



**Blockhouse Bay**

Primary School

*We Seek - We Strive - We Soar*

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear Parents and Whānau,

With the weather beginning to turn colder, our thoughts start thinking about preparing for the upcoming winter. At school, we need to continue to be ventilating the classrooms so encourage all the children to have a beanie, their jumper and/or wear black clothing underneath their uniforms if they need to.

Last week, a number of our staff had a flu vaccination to minimise the risk of getting sick as the indications are, this could well be worse this year. In this newsletter, we have included some advice for people from the Ministry of Education regarding this.

We have had some reports about after-school parking and driving issues in Gill Crescent and encourage all parents to be respectful and courteous to others at this very busy spot. For example, please do not double park or turn around near the school end as this causes further congestion and frustration.

The other gates continue to be our recommended pick up points for families and although it is busy, the Countdown carpark provides the quickest exit for families at the end of the day.

We are very pleased to be able to have parents and whānau in school for two events over the next couple of weeks. Next weeks Pink Shirt Day Parade and the school Cross Country the week after, provide opportunities for family members to reconnect with the school and witness the children taking part in these events.

Have a great week everyone

Neil Robinson

Principal

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## PINK SHIRT DAY - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May - next week

This event provides an opportunity for us all to focus on encouraging Manaakitanga - being respectful, kind and honest.

On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May, we encourage the children to wear a pink or brightly coloured shirt to school instead of their school shirt. We will have a parade at 9.00am and parents and whānau are welcome to help us line the parade route as the children move around the school.

There is no need for the children to bring money on this day.

5月20日星期五那一天，我们鼓励孩子们穿粉色或者其他亮色上衣来学校。我们将在上午九点举行游行，欢迎家长们在孩子们游行来的时候来帮忙。星期五那天孩子们不需要带钱到校。




*Speak UP* #PINKSHIRTDAYNZ  
**STAND TOGETHER  
STOP BULLYING**  
KŌRERO MAI, KŌRERO ATU, MAURI TŪ, MAURI ORA

**FRIDAY 20 MAY 2022**



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## Staying well this winter

With Term 2 underway, we're looking ahead to what might come next – not just from COVID-19 but the upcoming winter season and illnesses that may come with it.

With New Zealanders mostly sheltered from exposure to flu in the last two years, health experts are concerned about our lower immunity to flu. This winter there is the very real possibility of getting the flu and COVID-19 within a short space of time. This can lead to very serious illness and high mortality rates.

If you are normally someone who doesn't bother with the flu vaccine, we strongly encourage you to get your flu vaccination this year and get your whānau up to date with any other vaccinations (for example, measles, whooping cough).

### [Flu \(influenza\) vaccines – Ministry of Health](#)

In 2022, flu vaccinations are free for:

- pregnant people
- people aged 65 years and over
- Māori and Pacific people aged 55 years and over
- people who have a long-term medical condition like diabetes, asthma, or a heart condition (ages 6 months+)
- children under the age of four who have been in hospital with respiratory illness such as asthma.

If you're not eligible for a free flu jab, and not covered by an employer-funded programme, it costs between \$25 and \$45 depending on the vaccine and provider.

There is further information about the symptoms and danger signs for flu on the Ministry of Health website.

### [Flu symptoms – Ministry of Health](#)

As always, we want to keep our ākonga (children) and kaiako (staff members) as safe as possible from the harms from illness and to have as many ākonga learning on site as we can. All those good actions we already have in place to reduce the risk of harm from COVID-19 will also help to prevent seasonal illnesses including:

- staying away if unwell and seeking advice about getting tested
- regularly washing hands
- using well-ventilated spaces
- wearing masks when indoors
- cleaning and disinfecting high-touch surfaces regularly
- covering coughs and sneezes
- having a highly vaccinated community (and not just for COVID-19).
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You can do the same at home and hopefully together, we will keep our community healthy this winter.

## Whole School Cross Country 2022

We would love to see you at our Whole School Cross Country on **FRIDAY 27TH MAY!** (Postponement day is Tuesday 31st May). Come along with your whānau to encourage and support our tamariki during their races. We do ask you that whānau wear a mask and stay safe by spreading out in 'Whānau Zones' identified on a map (that will be sent home next week).

The first race will start at 9.15am. Races will continue through age groups and genders until we finish the last race. Each race will take around 10 minutes but could be longer or it could be interrupted by rain, so please be aware that the **start times are approximate**.

Please see the schedule below for race order and age group t-shirt colours. We ask that children please try to wear the colour shirt for their age group. This helps differentiate age groups and also adds atmosphere to the event.

Order of Races	Age Group	Gender	Laps to Run	Colour Shirt
<b>Race 1 START</b> 9.15 AM	6-Year-olds	Girls	2 Laps (no hill)	Green
<b>Race 2</b> 9.25 AM	6-Year-olds	Boys	2 Laps (no hill)	Green
Race 3 9.35 AM	5-Year-olds	Girls	1 Lap (no hill)	White
Race 4 9.45 AM	5-Year-olds	Boys	1 Lap (no hill)	White
Race 5 9.55 AM	7-Year-Olds	Girls	2 Laps (hill)	Blue
Race 6 10.05 AM	7-Year-Olds	Boys	2 Laps (hill)	Blue
Race 7 10.15 AM	8-Year-Olds	Girls	2 Laps (hill)	Green
Race 8 10.25 AM	8-Year-Olds	Boys	2 Laps (hill)	Green
Race 9 10.35 AM	9-Year-Olds	Girls	3 Laps (hill)	Red
Race 10 10.45 AM	9-Year-Olds	Boys	3 Laps (hill)	Red
Race 11 10.55 AM	10-Year-Olds 11- Year-Olds	Girls	3 Laps (hill)	White Black
Race 12 11.05 AM	10- Year-Olds 11 - Year- Olds	Boys	3 Laps (hill)	White Black



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Blockhouse Bay School of Music

# M "Intro to Guitar" Class term 2, 2022.

## Intro to Guitar Class

- Whether it be on a concert stage playing amazing solos or sitting around the campfire strumming a few chords, the guitar is the instrument for all occasions.
- Our Intro to Guitar Class is a carefully designed curriculum for guitar beginners with three books (levels). It's professional, engaging and fun.
- Through the course, the students will be provided with everything the elementary-level guitarist needs to be able to grasp the basics of playing.

### Class Details

🎵 **Friday**  
4:00 pm - 4:45 pm (Level 1)

🎵 **Saturday**  
11:00 am - 11:45 am (Level 1)

🎵 **Sunday**  
11:00 am - 11:45 am (Level 1)

**Fee: \$275/term** Course book fee included

The first class will start from week 2, term 2, 2022.

### Contact us

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# MUSIC



Blockhouse Bay School of Music

# Kodály Inspired Musicianship Class

- The Kodály method is a philosophy of music education that focuses on the development of musical skills through a singing-based curriculum.
- Our Musicianship Class aims to develop every student as a complete musician - that is, they are able to play great, read well and understand all musical concepts.
- Students will be working on some of the most important musical skills through singing, playing, and moving.

Tutor **Brigid Bisley**



Ms Bisley is a specialist in embodied music learning and her style of teaching is holistic as she listens and observes what the student in front of her requires and applies her teaching pedagogy accordingly. All of her teaching is informed by the Kodály concept.



**CLASSES OCCUR IN SMALL GROUPS OF 3-10 STUDENTS OF SIMILAR AGE AND SKILL LEVEL. CHOIR GROUP MIN.4 STUDENTS / CLASS**

Ages **3-5**

**\$167 / term**  
🎵 11:00 - 11:30 am  
Tuesday (30-mins)  
10:00 - 10:30 am  
10:40 - 11:10 am  
Saturday (30-mins)  
**Once a week**  
Parent Accompanied

Ages **5-7**

**\$334 / term**  
🎵 3:30 - 4:00 pm  
Monday & Wednesday  
(30-mins)  
**Twice a week**

Ages **8-11**

**\$501 / term**  
🎵 4:30 - 5:15 p.m  
Monday & Wednesday  
(45-mins)  
**Twice a week**

Ages **11+**  
Teenage  
Choir Groups

**\$310 / term**  
🎵 7:00-8:00 p.m  
Tuesday  
(60-mins)  
**Once a week**

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