

# Blockhouse Bay Intermediate School

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Whanaungatanga



Rangatiratanga



Wairuatanga



Manaakitanga



## Calendar:

### IZ Girls Hockey

- Thursday 3rd August 2023

### Y6 Parent Tour

- Monday 7th August, 3.30pm onwards

### Yr 8 Camp community hui

- Tuesday 8th August, 6pm

### WZ Cross Country

- 10th August

### Y6 Parent Tour

- 10th August, 9.30am onwards

### Gymnastics Champ of Champs

- 11th August

### Y6 Parent Tour

- 10th August, 12.15pm onwards

### Sports Camp 2

- 14th - 18th August

### Epro8

- 16th August 5-8pm

### WZ Rugby League

- 17th August

### 2023 term dates:

#### - Term 3:

17th July- 22nd September

#### - Term 4:

9th October - 14th December

## Welcome to Term 3 week 3!

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

As part of our ongoing work to address the impact of Covid, and to accelerate our students to prepare them for High School; in 2023, we have focused on measuring and strengthening our students *motivation to learn, resilience and grit*. This is an important measure, as it gives us solid data and insight as to how Covid (*distance learning and the associated anxiety through isolation*) continues to impact students learning post covid. We can alleviate this impact by specifically strengthening our students *motivation to learn, resilience and grit* when faced with challenges.

While Covid may be leaving our classrooms, it will be a number of years until we see the end of its impact in all schools. The key is being able to recognise this impact and how it is affecting our students.

Every day shows clear evidence of how we can support our students to focus on developing tools to help self-regulate (*make sound decisions*) when they are challenged, to develop resilience to manage the challenge and the grit to work through the challenge.

We also have strong evidence that our focus as a school throughout Covid and beyond has had a real and positive impact on growing successful learning.



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In 2023 we were prepared for post covid and we knew communities would require extra support. Our Values and Positive Behaviour for Learning would be a strength. It would require our teachers and parent community to work together to ensure school was a safe and fun place to be. Where students are motivated to attend because their teachers know them and their whānau. The clearest evidence lies in our high attendance data.

We are excited about our work ahead as we support our students navigate their journey. We know BBI is a special place of learning and we had a tremendous turn out of our year 6 parents as they joined us to prepare the 2024 cohort transition to Intermediate.

**Managing concerns**

If your child comes to you with a challenge that occurred in or out of school, we encourage parents to take the time to listen and ask them to reflect. Encourage them to look at the two sides of the story and together explore their options. Encourage them to always come to you if they are unwilling to see the teacher first and to never seek solutions through social media. Try not to rescue them, rather focus on managing the challenge through options that develop resilience and grit.

If you need support, your first port of call is the classroom teacher. Our teachers know their students best and this is the best process to follow. If your child is unhappy with something that happened at school, we encourage you not to phone or email the office or senior management. Rather email and set up a time with the teacher and/or the whanau leader. They will know if senior management support is required. Remember we are a Values, strengths based school and we encourage our community to follow our process and respect our staff and community. Our processes are best practice, tried and true and there to support you.

The adolescent years can be challenging, there is a lot happening and a lot of emotions. Strengthening relationships through adolescence is key to smoother sailing through the teenage years.

Safer communities together.

*Ngā mihi,*  
Michael Malins

# COOK ISLANDS LANGUAGE WEEK 2023

This year's theme for 'Epetoma o te reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani – Cook Islands Language Week is 'Ātuitui'ia au ki te au peu o tōku kāinga Ipukarea, which means, "connect me to the traditions & culture of my homeland".

Setting the theme for Epetoma o te reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani has never been about stringing together beautiful words. It has always been about intentionally deepening the bonds of our people to their language through their familial ties, through the cultural traditions of their enua/vaka, and the songs, dance, and pe'e's of their family.

Together, these are the pillars that empower Cook Islanders to be proud in their culture, language and identity, ultimately reinforcing this year's theme of 'Ātuitui'ia au ki te au peu o tōku kāinga Ipukarea.

Te Reo Māori Kūki 'Āirani  
Cook Islands Language Week

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Ministry for Pacific Peoples  
Te Māori o te Kōwhiri

'Ātuitui'ia au ki te au peu o tōku kāinga Ipukarea  
Connect me to the traditions and culture of my homeland

PACIFIC LANGUAGE WEEKS 2023

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Te māori o te tūpuna māori

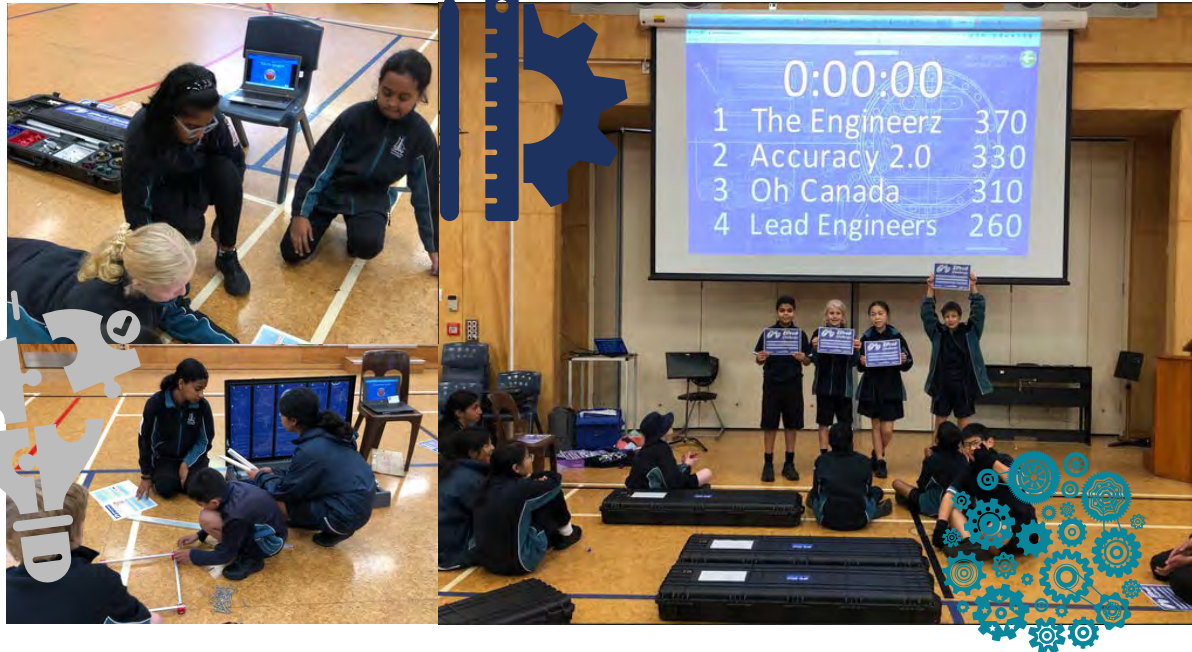


## School News...



### EPro8 Challenge

Last week 16 teams of students competed in the exciting and nail biting competition for Blockhouse Bay Intermediates very own in school Science and Engineering EPro8 challenge day! The winning four teams now go on to the next round and will be competing and will go up against other intermediate school students to compete in the Auckland regional competition! The EPro8 Challenge is an thrilling inter-school Science, Math and Engineering competition. Every year over 25,000 students from throughout New Zealand take part.



### 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.

- 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).

### Year 8 Camp Important notices

*Year 8 Parent, Caregiver and Whānau Camp Information Evening*

We will be holding an information evening about Year 8 Camp in the hall on the 8th of August at 6pm. This evening is for you if...

- you have any concerns or queries
- your child may really want to go on camp but you're a bit anxious and would like to know more before you let them come
- you have particular questions you would like answered
- your child has never been on a camp and you aren't sure what to expect

This evening is going to cover a lot of the ins and outs of camp, safety, what the day to day happenings are etc. You do not need to come to this meeting if...

- you are happy sending your child on camp
- you have no queries

*Camp Health and Safety Forms*

These are overdue now. If your child is coming on camp and you do not recall filling one of these out please fill this out ASAP. You can find the form in an email sent from [charlottea@bhbint.school.nz](mailto:charlottea@bhbint.school.nz) or via our Facebook page in a post titled "Year 8 Health and Safety Forms".

*Year 8 Camp Helpers*

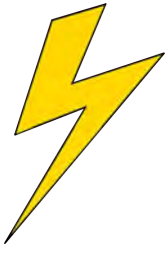
If you would like to apply to be a helper on camp you have until Friday to complete your application of interest form. This was sent to all Year 8 families emails from [charlottea@bhbint.school.nz](mailto:charlottea@bhbint.school.nz).

*Camp Payments*

Please keep making payments towards your child's camp experience. You may pay in full, in installments or utilise automatic payments.



## From the library...



### Harry Potter

This term we are celebrating Harry Potter in the Library after the series won our Battle of the Books competition in term 2. Next week we look forward to hosting a Harry Potter Quiz in the Library for all our "Potterheads" - the winning team will be rewarded with a Harry Potter style banquet.



## BOOK WEEK

### Book Week

Later this term we will be celebrating our annual Book Week. This is a fun week with lots of planned activities, author visits, and a book character parade. Now is time to start thinking about who you might come dressed as for our Book Character Parade. Photos of previous costumes for inspiration!



## OVERDUE

### Overdue Library Books

There are currently over 230 books overdue from the Library. All students receive notification via their teacher if they have overdue books. If you receive a notification, please can you return or renew your book as soon as possible. If you think a book has been returned and is still on loan to you, please see Donna in the Library. Charges are added to school accounts for books that remain overdue for a long time, and are considered lost.





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.

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

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Spring is on its way – time to start preparing your gardens!

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**MARIST COLLEGE**

Catholic Girls School, Years 7 to 13

# 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](http://www.maristcollege.school.nz/enrolments)

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MOUNT ROSKILL  
GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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

<https://www.mrgs.school.nz/out-of-zone/> - <https://www.mrgs.school.nz/in-zone/>

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

[enrolment@mrgs.school.nz](mailto:enrolment@mrgs.school.nz)

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



# OPEN EVENING

Thursday 3rd August 5:30pm-8:00pm

Experience what it means to be a Kelston Boy.  
Watch our school come to life with activities in our departments!



**KELSTON BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL**  
To Wisdom with Honour | Hei te Mātauranga i ou nei Mana

All enrolment  
information

