



A Word from our Principal

Term Three Highlights

Week 6

Fri 28th August 2:15pm Kauri Assembly

Week 7

Mon 31st August - Netball Prizegiving 3.15pm

Tues 1st Sept - 2:15pm Tōtara Assembly

Thurs 3rd Sept - Winter Field Day for selected Year 5 & 6 children

Fri 4th Sept - Winter Night In - in Te Whau from 4.30pm

Week 8

Monday 7th Sept - 2:15pm Kōwhai Assembly

Thurs 10th Sept - Winter Field Day

Postponement Day

Week 9

Fri 18th Sept - Knowledge-a-thon test day

Fri 18th Sept - 2:15pm Kauri Assembly

Week 10

Wed 9th Sept - Meeting for whānau of Year 5 students about 2027 Year 6 Camp

Mon 21st Sept - Knowledge-a-thon sponsorship closes

Tues 22nd Sept - 2.15 pm Tōtara Assembly

25th September: Term 3 finishes at 3:00pm

Mālō e lelei and Kumusta to you all,

Last week, we celebrated Tongan Language Week and this week, we recognise Filipino Language Week. For both, we had some fun activities for the children to do if they wanted to learn more about these cultures/countries.

Congratulations to the School's A Football team who represented us at the local tournament last week. The team played exceptionally well and were very lucky to be beaten by one goal in the final.

Thank you to everyone who has registered their child for the Knowledgathon and are helping them to collect their sponsors. This process has proved to be a great motivator for the children to learn these facts as well as being a conversation starter for families in the home. Please talk to your child's teacher or the school office if you have any questions.

I was able to come down to the Halal Market on Saturday and it was great to see our community coming together and enjoying what was on offer. Congratulations to the organisers and we look forward to the next one!

This terms Inquiry is centred around 'Our Land, Ngahere, The Bush'. You can find a little more informaton about this in this newsletter.

Lastly, we have strictly limited seating for our Winter Night that will be taking place on the evening of Friday 4th September (next week). This is always a popular event where whole families come to Te Whau to eat their snack packs and enjoy a movie together. Places are limited so my advice is to get in early to secure your seats.

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi maioha,

Neil Robinson

Principal

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Blockhouse Bay

FAB Lunch Fundraisers



Something a little different this term, we are trialing having all of our suppliers available each week.

All open & available to order for the term and pay via Kindo app/website now. Check out the menus & pre-order now for each week.

Mai Sushi - every Wednesday

- ordering closes 12pm Tuesday

Pita Pit - every Thursday

- ordering closes 7.30pm Wednesday

Xi'an Food Bar - every Friday

- ordering closes 12pm Thursday

How do you pay?

You pay through an app called Kindo.

If you don't have Kindo it is very easy to set up by registering on the Kindo website, go to mykindo.co.nz/Register or download the app available on **Apple** and **Android**.

If you need any help you can ask our friendly office staff.



Winter Wellness

Free online GP consultations available for tamariki aged 13 years and under

With lots of winter illnesses about right now, health services are experiencing very high demand. If you need to speak to a GP and can't get in to your usual doctor or its after hours, Online GP provides a great option for accessing safe and quick care. The service is available from anywhere in the country, anytime day or night, and is now free for all under-14s.

Appointments usually take place through a video app or a phone call, and the service can prescribe medicine and send prescriptions to your nearest pharmacy. Winter wellness: It also provides another care option for rural communities, reducing the need to travel.

To learn more visit Online GP Care:

<https://www.healthnz.govt.nz/online-gp-care>



Online GP costs for young people

Age	With Community Services Card	With no Community Services Card
0 to 13 years	Free	Free
14 to 17 years	up to \$13.50	up to \$45

[Click here for more info on which health service to use when you or your child is unwell](#)

[Click here for advice on when you should keep your child home from school or ECE if they're unwell](#)

[Click here to download a factsheet](#)

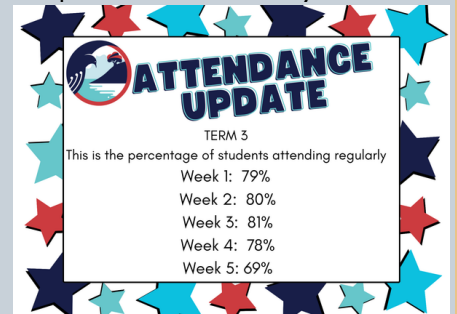
Attendance Matters

Regular attendance helps our tamariki stay connected, settled and making progress with their learning. However, if your child is unwell, we absolutely want them to stay home, rest and get better.

You may receive an attendance letter even when some or all absences are for genuine illness. Under the Ministry of Education's Stepped Attendance Response (STAR), schools are required to respond when a student reaches particular absence thresholds during a term. These thresholds include all absences, both justified and unjustified. So, if you receive a letter from us, please know that it is part of our Ministry attendance requirements and our commitment to keeping whānau informed.

Thank you for working in partnership with us to support the wellbeing, attendance and learning of our tamariki.

[How to tell if my child is well enough to be at school website](#)



A Thrilling Run for BHB Football

Last week, Blockhouse Bay School's A Football team represented us at a tournament against all eight other local schools. The standard of play was very high but the team managed to win 3 of their 4 pool matches.

Playing last year's champions Marshall Laing in the Semi finals, BHB came away with a 2-1 win in a very closely fought game, earning the right to play Titirangi in the final. This game see-sawed from end to end with lots of great play from both teams. Titirangi managed to score in the last 2 minutes of play and came away the victors in a thrilling 3-2 game.

Although disappointed not to come away with the title, the BHB team can hold their heads high knowing that they played brilliantly for the whole day. The parents who were lucky enough to watch all commented on how hard the team worked and how well they played. It was a very tired team who trudged home at the end of the day. Our thanks go to the BHB Intermediate staff and children who ran the day and provided the referees.



2027 Term Dates

Term One - Tues 2nd Feb to Friday 9th April

Anniversary Day - Monday 1st February (school closed)

Meet the Whānau - Tuesday 2nd February

Waitangi Day - Monday 8th February (school closed)

Good Friday 26th March (school closed)

Easter Monday 29th March (school closed)

Easter Tuesday 30th March (school is closed on this day too)

Term Two - Tues 27th April to Friday 2nd July

ANZAC Day - Monday 26th April (school closed)

Curriculum Teacher Only Day - Friday 4th June (school closed)

King's Birthday - Monday 7th June (school closed)

Matariki - Friday 25th June (school closed)

Term Three - Mon 19th July to Fri 24th Sept

Term Four - Mon 11th October to Fri 17th Dec

Labour Day - Monday 25th October (school closed)

Teacher Only Day - Friday 26th November (school closed)

Vitesh is the parent who made the item that was on display in the office last term. He is now offering to make resin bookmarks for a fee, part of which would be returned to the school. Feel free to scan the QR code to find out more.



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Kindo is getting a fresh new look from early August, designed to make paying and completing forms simpler.

Keep an eye out for the update, and check your email for what's new.

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Knowledge-a-thon Fundraiser – Learn, Raise & Win!

Our Knowledge-a-thon is underway! This is a fantastic opportunity for our tamariki to build their general knowledge while raising money to upgrade our playgrounds and outdoor spaces. A huge thank you to everyone who has already created a fundraising page and asked friends and whānau to sponsor their child. We really appreciate your support!

Spot prizes: We are giving away spot prizes every day just for signing up! Congratulations to Mikaeel and Mathew C, who won a karaoke microphone and an electronic drawing pad this week.

More prizes are coming! Our next raffle prizes include a FIFA football and a Whitcoulls voucher. Every \$10 your child raises gives them one chance to win – so if they raise \$40, they receive four chances!

Haven't set up a fundraising page yet? It's not too late! Visit:

<https://blockhousebayknowledgeathon.raiseit.co.nz/>

Let's grow our knowledge, support our school and create even better spaces for our tamariki to learn and play!



Auckland
ZOO

Wildlife
Conservation
Science *at work*



Whakatauki

Whatungarongaro
te tangata,
toitū te whenua

As people disappear
from sight,
the land remains.

Our Land Ngahere The Bush



KIA TIAKI
TE NGĀHERE
MĀ TĀTOU
KATO



BIG IDEA

The ngahere is alive,
everything is connected,
and we are its kaitiaki.



1. TREES

- Why are trees important for life on Earth?
- How do trees grow and survive?
- How do trees support animals, people, and the environment?
- What can we do to care for trees?





2. NATIVE BIRDS AND INSECTS

- How are the life cycles of birds and insects similar and different?
- How do plants and animals within an ecosystem depend on each other?
- What things have affected native birds and insects in Aotearoa over time?





3. ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGES

- How has the bush changed over time? What is causing these changes?
- How do human activities impact the bush?



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Kia tūhura, kia mōhio, kia hono, kia tiaki.

Welcome to Bizzy Bodz!

**Out of School Care in
a safe, child-focused
environment
organised, quality
Providing fun,**

**Monday to Friday,
the hours of 8.00am - 5.30pm,
Programme operates between
holiday care for children
5-13 years of age. Our Holiday
organised, safe and above all quality
Programme aims to provide a fun,
Our Bizzy Bodz School Holiday**



**It is Bizzy Bodz's intention to provide a
professional service, which will give your
child a safe, secure environment and an
enjoyable quality care experience.**



**Thank you for choosing
Bizzy Bodz to care for your
children. We look forward
to providing a happy and
positive experience for you
and your child.**

Blockhouse Bay School

**Monday 28th September - Friday 9th October
8.00am - 5.30pm**

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Enquiries

**09 530 9020
admin@bizzybodz.co.nz
021 835 627 (Programme direct dial)**

Main Programme - Blockhouse Bay

Monday 28th September

Wheely Wild

Bring your scooter, skateboard, bike, or skates and get ready for a day of wheely good fun! Challenges, games and more. Children must bring a helmet to ride.

ONSITE \$42.00

Tuesday 29th September

Bricks 4 Kids

Bricks 4 Kids will be visiting us today with their motorised lego equipment! You will get to build, test and play with their amazing

models. Get ready for some fun.

ONSITE TRIP \$50.00

Wednesday 30th September

Masterchef Kids

Stir, sprinkle, mix and create! Get creative, have fun and turn tasty ingredients into your very own masterpieces! Battle it out with your friends and impress us with your skills.

ONSITE \$45.00

Thursday 1st October

Movies

Get ready for a fun-filled trip to Reading Cinemas at LynnMall! Sit back, relax and enjoy the latest movie with your friends. Limited spaces available.

TRIP \$52.00

Friday 2nd October

Challenge Accepted

Are you ready for the challenge? Put your skills to the test with a wide range of exciting and hilarious challenges designed to make you think, move, and laugh.

ONSITE \$42.00

Monday 5th October

Young Engineers

The Young Engineers Workshop are visiting today! Explore the science and engineering of wind, through their Up, Up & Away programme.

ONSITE TRIP \$50.00

Tuesday 6th October

Bounce Mania

From soaring through the air to tackling exciting challenges, this is one adventure at Bounce Avondale you won't want to miss! You are welcome to bring your Bounce grip socks if you have them.

TRIP \$60.00

Wednesday 7th October

Quiz Quest

Come along to our awesome kids quiz day. From general knowledge to quirky trivia, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Which team will win?

ONSITE \$42.00

Thursday 8th October

Squish & Shape

Get ready to squish, stretch, mould and create! Make awesome slime, shape cool clay creations and enjoy a day full of messy, squishy fun! Wear clothes that can get messy today.

ONSITE \$45.00

Friday 9th October

Spooky Fun

Let's make the last day of our holidays a memorable one. Join us for a spooktacular celebration full of Halloween fun, laughter and surprises! There will be plenty of fun for everyone.

ONSITE \$42.00

Location

Based in the school auditorium

8.00am - 5.30pm

Prices

8.00am - 3.00pm \$10.00

3.00pm - 4.30pm \$14.00

3.00pm - 5.30pm

Please bring daily

• Morning Tea, Lunch, drink bottle and hat

Book

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or call us on:

09 530 9020 or 021 835 627

Early Bird

Discount!

Book and pay in full on or before **Thursday 10th September** to receive **10% off** your holiday programme fees. *Don't miss out!

How to book

To create an account visit: enrolmy.com/bizzy-bodz

Or use your current Enrolmy account and search for 'new activity'. You can filter your search by school site or venue. If you require care after 3.00pm, you will need to also select 'After Care' for each day this is needed.

Trip Days

Please ensure you drop off your child by 9.00am on the trip day as the bus is booked to leave at 9.15am.

* Conditions apply

Bookings

- Bookings can be made on or before the day of attendance however please note there are **limited spaces available**
- Drop off and pick up outside of booked hours will incur an extra fee
- Refunds are not available once the holiday period has begun, however day swaps can be made in advance by contacting the Head Office (subject to availability)

Payment/WINZ

- Payment is required at time of booking to be confirmed
- WINZ forms need to be submitted when making your booking
- If applying for WINZ, a 25% deposit is required to secure your booking



Bizzy Bodz

Raksha Bandhan

Raksha Bandhan, also known as Rakhi, is a significant Hindu festival that celebrates the bond of love between brothers and sisters. It is a celebration of the bonds between a brother and sister, a symbol of brother-sister affection is observed in most Indian communities around the world.

On this day, sisters tie a protection thread 'Rakhi' on their brother's wrist as a mark of affection and pray for his long life. The brothers, in return, offer gifts and promise to protect their sisters all their lives. On Raksha Bandhan prayers are also said as the entire family joins the celebration.

We wish you a joyful celebration!



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WINTER NIGHT IN

Friday 4 September

4.30pm



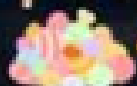
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Snack Pack

Reserve your seat with
the purchase of a
snack pack.

1 entry per snack pack.

Kōwhiri children must
be accompanied by
an adult

Pizza, lollies and
ice blocks available
to purchase



Cash only.

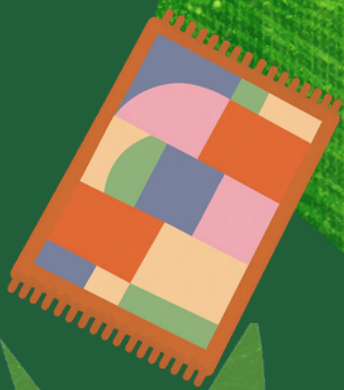
Snack Packs
available for
purchase on
Kindo only.
No door sales.

Blockhouse Bay Library is collecting empty, cleaned Chip and Biscuit packets for the Chip Packet Project

The bags will be fused together to make survival blankets for people in need.

PACKETS/BAGS MUST BE:

- FAMILY SIZED chip or biscuit packets
- Washed in warm soapy water
- Cut down one edge, landscape (see *packet prep instructions on the flyer*)



Please bring packets to the library for collection

Any queries please contact:
blockhousebaylibrary@aklc.govt.nz



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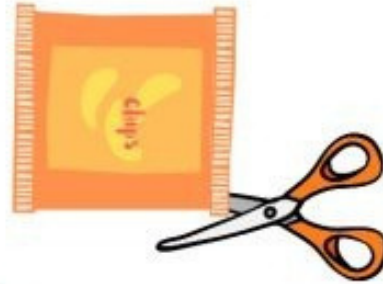
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enjoy your chips



2

take your chip packet and cut down one edge



3



gently pull the bottom edge open,
or cut if it is difficult

4



now you have a landscape open and
flat packet to work with

5



wash your packets in warm
soapy water or pop a few in a
pillowcase and wash in the
machine on cool

6



hang up, or towel dry



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