

# Blockhouse Bay Intermediate School

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Whanaungatanga



Rangatiratanga



Wairuatanga



Manaakitanga



## Welcome to Term 1, week 8!

### Tēnā koutou, e te whānau o Blockhouse Bay Intermediate

Welcome to week eight with two weeks until the end of the term. We have had amazing weather this term and this has been a great help in adapting to the Red light setting. Classes have been well ventilated, our facilities enable plenty of outdoor activity and we have managed to keep the disruption of Omicron to a minimum. Very few staff have been affected and increasingly fewer students are impacted.

We are returning to a semblance of normality and attendance is creeping back up to 90%. Our school target is 96% and what we usually sit at.

### Every day matters

Every day matters is a government initiative to support schools to get students back into learning. To improve student wellbeing and academic outcomes.

For students to gain the numerous benefits of school, attendance is critical. Attending school helps set children up for life. Principals and their boards and staff help ensure that students, parents and caregivers all take student attendance seriously and that children go to school unless they are sick.

Nationally, the past few years have seen substantial drops in the number of students going to school 'regularly'.

### Calendar:

#### Term 1 ends

- 2.00pm finish

Thurs 14th April, 2022

#### Term 2 starts

- Mon 2nd May, 2022

#### 2022 term dates:

##### - Term 1:

8th Feb - 14th Apr

##### - Term 2:

2nd May - 8th Jul

##### - Term 3:

25th Jul - 30th Sep

##### - Term 4:

17th Oct - 16th Dec



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Alongside a trend of high absences on Mondays and Fridays and nearing the end of term, there has been a worrying rise in the number of absences due to reported 'illness' and an equally worrying rise in the number of students who report 'skipping' school.

Because of the importance of attendance and these worrying trends, the Ministry's collection of school attendance data has changed. Until 2019, most schools submitted attendance data for Term 2 only. From 2020, attendance data is collected from schools every term. This term-by-term collection of attendance data is known as Every Day Matters.

Covid 19 has been incredibly disruptive to students learning. When students aren't present, they aren't learning. They are missing out on developing relationships, exploring their own development in a safe environment that is designed to support their emerging adolescence. School provides structure, routines being part of the group, and engagement.

Over the past two years covid has intensified a lot of fear and anxiety, which has led to parents keeping their children at home. This can become habit forming and can flow on to low resilience in students and a default setting of keeping students at home if it is rainy or at the slightest disruption.

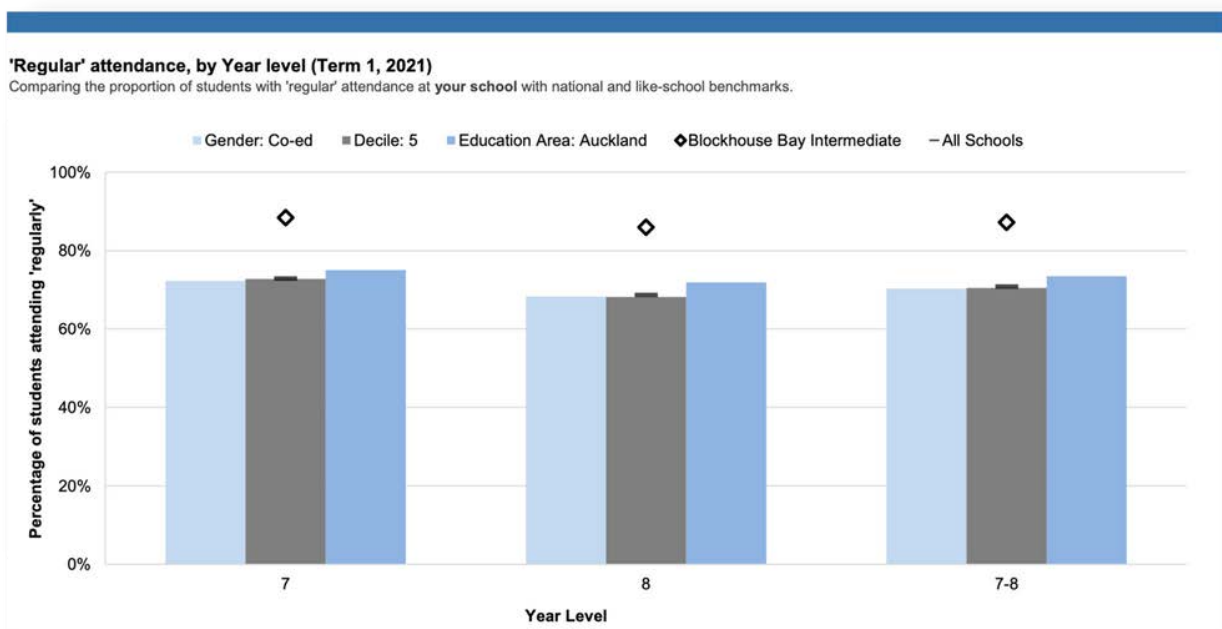
BHBI always sees attendance as a priority. More so following any disruption from Covid. We will follow up and we will support all students at risk through poor attendance.

Each year, with a new cohort of students and whānau we need to push home the message that attendance is key to your child's success in their schooling life.

Low attendance remains a National Education priority. Data from last year shows the national attendance average for comparative schools in Auckland. BBI is represented by the diamond that sits way above the dark grey line that represents all NZ schools.

*Please contact Ms Mills if you need support getting your child to school.*

Ngā Mihi  
Michael Malins





## School news and notices...

# SPEC IN BHBI

Specialist classes are in full swing at BBI. We are near the end of cycle one and students are now moving onto their second rotation. Have you asked your student what spec they are in? Have a korero and see what's been happening in their specialist class!



BHBI's first local art comp! Is your child entering? The top 3 artists get to exhibit in the Blockhouse Bay Community Centre Art Exhibition!

NB: date change. The exhibition will now be on the 21st of May, 2022. All artwork to be handed in 9th May, 2022. Comp winners announced 11th May.





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.

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**BOOST**

**TANIA DALTON FOUNDATION**

Do you want to be more active, but you're too nervous to give it a go or join a team?

We want to provide you with the opportunity to have a go and try out some amazing activities, maybe something you've never tried before or even giving something a second chance. It's called the BOOST Programme!

We provide a safe place for you to participate. We will support and encourage you over the 3 days so you can just get on with having fun with an awesome group of girls just like you.

It's FREE to attend and you also get a T-Shirt and Lunch everyday. The 3 day programme is worth up to \$200.

We want to help you improve your levels of confidence!

We will provide an exciting and fun mix of sport and active recreation options for you to try! We understand not all girls want to play a sport, so we also include activities such as Dance, CrossFit, Badminton for Fitness, shooting, you there are other ways to be physically active.

Over the 3 days you will have a chance to try 9 of these activities.

- Bippa Rugby
- Dance
- Table Tennis
- Basketball
- Netball
- Football
- Tennis
- Cricket
- Gymnastics
- Badminton
- Lawn Bowls
- Mountain Biking
- Wheelchair Rugby
- Self Defence
- Boxfit
- Touch
- Cricket
- Zumba
- Crossfit
- Hockey
- Softball

And at the end of the programme...

We want to find out what you enjoyed during the 3 days. We want to help you to continue on your active journey. We will support you, provide you with contacts, make introductions, making it as easy as we can for you to find something to enjoy.

**APPLY TODAY!**  
 And you could be one of the 30 lucky girls to take part in the next Boost programme.

**TUESDAY 23TH - THURSDAY 25TH APRIL**  
 CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW FOR APPLICATIONS

OR EMAIL  
 anty@taniadaltfoundation.org.nz  
 (Please include the name of your school)