

BBI NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2022



November 2022

Kia ora Parents and Caregivers

“CABARET” EVENING

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Cabaret Evening. This was a successful evening, showcasing Music, the Arts and Performing Arts in our school. Thank you so much to all staff and students involved. I hope everyone who attended enjoyed themselves. Once again, thank you for your support.

GUMBOOT DAY FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Friday 4th November is Gumboot Friday. The purpose is to help connect young people with counsellors or therapists. All donations made to the Gumboot Friday Fund directly support kids in need. **Students can bring \$2 to wear mufti on Friday 4th November.**

CANS WEEK

Cans Week will now be held during Week 5, Monday 13th November-Friday 18th November and there will be a mufti day for those students who bring cans or non-perishable food items. Donations can be taken to class for the Class Leaders to collect. All food donations go towards the All Saint Church foodbank. **The mufti day for Cans Week will be held on Friday 18th November.**

PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAMME - INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

Year 7 Classroom Programme of Inquiry

On Monday 31st October, our Year 7 classes will be hosting their Innovators Fair. Students have researched and innovated on a product and are currently in the final stages of preparing for their presentation. Parents are welcome to view the Innovations Fair on Monday afternoon between 2pm-3pm.

Below is the schedule for the day.

12:10pm-12:45pm - Kōwhai Whānau viewing while Miro and Nikau Whānau present

1:45pm-2:20pm - Miro Whānau viewing while Kōwhai and Nikau Whānau present

2:20pm-2:55pm - Nikau Whānau viewing while Kōwhai and Miro Whānau present

After the innovators fair, our Year 7 classes move into their final unit of inquiry, How we organise Ourselves. During our next unit of inquiry, students will inquire into the structure of organisations and how the different roles support the organisation. Throughout this unit, students will experience taking part in different learning experiences where they adopt a role of leadership or area of responsibility. A key focus of this unit is communication and thinking skills. With this experience, students will better understand the demands of good communication and teamwork building their understanding of the organisations within our community. Students will be encouraged to use a range of tools when communicating, to ensure their message is conveyed and understood in the way they intended. The culmination of the inquiry will be our Student Stalls day on Monday 5th December.

Year 8 Classroom Programme of Inquiry

Over the next term, our Year 8 students will have a significant focus on taking action. An action might come in the form of participation, advocacy, social justice, social entrepreneurship or life choices. The following examples outline how students individually or as a group will take action as part of their exhibition issue, both within and beyond school. Below are some ideas of actions students can take so you can provide suggestions to support the discussion at home.

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Action in the PYP

Lifestyle Choices

- taking responsibility for actions and making small sustainable steps towards the goal
- researching and discussing options with their family and whānau

Participation

- taking on a job, role or opportunity
- becoming involved in community projects

Advocacy

- spreading awareness for the issue about how we as individuals, communities and countries can make a difference
- organising or participating in a campaign for change

Social Justice

- being aware of and inquiring into the challenges/opportunities of the local and global community
- volunteering in response to community needs

Social Entrepreneurship

- designing, planning, and developing models, solutions or projects to address issues and support the community
- connecting with businesses, organisations, and community partners to support local and global projects

KAPA HAKA - Te Kōtuku Festival

On Saturday 5th November our Kapa haka students will be performing at Ruapōtaka Marae in Glen Innes. BBI will be performing at 12.10pm.

Recently, our Kapa haka performed at one of the local kindergartens.

SCHOOL DENTAL CLINICS

We have received a number of enquiries regarding the School Dental Clinics. The dental vans are not visiting schools. If you wish your child to see a dentist, please book through the **Wakaaranga School Dental clinic**. **Phone: 5720088**. This is the official dental clinic for our school. For any dental emergencies please phone 0800 825 583 (0800 TALK TEETH)

COLLECTING STUDENTS FROM SCHOOL DURING SCHOOL HOURS

We try to keep classroom disruption to a minimum. This is a reminder (except in cases of emergency) please ensure that if you need to collect students from school for an appointment etc, that a **prior** arrangement is made. Students need to be told by the parent the time they are being collected, and the student is to sign out at the office, ready and waiting to go out. Parents please send a note to the classroom teacher letting the teacher know. If at all possible please collect at the beginning or end of a "break time".

Please note: students must be collected from school by a parent / caregiver (designated adult), and are not to walk home on their own during school time.

Morning tea

10.30 - 10.50am

Period 5 – students are all over school

12.10 - 12.45pm

Lunch

12.45 – 1.45pm

All visitors to the school, including parents, must go to the school office. If you are waiting for, or meeting students, then please wait outside the school grounds.

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SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP OPEN ON TUESDAY AFTERNOONS FROM 3.00PM

If your child has grown out of their school uniform and you are willing to donate good quality uniform to the second hand uniform shop, you are welcome to drop these off at the school office at any time. The school is no longer PURCHASING uniforms – you would need to sell privately for this. We do urgently require good quality P.E. Uniforms for the Second hand shop, so please consider donating. All proceeds will go towards School Projects that benefit the students.

We will be opening our second hand uniform shop on Tuesday afternoons on a regular basis. The time will be from 3.00pm to approximately 3.30 – 3.45pm on a Tuesday. **There is no EFTPOS Facility, but we can take direct bank transfers, or cash sales.**

END OF YEAR SPECIAL SALE DATES:

Monday 12 December 2022 from 11am to 12.30pm

Friday 27 January 2023 from 10.00am to 11.30am

SPORT NEWS SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER

After an exciting and action packed week at AIMS Games, the Auckland Championships Cross Country, CheerBrandz Cheerleading and the South Eastern Zone Basketball competition completed the Term 3 sporting calendar.

AAIMS Cross Country

On the 13 September, BBI had eighteen students represent BBI at the Auckland Championships event. The team consisted of top 10 finishes from the South Eastern Zone event or they were in the winning team. The races were held at the West Coast beach, Muriwai. Students ran a challenging 3km (Year 7) or 3.5km (Year 8) course across dry and damp sand, starting and finishing at the Muriwai Beach Clubrooms. The team can be proud of their finishing places. Congratulations to the Year 8 boys, who placed 2nd as a team, with the top 6 places accumulated to make the second lowest total.

Cheerleading

On Sunday 18 August, the BBI Cheerleading team competed in their second competition of the year. Once again, the team placed 1st in the Level 2 Intermediate Schools Division. With one competition to go, the team is aiming to remain unbeaten for the year.

Hip Hop & Jazz Dance

Also on Sunday 18th, the hip hop and jazz dance teams competed in the DanceBrandz competition. Congratulations to the jazz group for placing 3rd in the Intermediate Jazz division. The Hip Hop team placed 1st in the schools section. They were also named 'Hip Hop Grand Champs' as they received the highest hip hop score of any team - beating 15 other teams from dance academies.

South Eastern Zone and Auckland Championships Basketball

In September, the boys basketball team beat Saint Kentigern's and Beachlands in their pool games. In the semi-final they continued their winning streak by beating Farm Cove. In the final, the team beat Elim and were named as the South Eastern Zone champions.

Winning the zone final, qualified the team to compete in the Auckland Championship event. They started the day well beating Onewhero Intermediate. They lost their second game against Rangeview who ended up placing 2nd. Their third game was a nail biter against Clendon Park School. Level with 1 minute to go, the boys unfortunately lost by 4 points. Despite losing, the team took away many positives as earlier in the year Clendon had beaten them convincingly. The team won their last game against Sacred heart finishing 5th in Auckland. **Congratulations** on a successful year!

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In Term 4, we still have a number of sporting events to look forward to. In November, the touch rugby, trampolining and cricket teams will compete at the South Eastern Zone competitions.

On Thursday 10 November, we are holding our school Athletics Day at Lloyd Elsmore Park. A newsletter has gone home with your child containing details about this event. We are still looking for parent helpers, so if you are available, please complete the permission slip and return it to your child's classroom teacher. Results from the day will determine who will represent BBI at the South Eastern Zone Athletics competition on Friday 18 November.

SPOTLIGHT ON WELLBEING

Games are an integral part of human behaviour. It is normal and healthy for young people to engage in play as a part of their daily lives, including playing games online. Like most activities, online gaming can have both positive and negative outcomes. It can be intimidating and confusing for carers trying to understand a young person's online experiences with many considering that staring at a screen is an unhealthy habit. However, the World Health Organisation does believe that as well as the risks, there are also many positive benefits associated with online gaming and these could be key in nurturing bonds with others.



During the pandemic, there was explosive growth in gaming as people sought much-needed connection during isolation. In the media, gaming often gets bad publicity because most coverage tends to concentrate on the minority of gamers who play to such an extent that it compromises all other areas of their life. However, online gaming can teach young people many skills including teamwork, concentration, communication and problem-solving. It requires a level of interaction and skill from the player; unlike watching television, which is more passive.

Online communities provide opportunities for young people to feel socially connected and have a sense of belonging. At healthy levels, gaming can increase their self-esteem and social acceptance. However, any behaviour, when taken to the extreme, can also have a negative impact on a young person's everyday life. Understanding what your young person experiences online and knowing the warning signs if they are at risk, will help nurture a more positive relationship with online gaming and help your family find the right balance.

If you are concerned about your young person's online gaming habits, it's important to consider a number of factors. This edition will provide strategies on how to deal with any issues you may be experiencing.

We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this edition of SchoolTV and we always welcome your feedback. If you have any concerns about your child, please contact the school for further information or seek medical or professional help.

Here is the link to the Online Gaming edition of SchoolTV

<https://bbi.nz.schooltv.me/newsletter/online-gaming>

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Principal

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DATES TO NOTE:

Term 4

Monday 31 October

Thursday 3 November

Friday 4th November

Saturday 5 November

Monday 7 November

Tuesday 8 November

Wednesday 9 November

Thursday 10 November

Monday 14 November-Friday 18 November - CANS Week

Friday 18 November

Friday 18 November

Tuesday 22 November

Wednesday 23 November

Thursday 24 November

Friday 25 November

Wednesday 30 November

Thursday 1 December

Monday 5 December

Friday 9 December

Monday 12 – Friday 14 December

Monday 12 December

Monday 12 December

Tuesday 13 December

Monday 12 December

Wednesday 14 December

- Year 7 Innovator Fair

- SEZ Debating

- **Gumboot Friday**

- KAPA HAKA - Te Kōtuku Festival

- SEZ Girls Cricket

- SEZ Boys Cricket

- Combined School Trampolining Competition

- **BBI Athletics Day**

- CANS Week

- **CANS Mufti Day**

- SEZ Athletics

- 5.30pm Board meeting

- 7.00 New Parent evening in the hall

- 9.00am and 11.00am – Orientation morning for new Y7 students

- **Teacher only Day – School is closed**

- Year 8 Exhibition Day

- Year 8 Formal in the evening

- Year 7 Stalls Day

- **Prize Giving day (Year 7 approx. 11.00am and Y8 approx. 1.00pm)**

- **Mufti Days** – any donated uniforms can be dropped at the office

- Y7 Big Day in and Year 8 Big Day out

- 11am – 12.30pm – Second hand uniform sale (in the PAC)

- usual school day (farewells etc at assemblies)

- **5.30pm Board meeting**

- 12.00 noon – the School Closes for the holidays.

Friday 27 January 2023

- 10.00am – 11.30am – Second hand uniform Sale

TERM DATES FOR 2023

Wednesday 1 February

Monday 24 April

Monday 17 July

Monday 9 October

to Thursday 6 April (closing at 2.15pm due to Easter)

to Friday 30 June

to Friday 22 September

to Friday 15 December (to be confirmed)