



Blockhouse Bay

Primary School

We Seek - We Strive - We Soar

25th February 2021

Dear Parents and Whānau

So nearly at the end of February and so much has happened already this year. If you are anything like me, you are going about your daily life and making plans for the weeks and months ahead, whilst keeping a watchful eye on the news. For some people this is no problem at all but for others it can be quite unsettling and it can affect them quite differently. It is now more important than ever for us to be aware of this range of responses and being kind and patient with each other. I think that the Blockhouse Bay Community has always done this as well if not better than others and I certainly believe we are lucky to be living in a place that operates in this way.

Back to Level One and it is great to have everyone being able to come back into the school. Please remember to model good hygiene practices in front of the children and feel free to look at this link with them https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LEntgl_Jlbo&feature=youtu.be. What is currently happening in South and East Auckland could easily be happening here and we all need to be doing what we can to prevent this from taking place.

Have a great week everyone

Neil Robiinson
Principal



In this beautiful weather students are certainly enjoying the new shade outside Rooms 4-9

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TERM ONE CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

Please check the calendar weekly as dates and times may change.

- Wed 3rd March 9am - Kauri Assembly
- Wed 3rd March Y5/6 T-Ball Tournament
- Wed 10th March 2.30pm - Pōhutukawa Assembly
- Thurs 11th Mar 2.00pm - Whole School Assembly**
- Wed 17th March Y5/6 Cricket Tournament
- Wed 17th March 9am - Kauri Assembly
- Thurs 18th March 2.15pm - Kōwhai Assembly
- Wed 24th March Postponement Day - Y5/6 Cricket Tournament
- Wed 31st March 2.30pm - Pōhutukawa Assembly
- Fri 2nd April Easter - No School this day
- Mon 5th April Easter - No School this day
- Tues 6th April Easter - No School this day
- Thurs 8th April Interschool Swimming Carnival
- Fri 9th April Centenary Celebrations including our Dance Festival. (more details to be provided)
- Sat 10th April Centenary Celebration including Cultural Performances.
- Wed 14th April 9am - Rimu Assembly
- Thurs 15th April 2.15pm Kōwhai Assembly
- Fri 16th April 3.00pm -Term One Ends

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SCHOOL ENTRY AND EXIT

We are very pleased with how this is going and the movement of traffic around the school seems to be better this year. If you are using the Countdown carpark, please be watchful for yourself and children when you are walking around. The last thing anyone wants is to be involved in an accident or near miss whilst picking up or dropping off their children.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The current Board was elected in 2019 and are doing a great job of governing the school. Over the next few months, we will be telling you a little bit about these volunteers so that you know who they are and what they do. Parents might want to think about whether or not they wish to stand in the Board elections which will take place around the middle of 2022.

Sheereen Ali

Board of Trustees Parent Representative.

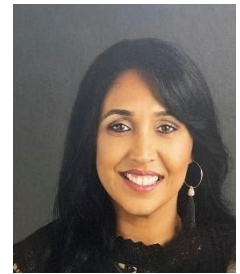
Hi, my name is Sheereen Ali, and I am the Board of Trustees Chairperson.

I have had 3 daughters through our school and have loved every minute of being part of this amazing community. I was born and raised in Auckland, having attended Marshall Laing Primary and my husband Sam attended New Windsor Primary so Blockhouse Bay is certainly where our roots are.

My family loves doing things together, you will often see us out on a bike ride or evening walk and most things centre around food for us.

I have always enjoyed attending school activities be it camp, trips, helping at sausage sizzle or even just being part of the audience at our school assemblies - it is always such a joy to see the amazing opportunities that our children get to experience at Blockhouse Bay Primary School.

If you see me around just tap me on the shoulder and say hi, I always love meeting parents and the children of our wonderful school or alternatively the school office can put you in touch with me.



WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY - New Date.

Please note the new date for Whole school assembly. - Thursday 11th March - 2.00pm

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Get a
Market Analysis
of your property in 30 Minutes.

OUT OF ZONE ENROLMENT BALLOT - TERM TWO 2021

Blockhouse Bay Primary are offering the following places at Blockhouse Bay Primary School for out of zone applicants to commence Term Two (Mon 3rd May - Fri 9th July)

If you know of anyone who would like to apply, please ask them to either contact the school office on 627-9940 or complete the enrolment form on www.blockhousebay.school.nz

Applications must be received at the school office by Wednesday 10th March 2021 and the ballot will be held on Wednesday 17th March 2021.

The following places are being offered.

Year 0/Year 1	6 Places
Year 2	6 places
Year 3	2 places

FAB NEWS

Our FAB committee had our first meeting this week to discuss our fundraising goals for 2021. We are looking forward to sharing these with you soon!

Did you know that all the fun events like the Carnival and Discos are organised by a very small FAB team? Every year, in addition to our big fundraising goals, we also fundraise to pay towards the costs for our Year 6 School Camp parent helpers! We would love to have more volunteers join our FAB team so if you are interested, please contact us to find out more! You can email fab@blockhousebay.school.nz

We have started to plan a few events for Term 1 and hope that you will continue to support our fundraising efforts. Next Thursday we will see the return of our **Ice Block pop up Stall!** If you are able to volunteer to help at any of our upcoming events, please email us. Without enough volunteers, none of these events are able to go ahead.

UPCOMING FAB EVENTS

Thursday 4 March	- Ice Block pop up Stall - After School
Thursday 11 March	- Ice Block pop up Stall - After School
Friday 19 March	- School Disco



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