

A Reminder that school is closed for Easter. Friday 2nd April – Tues 6th April School resumes Wednesday 7th April – 8.50am Happy Easter.



Thursday 1st April 2021

Dear Parents and Whānau,

And just like that, it was April!

Preparations for our Centenary are full speed ahead and we are looking forward to showing off the school and the learning the children have been doing. Please take note of the information in this newsletter about what happens on Friday and Saturday, especially the parts that affect your family. Of particular note is the Dance Festival being held next Friday afternoon.

Thank you to those families who have supported us by having their children help with running the Centenary on next Saturday 10th April. On this day,

TERM ONE CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

Please check the calendar weekly as dates and times may

Fri 2nd April Easter - No School this day Mon 5th April Easter - No School this day Tues 6th April Easter - No School this day

Wed 7th April Thurs 8th April Fri 9th April Interschool T-Ball for selected students Interschool Swimming Carnival Centenary Celebrations including our Dance Festival.

Sat 10th April

Centenary Celebration including Cultural Performances. 9am - Rimu Assembly Cancelled

Wed 14th April Thurs 15th April Fri 16th April

2.15pm Kōwhai Assembly Cancelled 3.00pm -Term One Ends

the Ambassadors will be showing our visitors around the school and we will have performances from the Kapa Haka, Bollywood and Pasifika groups. This will be a great experience for the children, and we know they will do an excellent job.

It was a real shame that the T-Ball teams could not play yesterday but we hope they will get another chance next Wednesday.

Have a great loooong weekend everyone! See you Wednesday.

Neil Robinson Principal

> Students are polishing up their performances and are getting very excited about performing them for you all at our Centenary Celebrations next week.



Blockhouse Bay



BLACK CLOTHING NEEDED ON WEDNESDAY ALL STUDENTS

All children need black clothing- T-shirt, shorts, trousers, leggings, jeans or a dress in a named bag on Wednesday 7th April for the Dance Festival.

DANCE FESTIVAL

We are hoping that a large group of parents, whānau and visitors will be there to watch the children perform. Each class will perform twice, on two separate stages inside and outside. The timetable is listed below. The gates will be open early to make sure that everyone can arrive and get a carparking spot in time to watch the first performances. We ask that parents do not take their children home early unless this is absolutely necessary, and they have finished their performances. If you do need to take them, please carry out the usual sign out procedures at the school office. The timetable and venues for the dances is listed below:

Blockhouse Bay Dance Festival				
Friday 9th Apr 2021 1.15pm- 2.4	il 45 Pr	Primary School		
Time	Te whay Stage	Te Manawa Stage	CENTRAL STAGE	FALE STAGE
1:15	Room 1	Room 16	Room 4	Room 18
1:20	Room 5	Room 21	Room 2	Room 20
1:25	Room 3	Room 19	Room 6	Room 17
1:30	Room 7	Room 22	Room 13	Room 23
1:35	Room 14	Room 18	Room 8	Room 24
1:40	Room 9	Room 20	Room 15	Room 16
1:45	Room 10	Room 17	Room 1	Room 21
1:50	Room 4	Room 23	Room 5	Room 19
1:55	Room 2	Room 24	Room 3	Room 22
2:00	Room 6		Room 7	
2:15	Room 13		Room 14	
2:20	Room 8		Room 9	
2:25	Room 15		Room 10	
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WHAT HAPPENS IF IT IS WET ON FRIDAY 9TH APRIL?

The Centennial Celebrations will still take place BUT sadly, it is just not possible to have the Dance Festival if the weather is against us. If this is the case, we will postpone the Dance Festival to the **afternoon of Tuesday 13**th **April**. All the times and stages will remain the same, **1.15-2.45pm**. We will let you know through Hero whether the event is being postponed.

SCHOOL ARRIVAL IN THE MORNINGS

A reminder that our supervision of the children starts from 8.15am each day as the teachers are busy before this. If you do need to have your children looked after before then we recommend that they either walk to school (and therefore arrive after 8.15am), get looked after by someone else, or join the Before School Care programme. The best time for children to arrive each day is 8.30am. Thank you for your co-operation.

Get a Market Analysis of your property in 30 Minutes.





Greetings and welcome to this Blockhouse Bay School Centennial update!

Like a lot of events over the last 18 months, our Centenary has been postponed but we are now very excited that we can hold this important celebration next week. Parents and whānau are welcome to be part of any of this, although we are expecting a large number of you to the Dance Festival.

Our programme is as follows:

Friday 9th April 11.00am – 2.45 pm School Open Day, Welcome and Dance Festival

10-45-11.00am Visitors to the school, please go straight to Te Whau Foyer (John Davies Performing Arts

Centre/hall) on arrival.

11.15am Whakatau/Welcome by the school to visitors (outside Te Manawa)

then cup of tea

11.40-12.20pm. Student ambassadors will lead tours around the school.

12.20-1.05pm Visitors are welcome to visit one of Blockhouse Bay's fine cafes or visit

Armanasco House for a cup of tea and a walk down memory lane

1.15-2.45pm Dance Festival: all students perform for visitors, parents and the school

community at various parts of the school. 4 stages- Te Manawa, Te Whau, Kowhai

area, stage set up on the netball courts.

Friday 9th April 7.00pm-9.30pm Evening function. All welcome - \$10 per person.

Come and spend some time in our newly renovated Te Manawa (the oldest part of the school) chatting to others who also spent time at the school over the years.

Use the link below to purchase your tickets.

https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/blockhouse-bay-centennial-cocktail-evening-tickets-146859995199

Finger food. Cash bar and non-alcoholic drinks available for purchase.

Saturday 10th April 11.00-4.00pm Official Welcome, School tours, Mix and Mingle

Visitors go straight to Te Whau (John Davies Performing Arts Centre/hall) on arrival. 11.00-12.20pm Walking tours of the school including our Sculpture Trail

12.30-1.30pm Official Welcome - Speeches and children's group performances

Venue - Te Whau (John Davies Performing Arts Centre/hall)

1.30-2.30pm Visitors are welcome to visit one of Blockhouse Bay's fine cafes, take part

in a walking tours for those that missed + meet with others from your

time at the school.

2.00pm onwards Afternoon tea served in the Te Manawa - Library and Makerspace

For more information or to register please go to <u>office@blockhousebay.school.nz</u> or phone 09 627 9940. Alternatively, go to <u>www.blockhousebay.school.nz</u> click on 'Information' at the top and scroll down to 'Blockhouse Bay Primary 2021 Centennial.'



CAN YOU HELP??? We need volunteers for the following events. Without sufficient volunteers we are not able to go ahead.

End of Term **Sausage Sizzle** Friday 16 April - Helpers are needed after the school bell on the Friday to collect bread from Countdown, cook sausages, pack sausages for the class orders and a tidy up afterwards.

Ice Block pop up Thursday 8 April - helpers are needed between 2.50pm and 3.15pm to man a stall and sell ice blocks.

Afternoon Tea at the Centennial Celebrations - we need helpers to set up and serve afternoon tea on Saturday 10 April. Helpers required between 10.30 and 4pm (you don't have to help the whole time as this can be done in shifts)

If you can help with any of the above events, please let us know by emailing fab@blockhousebay.school.nz

Entertainment Membership Fundraisers

School holidays are coming up! If you don't already have one, grab yourself an Entertainment Membership (www.entertainmentnz.com) and check out the special offers you can get of some fun activities to take the kids to. The school will receive 20% from your purchase.

UPCOMING FAB EVENTS

Thursday 8 April - Ice Block pop up Stall - After School **Friday 16 April** - Last day of School Sausage Sizzle & Mufti Day **Tuesday 11 May** - FAB Meeting 7pm Staffroom (all welcome!)

SWIMMING SEASON FINISH

The pool closes at 8.00pm today after a very successful swimming season. If you purchased a Pool Key please return it to the school office. Your key bond of \$50.00 will be refunded to you once we have received the keys.

On behalf of the school community, I would like to thank Annuncia Gallaher and the group of volunteers who looked after the pool for us over the summer break. These people spent hours of their own time doing a range of different things which have allowed our parents and children to use the pool out of school hours. Thank you to you all.





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