



## Term One Calendar of Events

### Week 3

Wednesday 26th February - Inter-school T-Ball for selected children

### Week 4

Thursday 27th February- Whānau Literacy Workshop  
9.00-10.00am OR 6.00-7.00pm

### Week 5

Friday 7th March-Kauri assembly 2.15 - 2.45 pm

### Week 6

Monday 10th March- Rimu Assembly 2.15 - 2.45pm  
Wednesday 12th March - Inter-school Cricket for selected children

### Week 7

Friday 21 March-Kauri assembly 2.15 - 2.45pm

### Week8

Monday 24th March- Rimu Assembly 2.15pm - 2.45pm

### Week 9

All week-Book Week (more information provided soon)  
Thursday 3rd April- Book Character Dress Up Day + Parade  
Friday 4th April- Kauri assembly 2.15 - 2.45pm

### Week 10

Monday 7th April- Rimu Assembly 2.15pm - 2.45pm  
Thursday 10th April - Last day of term one - 3.00pm finish.  
Friday 11th April -Teacher Only Day

## A word from our Tumuaki



Dear Parents and Whānau,

I hope you have enjoyed the start of the new school year as much as the staff and children. It has been great to see the positive way that the children have settled into their learning and play and we certainly do appreciate parents supporting us by having their children at school, on time, well rested and ready to learn.

In the term highlights, you can see the dates of the team assemblies that will happen this term and we invite all whānau members to come and share these occasions with the children. Pre-schoolers are very welcome to attend these occasions, but we do ask that parents take them out of the auditorium if they become restless, so that we can all hear what the children are saying. Please note that we will stick to the start times so it is helpful if family members can arrive in time for the beginning of the assemblies.

Good luck to our Year 5 & 6 T-Ball teams who will represent us in our first inter school event next week.

Lastly, thank you to our newsletter sponsors who support us by contributing to the school's expenses in this way. Please consider having these people quote for their services if you need this work completed.

Have a great week everyone.

Ngā mihi maioha, (thank you with appreciation)

Neil Robinson

Principal

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**Blockhouse Bay**

## Updated information for every family

Next week, we will be sending home a paper copy of every family's contact information. We would like parents to check that we have this correct and send it back to school, even if no changes have been made.

It is really important for the school to have up-to-date information for all of our families for a number of reasons including so that we can contact you or your emergency contacts in case something happens and we need to talk to you straight away.

We will be also updating parent's permission for their children to be part of some learning activities that are outside of the usual classroom experiences.

When this paperwork comes home, please take the time to review the information and make any changes so that we can ensure everything is up-to-date. Please also let us know in the future if there are any updates that we need to be aware of.



## We are a Speaking and Listening Kura

For several reasons, we have decided to enhance Oral Language across the school and have adopted the phrase 'We are a speaking and listening kura/school'. As part of this, we are teaching and supporting students to be active listeners and to reply in full sentences when people speak to them. Recently, we have been learning about how to greet people respectfully. You might like to encourage this at home to help your child develop their confidence when greeted by others. This learning will benefit all children, particularly those who have English as a second language which includes many of our students.

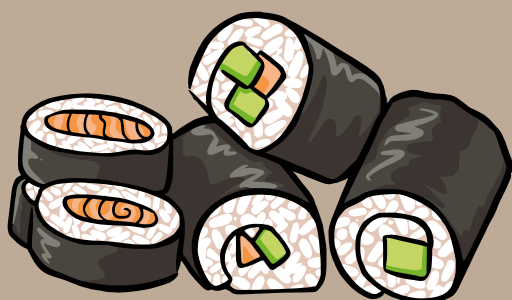


# Food Orders

These are organised by the Fundraisers at Blockhouse Bay (FAB) Team and are a great way to keep the income for this group coming in as they receive a small amount of money for each order. Ordering can be completed through Kindo so please ask the office if you are unsure of how to do this.

The following dates outline what can be ordered and when:

- **Wednesday 26th February** - Xi'an Food Bar - orders close the day before at 12pm
- **Wednesday 5th March** - Pita Pit - orders close 9am on the day
- **Wednesday 12th March** - Mai Sushi - orders close on the day before at 12pm
- **Wednesday 19th March** - Xi'an Food Bar - orders close on the day before at 12pm
- **Wednesday 26th March** - Pita Pit - orders close 9am on the day
- **Wednesday 2nd April** - Mai Sushi - orders close on the day before at 12pm
- **Wednesday 9th April** - Xi'an Food Bar - orders close on the day before at 12pm



## STATIONERY FOR SCHOOL – CLOSING SOON

If you have not already ordered your child's stationery for school, you can still purchase it online until the end of next week by going to [www.myschool.co.nz/blockhousebayprimary](http://www.myschool.co.nz/blockhousebayprimary) enter your child's year level and choose the pack that you require.



## SCHOOL SUNHATS

Great to see almost all of our students wearing their school sunhat.

Just a few students who still need one.

Hats are available from [www.argyleonline.co.nz](http://www.argyleonline.co.nz) and must be worn in Terms One and Four.  
Thank you.







**Bizzy Bodz**

**Thank you for choosing Bizzy Bodz to care for your children. We look forward to providing a happy and positive experience for you and your child.**

**Before & After School Care**

# **Blockhouse Bay Primary School**

**Monday - Friday:  
7.00 - 8.20am  
3.00 - 6.00pm**

**[bizzybodz.co.nz](http://bizzybodz.co.nz)**

## **Enquiries**

09 530 9020  
admin@bizzybodz.co.nz  
021835627 (Programme Direct Dial)

# **Welcome to Bizzy Bodz!**

### **Before School Care**

- \* Unstructured Fun
- \* Activities
- \* Breakfast
- \* Games
- \* Walked to class (Jnr)

**Providing fun, organised, quality Out of School Care in a safe, child-focused environment**

### **After School Care**

- \* Class Pick Up (Jnr)
- \* Afternoon Tea
- \* Supervised Homework
- \* Structured Activities
  - \* Art
  - \* Craft
- \* Sport
- \* Games
- \* Freetime



## **Plus 5 Specialty Classes**

New timetable every term, all classes include afternoon tea

### **Art-tastic**

- \* Clay
- \* Painting
- \* Ceramics
- \* Scrapbooking

### **Kidz Kitchen**

- \* Cupcakes
- \* Cake Decorating
- \* Baking
- \* Pasta Making

### **FabLab**

- \* Robotics
- \* Engineering
- \* Chemistry
- \* Geology

### **Move It!**

- \* Multi-Sport
- \* Soccer
- \* Ripper Rugby
- \* Basketball

\* plus loads more exciting activities each term!



**Bizzy Bodz**

# MAKE YOUR NEXT MOVE **YOUR SMARTEST MOVE!**

If you need a salesperson  
with **local knowledge,**  
**energy** and **drive,**  
give me a call or say hi to  
me at the school crossing  
on Tuesday mornings.



Call **Roma Kaur**  
021 263 9947

[r.kaur2@barfoot.co.nz](mailto:r.kaur2@barfoot.co.nz)

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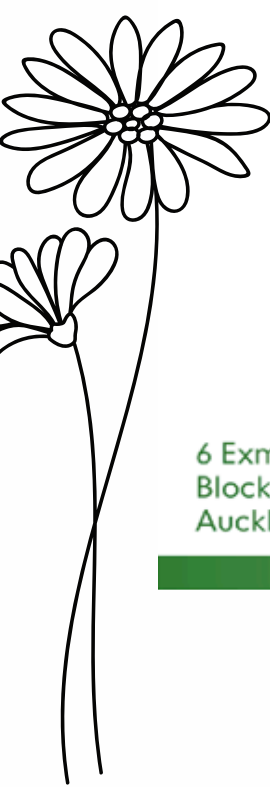
 **Dr Nitin Raniga**

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[www.aucklandortho.co.nz](http://www.aucklandortho.co.nz)







# BAYLYNN YOUTH BAND

REHEARSALS EVERY WEDNESDAY 7PM AT  
BLOCKHOUSE BAY PRIMARY



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## BAYLYNN YOUTH BAND

WE ARE AN ALL-INCLUSIVE MUSIC BASED IN THE BLOCKHOUSE BAY AREA AND HAVE BEEN RUNNING SINCE 2015. OUR MOTTO IS "LEARN TOGETHER, PLAY TOGETHER, GROW TOGETHER"—DEVELOPING SKILLS AS A MUSICIAN NO MATTER WHAT STAGE YOU ARE IN YOUR MUSICAL JOURNEY.

WE WELCOME ALL STUDENTS FROM YEAR 5 AND ABOVE WHO HAVE SOME MUSIC READING SKILLS AND CAN PLAY THE FOLLOWING INSTRUMENTS:

- STRINGS (VIOLIN, VIOLA AND CELLO)
- BRASS (TRUMPET, CORNET, TROMBONE, HORN, TUBA)
- WOODWIND (FLUTE, CLARINET, SAXOPHONE, OBOE, BASSOON)
- GUITAR OR BASS GUITAR
- DRUMS OR PERCUSSION

THE BAND REHEARSES EVERY WEDNESDAY DURING SCHOOL TERMS FROM 7:00PM TO 8:30PM AT THE BLOCKHOUSE BAY PRIMARY PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE!



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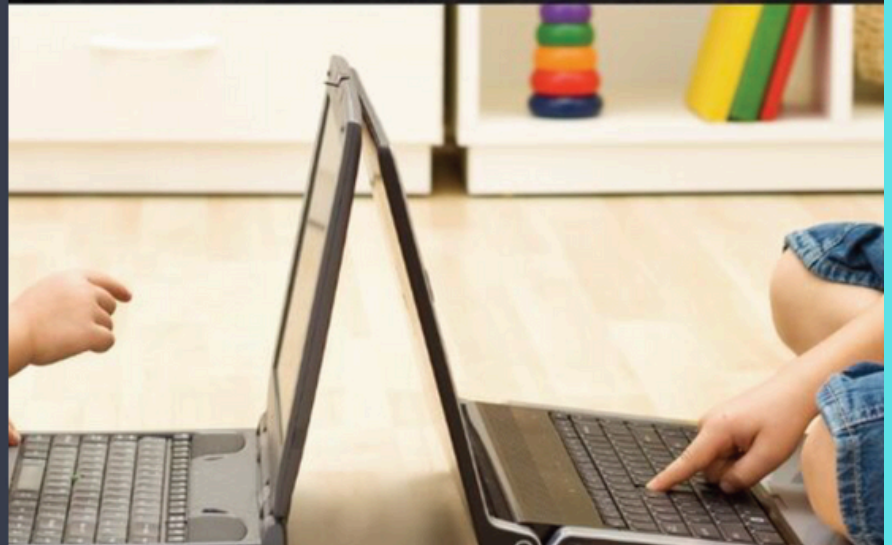


# Setting Limits: Why it's Important to Limit Screen Time for Children

## Posture Matters

Ensuring your child's proper posture today is crucial for their lifelong health. Poor posture can lead to chronic back, neck, and shoulder issues. By addressing these concerns now, you can help prevent future health problems and support your child's overall well-being.

Protect Your Child's Body During  
Screen Time & Sports



### 3. Prevent Knee and Leg Strain in Sports

- Warm Up Before Activity: Gentle stretching before running or playing sports helps prevent injuries.
- Avoid Overtraining: Repeated jumping, running, or sudden movements can strain the knees and ankles.

Tip: If your child complains of knee pain, let them take a break and see a physio.



### 4. Follow the 20-20-20 Rule for Eye and Posture Health

- Every 20 Minutes: Look at something 20 feet away for at least 20 seconds to reduce eye and neck strain.

Tip: Encourage children to change positions regularly instead of staying in one posture for too long.

## THE 20-20-20 RULE

<p><b>20</b></p> <p>EVERY 20 MINUTES</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>TAKE A 20 SECOND BREAK</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>LOOK AT SOMETHING 20 FEET AWAY</p>
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## Did you know?

If you or your child are experiencing pain from poor posture, sports injuries, or any accident, you can directly book an appointment with our physiotherapists without a GP referral. They are authorized to apply for ACC on your behalf, allowing immediate treatment and saving you time and money.

Club Physio - Your Local Physiotherapists! We care for your children and for you!

Our address: 8 Donovan Street, Blockhouse Bay, Auckland | 9 - 11 Glenmall Place, Glen Eden, Auckland

To book: 09 - 973 7056 [www.myphysio.co.nz](http://www.myphysio.co.nz)



# DONATE BLOOD IN BLOCKHOUSE BAY

Visit our mobile blood drive and help save three lives.



## WHERE

**Blockhouse Bay Community Centre, Blockhouse Bay**

## WHEN

**Friday 21 February  
From 9.00am - 2.00pm**

**Appointments are essential as spaces are limited.  
So be quick.**



**Book now**



**0800 448 325**



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Te Atahanga Taia O Aotearoa



# MARIST COLLEGE

*Catholic Girls School, Years 7 to 13*

## Open Day Tours

Thursday 6th March and  
Friday 7th March 2025  
Tours at 9am

A centrally located non-zoned  
Catholic girls secondary school, Years 7 to 13

[www.maristcollege.school.nz](http://www.maristcollege.school.nz)





# Girl Guides

Blockhouse Bay, Ruarangi Brownie Unit currently has space to take more girls aged 7-9.5 years keen to join in on the fun that GirlGuiding NZ has to offer.

We offer a non-competitive learning environment that is open-minded and values-based. It's a supportive place to grow confident, adventurous girls who are ready to be tomorrow's leaders. We offer a programme where the girls themselves have a say in the activities they get to participate in and offer experiences like camps, crafts, and real-life experiences, rewarding them with badges as they learn new skills.

To register your interest and find out more about our rewarding programme, complete the form found here: [Register Your Interest - GirlGuiding New Zealand - You be the Guide!](#)



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COMMUNITY

Email: [youthenrolmentsni@ggnz.org.nz](mailto:youthenrolmentsni@ggnz.org.nz)

**Ruarangi Brownies**

Wednesday 4.30 to 6.00 pm  
38 Donovan Street, Blockhouse Bay

COME JOIN THE FUN!!

