



**Blockhouse Bay**

Primary School

*We Seek - We Strive - We Soar*

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dear Parents and Whānau,

I hope that you all enjoyed the extra time with your family over the long weekend. I am certainly thankful to live in a country that has the luxury to be able to do this and the weather wasn't bad either!

Well done to our T-Ball teams that represented the school yesterday. The effort and behaviour from our children were excellent as always and our A team topped off the day by winning the tournament. After the Cricket team won their event a few weeks ago, it certainly does show that our children are as good as any in the area.

Things are all go for our celebrations over the next two days. **Please note that after today's dress rehearsal, we have decided to alter the Dance timetable to allow for more time for moving between dance venues.** I advise that you take special note of these new times if you are joining us tomorrow afternoon.

See you at the Dance Festival!  
Neil Robinson  
Principal

TERM ONE CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021	
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Centenary Celebrations including our Dance Festival.</i>
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Centenary Celebration including Cultural Performances.</i>
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> April	<del>9am - Rimu Assembly</del> Canceled
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> April	<del>2.15pm Kōwhiri Assembly</del> Canceled
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> April	3.00pm -Term One Ends

*Congratulations to all the T-Ball teams that competed in the interschool tournament on Wednesday at Eastdale Reserve. It was so great to finally play! The teams have demonstrated an amazing attitude and sportsmanship throughout the term at practises and playing today. Thank you very much to John Gwin and Andi Griffiths for coaching teams today. We are still waiting on confirmed results, but it appears that Blockhouse Blue team won the A Grade competition. This is for the 3rd Year running! Congratulations to Andi's Blockhouse Bay Blue team. Also, thanks to the parents and grandparents that popped along to support.*



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## CENTENARY TIMETABLE

### WELCOME TO VISITORS TOMORROW – 11.10am

Parents are very welcome to come and watch the children welcome in our Centennial attendees and this ceremony starts at 11.10am. If parents do wish to attend, we ask that you sit on the seats near the flagpole as you are part of the Tangata whenua (inhabitants of the land) who are welcoming in the guests.

### DANCE FESTIVAL TOMORROW – 1.15pm

As we mentioned, we are very much looking forward to holding this event and the weather does look like it will be ok (pew!). To get through the timetable, we will need to start at 1.15pm so parents will need to be in place ready for this if your children are on first. **(SEE REVISED TIMETABLE IN THIS NEWSLETTER)**

### EVENING FUNCTION TOMORROW – 7.00pm

This is open to anyone who has links to the school who wishes to attend. Entry is \$10 per person and it will be held in Te Manawa.

### SCHOOL TOURS ON SATURDAY – 11.00-12.30pm

These will be led by our ambassadors, starting at 11.00am. The ambassadors are asked to meet Mrs Schultz at school at 10.20am or 10.45am depending on their job. Please check the letter sent home with your child today.

### OFFICIAL WELCOME ON SATURDAY 12.30pm

This will start at 12.30pm in Te Whau (Performing Arts Centre). Children in the Kapa Haka, Bollywood and Pasifika groups are asked to meet in their dressing room classrooms.

**Kapa Haka – 11.30am**

**Pasifika – 11.45am**

**Bollywood – 11.30am**

Friday 9th April 2021 1.15pm- 2.45		Blockhouse Bay Dance Festival Line up			Blockhouse Bay Primary School
Time	Te Whau Stage	Te Manawa Stage	CENTRAL STAGE	FALE STAGE	
1:15	Room 1	Room 16	Room 4	Room 18	
1:21	Room 5	Room 21	Room 2	Room 20	
1:27	Room 3	Room 19	Room 6	Room 17	
1:33	Room 7	Room 22	Room 13	Room 23	
1:39	Room 14	Room 18	Room 8	Room 24	
1:45	Room 9	Room 20	Room 15	Room 16	
1:51	Room 10	Room 17	Room 1	Room 21	
1:57	Room 4	Room 23	Room 5	Room 19	
2:03	Room 2	Room 24	Room 3	Room 22	
2:09	Room 6		Room 7		
2:15	Room 13		Room 14		
2:21	Room 8		Room 9		
2:27	Room 15		Room 10		
2:33					
2:39					
2:45					



## RAMADAN 13<sup>th</sup> April -12<sup>th</sup> May

Ramadan is a month filled with blessings from Allah, it is a time for people to remember the favors bestowed on them, a time to reflect, to do good and to share with others. May this Ramadan bring lots of happiness and blessings into your lives. Ramadan Mubarak!



### **Sausage Sizzle & Mufti Day - Friday 16 April**

Hellers, Halal and Vegetarian Sausages available. \$2 for a sausage and Gold Coin Donation for Mufti. **CAN YOU HELP???** We need more helpers for our Sausage Sizzle Day - help is needed between 9am-11.30am. Please email Jasmine ([fab@blockhousebay.school.nz](mailto:fab@blockhousebay.school.nz)) if you can help us on the day.

Thank you to all those who have already volunteered to help. We are also still needing more helpers for Saturday's Centennial celebrations so please get in touch if you can spare a couple of hours on Saturday to help with the Afternoon Tea.

The FAB team is currently organising some school lunches for Term 2 - we are excited to bring back Jester's Pies, Pita Pit, Sushi and hopefully a Pizza Lunch Day as well. We look forward to sharing more when we have the dates confirmed.

### **Entertainment Membership Fundraisers**

School holidays are coming up! If you don't already have one, grab yourself an Entertainment Membership ([www.entertainmentnz.com](http://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**

**Friday 16 April** - Last day of School Sausage Sizzle & Mufti Day

**Tuesday 11 May** - FAB Meeting 7pm Staffroom (all welcome!)

### **2021 Dates**

A reminder to everyone that these are our dates for the year. We publish them early so that parents can make their holiday plans during the breaks and long weekends.

Term One	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> April
Term Two	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May to Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> July
Term Three	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> July to Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> October
Term Four	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> October to Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December

### **Teacher Only Days**

- \* Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June (Friday of Queen's Birthday weekend)
- \* Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August - Day taken for professional learning for the staff
- \* Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October (Friday of Labour Weekend)
- \* Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November - Professional learning for staff and preparations for 2022
- \* Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December (day after school closes at the end of the year)

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