



# BHBI School Newsletter

Manaakitanga  
Respect

Whanaungatanga  
Relationships

Wairuatanga  
Well-being

Rangatiratanga  
Leadership



*Festival of the Arts Orchestra Performance*

**REMINDER SCHOOL FINISHES TUESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 2PM**

Dear Parents and Whānau

Welcome to week nine

This is the last newsletter of the 2020 year. We end the year with mixed feelings. Pleased to put it behind us because of all that occurred during lockdowns and the stress and anxiety surrounding Covid. Also pleased that through adversity, we shone throughout the year.

Distance learning worked well, but not as well as the caring relationships forged between students, teachers and the wider school through being face to face.

Along with the senior team, I have spent a lot of time in the playground this year. Spending break time with our students to support them and to test the tone of the school remained strong.

To say we overcame adversity can be evidenced in the interactions in the classroom and playground. Our students are settled, happy and are working hard up to the last minute. We will be sad to see our year eight students leave us. They have been wonderful ambassadors for the school, showing resilience and a sense of achievement in completing this difficult year.

Our staff have done an amazing job in preparing them for their future and we expect our neighbouring high schools to carry them forward and build on all that we have instilled in them over the two years spent with us.

As we prepare for 2021 we have placed all our new year sevens in their classes and appointed new teachers.

We do have a few changes to staffing for 2021. We are proud to have two of our Whānau leaders moving on to Deputy Principal positions. Miss Chen to **Arahoe** and Mr Lyon to **Tirimoana**. These are two large schools and both promotions are a credit to our people and our schools leadership development programme.

Miss Chen has been acting Deputy this year and has worked very hard to support the school. Miss McKeown will be returning from maternity leave to her DP position.

Miss Abbott will be returning to lead whānau Totara after covering Miss Chungson's leave. Miss Chungson will be returning from her travels to lead as director of sport.

## CALENDAR

**11:30-1pm** Y8 Graduation

**5:30-8:30pm** Graduation Dance

**11<sup>th</sup> Dec** Parakai trip

**14<sup>th</sup> Dec 9-10:20am** Star Awards assembly/Sports Prizegiving

**15<sup>th</sup> Dec 11:30-2pm** Prizegiving

**2pm finish last day of year**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Feb Start of Term 1**

**Important Notice**

## **Absences**

Could we please have notification of your child's absence, lateness appt etc advised by one of the following methods

e-mail [office@bhbint.school.nz](mailto:office@bhbint.school.nz) or [www.bhbint.school.nz](http://www.bhbint.school.nz) or phone 6266414 leave a clear message.

**Late Students arriving after 8:45am**

Please ensure your child signs in at the office if late.

Please reply to notifications sent out for your child's absence. We need to ensure they are safe.



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After a number of years Mrs Allington is looking for a change and is moving on. She has brought new life to the Food & Nutrition class and has left a strong legacy for Whea Cath to build on. I know Whea Cath will thoroughly enjoy Spec and so too will the students.

Miss Wyatt will be starting the year with a six-month scholarship in science leadership with the Royal Society. She will return to us in term three to complete her scholarship work. Mr Morrison will fill the Science Specialist role for six months in her absence.

Miss McCarthy will also be leaving us at the end of the year after spending two years with us. We wish her all the best.

Mrs Ward will be dropping her days and will be covering our Beginning Teacher release.

We have a number of new staff joining us. Theresa Talafou (an experienced senior leader) will be whānau leader of Matai. Helen Martel will be joining whānau Totara. Hugo Leong will be joining whānau Nikau and Alison Strother will be joining whānau Miro.

We know they will be warmly welcomed into our community at our powhiri for all new students and staff on Tuesday 2nd February

I would like to end by acknowledging our parent community, who have been so incredibly kind and supported us throughout the year. The kind messages you sent to our staff over lockdown and throughout the year are greatly appreciated. Turnout at events have been testimony to the strong partnerships forged between students, teachers and whānau.

We have all been looking forward to the close of the school year and an opportunity to rest and restore our energy levels. Have a wonderful break and time with family. We look forward to seeing a more settled 2021

### Student Shout Out's excellence outside the classroom



On 06 December, Abraham Deng competed in the fifth Papatoetoe Junior Rapid Open chess tournament, winning the champion Under 14 title and coming third overall. Congratulations, Abraham.



**Summer Reading Programme 2020/21**

AVOID THE SUMMER READING SLIDE...JOIN OUR SUMMER READING PROGRAMME TODAY!

"Reading gives us a place to go when we have to stay where we are"

Who can join the Summer Reading Programme?  
\* Students enrolled at BHBI for Year 7 in 2021  
\* Any current Year 7 student returning to BHBI for Year 8 in 2021

To enrol please complete the following Google Form  
<https://forms.gle/8mydyBeZrCbFmu6U6>  
or email [donnaalm@bhbint.school.nz](mailto:donnaalm@bhbint.school.nz)

**BHBI** Blockhouse Bay Intermediate  
Stand Tall • Rūia Tātaka

## Summer Maths Challenge

Always forgetting how to solve something you thought you already knew? Use the summer to maintain the maths you've learnt during the year!

Join our Summer Maths Challenge for your chance to earn an academic star before the 2021 school year starts!

**Who can join?**

- Year 6 students coming to BHBI in 2021
- Year 7 students going into year 8 in 2021


Contact: Lynfield Kahui Aka Within School Leaders  
See our school website for more information

GOOD MATHEMATICS IS NOT ABOUT HOW MANY ANSWERS YOU KNOW...IT'S ABOUT HOW YOU BEHAVE WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW

**2020 Results  
Year 7**

	English	Maths	Science	Digital Technologies
<b>High Distinction</b>	Frank Ave Krisha Karippail	Rudra Anveshkumar		Abigail Deng
<b>Distinction</b>	Xiche Cao Aarush Kumar Benjamin Wichman	Frank Ave Xiche Cao Krisha Karippail Daniel Li Atharva Sanket Yi Wang Emily Yang Jayden Zhao	Frank Ave Xiche Cao Aarush Kumar Rudra Patel	Xiche Cao Soha Ekbote Aarush Kumar Zuhair Syed

**Year 8**

	English	Maths	Science	Digital Technologies
<b>High Distinction</b>	Jing Yi Bai Aditya Bansal	Aditya Patel	Aditya Bansal	
<b>Distinction</b>	Rohan Kumar Mia MacDonald-Bradley	Deveshi Arora Jing Yi Bai Aditya Bansal Yi Feng Chen Abraham Deng Joel Nightingale Karen Ren Amelia Smith Mark Tommy	Aditya Patel Neil Sarma Amelia Smith	

**Community Notices**

**INITIATE DANCE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME JANUARY 2021**

Glen Eden Intermediate School Hall, 11th-15th January 2021 (Week One), 18th-22nd January 2021 (Week Two), 9am-4pm, Monday-Friday, **\$75 for the FULL week, \$150 for both.** Each week is different - book for one week or both. Open to students 8-12 years - no dance experience needed. Bookings are open now online at <https://initiatedance.wixsite.com/holiday> Places are limited so be quick!



**Carpe Diem Kids Chaucer** will be having a fun Holiday Programme **at the School** from **21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec** and from **5<sup>th</sup> Jan to 5<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2020**  
Part-time enrolments, Sibling discounts and WINZ subsidies are available.

[Brochures are available online.](#)

Enrol online on [www.carpediemkids.co.nz](http://www.carpediemkids.co.nz)

Ph: **0800 CD KIDS/ 0800 23 5437** Mob: **021 1550242**

Email: [info@carpediemkids.co.nz](mailto:info@carpediemkids.co.nz)



School Holiday Table Tennis coaching programme  
From 4 pm to 6.30pm every day during the School holidays. All levels and all ages of players can come and play . Cost is \$25 for 2.5 hours  
Experienced coaches, Good exercise, fun games, weekly prizes

Where

Rodneys Table Tennis Shop

3087 Great North Road, New Lynn, Auckland 0600

09 8260307 or 02102738996

Bookings essential



# Holiday Programmes

DEC 14-23 | JAN 7-28

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