Term 1 Week 10 Thursday 11th April 2024



Blockhouse Bay Primary School We Seek - We Strive - We Soar

Term Two Calendar of Events

Week 1

Mon 29th April Term Two Commences Mon 29th April Camp Parent Helpers Meeting 6pm Wed 1st-Fri 3rd May - Year Six Camp Thurs 2nd May - Pōwhiri for new families

Week 2

Mon 6th May - Kōwhai Assembly 2.20pm Fri 10th May - Kauri Assembly 2.15pm

Week 3

Tues 14th May - Põhutukawa Assembly Wed 15th May - BSLA Whānau workshops Wed 15th May - Tõtara Assembly 2.15pm Fri 17th May - Pink Shirt Day Fri 17th May - BSLA Whānau workshop

Week 4

Tues 21st May- Rimu Assembly 2.25pm Wed 22nd May - Whole school Cross Country Fri 24th May - Cross Country Savings Day

Week 5

Samoan Language Week Mon 27th May -Kōwhai Assembly Fri 31st May -Kahui Ako Teacher Day No School this day

Week 6

Mon 3rd June-King's Birthday (No School) Tues 4th June-Pōhutukawa Assembly 2.30pm Wed 5th June-Tōtara Assembly 2.15pm Fri 7th June-Kauri Assembly 2.15pm Fri 7th-Fri 21st June - Watercare visit

Week 7 Tues 11th June-Rimu Assembly 2.25pm

Week 8 Fri 21st June - Kauri Assembly 2.15pm

Week 9

Mon 24th June-Kōwhai Assembly 2.20pm Tues 25th June-Pōhutukawa Assembly 2.30pm Wed 26th June-Tōtara Assembly 2.15pm Fri 28th June - Matariki (No School this day)

Week 10

Tues 2nd July-Rimu Assembly 2.25pm Wed 3rd July- Parent Conferences 1.30pm-7.45pm Thurs 4th July-Parent Conferences 3.30pm-6pm Fri 5th July -Term Two Ends

A word from our Tumuaki

Good afternoon everyone and Eid Mubarak,

With only one day left of Term One, I would like to thank all of our families who have contributed to such a great start to the new school year. The collective responsibility that we all have means that the children are very well supported and enjoy the educational experiences that are made available to them.

A couple of weeks ago, we had a colourful clothes day to recognise Holi and people had the opportunity to bring money to school that we would donate to Red Cross. As a result of this, we have just sent off \$188 to this charity to use in their valuable work around the world. Thank you to those who sent money to school for this purpose.

We have had great support for this term's fundraising food orders and the Iceblocks in particular have been very popular. The FAB has agreed to use this money to replace the two older soccer goal nets on the turf which will make a lot of people happy.

Tomorrow's sausage sizzle and non-uniform days are also fundraisers for our FAB group so please send money along if your child is purchasing a sausage or not wearing school uniform. Thank you. I am letting everyone know that our Executive Officer Lyndal van Ravenstein has chosen to retire from the school effective from June 14th this year. Lyndal has worked at the school since 2007 and has been a key member of our team over this time providing us outstanding financial and personnel expertise.

A reminder that I will be away on sabbatical next term so Elizabeth Crisp will be Acting Principal for Term Two. I look forward to hearing about the wonderful things that will take place in my absence. Have a great holiday everyone.

Neil Robinson Principal





Pōwhiri (Welcome) for New Children and Whānau

On the first Thursday of every term, we have a special welcoming ceremony for children and families who are new to Blockhouse Bay School. This means that we will be having our next Pōwhiri on Thursday 2nd May. If your child or family have started at our school since the February, you will get a personal invitation email to this event.

All current parents are welcome to come along and join us in welcoming our new families.



2025 Term Dates

We like to give our parents as much notice as possible about future dates so that they can arrange their holidays during our term breaks. Here are our school dates for NEXT YEAR

Term One -Monday 3rd February to Friday 11th AprilTerm Two -Monday 28th April to Friday 27th JuneTerm Three -Monday 14th July to Friday 19th SeptemberTerm Four -Monday 6th October to Thursday 18th December

Swimming Pool Closed

A reminder to all of our Pool key Holders to return your key to the school office so that we can arrange the refund of your \$50.00 Bond.



School Uniform

Parents are reminded to please make sure all items of school uniformed are named. This week, we had six unnamed school jumpers in lost property, we were unable to return them to the owners. Please feel free to look in the Lost Property cupboard by the pool which is opened daily.

Sculptures

We always want our school environment to be welcoming, attractive and to represent our New Zealand heritage and our diverse community. This term the children have been taking part in an inquiry called 'The Art of Navigation' As part of this, they have been designing a culturally significant piece of art that is made of enduring long longlasting materials.

These will be made and placed around the school next term which will be very exciting and add to our lovely school environment.



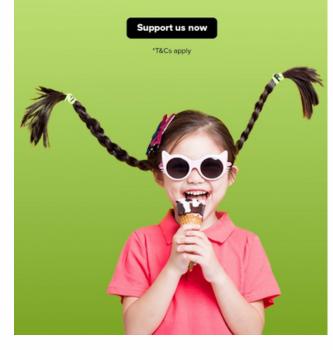




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TERM TWO LUNCH ORDERS

Menus will be set up over the Holiday Break for Term Two Lunch orders. The School Office will send out a hero post when these are available.

HOLIDAY ACTIVITY

Monday 15th April

New Lynn Community Centre - Rec Hall 1hr 45min workshops for children between 4-9 years. \$15 - Spaces are limited Session 1 - 9am - 10.45am Session 2 - 11am - 12.45pm

Tuesday 16th April

New Lynn Community Centre - Rec Hall 1hr 45min workshops for children between 4-9 years. \$15 - Spaces are limited Session 1 - 12.15pm - 2pm Session 2 - 2.45 - 4.30pm

Wed 17th AND Thurs 18th April

Te Atatu Peninsula Community Centre 2hrs workshop for children between 4-9 years. \$15 - Spaces are limited Session 1 - 9.30am - 11.30am Session 2 - 12.30pm - 2.30pm

Griday 19th April

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Te Atatu South Community Centre 2hrs workshop for children between 4-9 years. \$15 - Spaces are limited Session 1 - 9.30am - 11.30am Session 2 - 12.30pm - 2.30pm

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