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# Blockhouse Bay Intermediate School

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Whanaungatanga Rangatiratanga

Wairuatanga

Manaakitanga



# Welcome to Term 3 week 1!

Tēnā koutou, e te whānau o Blockhouse Bay Intermediate

By the time you receive this email, the school will be starting our mid-year Student Led Conferences. Reports will have been sent out and whānau will be thinking about how best they can support their children to achieve their personal best between now and the end of the year. For year eights, this means a final push before high school.

For year sevens, this means a big push to get prepared for year eight and accelerating their learning to set them up for High school.

Our data shows that year seven is when we have the opportunity to go wide in developing our academic and social, emotional learning. Year eight is where we go deep and accelerate, growing on what we learnt in year seven.

We focus on developing the whole learner, with a particular focus on developing resilience, grit and engagement in learning. We use our Social and Emotional Learning tools to identify the areas for growth for every student and personalise the teaching and learning to fill the gaps.

# Calendar:

#### Student Led Conferences

• Thursday 20th July 2023 (1.40pm-7pm)

#### **Epro8 Internal school** competition

 Monday 24th July - 26th July 2023

#### **Chess Championships**

- Tuesday 25th July 2023 Y6 Parent information
  - Tuesday 1st August 2023 (6-7.30pm)

#### **IZ Boys Hockey**

Wednesday 2nd August

#### **IZ Girls Hockey**

• Thursday 3rd August 2023

#### 2023 term dates:

- Term 3:

17th July- 22nd September

- Term 4:

9th October - 14th December



#### Rangatiratanga (leadership)

"I am a role model to my peers."

### cont...

This builds our students confidence and setting high academic goals and self-belief for what comes ahead. Each student is different and each student comes with particular strengths and needs both academically, socially and emotionally.

The real strength of intermediate is the two years or personalised learning we are able to put in place. This is where our partnership with you as parents is a real strength.

Mindful that the impact from covid has had on all members of our community remains far reaching and the fact that it takes a village to raise a child is even more pertinent now.

Remember if you have been unable to make an appointment for today and would like to reach out to your teacher, send them an email to set up an alternative time.

#### Farewell to Mr Cathro

Mr Cathro has been our director of sport since the beginning of term two 2022. This is an important role within the school and Mr Cathro has helped grow the position during his time with us. Mr Cathro will be leaving us at the end of this week to return to the class teaching and our talented and experienced staff will cover the role until we advertise the position later in the year. We wish Mr Cathro all the best.

*Ngā mihi* Michael Malins



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This month we celebrate Plastic free July and as an Enviro school we always look at ways we can take care of our environment. Our Enviro enrichment students along with our hard working garden gnomes are busy hard at work learning vital skills for the future and being eco warriors in our school environment.

At the end of last Term Enviro kids learnt about supporting Marine life with a visit from Amy Dent on behalf of Project Jonah covering a range of topics from helping at whale strandings, looking after our marine environment and whales and dolphins found in New Zealand. The students spent time talking about how litter on land reaches the sea, the impacts of this on our marine mammals and their environment as well as ideas of how we can reuse plastic and alternatives to plastic.



# Enrolment information + BBI Open Days and tours...



#### Year 8 to 9 transition dates and information

Please complete the Google form below to help us ensure we know where your child is going in 2024. We are currently missing information for about 90 students!

https://forms.gle/Y6oob9ZyamGScRL87

#### Important Dates:

Monday 24 July - 11.30 - 1pm (Lynfield College - School in Action Tour) Wednesday 26 July - 11.30 - 1pm (Lynfield College - School in Action Tour) Wednesday 26 July from 4-7pm (Avondale College - Open Evening) Monday 31 July - 6pm (Lynfield College - Open Evening) Thursday 3 August - 5.30 - 8pm (Kelston Boys- Open Evening)

**Wednesday 30 August -** all out-of-zone applications close for the schools above except Kelston Boys. In-zone applications for Kelston Boys are due on this date.

**Tuesday 12 September -** out-of-zone applications close for Kelston Boys.

Please check the individual schools websites so you know what information is required when you complete the enrolment forms.



#### Incoming Y6 to Y7 2024 BBI Parent evenings and open days

Our BBI parent evenings and open days are happening very soon. Please note the following dates and times if you wish to participate in them.

- Parent Information Evening for incoming Y6 students: 1 Aug 6-7.30pm
- Y6 Parent tours (15-20mins) week 4:

Mon 7 Aug 3.30pm, Thu 10 Aug 9.30am and Fri 11 Aug 12.15pm (no bookings required just turn up 5 mins before the start time and one of the DPs will run the tour)



## School News...



#### **Uniform reminder**

The school uniform and P.E. uniform are compulsory at Blockhouse Bay Intermediate. It is is seen by the school, Board of Trustees and community as the major form of identity and belonging to the school and we wear it with pride!

Full school uniform should be worn to and from school with black coloured shoes. This may be black coloured sports shoes should the students wear it along with their correct P.E. uniform for fitness, P.E. and sport lessons. They may have alternative sports shoes (of a variety of colour) that they wish change into if that is the case. We would like to take this opportunity to reiterate the importance of having sports shoes with support for their growth and development.

If your child does not have a uniform item with a reasonable explanation, please communicate with the classroom teacher to organise an 'uniform pass' for a short period of time. To keep our uniform clean and tidy, the following items are not allowed: rings, bangles, friendship bands, necklaces, fake nails, nail polish or make up. Jewellery worn for religious or cultural reasons is accepted as long as there is written permission from the parent or caregiver.

Please ensure all items of uniform should be named and our lost property is located between the Food & Nutrition room and the Science room. Our second-hand uniform shop is located at the office, open during school hours. Thank you for your ongoing support with our uniforms.

Deputy Principal Julie Wong



#### **Tutor Thursdays for Māori and Pasifika Students**

A reminder to all Māori and Pasifika families, Tutor Thursday's will start up again in Week 2. This will be a needs-based tutoring hour for specific, targeted support of identified learning needs that your child wants help with, in a more relaxed environment, with fewer distractions and in smaller groups than they would have in class. They will be required to bring the associated schoolwork with them, and there will be staff on-site to help them with that specific task. Sessions are after school every Thursday from 3.10pm - 4.pm. Students must have parental consent to attend. Your child's teacher will have the consent form and additional information. Students who attended Tutor Thursdays in term 2, do not need another consent form.

Fa'afetai lava, Mrs Talafou, Whaea Cath & Matua Ashley



#### 2023 Year 8 Motutapu Camp

Reminder...

The <u>camp health form</u> is to be completed and submitted by Friday, 28th July.

You only need to complete the form once. Please ensure all information you supply is true and accurate. Please be rest assured all information supplied in this form will be confidential to the organiser and will only be shared with other adults on a need to know basis.

All sections need to be completed by the parents / caregivers of students who are participants in the EOTC event, in compliance with school health and safety requirements.

# KNOWLEDGE-A-THON 2023

"A society grows great when old men plant trees whose shade they know they shall never sit in."

The story of schooling improvement at BBI has been a deliberate part of our strategic plan over the past six years. This year's Knowledge-a-thon proceeds are going towards realising a very important part of our ongoing school refresh: building a garden with seating and planter boxes around the brand new playground, opened at the end of last term.

Students will sit a <u>100 question test</u> involving general knowledge questions based on New Zealand/ Blockhouse Bay history and Te Reo Maori.

Students will be given the questions prior to the test and will be given an opportunity to find out the answers. They will then be given an answer sheet and will need to study the questions and answers in preparation for sitting the test. Alongside this, students will also be collecting sponsors/donations.

#### TIMELINE...

#### Week 1 - Monday 17th July

Introduce knowledge-athon at school assembly, Information letter and sponsorship forms sent home. Test questions given out, and students begin finding answers to the questions. Students begin collecting sponsors/donations.

#### Week 3 - Friday 4th August

Answer sheets handed out and students are to study questions and answers in preparation for the test in Week 5. Students continue to collect sponsors/donations up until week 4.

#### Week 4 Monday- Friday, Sponsorship forms due back

Sponsorship forms only (NO MONEY) brought into school, sponsored/donated amount totalled and given to the classroom teacher.

#### Week 5 - Wednesday 16th August

Knowledge-a-thon takes place at school (students sit the test).

Test scores recorded on sponsorship form, signed by the teacher and returned to students to collect money. Once all money has been collected, please return both the money and the form to school. All money must be returned to school by Monday 4th September

#### Week 8 - Friday 8th September

Prizegiving Assembly...top whanau, top two classes, top individual and spot prizes announced and drawn.

#### PRIZES INCLUDE...

- ... A free casual clothes day for the winning whanau
- ...1st class overall will win a class movies and hot chip afternoon
- ...2nd class overall will win a hot chip lunch and an 'electronics' at school block.

Top Individual Fundraiser Overall will win a \$200 LYNNMALL voucher to spend on an item/s of your choice Spot Prizes... Five spot prizes will be drawn and winners will receive a movie voucher. (Students must raise \$50.00 or more to go into the draw



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.



Bolton St Homework Club is an after school Homework Club for kids in Year 7 & Year 8. Located right next to Blockhouse Bay Intermediate, we operate from 3pm to 6pm week days. Our after school Homework Club offers a safe, fun and friendly home based environment for all kids in our care.

#### **Our Homework Club offers:**

Bubble size 10 kids max / Afternoon tea / Homework Supervision Digital Learning / Wednesday Maths Tutoring / Fun Times!

Get in touch with Joy Findlay for more information.

Call us on 0273257070

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## BEGINNER CLASSES: Try a new sport!

All epee fencing gear provided – learn footwork and bladework skills then outwit, outmaneouvre your opponent!

5 week classes for 10 to 15 year olds starting 31st May or 19th July - \$65

6pm Wednesdays, 23 Kaurilands Rd, Glen Eden Intermediate School Gym

sign up/more info: www.tuatahifencing.co.nz

Mary Black, Head Coach: 0275 262623 info@tuatahifencing.co.nz



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# 2024 Enrolments

Marist College is a non-zoned girls Catholic Secondary School.

Limited Spaces are available in Years 7, 8, 9 and all senior levels.

Please complete the online application at www.maristcollege.school.nz/enrolments

www.maristcollege.school.nz





We welcome enrolment applications for students intending to start at Mt Roskill Grammar School in 2024. Enrolments are now open.

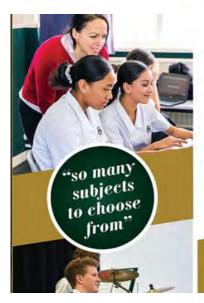
Online enrolment forms can be found at

Paper copy forms can be collected from the Mt Roskill Grammar School Reception in the Administration office or from your school office.

If you have any questions please contact Ms. Haines on 09 621 0050 or email

We look forward to receiving your child's application and welcoming you to our Mt Roskill Grammar School family.





### Kia Ora and Welcome

You and your whanau are invited to come and visit the College, either at one of our School in Action Tours or on our Open Evening starting in the Lynfield College Hall.

#### School in Action Tours

Monday 24 July at 11.30 am - 1.00 pm Wednesday 26 July: 11.30 am - 1.00 pm

Open Evening

Monday 31 July at 6.00 pm

For more information visit: www.lynfield.school.nz

Join us for Open Days at Lynfield College

#### Mount Roskill Grammar School Open Day

We are excited to invite you to attend the Mt Roskill Grammar School Open Day on Thursday 20 July from  $3.30\,\mathrm{pm}$  –  $7.00\,\mathrm{pm}$ .

You will meet with the staff who will be supporting your child and find out more about our co-curricular opportunities. You can also take a tour of our school, visit our new Learning Hub, have a closer look at what departments teach and students can try exciting activities in a range of subjects. I will give a presentation at 3.30pm, 4.30pm and 6pm about our school.

At Mt Roskill Grammar School, the vision for our students is for them to become successful and powerful learners, equipped with the attitudes, qualities and qualifications to excel. Our teachers are experts in their subject and are skilled facilitators. Our students also excel in NCEA, well in advance of national averages.

Our academies for 2024 include Sports Performance & Performing Arts. We have two advanced learning classes in years 9 and 10 with the remainder mixed ability. Some students in year 10 may be accelerated into NCEA Level 1 Maths and Science, selected from across a range of year 9 classes at the end of year 9.

All families, including those who are In Zone, must apply please. Out of Zone applications must be in by 4pm, 30 August. We would love for In Zone applications to be submitted by 6 October if possible for class placement planning and to support your child's option selection.

If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact <a href="mailto:admin@mrgs.school.nz">admin@mrgs.school.nz</a>



