

BUCKLANDS BEACH INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

# Enrolment Information 2025



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2025

## 2025 Term Dates for Bucklands Beach Intermediate School

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)*

### PUBLIC HOLIDAYS IN 2025

Auckland Anniversary Day	<b>Monday 27 January</b>
Waitangi Day	<b>Thursday 6 February</b>
Easter	<b>During the school holidays</b>
King's Birthday	<b>Monday 2 June</b>
Matariki	<b>Friday 20 June</b>
Labour Day	<b>Monday 27 October</b>

### Office hours

All enrolments are online. However, should you require assistance, the office will be open on Thursday 23 January, Friday 24 January, and Tuesday 28 January between 9.00am and 12.00 noon. **(First day of school will be Wednesday 29 January 2025.)**

### Start date for 2025 and information

Year 7 students	<b>8.40am Wednesday 29 January 2025</b>
Year 8 students	<b>8.40am Thursday 30 January 2025</b>

All students should assemble in the BBI Sports Cloud at 8.40am. It is not necessary for you to be with your child on the first day, however, you are welcome to meet in the Cloud. If your child is unable to commence school on this date you should forward written notification to the school office prior to the end of this school year.

### School Hours

8.40am	School commences
10.30 – 10.50am	Interval
12.45 – 1.40pm	Lunch
3.00pm	School finishes

### Education Outside the Classroom

This school has a long and very successful involvement in Outdoor Education.

All Year 7 students are expected to attend a school camp in the first term to build relationships with their peers and teachers.

### Three Year 7 camps will be held at Motutapu Outdoor Education Centre on Motutapu Island.

In order to meet our safety standards, we will be seeking parent support to accompany each camp. Our experience has shown that parents who assist with camp find it very rewarding. The camp volunteer sign up form will be sent home in the first week of school.

Students will also have opportunities to participate in excursions associated with class programmes during the year. These are seen as an important aspect of learning and it is hoped all students will participate.

### Parent Portal and Payments

We have set up a Parent Portal which can be accessed through the BBI website. This enables parents to pay stationery, camp, sporting fees, and any activity fees etc. online, directly through our School website. You are able to make part payments on the Parent Portal.

**Parents will be sent a letter once the office opens in January 2025 with a username and computer generated password to log into this system. You will be prompted to change the password. Please save this log in for future.**

### Digital Devices

Students are encouraged to bring their own digital devices, if possible. There are digital devices available at school for those students who do not have one, but the more students who bring their own. We recommend that devices are personally insured. There will be more information at the New Parent evening on Wednesday 27 November 2024. We recommend a **Chrome Book** (high end if possible) or a MacBook.

## Stationery

**All students will be issued with a stationery list on the first day of school.** (The stationery list is not available before then.) The stationery charge will be added on to the Parent Portal for payment in January.

**All students should be prepared on the first day with a writing pad, pen and pencil to enable programmes to begin promptly.**

We endeavour to keep the stationery cost to parents as reasonable as possible by purchasing packs in bulk.

**The stationery packs will be distributed through classes from the second day of school.** The packs will not be available for sale at the office. Parents are also welcome to purchase stationery from retail shops of their choice after the list has been distributed. (This will be explained fully on the stationery list.)

## Newsletters

Newsletters are posted on our website on the 1st of each month. Please make a note in your diary to check your emails at the beginning of each month.

## School Contribution 2025

Schools in New Zealand are funded on a per-student basis and the amount funded by the government is significantly less than the actual cost of running the school. The donation requested by the school is \$420.00 per student. This contribution enables our school to provide up-to-date learning materials and equipment which are crucial to our specialist classes. For example, Food Tech ingredients and materials for Fabric and Design, art supplies, wood, and other hard materials. Your contribution also supports extra-curricular activities including sports and uniforms, the arts, cultural opportunities and costumes. In addition, students use a number of online platforms to enhance learning.

## Student Absence Phone line

The safety of our students is paramount. If your child is absent from school, we ask parents to telephone before 8.30am and leave a message on the absence line. Please do not email, as the email may not be cleared until later in the day. Our office staff follow up on all unexplained absences each morning.

## Collecting students from school during school hours

We try to keep disruptions to classrooms at a minimum during class time. If your child needs to leave school during the day, please ensure that you send a note or prior email to the classroom teacher letting them know. Students then sign out at the office, ready to be collected by a parent.

## Student Café

This facility is open before school for students to place lunch orders or to purchase breakfast. It is also open at morning interval and lunchtime where a large range of products can be purchased.

## After School classes

After School Classes have been offered at BBI for a number of years and these classes have been very popular. They are run in two semesters of 14 weeks each. In the past, the following classes have been offered: Japanese, table tennis, public speaking, guitar, art, dancing, maths and Chinese. Information will be sent out in Week Two or Three of the first term.

## Library / Information Centre

Our Library is open from **Monday to Thursday** 8-8.30am and 3.15 - 4.30pm. Students are welcome to use the library before or after school. This is an ideal opportunity for students who may not have access to a computer at home, or who may need additional access to research material. We have a very valuable resource, which we would like to see being fully used. Students wishing to stay after school require parental permission.

# Enrolments 2025

BBI is taking Year 7, 2025 enrolments online. Please follow the details on the school web site : [www.bbi.school.nz](http://www.bbi.school.nz). All enrolment forms will be submitted directly to our student management system through the web site link.

We will only be taking Category 2 – 5 out of zone applications in 2025.

1. students accepted for enrolment in a special programme run by the school (this category does not apply to Bucklands Beach Intermediate)
2. siblings of current students
3. siblings of former students
4. children of former students
5. children of board employees and board members
6. all other students – It is unlikely BBI will accept any category 6 students

The enrolment zone and in zone street names are shown in the enrolment section on our website. You can also check the Education Counts website.

## Enrolment Dates

Enrolments online	<b>OPEN</b>
Due date for in zone applications	<b>Wednesday 4 September 2024</b>
Closing date for Category 2 - 5	<b>Wednesday 4 September 2024</b>

## New Parents Evening

A meeting for parents of new students will be held in our hall commencing at 7.00pm on **Wednesday 27 November 2024**. Here we will outline the school's goals and objectives and clarify issues related both to programme and policy.

We encourage all parents to attend even if you have had other children pass through our school.

## Orientation Day

An orientation tour of the school will be arranged for new students and parents wishing to visit on **Thursday 28 November 2024**.

- 9.00am – 10.00am - Pigeon Mountain Primary School and Owairoa Primary School students.
- 11.00am – 12 noon - Mellons Bay, Macleans Primary, and Bucklands Beach Primary School students.
- Students from other schools may visit at either time of 9.00am or 11.00am. There is no need to register – come along on the day.

## Uniforms

See our web site for the full Uniform Description.

## End of Year Second Hand Uniform Sale

We will advise of our second hand uniform sales closer to the time, and in our monthly newsletters.

Please note only cash or cheques can be used - no Eftpos.

## New Uniforms

These are purchased from John Russell Schoolwear, 9 Moore Street, Howick. Telephone (09) 534 9373.

Website: [www.johnrussellschoolwear.co.nz](http://www.johnrussellschoolwear.co.nz)