga
- Letitia Middleton – Massage
- Healthy Babies Healthy Futures- Maori Families

#### New Groups - Birkdale

- After School science workshop
- Births Deaths and Marriage - Register Weddings – up to 10 every Friday
- School Holiday Pottery
- School Holiday sewing
- Kate Southward Yoga – Thursday Night
- Healthy Mama – Maori
- Kids with Autism play group and Parenting support group
- Kaipatiki Project - Bee keeping workshop
- Leaders Meeting
- Dad's Coffee group
- Parents Coffee group
- Te Reo Maori Class- Hui
- Kim Candles – Monthly Candle making classes
- Man up Birkdale
- Ayurveda Massage, Chakra Reiki and Organic Facials
- French Playgroup 2018

#### Community Christmas Fiesta

A wonderful relaxed community event.

Food - Mussel Fritters, Pacific Food, Nachos, Gelato Workshop, Raw for Hungry, Cold Drinks and Falafels.



Stalls -Limitless Studio, Polymer clay Jewelry/art and prints/nail polish, Art Hobby, Unique handmade hair jewelry, 2nd hand books and clothes, Wooden Puzzles, Christmas decorations items, Shirl's Balms, Decorate your own reindeer cookie and technologies Cushions. Entertainment – Haven Ukulele group and Belly dancing.

#### New Groups that BBCP supports to use the hall

- NIL

**What activities/programmes/events weren't successful within this quarter? Give an explanation why.**

After 25 year's the BBCP has decided to close down our After School care programme. This decision was made after a lot of research and consideration. All 8 schools in our area have afterschool care programs and we believe it is not our role in the community not to be in competition with local community groups but complement them. We will continue to grow our groups after schools groups as per community needs.



**Dads and Parents coffee Groups** - Both have been advertised in the community but only a few attendees. We will re advertise in the new year and see if we can find some guest speakers.

**Highlights for this quarter?**

**Community eats food bank and community pantry.**

Kiwi harvest provides rescued food to Beach Haven House on a weekly basis. Food boxes are ordered online using event brite. Up to 10 boxes are available weekly. The only rules is if you need more than 3 boxes consecutively we ask the person to join a budgeting course. All the boxes are packed by volunteers who have completed their food handling course and are passionate about supporting our community. A local shared my vision of an outdoor community pantry. He built it with all recycled material and it sits outside the community house on the deck. The community has really embraced the pantry and we are overwhelmed with what is being donated and the kindness of the community!



**Opening of 136-** BBCP has been very involved in the development and being the community's voice. We were proud to be a part of this development and look forward to supporting the growth of the development.



**Community Development**

As we continue to grow our connections in the community through brand and connections, we continue to support and grow our community. We do this through growing our trust in the community. An example of this is we are currently supporting a family for 8 morning with volunteers helping with their kids due to a heart attack.

**During this quarter, did you have any issues, concerns,**

**complications?**

Nil to report.

**Did you have anything start, or new opportunities come up this quarter, not expected on the work plan?**

- Community eats

**Below the line activities not funded by Council**

- Community Eats
- Community Christmas Fiesta.