

Blockhouse Bay Intermediate School

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Whanaungatanga



Rangatiratanga



Wairuatanga



Manaakitanga



Kapa haka looking fierce during Talent Show finals night

Calendar:

WZ Volleyball

- 26th October

Camp 1

- 30th - 3rd November

WZ Touch

- 31st October

Camp 2

- 6th - 10th November

IZ Volleyball

- 9th November

WZ Table Tennis

- 14th November

IZ Touch

- 15th November

TOD (Teacher Only Day)

- 17th November

2023 term dates:

- Term 4:

9th October - 14th December (last day of term 2pm finish)

Welcome to Term 4 week 3!

Tēnā koutou, e te whānau o Blockhouse Bay Intermediate

The Education Review Office (ERO) recently reviewed Blockhouse Bay Intermediate. Reviews had been delayed due to covid and we had not been seen since 2018. A lot has happened at BBI since 2018.

We made a determined effort to use the pandemic as an opportunity to focus on strengthening our teaching and learning, to be adaptive to change, to develop our property and to really focus on accelerating our students through building strong relationships with our neighbouring schools.

All the while focusing on building the smoothest transitions possible for a post covid world. Knowing transitions will be key to success for our children following the impact of the pandemic.

We are a visible learning school and this means our goal is to know the learner and know our impact as a teacher and a school. We are a School Wide Positive Behaviour for Learning school and this means we have high expectations and a responsibility for our students social and emotional wellbeing.



Whanaungatanga (Wellbeing)

I develop positive relationships.

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Having the right sort of data at the right time has been a key strategy for our success.

We have developed strong leadership capability across our teams, alongside a professional culture of coaching, relationships that build trust and always holding the student at the centre of all we do.

Working with ERO has been a pleasure. Our systems and processes speak for themselves and most critically, our students told our journey and were the guides for our reviewer. The full reports (school profile, compliance and international) can be found on our [website](#).

Findings from the review

The school expects to see all ākonga experiencing successful transitions as they move into, within, and out of the school through:

- ākonga experiencing a culture of feeling safe, secure and supported in their learning
- the collaborative and consistent use of quality data by teachers to accelerate ākonga learning
- staff identifying and responding to potential barriers to ākonga learning and wellbeing
- the streamlining of systems for sharing data between schools to support transitions
- school staff being well-informed to support ākonga learning and wellbeing.

Strengths

The school can draw from the following strengths to support its goal to evaluate how well data is gathered and used to strengthen ākonga transitions:

- ākonga experience a positive and connected learning environment which promotes continuous improvement in their engagement, attendance and academic achievement
- teachers consistently use effective teaching strategies and practices in adaptive ways to promote equitable and excellent ākonga outcomes
- well established community collaborations enrich opportunities for ākonga to become confident, connected actively involved learners
- collective capacity to do and use evaluation, inquiry and knowledge building for improvement and innovation with a clear focus on equity for Māori and Pacific ākonga
- school-wide leadership and coherent organisational conditions promote systematic monitoring, collaborative inquiry and evaluation processes, practices and actions.

As a board we acknowledge our staff, students, parents and leadership team for making such a strong and positive review possible. Our students thrive at BBI.

Year 8 Camps

When it is time for year eight camp, we know the year is drawing to a close. Next week our first campers head off to their island adventure. We know you will have a great time and have wonderful support from our teachers and parents willing to give their time from their families to ensure you have another great memory and new friends to carry you forward to High School. Senior leadership will be out for both camps

2024 Enrolments - reminder

With a waiting list of over 60 families and a growing roll. We need those remaining in zone families to enrol please. Our staff will be out in the primary schools chasing up any stragglers. Once we know these numbers we will be able to review intake and let those out of zone know if we have a space for them. It is important that if you are on the waiting list you enrol at another school just in case. We cannot guarantee a placement and as with this year, we are seeing more families move in zone during the year.

Safe travels to our year eight students!

Ngā mihi nui,

Michael Malins
(Principal)



School News...



Travelling overseas and returning late for school 2024

Parents of our current year seven students, please could you email the school with the dates for your return from your overseas travel, if your return date is after the 30th January 2024. Many thanks from the absence team. office@bhbinschool.nz



Japan Trip 2024

Japan Trip 2024 applications are due next week on Tuesday. Please have a read of the [expression of interest](#) form and if you have any questions don't hesitate to email at ellenc@bhbinschool.nz

If you want to see all the things the Japan 2023 trip students got up to, [here](#) is a little video of their adventures in the land of the rising sun.



Sports, sports, sportsss...

BB1 Basketball

BB2 Girls - Grace Rm 10 + Eden Rm 2

On Wednesday the 17th of October, the girls and boys basketball western zone teams walked down to the synergy sports center to compete in a basketball tournament. We arrived at about 9:15, and put all of our bags and jumpers down where we were going to be set up for the day. Our first game was after our other girls team against Te Atatu intermediate. We were all nervous considering it was the first game of the day, but then as soon as the whistle blew, we were ready. We started off strong, and continued to push through until the end of the game and brought out a win. We were very happy, and our nerves had calmed down, and confidence boosted. Our next game wasn't until about another 1-2 hours, so we went and cheered on our other girls and boys teams. We rested and talked about strategies for our next game against Henderson Intermediate that was coming up soon, and we were excited. Time came for our game to start and we set up on the court. Once again, we started off the game strong, and had a better idea of what we were doing during our game. The game ended and we pulled out a 6-4 win against Henderson. More confident than ever, we were headed into the semi-finals. We rested, and watched a few more games until our semi-final game against Glen Eden. Considering we were in the semi-finals, our nerves had risen, and we started to be nervous once again. The game started and immediately Glen Eden had their grip on us. We lost to Glen Eden but it was okay, because we were very proud of our performance during the whole day. Our main focus was to have fun, and losing to Glen Eden didn't matter because at least we accomplished having fun. Glen Eden went on to win the tournament for the girls and we ended up third!

Player of the day: Vanesah

BB2 - Stevie Rm 21 + Ava Rm 16

On Tuesday the 17th of October the girls and boys went to the western zone basketball synergy sports center we got there at 9:14 and we all had a warm up and group A from the girls had their first game against green bay intermediate we happy won that we were all so grateful our teams from school were sporting us everytime we dropped the ball the still kept sporting us and making sure we still had a good game and had fun after that game finished our next game was in till 12:00 so after that we just watched the other games and they all were very good the other girl group right after us and they won that we all were very proud of them the boys were up at 11:36 something then after that we had our second game unfortunately we lost to Glen Eden.

Players of the day: Ava, Haripriya

BB1 Boys - Hinson + Taituha Rm 9

On Tuesday the 17th of October in Term 4, the Basketball boys and girls, B and A teams walked down to Synergy early in the morning. Once we arrived we set down on one the courts not being used and waited for our games. About two hours later my team and I had our first game against Glen Eden. We fought hard for the whole 18 minutes, but unfortunately we lost the game in the end. The team though quite disappointed decided to brush it off and try harder in the next.

Stand Out Players of the Day: Ishaan and Rayaana

BB2 Boys - Gabriel Rm 22

On Tuesday the 17th of October the boys basketball A team went down to synergy sports and played in the western zone basketball tournament. The boys A teams first game was really late so we went and supported the girls team. The boys A teams first game was at 11:36 against Henderson it was a tough game we played well but sadly Henderson came out with the win. About an hour and a half later our second game came around against Rangeveiw they were an easier team but still tough they pulled out with the win again also . But we still stayed and supported the girls' semi finals games. Alvan also had some tough baskets. Overall a tough day with a lot to learn but most importantly we had fun.

Stand out players of the day: Caleb Savage, Darcy May and Kaveesh Kumar





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:
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