

Bucklands Beach Intermediate

August Newsletter 2025

Website: <https://bbi.school.nz/>

Kia ora

Welcome back to Term 3, which is often a very busy term. We hope you had a restful holiday break.

YEAR 7 ENROLMENTS FOR 2026

We have begun enrolments for Year 7 2026. Please refer to our website for details. Note: Enrolments close on Wednesday, 27 August 2025.

YEAR 8 COLLEGE ENROLMENTS FOR 2026

All our Year 8 students should be enrolling for their College for next year. Do please ensure that all enrolments for Year 9 are completed by Wednesday, 27 August 2025.

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

We hope your Student Led Conferences went well. This is an important time for students to share their learning with their parents. We hope your child was able to show how they are progressing with their learning. If you did not attend a conference, then please contact your child's teacher.

KAHUI AKO CHOIR FESTIVAL

Congratulations to everyone for the outstanding choir performances. Special mention to Mrs Alice Lee.

SHORT STAY INTERNATIONAL GROUP STUDENTS

We welcome several groups of short-stay International students who will be in school this term. Thank you to our buddies and families for hosting.

KODOMO LIBRARY SCHOOL JAPAN 2025

A group of BBI students visited Japan last term. We welcomed a group of students from the Kodomo Library School from Japan. Our school has had a long association with this school and it is a pleasure to host them again.



CULTURAL MARKET DAY - Friday 25th July

Thank you to the students who have taken the opportunity to share their cultural food and drink with the school. We raised \$2500 from our fundraiser.

FRESH CHOICE CASH BACK

See attached flyer for a Monday Promotion during the month of August.

Diane Parkinson
Principal

Key Dates

(Please note: these dates are subject to change; please always check the BBI Calendar online for up-to-date information.)

Week 3

Friday 1 August SEZ Netball Boys and Girls

Week 4 (ICAS Writing & Digital Technology)

Monday 4 August BBI Oral Language Finals

Thursday 7 August AAIMS Hockey - Girls

Thursday 7 August SEZ Cross Country

Thursday 7 August AMT Maths Competition

Friday 8 August Champion of Champions Gymnastics

Week 5 (NZ Maths & ICAS English)

Tuesday 12 August SEZ League

Week 6 (ICAS Science)

Tuesday 19 August 5.30pm Board meeting

Wednesday 20 August Otago Problem Challenge 5

Thursday 21 August SEZ Table Tennis

Thursday 21 August 6.00pm - Mathex Competition

Friday 22 August AAIMS Cross Country

Week 7 (ICAS Maths)

Week 8 (AIMS Week)

Monday 1 to Friday 5 September AIMS Games

Week 9

Tuesday 9 Sept Mathex vs Primary Schools

Wednesday 10 Sept APSMO4 Mathex Competition

Friday 12 September SEZ Basketball

Week 10

Wednesday 17 Sept Year 8 Careers Event

Friday 19 September 3.00pm End of Term 3

2025 Term Dates

Term 3 - Monday 14 Jul to Friday 19 Sep

Term 4 - Monday 12 Oct to Friday 10 Dec

Curriculum Days

School is closed to students:

Tuesday 28 October (after Labour Day weekend)

2026 Term Dates

Term 1 - 3 Feb to 2 Apr

Term 2 - 20 Apr to 3 Jul

Term 3 - 20 Jul to 25 Sep

Term 4 - 12 Oct to 16 Dec

Classroom Programme

YEAR 7 CLASSROOM PROGRAMME

Our Year 7 classes are finishing up their How we express ourselves unit of inquiry before moving in How we organise ourselves in Week 5, Term 3 running until Week 2, Term 4. Check out Toddle for an update on what is happening in your child's classroom.

YEAR 8 CLASSROOM PROGRAMME

Our Year 8 students are into their fourth unit of inquiry, How we express ourselves, which is building understanding around communicating beliefs and values. Our Year 8 Exhibition unit starts in Week 9, Term 3. We intend to host a parent information evening early Term 4 on how you can support at home.

School Timetable

8:15am - Classrooms open

8:40am - Assembly/Fitness/Roll/Admin

9:10am - Y7 Maths/
- Y8 Literacy/Specialist

10:30am - Morning Tea

10:50am - Y8 Maths

- Y7 Literacy/Specialist

12:10pm - Inspire45

12:45pm - Lunch Eating

12:55pm - Lunch

1:40pm - Inquiry/Specialist/PE

3:00pm - Hometime

Key Information

Second Hand Uniform

The second-hand uniform shop is open on **Thursdays from 3.00 pm until 3.30 pm**.

School TV

This month's focus is on In this edition of SchoolTV - [Internet Addiction](#)

BBI NTB Cafe

Menu - [Click here](#)

Order hot food by 8:40am.

Please be aware while all care is taken we can not guarantee food is allergen-free.

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Fundraising

Entertainment Book - [Click here](#)

BBI Beanie - Available on Kindo Shop

Kindo

Part Payment - You can make a part payment by clicking in the white box and typing the preferred amount.

Click here to go to [myKindo](#)

ICAS Information

The entries for the ICAS Exams have now closed.

Please make a note of the ICAS dates to ensure that your child is at school on the day. The detailed ICAS schedule is available to students on the student resources page of Ludi, please note that some curriculum areas start at 7:30 am. Students should be in school ready ten minutes before the scheduled start time.

ICAS Writing - Tuesday 5th August

ICAS Digital Technologies - Wednesday 6th August

ICAS English - Monday 11th & Tuesday 12th August

ICAS Science - Tuesday 19th August

ICAS Maths - Tuesday 26th & Wednesday 27th August

Sport Report

East Auckland Intermediate Chess Competition:

On Thursday 29th May we took 20 students to compete in this Chess competition at Somerville Intermediate. Our BBI Team A (Alex Chen, Dian Guan, Jonathan Xia and Matt Wang) finished in second place overall. For the Individual awards, Dian Guan got best board 2 (6 out of 6 points). Matt Wang got best board 4 (6 out of 6 points). Team A has now qualified for the National Chess Finals in Christchurch in September.

Badminton

On Tuesday 3rd June four boys and four girls represented BBI at the SEZ Badminton tournament at Lloyd Elsmore Badminton Hall. Congratulations to the following students:

1st - Boys Singles: Alex Zhang

2nd - Boys Doubles: Justin Li and Isaac Ho

1st - Girls Singles: Yichen Liang

3rd - Girls Doubles: Mollie Zhang and Sissi Jin

Gymnastics:

The SEZ Gymnastic Competition was on Friday, 6th June. All BBI Gymnasts had a great day of competition.

Y8 GIRLS FLYERS

2nd: Team Comp - Paige L, Selina L, Nevaeh A and Estella L

In the Overall Top 8, were Nevaeh 1st and Selina 5th

BOYS FLYERS - Brian. D was 5th and Kaesar. W was 1st overall

Y7 GIRLS FLYERS

The team of Neve S, Lexi W, Cassie G and Suri LV came 2nd

Overall - Jiyah.P 7th, Lexi 5th and Neve 2nd

Y8 GIRLS TWISTERS.

The team of Ella C, Lilah S, Jessica L and Lila T were 2nd

Overall - Lilah 6th, Lydia L 5th and Ella 4th.

Y7 GIRLS TWISTERS

The team of Yasmine L, Elisa T, Ana W and Elise A were 2nd

Overall - Zarah M 8th, Elise 5th and Yasmine 4th.

GfA GIRLS LEVEL 5 - Overall Ella W 2nd Tiffany L 1st

Competitive WAG Overall Step 4 - Ella Campbell 2nd, Isla Maclean 1st

Overall Step 6 - Cassidy Cho 2nd

Well done to all! Mrs Te Young was super proud.

Football:

Our Year 7 and Year 8 boys teams both qualified for the Auckland Interzone tournament which was played at Western Springs Football Club on Tuesday, 10th June. Both teams played some great matches against other top schools in the Auckland zone. The Year 7 team came 5th, and the Year 8 team came 3rd. Well done to all the boys for their commitment to the team, and a big thank you to Mr Hudson and Mr Rhodes for all their time and effort coaching and managing the teams. And thanks to all the parents who supported the boys at both tournaments.

Rugby:

Led by Mr Nortje, we entered an Under 55kg team in the SEZ/EZ Rugby tournament, which competed at Lloyd Elsmore Park on Friday, 13th June. The boys were up against some strong opposition, but displayed great team work and determination to finish second overall in their division.

Auckland Girls Chess Competition:

We had three students (Lindsay Wu, Ashley To and Angel Wang) who participated in the Auckland Girls Chess Competition, which was held at the Mt Albert Memorial Hall on Monday 16th June. The girls all did well competing against other students all over the Auckland area.

BBI Road Race/Cross Country:

Unfortunately, due to the weather, we had to cancel the school Road Race. We organised a Cross Country event at Macleans Reserve on Tuesday, 24th June, for all students who wanted to run competitively and try to make the SEZ Cross Country team. Congratulations to the following students who finished in the top 3 in their year group:

Y7 Girls: 1st - Chloe Kang, 2nd - Avery Hu, 3rd - Remi Halligan

Y7 Boys: 1st - Cooper Smith, 2nd - Harrison Foster, 3rd - Owen Wang

Y8 Girls: 1st - Tiffany Guan, 2nd - Katie Harrison, 3rd - Lilah Stewart

Y8 Boys: 1st - Riley Liang, 2nd - Alan Yan, 3rd - Roger Zhao

Hockey:

On Monday, 16th June, our two girls Hockey teams played in the SEZ Hockey tournament at Lloyd Elsmore Park. The teams both enjoyed their day competing against other schools in our zone and played some amazing Hockey. The second team, coached by Ms Wood had some hard fought matches, and our top team coached by Mr Smith, came 2nd after losing in the final and have qualified for the Auckland Champs next Term.

Then on Thursday, 19th June, our boys Hockey team coached by Mr Neal also competed in the SEZ Hockey tournament. They had some competitive matches and finished 2nd overall, which means they also qualified for the Auckland Champs.

Futsal:

Our girls and boys Futsal teams took part in the SEZ Futsal tournament on Tuesday, 17th and Wednesday, 18th June at the Auckland Netball Centre. Well done to both teams who showed some great skills and teamwork. The girls team finished 4th overall, and the boys team won the tournament, beating Somerville Intermediate in the final. Thank you to Miss Leeuw and Mr Hudson for coaching these teams.

AIMS GAMES

Our preparation for AIMS games is well underway and our AIMS Teams have all been named. There will be a Team Sports meeting early next term, which we will inform parents of once we have confirmed the date and time. Please encourage your child to check the daily notices regularly, as there will be meetings and team practices which they need to attend.



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THIS MONTH'S RECIPIENT



BUCKLANDS BEACH
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL