



**Blockhouse Bay**

Primary School

*We Seek - We Strive - We Soar*

8<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Mālō e lelei Parents and Whānau,

Thank you to everyone who voted in our Board of Trustee elections that closed yesterday. We allow a few days for postal votes to come in before doing the counting and plan to announce our new Board next week.

It was great to be able to hold our Netball Prizegiving in Te Whau on Monday as we could not run this event last year. A big thank you to all of the parents who were coaches and managers for our teams and to teachers Amanda Whittome and Lily Borren who organised the school's involvement in this sport. Congratulations to the players too who benefited hugely from their commitment and resilience in turning up to trainings and games which was a big call when the weather wasn't that great!

Lastly, well done to all of the senior children who represented the school at the Winter Field Day yesterday. This was the first time that we have been able to hold this event for three years so we were thrilled that it could actually happen. Thank you to Mrs Davies and Mrs Kilpatrick for organising the event and to all of the other coaches, teachers, and parents who helped on the day.

Have a great week everyone,

Neil Robinson  
Principal

*The children enjoyed watching the Digger at work and had lots of questions for the driver.*

<b>Term Three 2022 - Calendar of Events</b>	
<b>Please check regularly as dates and times may change</b>	
Tue 13th Sept	6.00pm - Konohete- Kapa Haka at BBI
Thurs 15th Sept	9.00am - Champ of Champs Gymnastic Comp Y4-6
Tues 20th Sept	9.00am - Kauri Assembly
Tue 20th Sept	2.30pm - Pōhutukawa Assembly
Wed 21st Sept	2.20pm - Rimu Assembly
Fri 23rd Sept	9.00am - Tōtara Assembly
Tue 27th Sept	2.20pm - Kōwhai Assembly
Thurs 29th Sept	9.00am - Year Six Students visit to BBI
Fri 30th Sept	Term Three Ends - 3.00pm



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## KNOWLEDGE-A-THON

Thank you to all those families and caregivers who have supported the Knowledge-a-thon so far.

If you wish to take part go to the [Knowledge-a-thon fundraising site](#) to 'set up a student fundraising page.

All funds raised go to towards rejuvenating the Playground markings.

## LYNFIELD KAHUI AKO KONOHETE

This event brings together Kapa Haka groups from our local schools take part in a special concert. It is being held at Blockhouse Bay Intermediate School next Tuesday and promises to be a real highlight of the year. Children taking part need to be at the Intermediate at 4.15pm on the day. Kia Kaha BHB Kapa Haka!

## Māori Language Week- Next week, 12 - 18 Mahuru is Te Wiki o te Reo Māori

It's an extra special celebration this year as it has been 50 years since Te Petihana Reo Māori, the Māori Language Petition. This petition, signed by more than 30,000 people, is considered a huge step towards the revitalisation of te reo Māori.

To celebrate, classes in our kura will complete daily challenges to kōrero Māori, including joining together to karakia, waiata and work on our pronunciation of Māori place names.

You can join in the fun too! Describe or show us what you are doing to celebrate Te Wiki o te Reo Māori as a whānau and you will go in the draw to win this awesome prize pack. Maybe you could learn a Te Reo Māori phrase a day to use at home, sing a waiata together, or start each day with a karakia. Ka rawe!

To enter, write a note or take a picture showing how your whānau have been using te reo Māori and hand it in at the office or email it to [nickys@blockhousebay.school.nz](mailto:nickys@blockhousebay.school.nz). Kia kaha te reo Māori!



## COVID RESTRICTIONS COMING TO AN END?

There is some talk in the community about this happening but at the moment, we have no updates to offer our community. At Blockhouse Bay Primary, we have had just a handful of cases over the last month and not many more people being away because they are household contacts, so things are definitely moving in the right direction. There are of course a number of factors why people are not getting sick, but we believe that the steps we are taking (e.g. masks, ventilation, cleaning and limited gatherings) have certainly helped with the low transmission rates.

As always, we will keep everyone updated with what we will do differently if any changes are made to these arrangements.

## Care 4 Kidz – Holiday Programme.

In the upcoming term break, Monday 3rd October till Friday 14th October, CARE 4 KIDZ is running a Holiday Programme: "Get Creative".

For information you can ring Els: 027 3628494.

Programmes and enrolment forms are available from Thursday 1 September 2022.

Please see our supervisor in Te Whau, daily between 2:45pm and 6:00PM.

Enrolments close 23 September 2022

## NETBALL

Another Netball season is over and what a great one it has been!

We had 5 netball teams this season and they all showed great sportsmanship and enjoyment throughout the season.

### The results at the end of the season were the following:

BHB Diamonds came 4th in their grade.

BHB Emeralds came 2nd in their grade.

BHB Sapphires came 3rd in their grade.

BHB Opals came 5th in their grade.

BHB Rubies came 3rd in their grade.

Congratulations to all players, coaches and managers on these results.

On Monday we enjoyed our end of season prize giving and the following pupils received awards.

### Players Player Award

Diamonds : Jody Gosling

Emeralds : Aadhya Gulati

Sapphires : Zara Crookenden

Opals : Raniva Bagga

Rubies : Mahibah Kamran

### Most Valuable Player Award

Diamonds : Zainab Mansoor

Emeralds : Dējanae Peteru-Ulukita

Sapphires : Maria Williams

Opals : Maanya Reddy

Rubies : Alizay Pedersen

A big thank you to all the coaches and managers for ensuring the teams could play this year. A special mention to all the parents/caregivers who supported on the sideline and ensured their child got to the games and practises - without your support the season would not have run as smoothly, so thank you!

Yesterday we were at the Winter Field Day and it was a successful day filled with lots of netball but also a lot of fun. Thank you to all the adults who helped support the teams during this day.



The next event is Pita Pit Lunch on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September**. Please ensure your order for your child is placed by 9am on the day to avoid missing out. If you don't have kindo, it is very easy to set up, go to [mykindo.co.nz/register](http://mykindo.co.nz/register) or download the app available for apple or android.

## CAN YOU HELP?

Fundraisers at Blockhouse Bay need your help, After the last two years of Covid 19 stopping any Fundraising events, we are trying to get fundraising up and going again. We are looking for sponsors or donations or discounted prices for the supply of the following items to assist with our efforts.

- 400 precooked Sausages
- 60 Vegetarian Sausages
- 80 Halal Sausages
- 700 Popsicle Ice Blocks

Sadly, a lot of products that we had previously needed to be thrown away after two years of no use as it was out of date, so if you can help in any way we would love to hear from you.

All profits will be going towards Playground Markings for the children to use.  
If you can help, please email [fab@blockhousebay.school.nz](mailto:fab@blockhousebay.school.nz). Thank you.



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## KNOWLEDGE-A-THON FUNDRAISER

Look for information on Hero

### Why?

We are fundraising money to rejuvenate our playground markings

### Prizes

The person who raises the most money will win a scooter

The person who raises the most money in each team will win Lego

The class in each team that raises the most money will win a hot chip lunch, ice-blocks and 30min extra play time

We also have spot prizes just for signing up! Including a fitness tracker

5th Sept - 27th Sept 2022

### Contact Us

[office@blockhousebay.school.nz](mailto:office@blockhousebay.school.nz)



## Kids' Book Club



### Blockhouse Bay Library

**Saturday, 10 September**  
**2:00pm – 3:00pm**

Bring your own choice of book to discuss with other kids who like reading. This book club will run on the **second Saturday** of every month. For kids aged 9-12.

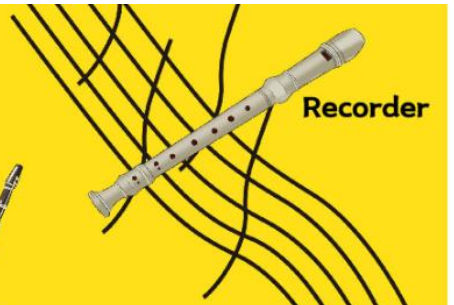
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