



Term Four Highlights

Week 1

Tues 13 Oct -Board of Trustees New Principal
Community Consultation: Drop-in to Te Manawa
between 3-6pm.
Thurs 15 Oct- Pōwhiri at 9.00am. This is where the
children and staff welcome all of the new whānau
to school.
Thurs 15 Oct- Kaitiaki Group (selected students) to
Gittos Domain
Fri 16th Oct - Photolife taking Class photos

Week 2

Mon 19 Oct- ZOOM meeting for Whānau/Parents
of Year 5 children - *Positive Puberty* at 6:30pm
Thurs 22nd Oct- Photolife taking individual and
sibling photos
Friday 23rd Oct -Kauri Assembly - 2.15pm

Week 3

Mon 26th Oct Monday- Labour Day - school closed
Tues 27th Oct - Puberty Talks Year-5
Tues 27th Oct - Tōtara Assembly - 2.15pm

Week 4

Mon 2nd Nov- Kōwhai Assembly 2:15pm

Week 5 - Diwali Recognised at school

Mon 9th Nov and Thurs 12th Nov- Bug, Bird, Bush
Bonanza! Inquiry community event
Mon 9th Nov and Tues 10th Nov- Bike programme
for Year 5 children

Week 6

Mon 16th Nov -Kōwhai Assembly 2:15pm
Tues 17th Nov -Tōtara Assembly 2.15pm
Thurs 19th Nov -Senior Basketball
Fri 20th Nov - Junior Athletics , Kauri Assembly

Week 8

Thurs 3 Dec -Athletics Day (Year 3-6)
Tues 1st & Fri 4th Dec -Volcano Van (select classes)

Week 9

Tues 8th Dec -Tōtara Assembly - 2.15pm
Fri 11th Dec- Kauri Assembly - 2.15pm

Week 10

Tues 15th Dec- Year 6 Graduation - 12.30pm start

Friday 18th December
Term 4 finish 1:30pm

A Word from our Principal



Ni Sa Bula everyone and welcome to Fijian Language week.

What a wonderful term of learning and fun Term Three was. Over the last few weeks, the children have had the opportunity to take part in a range of different activities which have added enjoyment and excitement to the classroom programmes.

The Knowledgathon was an awesome team effort with almost every child getting sponsors and learning their facts as part of this event. Thank you to all of our friends and family members who supported us with this and to Claire Schultz who organised and ran the Knowledgathon on behalf of the FAB.

We are including the Term Four Events in with this newsletter and ask that everyone make a note of the dates that affect them.

A reminder that we finish school for the holidays tomorrow at the normal closing time of 3.00pm.

There will be some property improvements going on at the school over the holiday break and so we ask parents to keep a close eye on their children if you are visiting the school.

Please make sure to order a new school hat for your child if they do not have one. It is very important that the children's heads are covered during the warmer months in terms one and four.

Have a great holiday everyone.

Ngā mihi maioha,

Neil Robinson

Principal

Available to order next term and pay via Kindo app/website.
Check out the menus & pre-order for each week from Thursday 8th October.

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

look out for the new dumpling flavours -

Pork & Chives and Egg & Chives



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**.

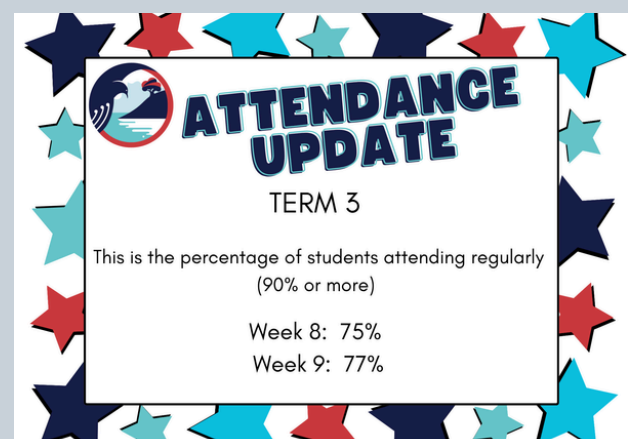
If you need any help you can ask our friendly office staff.

Attendance Matters

This term has been challenging for us all, with winter illnesses having a significant impact on student attendance. Thank you to our whānau for keeping us informed when your child is unwell.

As part of the Ministry of Education's Stepped Attendance Response (STAR), schools are required to follow up when students reach certain levels of absence. This means we will contact you if your child has been away for more than 5 days in a term, including when there are genuine reasons for the absences.

Despite the challenges this term, we are pleased that on average 76% of our students are attending school regularly, meeting our school goal of 75% regular attendance. Regular attendance means being at school 90% or more of the time – equivalent to no more than 5 days absent in a 10-week term.



Knowledge-a-thon

Our Knowledge-a-thon has come to a close. **Together we raised \$18,446**, which is a phenomenal amount to put towards upgrading our playground and outdoor spaces.

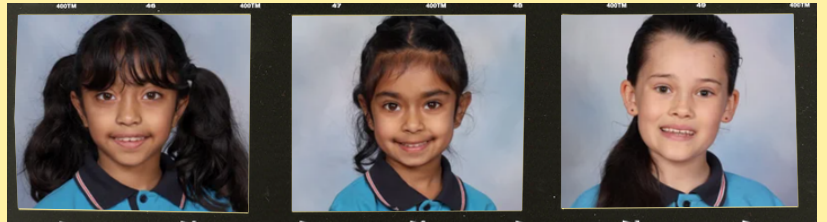
A huge THANK YOU to everyone who signed up and asked friends and family for donations. We know times are challenging at the moment so we really appreciate every donation, no matter how big or small.

Our Top Fundraisers were:

Jiya Kumar

Unjali Kumar

Danica Williams



Special mention to **Victoria and Diven** too for raising a significant amount.

There were many happy faces going home last week with their knowledge-a-thon certificates. We hope your child's general knowledge improved in the process.

Again, a huge thank you. We really appreciate your support with our annual fundraiser.

Volcano Van Visits BHBPS!

This term, our tamariki have been exploring volcanoes as part of our Our Land inquiry learning. We were excited to welcome the Auckland Museum Volcano Van to school to bring this learning to life!

Students from Years 1–6 took part in engaging, hands-on sessions where they explored different types of volcanoes and eruptions, investigated volcanic rocks, and learnt more about the volcanic landscape of Tāmaki Makaurau. They also considered what we can do to prepare for a volcanic eruption.

The opportunity to handle rocks, investigate, ask questions and learn alongside Auckland Museum educators was a fantastic way for our tamariki to connect their classroom learning with the world around them. Ngā mihi to Auckland Museum for bringing this exciting learning experience to our school. They will be back next term to work with more tamariki.



TERM FOUR UNIFORM

With the warmer weather about to hit, we will no doubt see an increase in jumpers and hats being put on and taken off.

Please, please, please make sure that all uniform items have your family name in and that these are really easy to read. These will help us to make sure that children's items are returned to them.

Please note too that all children will need to have a **school hat** to wear at school from the start of term four.

If your child does not have one, now is the time to get these purchased so that they are ready to wear from the 12th October onwards.



Outstanding Achievement

Congratulations to Adam Hu from Takehē B who took part in the Australian Mathematics Competition and received a Distinction Award.

This means that his mark was in the top 15% in all Australasia! This is impressive enough but even more so when we know that Adam is currently in Year 3 and this was the Year 4 competition!

Adam loves maths and in particular likes solving maths problems so we are sure this will be one of many awards for him.



You're Invited!

Bird, Bug and Bush Bonanza!

A showcase of our learning for Our Land: Bush

Where?
Te Manawa

When?
Monday 9 November - Thursday 12 November

Everyone welcome!

Celebrating curiosity, care for our environment and the amazing learning happening across our school!

Explore
Discover
Be Inspired
♡

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PhotoLife™



Photolife will be at school **Friday 16th October for class photos** and will be returning **Thursday 22nd October for Individual and Sibling photos**.

If you would like to book a sibling photo, please click on the link to complete and submit [this form](#) before photo day. Without a completed form, the Photolife photographers are not authorised to take a sibling photograph.

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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

online now!

enrolmy.com/bizzy-bodz

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



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SEPT-OCT 2026

Creative Art

WORKSHOPS

Wk 1

Monday 28th September - Youngs Sun Collages
Tuesday 29th September - Stand Out Sesow Animals
Wednesday 30th September - Totally Toadstools
Thursday 1st October - Wonderful Whyman
Friday 2nd October - Patterned Nikau Husks

Wk 2

Monday 5th October - Mosaic Madness
Tuesday 6th October - Whimsical Nightscapes
Wednesday 7th October - Little Houses
Thursday 8th October - Floral Wonderlands
Friday 9th October - 3D Bird Sculpture

9am - 3pm | ages 5-13

Kohimarama, Mt Eden/Epsom, Takapuna,
Herne Bay, Kumeu, Grey Lynn, Remuera



Operation

SAFER PLATES

is taking place

26 September 2026

St Lukes Mall - Level 3 Carpark

If wet - Level 2, near Morningside Drive Entrance

10 am - 1 pm



Reduce the risk of Number Plate Theft

is enabling the NZ Police, assisted by Community Patrols, to provide a crime prevention initiative called "Operation Safer Plates"

The purpose of this initiative is to make it harder and less likely for offenders to target your vehicle for the purpose of acquiring your registration plates.

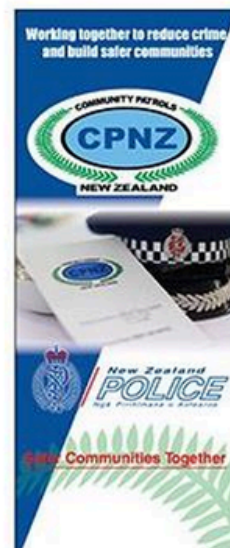
Stolen number plates are currently being used for evading detection when committing offences such as:

Also Supported by



- Petrol drive off's
- Speeding tickets
- Road user charges
- Robberies and thefts
- Or worse, a more serious crime.

This system is designed to replace existing number plates Screws with inexpensive but effective tamper resistant number plate fixing screws.



Compliments of St Lukes Mall

19th SEPTEBER

Coffee



Sausage Sizzle



A Fundraiser to support Iona Church



SELLERS FROM 7AM

**PHONE 027 627 3355 to
book your spot for \$10**

**BUYERS FROM
7.30 AM FINISHES at
11.30 AM**



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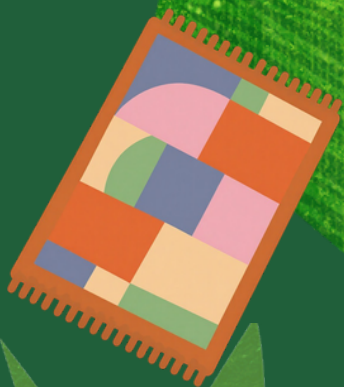


Blockhouse Bay Library is collecting empty, cleaned Chip and Biscuit packets for the Chip Packet Project

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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