Week 10 Term 2

# **BHBI School Newsletter**

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Tēnā koutou, e te whānau o Blockhouse Bay Intermediate

Welcome to the last newsletter of term two.

I would like to begin by acknowledging Ms Chungson and Mr Vincent who have spent this week with our students in Matamata at Sports Camp #1. They are supported by Vaughn Perry and Carl Jackson, two parents who continue to go above and beyond for our community and our students.

We know they and the students will be very happy for the change to warmer weather this week and we look forward to another successful outcome and safe return.

Term two is always a difficult term, as we enter the winter months. Teachers are very busy assessing and writing reports and it is a time when we start to get hit with winter illness and staff being sick. As with all schools we look forward to the lighter mornings of term three and heading into spring.

#### Winter illness

With Covid last year, we skipped the flu / cold season. We learnt excellent hand washing hygiene and people were considerate of others and social distancing / staying at home when sick. This year we seem to have slipped back to the old ways and parents are sending sick students to school. Sick students pass on their illness and this results in even more unwell students and a very unhappy and unwell staff. Please keep all unwell students at home. Sick students will be sent straight home. Remind your children to maintain safe hygiene.

#### **Mid-year reports**

As we wrap up term 2 we come to mid-year progress reports coming to your inbox. Our staff work incredibly hard personalizing these reports and they are an affirmation of the goal setting conferences of term one and all the work that has gone into supporting our students achieve their goals. Please take the time to discuss your child's learning, their challenges and how we can continue to work together to help all our students flourish.

#### CALENDAR

5<sup>th</sup> July Sports Camp #1 9<sup>th</sup> July 12:30pm Assembly **2pm** Last day of term 2 **26<sup>th</sup> July** First day of term 3 5<sup>th</sup> August Student Led Conferences (school closes at 1pm)

13<sup>th</sup> August Teacher Only Day



It can be frustrating to have a child come home without a valuable part of their school gear, stationery, lunchbox, water bottle and especially uniform. These can be very costly over the course of a year. If any of these items not belonaina to vour mistakenly ended up at your house, please kindly and quietly return them to the office, no questions asked. Please remember also, to label your child's valuables so they can be returned when found.

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#### Year 6 principal visits

Once again term 3 sees the start of principal visits to our contributing primary schools. If you have a year six student in any of our schools, expect an enrollment pack in the first week of term 4.

#### Teacher Only Day term 3

Teaching staff will be having another MOE / NZEI negotiated Teacher Only Day on Friday 13th August.

Thank you for another wonderful term. Take and we look forward to seeing you next term.

#### From the Library

Borrowing eBooks and Audiobooks

You can read eBooks or listen to Audiobooks via **Desktop browsers** eg. Chrome, Safari or IE (this is the best option for Chromebooks) or **Mobile Apps** eg. IOS and Android (this is the best option for phones, tablets or iPads).



APPS - The quickest and easiest way to borrow and read eBooks or Audiobooks is through the ePlatform app. Students can read their favourite book at any time (even offline) on their iPad, Android phone, Windows tablet or other tablet/mobile phone device - without downloading any additional software.
ACCESS - You can access your eLibrary via Desktop browsers, Mobile Apps, or our school library OPAC

**FINDING YOUR LIBRARY** - Once you have installed the ePlatform app onto your device, the first step is to find your library. You will be prompted to "Find your Library" or if you look in the Home screen menu you will see you can add a library from there as well.

We have two libraries:

<u>Blockhouse Bay Intermediate (Junior)</u> - Audiobooks and eBooks <u>Blockhouse Bay Intermediate (Senior)</u> - eBooks only <u>Your login:</u>

Your username is : your 4 digit library code (e.g 3141)

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NEW WORLD

A big thank you to Jamie and his team at Green Bay New World for their continued support with our school values and well-being initiatives by sponsoring student prizes.

It's amazing having support from local businesses and we look forward to further collaboration in the near future.



#### **BBI Merchandise**

BBI sports caps are still on sale. These cool sports caps have the school's initials BBI embroidered on the from, and are available for purchase at \$10 each. If you would like to place an order, click on the link below and submit your details. The cap(s) will be given to your child once payment has been confirmed. Click on the link below to place an order. BBI Sports Cap Order Form

### **Community News**





### **NEW LYNN TENNIS CLUB**

MASON PARK 13 FRUITVALE ROAD, New Lynn

(beside Fruitvale Train Station

Term 3 - 2021 – Starts 28<sup>th</sup> July Book Now Limited places still available Session details below

\$110.00 per term

- Term 3 Coaching starts Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021
- 8 weeks, 8 lessons, rainy day provision
- Terms Dates are:
  - Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> July to 15<sup>th</sup> September, with 22<sup>nd</sup> September as a rain day catch up.
  - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> July to 16<sup>th</sup> September, with 23<sup>rd</sup> September as a rain day catch up
  - Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> August to 19<sup>th</sup> September, with 26<sup>th</sup> September as a rain day catch up.
- Register NOW at tennisnewlynn@gmail.com
- Or email for more information to tracymcmurtrie@xtra.co.nz

#### Titirangi Chamber Choir seeking members

Do you love singing and choral music? Titirangi Chamber Choir, a not for profit community choir, is seeking new members for our soprano, tenor and bass sections. We sing a broad range of uplifting music from the Renaissance to the present day. Applicants will need to be able to read music, to sing in tune and have secure rhythm. We don't mind if you're rusty - you will quickly upskill with us! TCC meets on Monday evenings, 7.15-9.15 in Titirangi. For further information or to book an audition, please email the Musical Director, Brigid Bisley, at <u>brigidursulabisley@gmail.com</u>. We very much look forward to hearing from you (a)





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## **Open Day Saturday 31st July**

### 9:30am - 2:00pm

Serving families in Green Bay, Titirangi and the surrounding areas, our focus is on learning that is relevant, exciting and meets the needs of all our students. At Green Bay High School, teachers know their students, they make time to foster strong relationships and support all students to achieve their best throughout the five years they are with us.

www.greenbayhigh.school.nz

Come along to our Open Day and see the school in action. Principal Fiona Barker will talk in the Auditorium at 10am, 12pm and 1pm about what your child's future could look like at Green Bay High.





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