



Term Three Calendar of Events

Week 2

Friday 2nd Aug - Kauri Assembly 2.15pm

Week 3

Mon 5th Aug - Kōwhai Assembly 2pm

Tues 6th Aug - Rimu Assembly 2.15pm

Wed 7th Aug - Tōtara Assembly 2.15pm

Week 4

Mon 12th Aug - Kaitiaki Club Planting 10am

Tues 13th Aug - Pōhutukawa Assembly 2.30pm

Thurs 15th Aug - Y0-3 Whānau Literacy Information session 8.50am or 6pm

Week 5 - Tongan Language Week

Pacifica Arts Centre Visits to school 9am-1pm

- **Tuesday 20th Aug** - Kauri Team

- **Wednesday 21st Aug** - Rimu Team

- **Thurs 22nd Aug** - Tōtara Team

Fri 23rd Aug - Kauri Assembly 2.00pm

Week 6

Mon 26th Aug - Kōwhai Assembly 2.00pm

Tues 27th Aug - Rimu Assembly 2.15pm

Wed 28th Aug - Tōtara Assembly 2.15pm

Thurs 29th Aug - Pacifica Arts Visit Kowhai- 9am-1pm

Fri 30th Aug - Pacifica Arts Visit Pohutukawa-9am-1pm

Week 7

Tues 3rd Sept - Pōhutukawa Assembly 2.30pm

Week 8

Tues 10th Sept - Rimu Assembly 2.15pm

Thurs 12th Sept - Champions of Champs Gym Comp

Week 9- Te Wiki o te reo Maori

Mon 16th Sept - Kowhai Assembly - 2pm

Wed 18th Sept - Winter Field Day 9am-3pm

Fri 20th Sept - Kauri Assembly 2.00pm

Week 10 - Chinese Language Week

Tues 24th Sept - Pōhutukawa Assembly 2.30pm

Y6 - BBI Intermediate visit 10.40am

Wed 25th Sept - Winter Field Day Postponement Day

Friday 27th Sept - Term Three Ends - 3.00pm

A word from our Tumuaki

Tēnā koutou e te whānau,

We are now in the second week, but welcome back everyone to term three! I have really enjoyed getting back into the school and seeing all the smiling faces and great learning that is taking place.

As announced yesterday, we are very pleased to be able to begin installing the new roof area on the field side of the Manukau Block. Over the last few years, we have used pop-up gazebos to cover this area but they do not have the durability to last a long time and the new cover will solve this issue as well as providing more shaded cover for both children and parents.

The new roof is the culmination of a lot of work from our wonderful FAB Committee and our community who have played their part in contributing to each of the fundraising events. The FAB account nearly had enough money to fund this project so money collected this term will pay for the shortfall. FAB have a number of things happening this term so watch out for more details so that you can choose where you wish to become involved.

Our Inquiry focus for term 3 has the title Nga Toi and its main Idea is: *People tell stories and pass these on over time. Different cultures tell these stories in different ways, through dance, music and drama. The way we tell these stories changes over time and will continue to change in the future.*

We have a number of fun activities planned as part of this focus including a visiting group and special sharing time near the end of the term. Watch out for more information about these in the weeks to come.

As part of their review cycle, the Education Review Office will be visiting the school at the end of this term. We were last reviewed in 2019 so we are looking forward to sharing evidence of what a great learning environment Blockhouse Bay School is and working with the reviewers to plan how we can be even more successful in the future.

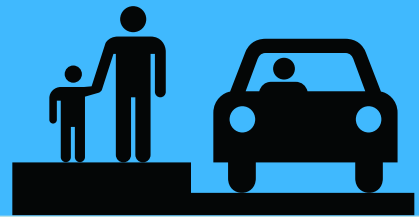
Ngā mihi maioha,
Neil Robinson
Principal



Patience at Drop-off and Pick Up Times

We are very much aware that these times of the day can be challenging for people, especially during the winter months where there seems to be more people and less visibility. We encourage everyone to be mindful of the fact that it is likely to take longer particularly at the end of the day when there is more congestion.

This is a great opportunity for adults to model kindness and patience in front of the children as everyone tries to leave the areas outside of the school. In particular, we ask that people do not double park and block others from arriving or leaving the parking areas as this can cause frustration for people who are trying to leave.



KNOWLEDGEATHON 2024

Next week sees the launch of our fundraiser - Knowledge-a-thon.

This year we are raising money for shade outside of the Manukau Block as well as outside seating.

Some of you may have seen that this project has already commenced.

We will be using the online platform 'Raise it' which makes it super easy to register, share on social media and get sponsors!

The fundraiser launches next Monday 5th August.

Please watch our HERO app for further information.



Thank you to all the students who took part in the World Vision 40 hour challenge.

Due to your efforts World Vision received \$2632.50.

The funds you've raised will equip farmers to unlock underground forests, help young people like Pasquela learn about climate-smart agriculture, climate smart businesses, and how to keep forests healthy for years to come. You'll provide communities with beehives to help forests thrive. You should feel so proud!

Paige from World Vision came and thanked the Kauri students at an assembly last week

World Vision



KAITIAKI CLUB

Today we did an amazing job weeding our vege garden so we can plant for Summer. We discovered beetroot and some of us took them home to share with our whānau.



Kids 4 Drama

Congratulations to some of our students who took part in the Kids 4 Drama show in the holidays here at school, The SpongeBob Musical. Kids 4 Drama has been part of our school community for 32 years this year with Director Stephen Dallow starting classes in our old school hall when he was just 18. They run classes in Te Whau, our Performing Arts Centre every Thursday from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. Staff are on site just after 3pm so students can head there and have their afternoon tea before class. They teach practical performance skills that build confidence in a safe and fun environment. You are welcome to trial the class, to sign up for a trial or a term head to <https://kids-4-drama.classforkids.io>

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