



**Blockhouse Bay**

Primary School

*We Seek - We Strive - We Soar*

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you to everyone who made the time to come to our Learning Conferences this week. The teachers enjoyed meeting with you once again to discuss your child's learning. It appears that we had the highest proportion of parents ever at this week's meetings which was great.

Thank you too to all of the whanau members who have supported us this term. We really do appreciate the way that the Blockhouse Bay School Community works so hard to give our children the best possible experiences.

We have a number of really exciting learning opportunities planned for Term Three including the Opening of Te Manawa, Makerfair and a trip to the Arataki Visitor Centre. We also plan to work with the children to help them to deal more effectively with challenges in life as building resilience and knowing how to take the right actions in social situations which are some of the most important things that we can all do. More information about these experiences will be provided in the weeks to come.

Have a great holiday break everyone!

**NEIL ROBINSON  
PRINCIPAL**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - TERM TWO - 2019	
Fri 28th June	2.00pm Whole School Assembly
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences - school closes at 12.45pm
Wed 3rd July	Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences
Fri 5th July	2.15pm - Rimu Whole Team Assembly
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Mufti Day - Sausage Sizzle - <b>Volunteers needed please</b>
Fri 5th July	<b>End of Term 2 - 3.00pm finish</b>



*Pictured here are some photos from the recent Tri Star Gymnastic Competition. Results Follow-*

A Foggy Morning



Wet spiderwebs sparkling like diamonds  
 Drops stuck to the web and hanging on the branches  
 The turf is covered in fog, blurry to your eyes  
 It's like Ethan was walking into the clouds  
 The leaves felt cold and wet  
 There is a snail sleeping in the wet leaves  
 Water evaporates off the shade like steam from the kettle

*by Ethan, Shahzaib and Hadia  
Room 15*

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

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## STAFFING UPDATE

**Wendy Spence** has a new job at an International School in Moscow and will officially leave our school tomorrow. Wendy has worked here since the beginning of 2016, firstly in the Kauri syndicate and then in Rimu. Her sense of humour and range of teaching strengths have been appreciated by staff, students and parents alike and we wish her all the best for this exciting new experience.

We might even see Wendy back at school early next term as a relieving teacher as her new position does not start until September.

**Mary-Rose Adlington** has decided to seek new horizons as well and her last day will be 2<sup>nd</sup> August. We will write more about Mrs Adlington closer to this time.

## WORLD VISION 40 HOUR FAMINE

This year, twenty Year 5 and 6 students took part in the World Vision 40 Hour Famine. Together they have managed to raise over \$1000.00. Written below is the experience of one of these students.

"Hi, I'm Rose and I LOVE food, especially homemade marshmallows. This year for the World Vision 40 Hour Famine, I gave up food for 20 hours. Even though it wasn't the full 40 hours, it still was hard. I was constantly hungry. It really opened my eyes and made me see how hunger is a much more serious problem than I originally thought.

Doing the famine was such a worthwhile experience because I was able to do something and help those unfortunate villagers in South Sudan. I would definitely recommend doing the challenge next year and do it again myself because it goes to such a great cause. So let's hear those tummies grow!" - Rose Elijas

## FAB SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND MUFTI DAY

### TOMORROW

**SAUSAGES \$2.00 each**  
(Halal Chicken available)

**MUFTI**  
(Gold coin donation)



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - TERM THREE - 2019

Mon 22nd July	-Term Three Commences - all children here by 8.30am
Tues 23rd July	-2.00pm -BBI Principal to visit Year 6 students
Thurs 25th July	-9.00am-Te Manawa Opening and Makerfair
Fri 26th July	-Makerfair
Tues 30th July	-2.30pm -Kōwhai Assembly
Fri 2nd Aug	-Whole Rimu Team Assembly
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup> Aug	-Community Information Meetings (More details to come)
Tues 6th Aug	-2.30pm Pōhutukawa Assembly
Tues 6th Aug	-Y6 Parent Information Evening at BBI
Fri 9th Aug	-9.00am Kauri Assembly
Fri 9th Aug	-Pink Shirt & Colourful Lunch Day
Fri 9th Aug	-Last day for ICAS Entry Forms for Yrs 4, 5 & 6
Fri 9th Aug	-2.15pm-Rimu Te Raranga Assembly (rms 9,12,2,3)
12 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup> Aug	-Maths Week
Tues 13th Aug	-2.30pm Kōwhai Assembly
Wed 14th Aug	-Winter Field Day Yrs 5 & 6
Thurs 15th Aug	-Central West Gym Competition for selected students
Fri 16th Aug	-2.15pm-Rimu Kete Whanau Assembly (rms 13,14,15)
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Aug	-FAB Movie Night
Tues 20th Aug	-2.30pm - Pōhutukawa Assembly
Tues 20th Aug	-Arataki Visitor Centre for Rms 2 & 3
Wed 21st Aug	-Arataki Visitor Centre for Rms 9 & 12
Wed 21st Aug	-Winter Field Day Postponement Day
Thurs 22nd Aug	-Arataki Visitor Centre for Rms 13 & 15
Thurs 22nd Aug	- Y6 Experience Day at BBI
Fri 23rd Aug	-Arataki Visitor Centre for Rms 14 & 21
Fri 23rd Aug	-9.00am -Kauri Assembly
Fri 23rd Aug	-2.15pm-Rimu Te Raranga Assembly
Tues 27th Aug	-Arataki Visitor Centre for Rms 19 & 20
Fri 30th Aug	-Daffodil Day - Fundraiser Cancer Society
Fri 30th Aug	-Arataki Visitor Centre for Rms 22 & 23
Fri 30th Aug	-2.15pm Rimu Kete Whanau Assembly
Tues 3rd Sept	-2.30pm - Pōhutukawa Assembly
Tues 3rd Sept	-Arataki Visitor Centre for Rms 8 & 10
Tues 3rd Sept	-ICAS Digital Technologies Exam
Wed 4th Sept	-Arataki Visitor Centre for Rms 7 & 11
Thurs 5th Sept	-ICAS Science Exam
Fri 6th Sept	-9am Kauri Assembly
Fri 6th Sept	-2.15pm Rimu Te Raranga Assembly
Tues 10th Sept	-Arataki Visitor Centre for Rms 5 & 6
Tues 10th Sept	-Icas Writing Exam
Tues 10th Sept	-Kōwhai assembly
Thurs 12th Sept	-Champions of Champions Gym Comp for selected students
Thurs 12th Sept	-Arataki Visitor Centre for Rms 18,24&25
Thurs 12th Sept	-ICAS Spelling Exam
Fri 13th Sept	-Arataki Visitor Centre for Rms 16 & 17
Fri 13th Sept	-2.15pm-Rimu Kete Whanau Assembly
Tues 17th Sept	-ICAS English Exam
Tues 17th Sept	-2.30pm Pōhutukawa Assembly
Thurs 19th Sept	-ICAS Maths Exam
Thurs 19th Sept	-2.00pm - Whole School Assembly
Fri 27th Sept	-2.00pm - Whole Rimu Syndicate Assembly
Fri 27th Sept	-End of Term Three (3.00pm finish)

## NETBALL RESULTS - Week Ending 28th June 2019

BHB EMERALDS (0) vs St Dominics Diamonds (12) **Player of the Day - Ciana**

BHB OPALS (6) vs Glen Eden Primary (9)

**Player of the Day- Maya**

BHB CRYSTALS (5) vs Kaurilands Ferns (13)

**Player of the Day - Carly**

BHB RUBIES - No game this week

BHB SAPPHIRES (10) vs Jets (29)

**Player of the Day - Ayla**



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25&26 JULY

## Gymnastics Fun Festival 2019

A group of 45 children from Year 3-6 were selected to compete at the Tri Star Gymnastics Fun Festival last week. As part of the Fun Festival the children had to learn and perform a routine that was individually judged on the day. Some children had performed this in previous years and some never before. They all participated very well. Lou Bryant did an amazing job of coaching the group. Thank you also to Catherine Thomson and Amie Pedersen for assisting with coaching and the many parents that helped with transport. The following children achieved high scores resulting in a Gold Ribbon. A group of selected children will continue to train and then compete in the Central West Zone Competition on Thursday 15th August.

### Gold Ribbon Results

#### Year 3 & 4 Springers

Ryan Dai  
Addison Leaning

#### Year 5 & 6 Flyers

Jayde Reiss Williams  
Solin Kansil  
Jesse Jackson  
Meghna Malik  
Madison Markovina  
Emily Yang

## Learning @ Blockhouse Bay in Term 3 & 4

We start the term with a celebration of our learning in Term 1 & 2 with our Te Manawa Opening and our Makerfair. Come and see your children's creations!

Our Learning Focus for Term Three is based on two main concepts. The first of these is **Strengthening Wellbeing & Preventing Bullying**. During the first three weeks of term we will be exploring ways to strengthen children's sense of belonging and understanding of kindness, responsibility and community participation. We will also be teaching the children about how we can all play a part in preventing bullying. The Curriculum Learning Areas we will focus on are Social Science and Health and Physical Education. We will continue to revisit 'Strengthening Wellbeing and Preventing Bullying' throughout the rest of Term 3 and Term 4.

To help raise awareness that we all need to help strengthen wellbeing and prevent bullying we will be holding our very own '**Pink shirt**' and '**Colourful Lunch**' Day on Friday 9th August.

We would also like to invite parents and whānau to some '**Community Information Meetings**' which will take place during the week of Monday 5th - Friday 9th August. Watch out for information about these next term

Our second concept is **Kaitiakitanga - Community Action**. We will explore this through the Inquiry Based Learning Process. A kaitiaki is a person, group or being that is a guardian and protector of the natural world. We will be exploring our responsibility as kaitiaki to protect and nurture our natural world for future generations. The Curriculum Learning Areas that we will focus on will be Science and Digital Technology.

As part of learning about Kaitiakitanga all classes will be visiting the **Arataki Visitor Centre in the Waitakere Ranges**. Classes will learn about topics such as Nature's recycling, Investigating Invertebrates, Plant Power and Biodiversity Alert. The cost for this will be \$15 per child. We understand for families this is a significant amount- please email our Associative Principal, Elizabeth Crisp if we can help. [elizabethc@blockhousebay.school.nz](mailto:elizabethc@blockhousebay.school.nz)

## 2020-INTERMEDIATE ENROLMENT INFORMATION FOR YEAR SIX STUDENTS

### GREEN BAY INTERMEDIATE OPEN DAY

*Green Bay Intermediate School*  
*2019 Intermediate Open Day – Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July*  
*At Green Bay Intermediate School*  
*131 Godley Road, Green Bay*  
*Room 15 – 9.00am – 1.00pm*

*2019 Intermediate Open Evening*  
*Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July*  
*At Green Bay Intermediate School.*  
*School Hall – 6.30pm-7.30pm*

### BLOCKHOUSE BAY INTERMEDIATE

The Blockhouse Bay Intermediate School Principal will speak to the Y6 Students in Te-Whau Performing Arts Centre on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - 2.00pm

Parents are welcome to attend if unable to make the Parent Information session being held at Blockhouse Bay Intermediate on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August – 6.00pm



  
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