

Beach Haven and Birkdale Community Houses

April - June Summary

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

New groups - Beach Haven

- Adult French classes – Evening
- Shepherds park retirement village morning tea
- Yoga haven
- Yin Yoga



New Groups - Birkdale

- Korean Pray group 5.30am 3 x weekly
- Polish kids group Sunday Mornings
- Celebrate Mums Pamper day x 25 Mums attended with Massage, Reiki, x 4 local businesses owner's talks, Yoga and Child Care. This was a free community event!
- Spanish adult conversation
- Saturday preschool and school Spanish
- Yoga for people with Chronic pain
- Evening craft classes with Dragons Liar
- Beginners Ukulele group
- Simon Tenant – Holistic Councillor
- Te Puna Creative classes
- English Language Classes
- Preschool dancing
- After School Chinese's kids art group



New Groups that BBCP supports to use the hall

- Yoga haven
- Muslim kids
- Diabetes class - Comprehensive care

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

- Nil to report



Highlights for this quarter?

The growth of our volunteer programme. House hosts and governance.

House Hosts – We have appointed a volunteer, volunteer coordinator – She looks after the recruitment, liaising with all of our front line volunteers, training, support and development. A meeting was held with the GM of volunteering Auckland where we have established clear job descriptions for this role, supported the growth of the house host roles as well as our project volunteers and event volunteers. We have schedule quarterly meetings and I believe that the volunteers are feeling more valued due to having more understanding of their roles!

Governance Board- The board has 8/9 roles filled. Governance and financial training completed by most board members. Governance induction manual close to complete. Monthly meetings are positive, constructive and productive!

Birkdale Beach Haven Matariki Kapa Haka Festival

This year's festival is at Birkenhead College. All 18 schools invited are attending. Great relationships have been formed in the planning of this event. We have over 910 kids involved from our direct community. A partnership event with Kaipatiki Community Facility's Trust, Birkenhead College and funding by KLB.

During this quarter, did you have any issues, concerns, complications?

The air conditioning at Birkdale House still remains to be ineffective with classes still needing heaters to keep warm. The rooms are on average 10 degrees in the morning on arrival but our power bill remains at roughly \$600 per month.

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

Birkdale House is really picking up with a lot of new classes.

Below the line activities not funded by Council

We are still waiting the approval of land owner consent to start the Community Sensory garden at Birkdale House. This process has been over 3 months. Plans are complete and planting guide complete.

