



Blockhouse Bay

Primary School

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SCHOOL CLOSED ON FRIDAY 22ND NOVEMBER - TOMORROW

A reminder that Blockhouse Bay School will be closed on **FRIDAY 22nd NOVEMBER** because of the teacher only day. Please ensure that your children are being looked after on this day.

11月22日(周五)学校关闭一天

11月22日(周五) 教师会议日, 准备下一年的教学计划。因此学校当天关闭。请家长们提早安排孩子的看护。感谢大家的配合。

Thursday 21st November 2019

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

Just 9 more sleeps to go until the Carnival! Remember, if you have not yet offered your help and now find that you can, please contact your child's teacher know if you can help or email fab@blockhousebay.school.nz. There are other ways you could help as well. Please see the FAB information at the end of this newsletter for more details.

A reminder too that the annual Blockhouse Bay School Santa Parade is taking place on Sunday 8th December. The children were given an information letter about this last week and need to bring this back if they wish to be on the school float.

Have a great weekend everyone
Neil Robinson
Principal

TERM FOUR CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please check weekly as dates and times may change.

Fri 22nd Nov	Teacher Only Day (No school this day)
Tue 26th Nov	FAB Meeting 7.00pm in Staffroom - all welcome
Thurs 28th Nov	2.00pm Whole School Assembly
Fri 29th Nov	2.15pm - Rimu Kete Whānau Assembly
Sat 30th Nov	School Carnival
Mon 2nd Dec	Junior Athletics Day
Tues 3rd Dec	2.30pm Kōwhai Assembly
Thurs 5th Dec	Postponement Day Junior Athletics
Thurs 5th Dec	Rainbows End trip for Y6 helpers
Fri 6th Dec	2.15pm - Rimu Te Raranga Assembly
Mon 9th Dec	Pōhutukawa Camp Day
Tues 10th Dec	2.30pm - Pōhutukawa Assembly
Fri 13th Dec	9.00am - Kauri Assembly
Fri 13th Dec	2.15pm - Whole Rimu Assembly
Fri 13th Dec	School Reports go home
Tues 17th Dec	1.30pm - Year 6 Graduation Ceremony (Te Whau)
Thurs 19th Dec	End of Term Four - 1.30pm Finish



Pictured above is the Interschool Athletics team who competed at the Waitakere Trusts Stadium last week. Results follow-

A future Pulitzer Prize winner will write her name for the first time...



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INTER SCHOOL ATHLETICS 2019

It was a fantastic day at the South West Interschool Athletics held at Trust Stadium, Waitakere last week. The conditions were amazing for the athletics and the selected children competed with determination against some very talented young athletes. Blockhouse Bay had many children that made and also won some finals and they also competed really well in the field events with some top 3 placings. A highlight to watch were the relays and Blockhouse Bay won the 10 and over girls with the boys 10 and over placing 2nd. Congratulations to all the competitors, your behaviour and sportsmanship throughout the day was outstanding. Thank you to the parents that came along and supported and cheered on the day

GIRLS

Jessie Jackson	1st Place	10 Year	100m
	1st Place	10 & Over	4 x 100m Relay
	2nd Place	10 & Over	Softball Throw
Ana Gallagher	1st Place	11 Year	75m
	3rd Place	11 Year	100m
	1st Place	10 & Over	4 x 100m Relay
Solin Kansil	2nd Place	11 Year	75m
	2nd Place	11 Year	100m
	1st Place	10 & Over	4 x 100m Relay
Addison Leaning	2nd Place	9 Year	50m
	1st Place	Under 10	High Jump
	1st Place	Under 10	Long Jump
Kaitlin Burrows	2nd Place	8 Year	50m
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Bella Jamieson-Tia	3rd Place	8 Year	75m
Eden Parry	2nd Place	Under 10	High Jump
	3rd Place	Under 10	Softball Throw
Maren Capps	2nd Place	10 & Over	High Jump

BOYS

Nate Meikle	1st Place	10 Year	75m
	1st Place	10 Year	100m
	2nd Place	10 & Over	4 x 100m Relay
	3rd Place	10 & Over	Long Jump
Filipe Macedo	1st Place	10 & Over	Long Jump
	2nd Place	10 & Over	4 x 100m Relay
Stewart Gibbs	3rd = Place	10 & Over	High Jump
	2nd Place	10 & Over	4 x 100m Relay
Corban Mulitalo	1st Place	Under 10	Softball Throw
Hamid Khoroti	1st Place	10 & Over	Softball Throw
Keanu Fernandes	3rd Place	10 & Over	Softball Throw
Jai Sohal	2nd Place	10 & Over	4 x 100m Relay

BLOCKHOUSE BAY SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONY – Tuesday 17th December

To celebrate our current Year 6's time at our school, we are having a prize giving and graduation ceremony for them. Parents/whanau of Year 6 students are welcome to attend this event. All children are initially able to have three family members attend, although there is sometimes the opportunity to obtain extra tickets if they are available. Please make a note of this date if you have a child who is in Year 6. Doors will open on the day at 12.50pm and we will start around 1.20pm. Please note that to prevent over-crowding, this is a ticket only event. More information regarding the graduation will be sent home soon.

TEACHER ONLY DAY - Friday 22nd November (tomorrow)

On a Friday in November each year, we have a teacher only day to help our preparations for the following year's teaching and learning. Teachers come back to school in January anyway, but this helps us to get a head start on these plans. Please note that the school will be closed on **Friday 22nd November**. The school stays open for an additional day in December to make up for this learning time.



POHUTUKAWA AND KOWHAI JUNIOR ATHLETICS DAY



When: Monday 2nd December 2019

(save day Thursday 5th December)

Time: 9:15am to 11.30am (approx)

Where: On the main field at school.



You are all invited to come and support your children for this event, and then you could stay on and have lunch with your child after the activities ☺.

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

The final whole school assembly for the year takes place next Thursday 28th November starting at 2.00pm and all parents are invited.

At the assembly, we will be farewelling one of our longest standing staff members, Helen Addison who is retiring at the end of the year.

YEAR FIVE CAMP 2020

A reminder to parents that the final camp payment is due by the 29th November to the school office.

Please return your medical forms for your child to the office by the 29th November also.



PTA NEWS

Our School Carnival is **NEXT SATURDAY!!!!** We are getting very excited and doing all our final preparations for this big day. We really appreciate all the help and work that goes towards our biggest fundraiser. The proceeds will be going towards an amazing new playground and outdoor learning space in the middle school area.

WE REALLY NEED YOU! Can you help?

- * **Helpers for pack down and clean up** - We are very short of parent helpers for our pack-down and clean up on Carnival Day (Sat 30th November). We need more helpers that are able to be there from 1.30pm.
- * **Can you help out with First Aid?** We need volunteers to help at our First Aid tent on Carnival Day - if you hold a First Aid Certificate, are a Nurse/Doctor, and are happy to help out for a shift during the day, please get in touch.
- * **Do you have a set of electrical portable cooking elements for use on Carnival day**
- * **Gazebos** - We still need a few more Gazebos. Do you have a gazebo that you would be happy to loan to us to use on Carnival Day?

If you are able to help out with any of the above, please email Jasmine at fab@blockhousebay.school.nz - thanking you in advance!

STALL COLLECTION: Next week we will be collecting your contributions of: Second hand books, toys and other general items for our TOY, BOOK & WHITE ELEPHANT stalls. Children /parents can bring items to the Te Whau (PAC) foyer, before and after school. We are grateful for all donations- but please do not bring electrical appliances or any large items that cannot be carried by just one person. Many thanks.

FAB Date of Events:

Week beginning Monday 25 November - Bring your White Elephant items at school drop off (8.30-9am) and at school pick up times (2.45-3.15pm).

Tuesday 26 November 7pm - FAB Meeting @ Staffroom - ALL WELCOME!

Friday 29 November - Drop off home baking for Cake Stall

Saturday 30 November - SCHOOL CARNIVAL!!!

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