



BLOCKHOUSE BAY INTERMEDIATE

REMINDER

School Closed for Teacher Only Day this Friday 30th May

NEWSLETTER



Whanaungatanga

Rangatiratanga

Wairuatanga

Manaakitanga

WELCOME TO TERM 2 WEEK 5

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Blockhouse Bay Intermediate,

Welcome to our Term Two, Week Five Newsletter,

We have officially reached the halfway point of the term, and we want to start by thanking our community for your continued support as we move through these colder months. It is encouraging to see students arriving at school ready to learn and prepared for the day ahead.

Since Monday week three, our Monday morning fitness has been set aside for all classes to engage in Social Emotional Learning (SEL) and Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L) discussions, which supports our strategic goal around Wairuatanga – nurturing wellbeing for every learner.

Our current SEL focus is on grit –the ability to show perseverance, resilience, and passion in pursuit of long-term goals. Building grit helps our students push through challenges, stay motivated, and experience success not just in the classroom, but in life beyond school.

Our PB4L focus is in response to insights from our most recent PB4L data collected from day-to-day interactions. The focus this week was on Manaakitanga (Respect).

CALENDAR:

- Teacher Only Day - 30th May
- Kings Birthday (School Closed) - 2nd June
- Board Meeting - 17th June
- Matariki (School Closed) - 20th June
- HPV Y8 Catch up & Y7 Boostrix - 26th June
- Reports Emailed Home - 26th June
- End of Term (2pm Finish) - 27th June

Teacher only Days - School Closed

- 30th May
- 14th July

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A reminder that we have two short weeks coming up

This Friday, 30 May – School is closed for our Teacher Only Day. Staff will be engaging in professional learning focused on the refreshed New Zealand Curriculum, with a specific emphasis on Phase 3 of the English Curriculum and structured literacy approaches.

Next Monday, 2 June – School is closed for King's Birthday.

Budget 2025

We acknowledge the government's continued investment in education through Budget 2025, particularly the additional funding directed towards Learning Support. This includes increased staffing for the Learning Support Delivery Model and further funding for the Ongoing Resourcing Scheme (ORS), which supports students with high and complex needs. These investments aim to better equip schools to meet diverse learner needs and ensure all students can access the support they need to thrive. We look forward to seeing how this will translate into practical support for our learners here at BBI.

A huge thank you to the nearly 50 families who joined us last night for our first Māori Hui and Pasifika Fono. It was an evening full of connection, kōrero and shared aspirations for our learners. We are grateful for the ongoing support from our whānau, and we look forward to continuing our partnership throughout the year.

As winter sets in, we ask for your continued support in keeping sick children at home. While we do our best to minimise disruption, the growing number of seasonal illnesses has made it increasingly difficult to secure day-to-day relievers on short notice. Relievers for scheduled events are typically booked well in advance, and when unavailable, we may occasionally need to split classes as a last resort. We appreciate your support in helping us manage this together.

Julie Wong

Acting Principal



FROM THE LIBRARY



Last week we celebrated our Annual Book Week.

Below are some Book Week Highlights!

Congratulations to all our Book Week winners.



AND A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR TEACHERS FOR ALLOWING US TO PADLOCK THEM UP FOR OUR LIBRARY ESCAPE ROOM.



SPORT AT BBI



Christabelle Marsters-Singh Room 21

Christabelle fights competitively in Mixed Martial Arts (Muay Thai, Kickboxing, Boxing, Taekwondo, MMA).

Last weekend she competed at The New Zealand Jiu-jitsu Nationals this was a first tournament in Jiu-jitsu for her and she took out the category.

Next up Christabelle has a boxing fight June 14th at a Youth Show being held at Auckland Boxing Association.



Year 8 Camp Parent Helpers

We are busy getting things sorted for our Year 8 Camps in Term 4, but we do need your help and support with this. For each camp, we are looking for parents to come and join us. The dates for the camps are

Week 4 Camp 1: Monday 3rd November - Friday 7th November (Nikau, Miro, Rimu)

Week 6 Camp 2: Monday 17th November - Friday 21st November (Matai, Totara, Kowhai)

Extra adult supervision and assistance is necessary for the camp to proceed; we need adults to attend the camp to ensure the required adult/child ratios are met.

Any parent/caregiver can apply, however we are looking for more males as we have low numbers of male staff attending camp.

To help us in the selection process, please complete the sections below by Friday, 27th June. If you are selected, we will hold an information evening later in Term 3 to give more details. An application form will be sent out this Thursday for any parents who are interested, please check your emails for this.

Chocolate Fundraising for Camp

This is the last week of issuing Chocolates for our camp fundraiser. Students will have two further weeks to finish selling. Any unsold chocolates can be returned to the school. For example, if your child has sold half a box, they can return it with half of the money (\$30).

Last day of Issuing (Unless we run out earlier) - Thursday the 29th of May (Week 5)

All money or unsold Chocolate returned - Friday, 13th of June (Week 7)



SPORT AT BBI

Western Zone Football

Last week, eight teams headed out to Crum Park to take part in the boys' and girls Western Zone football days. Tuesday was the girls' day with two teams competing in the Year 7 competition and two in the Year 8. For a lot of our girls, this is the first time they have played in a game of Football, so it was fantastic to see the effort that they all put in. Thursday was the boys' day, and once again we had two year 7 and two year 8 teams competing against West Auckland's best. Well done to all students that took part.

Results:

Year 8 Girls B Team - 9th Overall
Year 7 Girls B Team - 5th Overall
Year 7 Boys A Team - 3rd Overall
Year 7 Boys B Team - 5th Overall
Year 8 Boys A Team - 2nd Overall
Year 8 Boys B Team - 8th Overall



Year 7 Girls A Team – 1st Overall (Will head to Auckland Champs next week)

Year 8 Girls A Team – 1st Overall (Will head to Auckland Champs next week)

2025 Cross Country Results

CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS 2025



	Year 7 Boys	Year 7 Girls	Year 8 Boys	Year 8 Girls
1ST	Mayan Narsey Rm 23 Whanau Kowhai	Layla Guensell Rm 13 Whanau Totara	Aram Plekhotkin Rm 12 Whanau Nikau	Piper Cooney Rm 12 Whanau Nikau
2ND	Callum Horsford Rm 18 Whanau Nikau	Karen Kawada Rm 24 Whanau Kowhai	Vidva Makawita Rm 2 Whanau Matai	Lily Sexton Rm 7 Whanau Rimu
3RD	Rivanth Kishore Rm 13 Whanau Totara	Caelan Capps Rm 28 Whanau Miro	Ben Tari Rm 1 Whanau Matai	Heidi Hsieh Rm 16 Whanau Totara
4TH	Dron Kukreja Rm 4 Whanau Matai	Bethany Knox Rm 23 Whanau Kowhai	Yousef Shekoh Rm 16 Whanau Totara	Karia Hussey Rm 1 Whanau Matai
5TH	Sanjay Narayan Rm 19 Whanau Nikau	Danya Capps Rm 4 Whanau Matai	Sarthak Neelam Rm 12 Whanau Nikau	Amber Wakefield Rm 20 Whanau Totara

CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS 2025



	Whanau Results
1ST	Rimu
2ND	Nikau
3RD	Totara
4TH	Matai
5TH	Miro
6TH	Kowhai

OTHER NEWS



World Bee Day

Earlier this term we had Sara the Bee Lady come in and give a presentation to our students about the importance of bees, and on May 20th we celebrated World Bee Day. Thank you to all of those students who came in casual clothes and brought a gold coin - we raised enough money to support our beehive for another 12 months!

40 jars of BHBI honey were handed out to students on the day by Whaea Laura in her beekeeper suit 🐝👩.

Watch this space, we will have jars of our school honey for sale in the office soon!



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Stand Tall



Extended King's Birthday Weekend Rail Closure

The next planned rail closure will be over the extended King's Birthday weekend – **Friday 30th May – Monday 2nd June 2025.**

This closure includes a standard weekday – Friday 30th May. Buses will replace trains across the whole network during King's Birthday weekend.

Find out what rail replacement buses are available here: [King's Birthday rail upgrades](#)

Following extended King's Birthday closure, there will also be planned closures on:

Extended Matariki weekend – no trains running from Friday 20th – Monday 23rd June.

Winter school holidays – no Southern Line trains running between Puhinui and Pukekohe, reduced frequency on all other lines from Saturday 28th June – Sunday 13th July.

OUR VALUES



Relationships

Whanaungatanga

- Lifelong learners
- Maximising potential
- Personal excellence and integrity
- Active participants



Respect

Manaakitanga

- Effective relationships
- Identity & Languages
- Celebration of cultures
- Respect
- Accepting differences
- Equity (resources)
- Knowing who and what we are/aware and accepting of ourselves and others



Wellbeing

Wairuatanga

- Students value: physical, emotional, spiritual well-being
- Social/whanau
- Environmental excellence



Leadership

Rangatiratanga

- Students understand that they are members of a wider, global community
- Service to people and places
- Compassion and care
- Developing potential



TERM DATES 2025

TERM 1: 30TH JAN - 11TH APRIL
TERM 2: 28TH APRIL - 27TH JUNE
TERM 3: 14TH JULY - 19TH SEPT
TERM 4: 6TH OCT - 12TH DEC

HOURS

SCHOOL: 8:45AM - 3.00PM
OFFICE: 8:00AM - 3.30PM