



Blockhouse Bay

Primary School

We Seek - We Strive - We Soar

Thursday 7th March 2019

Greetings to you all,

Every three years, an election is held so that the community can select their parent representatives to the Board of Trustees. As a school, we enjoy and benefit from working with these parents who bring different experiences and perspectives to our educational setting.

Parents who now want to know more about standing for the Board of Trustees election are asked to contact the office and we will arrange for a current Board member to contact you. More information can be found by going to <https://www.trustee-election.co.nz/>

Current Board of Trustees Chairperson Craig Holt has decided not to stand for re-election in June and so has decided to step down from this position. Sheereen Ali has been voted in by the Board to be our new Chairperson. Congratulations Sheereen.

Have a great week everyone.
Neil Robinson - Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS TERM ONE 2019

Fri 8 th Mar	-9.00am Kauri Assembly
Fri 8 th Mar	-2.00pm Kete Whānau Rimu Assembly Rms 13/14/15
Tues 12 th Mar	-2.30pm Kowhai Assembly
Fri 15 th Mar	-2.00pm Te Raranga Rimu Assembly -Rms 2/3/9/12
Tues 19 th Mar	-2.30pm Pōhutukawa Assembly
Thurs 21 st Mar	-Y5/6 Interschool Cricket Field Day
Fri 22 nd Mar	-9.00am Kauri Assembly
Fri 22 nd Mar	-2.00pm Kete Whānau Rimu Assembly Rms 13/14/15
Tues 26 th Mar	-2.30pm Kowhai Assembly
Wed 27 th March	-Kauri/Rimu Cross Country
Fri 29 th March	-2.00pm Te Raranga Rimu Assembly Rms 2/3/9/12
Fri 29 th March	-Rimu & Kauri Cross Country Savings Day
Tues 2 nd April	-2.30pm Pōhutukawa Assembly
Thurs 4 th April	-2.00pm Whole School Assembly
Fri 5 th April	-9.00am - Kauri Assembly
Fri 5 th April	-2.00pm Kete Whānau Rimu Assembly Rms 13/14/15
Tues 9 th April	-2.30pm Kowhai Assembly
Wed 10 th April	-Y5/6 Interschool Cricket Postponement Day
Fri 12 th April	-2.00pm Whole Rimu Assembly
Fri 12 th April	-Term One Ends (3.00pm)

RIMU AND KAURI CROSS COUNTRY

When: Wednesday 27th March 9.20am - 10.50am

Where: Around the school and in Gill Crescent.

Postponement Day (if needed): Friday 29th March 9.20am start (same order of races as listed below)

This event is designed to give the children the chance to prepare for and meet a challenging situation in which they are all supported to do their best. In addition to this, the top 10 or so children in each race are invited to represent us at the inter-school event which takes place early in term two.

On the day, the younger Rimu children will run first at 9.20am and so on through to the older ones. Ages are worked out from what age the child will be on the 1st May 2019. This is because this is the date used for the inter-school event being held next term.

Students are asked to wear a shirt of a certain colour according to their age group, to help the judges on the finish line. **6/7 yr olds: Blue Shirts** **8 yr olds: Green Shirts** **9 yr olds: Red Shirts**
10 yr olds: White Shirts **11 yr olds: Black Shirts**

Parents are very welcome to come and cheer the children on.

Any questions please see either of the organizing teachers - Hayley Davies or Sally Kilpatrick.



Blockhouse Bay

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STAFFING UPDATE

We have struggled over the last few months to maintain a regular caretaker at the school but are very pleased to announce that we have appointed someone new to this position. Darren Woodacre is a BHB local whose children attended our school and will take over this role on 18th March.

We also welcome two new teacher trainees from Vermont who will be working at the school for at least one day per week over the next couple of months. Cecilia Eliopoulos will be based in Room 2 and Mandy Smith will be in Room 20. Welcome to you all.

Year 5 /6 Inter school T-Ball Competition

Blockhouse Bay entered 5 teams in the South West T-Ball competition last Wednesday. Over 50 children participated, some having played before and some new to the game. The children had an enjoyable day and played in fun, competitive and some very close matches. A big thank you to the following parents that coached and managed the teams, it was a big day in the sun and we couldn't have taken so many children without you. Chad Bryant, Grant Burrows, Mary Cole and Pushpa Shankar.

CALLING ALL SUPERHEROES!!

The Make a Wish Foundation is an international fundraising agency that collects money to go to children who have serious health issues. They try to grant a wish to children who have had these experiences and these can range from a bedroom make over, to meeting someone famous to a special overseas trip.

We like to do something every year that benefits a group that is outside the school and two Blockhouse Bay School children have been beneficiaries from this charity in the past so we thought that this would be ideal. **On Friday 22nd March, we are asking everyone to bring a gold coin for a special Coin Trail that we will have a school. We invite everyone to dress as a Superhero on this day which should be a lot of fun.** More details will be provided next week.

SCHOOL DONATIONS AND PTA DONATION

Thank you to everyone who has paid these donations. Please contact the office if you have any questions about this.

The new government have talked about a possible change to school donations but it does look unlikely that any changes will be made this year, so we do appreciate parents paying this donation to the school as it does allow us to fund a lot of what goes on in the school.

The 2018 School Donation is unchanged from the last few years and will remain at \$200 for one child, \$400 for two and \$500 for three or more children with an additional charge of \$40 per child for the PTA donation.

When people have paid their children's donations, we will send home a receipt. ***If you pay the entire school fee by the end of March, you can claim back this money in the current tax year.***

HAVE YOU GOT 2020 VISION?

We always like to give families the holiday dates well in advance so that they can arrange to take their breaks during these times. At their last meeting, the Board of Trustees voted to confirm the following dates for **NEXT YEAR:**

Term One	Monday 3 rd February	to Thursday 9 th April
Term Two	Tuesday 28 th April	to Friday 3 rd July
Term Three	Monday 20 th July	to Friday 25 th September
Term Four	Monday 12 th October	to Wednesday 16 th December

CONTACT DETAILS FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

We sometimes need to contact parents urgently, so if you have moved house or changed any of your contact phone numbers, please ensure you inform the school office of your new details.

MEDICAL UPDATES

Some students require items such as Epi Pens, Asthma Inhalers etc for medical conditions. For safety reasons students are not allowed to keep these items in their school bag. If your child needs some medication while at school please see the school office for a Medical form and we will administer the medication when your child requires it. We also ask parents who already have medical items at school for their child to please ensure that these are updated before the expiry date. Please note that we do not administer antibiotics at school.

CAMP PAYMENTS FOR YEAR SIX STUDENTS

The clock is ticking on this exciting event for the Year 6 children as this experience will be a highlight of their time at the school.

With only a couple of months to go until camp we are reminding parents that any outstanding money for camp should be received at the school office by 22nd March.

This can be paid online or at the school office. Medical forms will be sent home shortly.

FLIPPA BALL RESULTS

Results week ending 3rd March 2019

St Marys Orcas 4

Tiger Sharks 2

Player of the Day - Keqi Wu for his strong defence skills

LYNFIELD COLLEGE KAPA HAKA

Whanau and community members are invited to Lynfield College Kapa Haka's dress rehearsal for next week's Pasifika Festival. This performance will take place at the College on Monday 11th March from 6.00-8.00pm.

All are welcome and entry is by Koha (voluntary donation).

MUSIQHUB

Enrol now for term 1 music lessons!

Weekly **guitar, classical guitar, keyboard or ukulele** lessons at Blockhouse Bay Primary are available through MusiqHub. These lessons take place on Tuesdays in 30 minute blocks. Small group as well as individual lessons are available.

For more info and to register your interest please contact **Jakub** -

jakub.roznawski@musiqhub.co.nz

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TERM ENROLMENTS 2019

Crouch like a Tiger

Move like a Monkey

Calm like a Crane

Slither like a Snake

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