

Bucklands Beach Intermediate

MAY Newsletter 2024



Wednesday 1st May 2024

Kia ora

Welcome back to Term Two. We hope that you had an enjoyable break.

BUILDING WORKS AT BBI

There has been some construction work during the holidays. Part one of the Administration Area upgrade has been completed.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

As the weather cools, we do receive enquiries about our school uniform. The full uniform policy is available on our website:

https://www.bbi.school.nz/_files/ugd/2fda2f_921acd8eca16479f834ddc9bc15af97b.pdf

Due to positive feedback, we have decided to continue with the choice to wear formal or P.E. uniform on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. **Formal uniform must be worn on Mondays and Fridays.** The P.E. Hoodie is an optional uniform item and is only available a few times a year through John Russell Schoolwear. Notices are sent to parents advising of the next lot of orders.

The school jumper may be worn with the P.E. uniform. Of course, during actual physical activity in P.E. or sport, no jumpers or jackets would be worn, these are to keep warm after sport is ended.

Jackets may not be worn inside classrooms, so for warmth, the school jumper is worn with the formal school uniform when indoors.

BBI HOODIE

We have been advised by John Russell Schoolwear that the hoodies have been delayed and are now due at the end of the May. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

TALENT SHOW

On Thursday 9th May from 6 pm - 7:15 pm we will host a BBI Talent Show in the school hall. Students signed up in Term 1 and have their items confirmed. There will be a variety of dance, Vocals or Instrumental pieces performed by our students. We predict a run time for the evening to be 1 hour and 15 minutes. On the evening of the performance, drinks and snacks can be purchased. Tickets are for sale from the school office for \$5.00 each for an adult. Students and children are free so please ensure everyone has a ticket. Please purchase tickets before or after school or ask your child to do so from the school office.

A SPECIAL REPORT: Toxic Achievement Culture

Toxic achievement culture is characterised by the entanglement of self-worth, achievement, and the relentless pursuit of academic or extracurricular success - at any cost! This phenomenon goes beyond the mere quest for success. It embeds a belief in students that their merit is exclusively tied to their achievements, often propelled by intense external pressures from families, schools, and society.

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Some students are overfilling their schedules with activities aimed at "getting ahead". However, the consequences are proving to be detrimental on students' mental and physical health resulting in burnout and heightened levels of stress. This culture is also being aggravated by parental expectations, peer competition and a relentless comparison ethos often driven by social media.

There is nothing wrong with having ambition, but it's crucial to ensure that this desire doesn't push our young people into a toxic cycle of achievement and make them feel that they must achieve in order to matter. The relentless drive to excel is leading many students to prioritise accolades over genuine learning and personal growth, often at the expense of their own wellbeing and interpersonal relationships. As adult carers, we need to advocate for a more balanced and holistic approach to achievement, emphasising the importance of resilience, wellbeing, and the pursuit of diverse interests.

This Special Report will help you understand the signs of toxic achievement, and how to address them so as to teach students how to adopt a better work/life balance.

We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this Special Report, and as always, we welcome your feedback.

If you have any concerns about the wellbeing of your child, please contact the school for further information or seek medical or professional help.

Here is the link to your special report: [Toxic Achievement Culture](#)

SCHOOL ROUTINE

Should students need to leave school during school time, please arrange this in advance, and remind your child to be waiting at the office by a pre-arranged time.

Students leaving school during school hours – Our students are encouraged to take responsibility for themselves. Please send a note with details to the classroom teacher with the student. At the arranged time, the student will leave class, sign themselves out at the office, and wait to be collected. **Except for emergencies, please do not come to the office and ask for the student to go home early, as we endeavour to minimise class disruptions.**

- Students should arrive between 8.10am and 8.30am daily.
- **Cafe** - The Cafe accepts EFTPOS and cash.
- **Absences** – If a student is absent for the day, please phone the school office 095342896, before 8.40am and leave a message on the absence line. All unaccounted absences are followed up first thing in the morning.

COMMUNICATING WITH PARENTS

Our monthly newsletter is available via our website on the 1st of each month; you will also receive a reminder email. Please let us know if your email details change as this is our main method of communication. The BBI website is a good place for information about our school, including our calendar and parent handbook. We also recommend following us on Facebook for regular updates regarding events and photos.

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All visitors to the school must sign in at reception. No one, other than students, is permitted on our school grounds.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

The second hand uniform shop will open for sales only, on a Tuesday afternoon from 3.00pm to 3.30pm.

AFTER SCHOOL CLASS INFORMATION

The first semester of the After School Classes continue this term. They will end toward the end of Term 2, depending on the number of classes and holidays. If you have any queries, or wish to report absences, please email Mrs Lynette Dimond (lynette@bbi.school.nz).

SPORT

April has been another busy month and these are the results from the SEZ competitions that teams have competed in:

SEZ Tag Tournament:

Girls team - 4th

Boys team - 5th

SEZ Tennis:

GIRLS

2nd: Gloria Young - Girls Singles

4th: Camilla Baverstock - Girls Singles

1st: Tamsyn McCamish & Selina Liu - Girls Doubles

3rd: Sophia Fan & Jojo Zhang - Girls Doubles

BOYS

1st: Zackary Pui - Boys Singles

5th: Matthew Collins - Boys Singles

3rd: Nick Yu & Mark Goldberg - Boys Doubles

5th: Steven Wang & Lance Yu - Boys Doubles

Orienteering Sprint Series Finals:

2nd: Tamsyn McCamish - Year 8 Girls

3rd: Nick Yu - Year 7 Boys

SEZ Orienteering

We took 60 students to the SEZ competition at Lloyd Elsmore Park on Tuesday 9th April. From the results we now have 43 students who have qualified for the Auckland Interzone competition next term.

AIMS GAMES

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In Term 2 we will start the build up for AIMS Games which will be held from the 7th - 13th September. There will be opportunities for students to be part of a team sport and to also register for an individual sport. More information will be coming in Term 2 - it is really important that students check the daily notices each day as there will be meetings and trials that will be held during morning tea and lunch breaks.

We will be holding an AIMS meeting the first week back in Term 2 for all students/parents who are interested in competing in an individual sport. An email was sent out on the last day of term with information regarding this. The meeting will be held on **Wednesday 1st May at 6.00pm in the school hall.**

Diane Parkinson
Principal

DATES TO NOTE 2024

Term 2

Monday 29 April to Friday 10 May	Dental Van in school for two weeks
Tuesday 7 May	5.30pm Board meeting
Thursday 9 May	BBI Talent Show
Wednesday 15 to Tuesday 28 May	Japan Trip
Friday 24 May	CAT Exam
Friday 31 May	School closed for Teacher Only Day
Monday 3 June	Kings Birthday holiday
Tuesday 4 to Friday 7 June	CANS week
Wednesday 12 June	6pm-7:30pm School Disco
Thursday 13 June	1.30pm BBI Road Race
Thursday 27 June	Cultural Market and Mufti Day
Thursday 27 June	2.15pm - School closes early for the long weekend
Friday 28 June	Matariki Holiday
Friday 5 July	End of term 2 - school closes at 3.00pm

2024 TERM DATES

<i>Wednesday 31 January</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>Friday 12 April</i>
<i>Monday 29 April</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>Friday 5 July</i>
Monday 22 July	to	Thursday 26 September (Friday is a Teacher Only day)
<i>Monday 14 October</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>Friday 13 December 2024 - 12 noon</i>

TEACHER ONLY DAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS DURING SCHOOL TIME

Term 2

Friday 31 May	Teacher Only Day
Monday 3 June	King's Birthday holiday

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Thursday 27 June

Friday 28 June

School Closes at 2.15pm for Matariki Holiday

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Term 3

Friday 27 September

Teacher Only Day

Term 4

Thursday 25 October

Monday 28 October

School Closes at 2.15pm for Labour Weekend

Labour Day

Friday 13 December

Monday 16 December

School closes at 12 noon for End of Term 4

Teacher Only Day