

# Bucklands Beach Intermediate

## JULY Newsletter 2024



### MONDAY 1 JULY 2024

Kia ora

I hope that everyone had a good Matariki holiday weekend.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO STACEY KNOWLES

We congratulate Stacey Knowles who will be leaving BBI at the end of this term to take up a position as Deputy Principal at Beachlands School. This is always “bitter-sweet” news. Stacey has taught at BBI as a class teacher, team leader, and also as Sports Director. We wish Stacey all the very best for the future.

### SHORT STAY INTERNATIONAL GROUP STUDENTS

We welcome several groups of short-stay International students who will be in school early in Term Three.

### KODOMO LIBRARY SCHOOL JAPAN 2024

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

### STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES

The school will close at 12 noon for Student-Led Conferences on **Thursday 1 August**. A separate notice and booking information will be circulated in the first week of next term.

### YEAR 7 ENROLMENTS FOR 2025

We have begun to take enrolments for Year 7 2025. Please refer to our website for details.

Note: Enrolments close on Wednesday 4 September 2024.

### CANS WEEK

In Week Six, we held our biannual Cans Week during which we collected non-perishable items like canned food, pasta, and rice for donation to the All Saints Church Food Bank. Thank you to all the students who contributed to this collection. We received a lovely letter from the Foodbank acknowledging the donation.

### CULTURAL DAY

On Thursday 27 June, we ran our annual Cultural Day where students came dressed in their cultural clothing and colours that represent their flag. Seeing the students express their culture and building awareness was a colourful way to celebrate our diverse BBI community. A highlight of the day was the lunchtime Market event. Students were able to purchase food from a range of cultures with proceeds going toward the Ocean School students. Close to \$6000 was raised and would like to thank the students who planned, prepared, and hosted a food stall, as well as the staff who supported the event. A heartfelt thanks must go to Domino's Highland Park who were a hugely supportive donator towards our fundraiser. Photos from the event have been uploaded to our Facebook page.

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### In this edition of SchoolTV - RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

Fostering a nurturing environment of respectful relationships within your family holds the key to not only harmonious living, but also improved academic outcomes for your children. As parents and caregivers, embracing the art of teaching children about respect at a young age sets the stage for a lifetime of healthy interactions and empathetic understanding. It will help cultivate a positive environment where communication flourishes, conflicts are resolved constructively, and bonds are fortified.



Teaching children to respect themselves and others will open up avenues for both personal growth and academic achievement. Fostering an environment where respect is not just a word, but a practiced behaviour, will empower young people with essential life skills. Effective communication, active listening, and the art of compromise, will provide your child with a solid foundation that will transcend family interactions and help them collaborate effectively with peers, teachers, and the broader community.

Equipping children with an understanding of healthy versus unhealthy relationships is an important aspect of their development. It will guide them to make informed choices, foster positive connections, and set boundaries that contribute to their emotional wellbeing. Understanding the nuances between healthy and unhealthy relationships provides children with the essential tools to navigate their social world, build self-esteem, and cultivate meaningful relationships.

In this edition of SchoolTV, learn how to empower young people in healthy interactions to embrace differences and forge connections that honour their self-worth.

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 [RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS](#) edition of SchoolTV

### YEAR 7 CLASSROOM PROGRAMME

Currently, we are in our fourth unit of inquiry, How we express ourselves - cultural traditions and celebrations unite and sustain individuals and communities. We have spent the last two weeks hooking our students into the unit using a range of provocations as well as connecting to the BBI Cultural Market day and celebrating Matariki. Across the Year 7 cohort, teachers gained a snapshot of their students' understanding before moving into explicit teaching and learning experiences investigating the different components that connect to our understanding of culture. Learning opportunities allowed students to see the culture built within communities, small groups, or sports teams like the All Blacks and the Warriors, and connect to celebrations like Matariki and Chinese New Year.

### YEAR 8 CLASSROOM PROGRAMME

Our Year 8 classes are well into their How we organise ourselves unit focusing on leaders' actions and their impact on society. Using government systems as a starting point, the four whānau have taken different approaches to engage our students in this unit of inquiry. Pōhutukawa started with collaborative activities highlighting roles and responsibilities before branching out to a whānau-wide trading game linking to

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government systems. Rimu used the New Zealand Government system by assigning a role to every whānau member to visually make up the debating chamber of current Members of Parliament. Tōtara used opportunities connected to their classroom systems, rules and expectations to show the students the difference between equity and equality and collectively looked at the qualities of leaders around the world. Harakeke had a provocation day with a mini rotation, unpacking census data before moving into a collaborative game representing all government systems.

### SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SHOP

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

### SCHOOL UNIFORM

As the weather cools, we receive enquiries about our [BBI Uniform](#).

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 TRACK PANTS

We are adding the option of purchasing BBI Track Pants to our uniform. These should be available for purchase from the BBI **sports** office in early Term Three. They will be \$50 and may be worn as part of the PE Uniform in Terms Two & Three or for sports events. An initial order of 200 will be available in a range of sizes so purchasing will be on a first-come basis.

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

### AFTER SCHOOL CLASS INFORMATION

The first semester of the After School Classes has ended. Semester 2 classes begin on Monday 22nd July. All students who are taking part have been notified. If you have any queries, please email Mrs Lynette Dimond [lynette@bbi.school.nz](mailto:lynette@bbi.school.nz)

### 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. Specific testing dates will be available on our [BBI Calendar](#) closer to the time.

<b>ICAS Digital Technologies and Writing week</b>	<b>5th to 9th August</b>
<b>ICAS English week</b>	<b>12th to 16th August</b>
<b>ICAS Science week</b>	<b>19 to 23 August</b>
<b>ICAS Maths week</b>	<b>26 to 30 August</b>

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### SPORT

#### **Badminton**

On Tuesday 4th June six boys and six 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 Singles: Alex Chen
- 3rd - Boys Doubles: Daniel Andrew & Carlos Wang
- 3rd - Girls Singles: Yichen Liang

#### **Football:**

Our Year 7 and Year 8 boys teams both qualified for the Auckland Interzone tournament which was played at Seddon Park on the 11th and 12th June. Both teams played some great matches against other top schools in the Auckland zone, and came 4th overall. Well done to all the boys for their commitment to the team and a big thank you to Mr Hirschfeld, Mr Smith, Greg Cate and Mr Hudson for all their time and effort coaching and managing the teams. And thanks to all the parents who supported the boys at both tournaments.

#### **Table Tennis:**

On Friday the 7th of June, 6 boys and 6 girls went to Somerville Intermediate for the SEZ Table Tennis competition. The students all did well, especially the girls team who dominated the tournament. Well done to these students:

- 1st - Girls Singles: Saloni Pal
- 2nd - Girls Singles: Michela Yu
- 3rd - Girls Singles: Karishma Pal and Fangle Peng
- 3rd - Boys Singles: Mason Li

#### **Auckland Girls Chess Competition:**

Ellie Wang was our only student who participated in the Auckland Girls Chess Competition, which was held at the Mt Albert Memorial Hall on Tuesday 18th June. She was in the open group this year with a lot of college players and played 6 games, winning four of them and losing two.

#### **BBI Road Race:**

The BBI Road race was held on Thursday 13th June. It was a great afternoon and good to see all the students participating. A special thank you to all the staff and parent helpers who helped make this event run so smoothly. The top 3 placings in each Year group:

- Year 7 Girls - 1st: Ruby Prebivalic, 2nd: Indie Herbert, 3rd: Evelyn Hansen
- Year 7 Boys - 1st: Riley Liang, 2nd: Alan Yan, 3rd: Samama Akhtar
- Year 8 Girls - 1st: Soyo Yamagami, 2nd: Madi Jamieson, 3rd: Tayla Goddard
- Year 8 Boys - 1st: Green Matsumoto, 2nd: Pedro Stefanello, 3rd: Deacon Moore

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### **Hockey:**

On Thursday 20th 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 both played some amazing Hockey. The second team coached by Ms Wood came 5th overall, and our top team coached by Mr Smith came 2nd after losing in the final.

Then on Friday 21st June, our boys Hockey team coached by Mr Nugent also competed in the SEZ Hockey tournament. They had some tough matches and finished 2nd overall.

Well done to our girls and boys teams who have now qualified for the Auckland Interzone Championships next term.

### **Orienteering:**

The last month has provided a couple of opportunities for students to improve their skills by experiencing a more rural environment. At the end of May, on a very wet and windy day, nineteen students took part in the Auckland Secondary Schools Rogaine event at Totara Park. Fortunately, despite arriving in pouring rain, the rain cleared and the students were able to complete most of the ninety minute event in the dry. Tamsyn McCamish placed first in the Year 7 and 8 Individual event whilst many other students achieved some great results which will help them develop their orienteering skills in preparation for future events. A small group of students also attended the Auckland Secondary Individual Long event, and achieved some great results, all managing to complete their course correctly.

### **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/children to check the daily notices regularly so they do not miss meetings.

**Diane Parkinson**  
**Principal**

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**DATES TO NOTE 2024** (Please note: these dates are subject to change, please always check the BBI Calendar online for up to date information.)

### Term 2

**ICAS Digital Technologies and Writing week**

**ICAS English week**

**ICAS Science week**

**ICAS Maths week**

Friday 26 July

Tuesday 30 July

**Thursday 1 August**

Friday 2 August

Tuesday 6 August

Thursday 8 August

Friday 9 August

12 - 16 August

Monday 12 and 13 August

Monday 12 August

Wednesday 14 August

Thursday 15 August

Wednesday 21 August

Thursday 22 August

Tuesday 27 August

Wednesday 28 August

Friday 30 August

Tuesday 3 September

Saturday 7 to Friday 13 September

Monday 9 to Friday 13 September

Tuesday 17 September

Thursday 19 September

Friday 20 September

Monday 23 September

Tuesday 24 September

Wednesday 25 September

Wednesday 25 September

Wednesday 25 September

**Thursday 26 September**

Friday 27 September

**5th to 9th August**

**12th to 16th August**

**19 to 23 August**

**26 to 30 August**

Middle of Year Reports "go live"

5.30 - Board meeting

**1.00 - 8.00pm - Student Led Conferences**

SEZ Netball

SEZ League

AAIMS Girls Hockey

MUFTI Day - Cake stall and pizza lunch

NZ Maths Week

World Scholar's Cup Regional Round

BBI Speech Finals

NRF Girls Futsal Tournament

SEZ Cross Country

Rehu Tai Cluster Final at Somerville Intermediate School

Auckland Y7 and Y8 Mathex tournament

5.30pm - Board meeting

HPPA Dance Festival

Mufti Day - Daffodil day

AAIMS Cross Country

AIMS Games

AIMS Week - within school there will be various trips

5.30 - Board meeting

Rimu - Exhibition Trip

Harakeke Exhibition Trip

Pohutukawa Exhibition Trip

Knowledge-a-thon

SEZ Basketball

EPRO8 Inter School Event

Totara Exhibition Trip

**3.00pm - End of Term 3**

Teacher Only Day

### 2024 TERM DATES

Wednesday 31 January

to

Friday 12 April

Monday 29 April

to

Friday 5 July

**Monday 22 July**

to

**Thursday 26 September (Friday is a Teacher Only day)**

Monday 14 October

to

Friday 13 December 2024 - 12 noon

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### TEACHER ONLY DAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2024 DURING SCHOOL TIME

#### Term 3 Holidays / Teacher only Days

Friday 27 September Teacher Only Day

#### Term 4 Holidays / Teacher Only Days

Thursday 25 October School Closes at 2.15pm for Labour Weekend

Monday 28 October Labour Day

Friday 13 December School closes at 12 noon for End of Term 4

Monday 16 December Teacher Only Day

#### 2025 TERM DATES

Wednesday 29 January to Friday 11 April

Monday 28 April to Friday 27 June

Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September

Monday 6 October to Tuesday 16 December (*last day to be confirmed*)

The Charity Sale of Donated Books, Puzzles, Games and Toys Commences on Wednesday 10th July and Goes Through to Friday 12th July.

It is Being Held in the Howick Information Centre at 91 Picton Street Howick Between 10:00am and 4:00pm Daily.

Organized by Howick Rotary All Proceeds from the Sale Go Back into the Community to Assist Needy Families, Improve the Environment and Help Young People Develop their Full Potential.

**BOOKARAMA** Sale On!

**4 Kids & Teens**

**First week of School Holidays**  
Wed 10th - Fri 12th July  
10am - 4pm  
Howick Information Centre

Kids & teens  
books, toys,  
puzzles  
and games.

The Rotary Club of Howick