



Term Four Calendar of Event

Week 9

Fri 13th Dec - Colourful Clothes Non-Uniform day
(Gold Coin Donation)

Week 10

Tues 17th Dec -Year 6 Graduation 1.00-3.00pm

Friday 20th December

Term 4 Ends at 1.30pm

2025 Dates

Term 1: Monday 3rd February - Friday
11th April

Term 2: Monday 28th April - Friday
27th June

Term 3: Monday 14th July - Friday 19th
September

Term 4: Monday 6th October -Thursday
18th December

Monday 3rd February: Meet the
Whānau meetings. Bookings open next
Wednesday afternoon.

Tuesday 4th February: All children
commence school.

A word from our Tumuaiki

Dear Parents and Whānau,

Today, we are sharing your child's end of year summative comment and achievement graphs with you through Hero. The teachers have spent a lot of time putting these together but if there are any typo's or other issues or concerns, please contact us so that we can look at them to see if any changes need to be made.

Over the last few weeks, the staff have worked closely together to organise the class placements for each child. As part of this process, we take into account a whole range of factors which includes social relationships, class numbers, gender balance, ethnicity and making sure that they are placed with children that they know and are likely to learn best with. On Monday, the children will be spending some time with their 2025 teacher so that they know who this will be and which room they are in. We do this so that this is not a source of worry for them over the summer break.

Next Tuesday, we will officially farewell our Year 6 students at a ceremony in Te Whau. The library gate will be open from 12.30pm and family members are asked to arrive and be seated by 12.50pm.

Tomorrow, we will provide more details for how the school will be organised next year. The most noticeable change will be the arrangement of the classes into two teams (currently 5) that will be known as Rimu for Years 0-3 and Kauri for Years 4-6. Part of the reason for this is that the new curriculum documents are clearly split on these grounds and we felt that this would make the teaching and learning clearer for everyone. We are strongly committed to the philosophy of teaching children at the levels that they are at and we still do everything we can to align our teaching to this.

We will publish the last newsletter for the year next Thursday.
Have a great week everyone!

Ngā mihi maioha,
Neil Robinson
Principal



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Principals Soapbox

We have done our best to keep our community informed about the incident that took place in the swimming pool two weeks ago, whilst maintaining the privacy of all concerned.

We have been overwhelmed by the positive response of our community to this matter and I feel honoured and extremely grateful to work in an area that demonstrates kindness and caring towards others.

Once again, it is only natural to want to know more details about what happened and how this incident occurred. Because of the Worksafe inquiry however, this information cannot be shared, my understanding is that this will become available at the end of this process. What I can tell everyone is that as part of this process, we are reviewing all of our health and safety procedures to ensure the safety of everyone who visits the school site or takes part in activities that are linked to the school.

Yesterday, we shared a post with everyone regarding a parent-led initiative to raise money for the family of the child. If you wish to contribute to this cause, please feel free to make an internet transfer to **Shama Ali 12-3043-0406813-02**.

Please note though, this is optional and no record will be kept of who chooses to contribute in this way.

Non-Uniform Day

13th December

Colourful Clothes Day

The final FAB fundraiser for 2024 will be a non-uniform day on Friday 13th December. We are encouraging the children to wear clothing on this day that is colourful in some way to recognise the successful learning year that we have had.

The children are asked to bring a gold coin on this day and hand it to their teacher so that we can boost the FAB funds ready for spending on the children next year.



Welcome to a New Teacher

Next week, the children will find out who their teachers will be if they are returning to our school in 2025. Next year, we will be welcoming a new teacher to the team:

Sonika Sharma has been teaching at Kingsford Primary for the last 5 years but lives locally and is very excited about joining the Blockhouse Bay School staff.



Sonika has spent some days this term working alongside our staff and getting to know Blockhouse Bay School

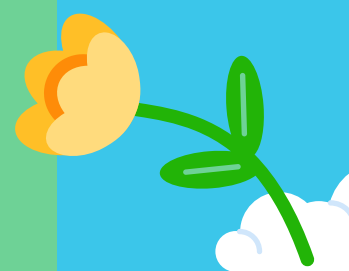


MEET THE WHĀNAU CONFERENCES 2025

These meetings will be held on Monday 3rd February 2025. This is an opportunity for you, your child and whānau to come and meet your child's Manu Group teachers, get to know the classroom and share important information together before school starts. One of the Manu Group teachers teacher will be the person you connect with mostly about your child's learning, the other teacher will also be responsible for the learning of the children.

The meetings will be held from 8.20am until 7.00pm on this day.

Information on how to book these meetings will be posted on HERO on **Wednesday 18th December** and bookings will be open **from 3.30pm** on this day. Our advice is to make your booking for this event as soon as possible to get your preferred time.



MEDICATION HELD AT SCHOOL OFFICE

If you have any medications held at the school office, could you please come and collect it on or before Friday 20th December.

If your child is returning in 2025 we would like to update all medical information for your child with a new form and have new unexpired medication held at school.

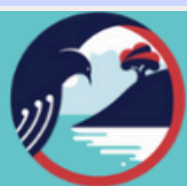
If an action plan from the doctor is required for Asthma, please have this updated and bring to school with new medication.

Any expired medications still held at school after 2.00pm on the 20th December will be thrown away












Congratulations to Saanjh Kaur who represented New Zealand at the Asia-Pacific Shitoryu Karate Championships in Singapore last week and picked up two Bronze medals. What an amazing achievement!



Our Attendance Competition Come to school on time!

Term 4	 Pohutukawa	 Kowhai	 Rimu	 Totara	 Kauri
Week 7	69%	71%	 81%	57%	78%
Week 8	73%	72%	 84%	64%	77%

Ka rawe, Rimu team for coming to school on time and winning the competition for the last couple of weeks.

FAB Lunch Fundraisers Dates - Term 4



The FAB team has coordinated with Kindo and our suppliers to set the lunch dates for Wednesdays in Term 4. Please take note of the changes and the closing times for orders.

Lunch Provider & Order Details - last one for the year

- Mai Sushi - Wednesday 18th December - Ordering closes 12pm Tuesday 17th

Payment Information

You can pay through the Kindo app. If you don't have Kindo, it's easy to set up by registering at mykindo.co.nz/Register or by downloading the app, available on Apple and Android.

If you need assistance, feel free to ask our friendly office staff!

Thank you for your support of the FAB Lunch fundraisers this year, these will be returning in 2025.

Merry Christmas from the FAB team



Blockhouse Bay Primary School

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Years 3-6



Book online at:

<https://me.aimyone.com/plus5>

plus5.co.nz

Weeks 2-6

Starting 11th February



Move it
Tuesdays

Tuesday Sports Galore

Join our exciting sports classes designed to help kids develop essential skills like throwing, catching, kicking, passing, and striking! Through a variety of fun and engaging games, participants will enhance their coordination, agility, and confidence on the field. Whether your child is new to sports or looking to sharpen their skills, our classes offer a supportive environment where everyone can learn and grow. Perfect for all skill levels - come ready to play and have a blast!

Plus 5 Specialty classes are available for children in Years 3-6 and run for six weeks.

Afternoon tea will be provided.

All children are to meet in Te Whau on the stage - use the back door next to the pool.

After Plus 5 class, pick up is in Te Whau on the stage - use the back door next to the pool.

The specialty classes have a minimum number required

Time: 3.00pm - 5.00pm
Meet at Te Whau

Cost: 5 weeks - \$100.00
(\$20.00 per session)

Visit me.aimyone.com/plus5 to register and make a booking.

If you require care between 5.00pm - 6.00pm, please contact our Head Office.

For any queries please contact Head Office on 09 530 9020 or email classes@plus5.co.nz





Bizzy Bodz

Blockhouse Bay Primary School

Holiday Programme for 5-13 year olds

**23rd & 24th December 2024 &
6th January- 31st January 2025**

8.00am - 5.30pm*

* except 24th December, 3.00pm Finish

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Enquiries

09 530 9020

admin@bizzybodz.co.nz

021 835 627 (Programme direct dial)

Payment/WINZ

- Payment is required at time of booking to be confirmed
- WINZ forms need to be submitted when making your booking, a 25% deposit is required to secure your booking

Location

**Based in the Auditorium
Foyer**

8.00am - 5.30pm

Prices

8.00am - 3.00pm see over

3.00pm - 4.30pm \$10.00

3.00pm - 5.30pm \$12.00

How to book

- Visit bizzybodz.aimyplus.com to register/login or visit our website
- Once you have registered and have an account for your child
- Select 'Make a Booking'
- Ensure your child's name is selected & select **Bizzy Bodz Blockhouse Bay**
- Select 'Holiday Programme'
- To book a session, choose book for 'Main Programme' and select which child will attend that day
- If you require care after 3.00pm, you will need to book 'After Care'
- **We will run a 'special day' from 1.30pm on Friday 20th of December with Aftercare running as usual from 3pm**

Bookings

- Bookings can be made on or before the day of attendance however, please note, there are **limited spaces available**
- Drop off and pick up outside of booked hours will incur an extra fee
- Refunds are not available once the holiday period has begun, however day swaps can be made in advance by contacting the head office (subject to availability)



Bizzy Bodz

December 2024

Monday 23rd Dec Christmas Creations

It's Christmas time and Santa is almost here! Let's spread some joy and get creative.

ONSITE \$40.00

Tuesday 24th Dec Xmas Party!

It's Christmas time and Santa is almost here! Join us for a fun day filled with Xmas excitement. PROGRAMME CLOSES AT 3PM.

ONSITE \$45.00

On Tuesday 24th December the programme will close at 3pm.

We wish you a safe and Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!

January 2025

Monday 6th Jan New Year Party!

It's already 2025! Join us for a fun, relaxing day celebrating all things 2024. Party games, spot prizes and make some yummy treats to eat.

ONSITE \$40.00

Tuesday 7th Jan Box Town

We've raided the recycling! We are making our own box town today from recycled boxes! Build a post shop, supermarket or school! What will your tiny town have in it?

ONSITE \$40.00

Wednesday 8th Jan Chocolate Factory

Calling all chocolatiers... today we embark into a world of chocolate. From chocolate edibles to chocolate slime...if you love chocolate then this one is for you!

ONSITE \$45.00

Thursday 9th Jan Minute to win it

Can you beat your friends in our ultimate minute to win it challenges? Stack the dice, cup pyramid, ping pong ball bounce and heaps more!

ONSITE \$40.00

Friday 10th Jan Summer Splash

Bring your togs, you're going to get wet! Join us for some fun in the sun, there will be plenty of water fun! Cool off with an ice block to finish off the day.

ONSITE \$40.00

Monday 13th Jan The Mad Scientist

Get ready to let your madness take over with our science experiments... take home a D.I.Y lava lamp and help us explode a thing or two.

ONSITE \$40.00

Tuesday 14th Jan Gizmos & Gadgets

Get ready for a day of fun! Dive into the world of invention as we transform everyday items into amazing glow lights and soaring planes.

ONSITE \$40.00

Wednesday 15th Jan Water War

Bring your togs, towel and water guns! Can you win the water war? Enjoy an ice block to cool off afterwards.

ONSITE \$40.00

Thursday 16th Jan Circus Mania

Roll up, roll up...the circus is coming to town. An onsite trip that will leave you juggling, spinning and twirling. A day filled with circus skills and D.I.Y craft.

ONSITE TRIP \$48.00

Friday 17th Jan Tie Dye & Iceblocks

Colours galore today! Come create your very own unique rainbow masterpiece to take home. There will be other crafts and Ice Blocks too!

ONSITE \$45.00

Monday 20th Jan Ready to Race

Bring along a set of wheels to tackle our challenge course! Heaps of other wheely fun games too!
NO HELMET = NO WHEELS

ONSITE \$40.00

Tuesday 21st Jan Movies

Roll out the red carpet, we are going to watch one of the latest movies! Book quick, as the cinemas fill up fast! Departing at 9:15am.

TRIP \$50.00

Wednesday 22nd Jan Cookies & Craft

Let your inner cookie monster unleash as we make giant cookies and fun craft to go with it.

ONSITE \$45.00

Thursday 23rd Jan Butterfly Creek

Come and explore the wild and whacky creatures at Butterfly Creek. Departing at 9:15am.

TRIP \$50.00

Friday 24th Jan Water Wipeout

Are you ready to get soaked? Today is a total water wipeout with plenty of water games and activities to keep you cool! Bring your togs and a towel.

ONSITE \$40.00

Monday 27th Jan Auckland Anniversary Day

No programme available

Tuesday 28th Jan Chinese New Year

Let's welcome in the year of the snake as we make some Chinese sweets, lantern craft and more.

ONSITE \$40.00

Wednesday 29th Jan Fish 'n' Chips at the Beach

We are off to the beach! Join us for our sandcastle competitions, beach games and some Fish 'n' Chips.

TRIP \$50.00

Thursday 30th Jan Summer Party

It's children's choice today! We will have plenty of games and activities for you to choose from to finish up your holidays!

ONSITE \$40.00

Friday 31st Jan Kiwi Valley

We are off to Kiwi Valley today. Enjoy a day with farm animals, a tractor ride and a tour of the farm. Departing at 9:15am.

TRIP \$50.00

Book online now!

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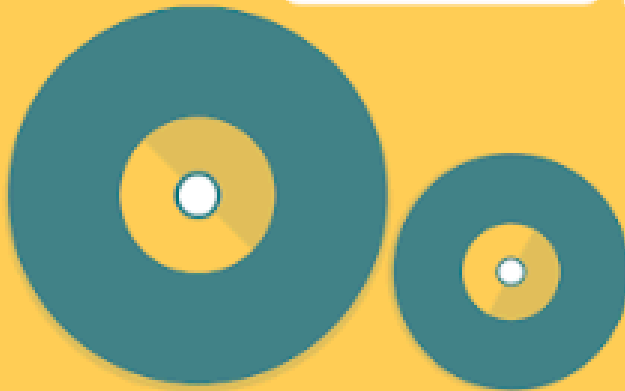
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Bizzy Bodz

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ENROL FOR 2025 MUSIC LESSONS AT BLOCKHOUSE BAY SCHOOL

Spaces available for Guitar and
Ukulele lessons.

FOR MORE INFO
CONTACT JAKUB 021 02420972
JAKUB.ROZNAWSKI@MUSIQHUB.CO.NZ

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