

BBI DECEMBER NEWSLETTER 2022



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Kia ora Parents and Caregivers

Thank you so much for the contribution that you have made to Bucklands Beach Intermediate this year. We are very grateful for your support, both financial and in person, helping out with parent support on trips and sport. We are grateful for the financial contribution, as this enables us to provide extra resourcing and support for our students that is not funded by the Ministry of Education.

KAPA HAKA

Congratulations to our Kapa haka students who gave a performance at the Te Kotuku Festival in Glen Innes. Thank you to the teachers and tutors who gave up their time to be with the students. It was an electrifying performance, with such a receptive audience.

PRIZE GIVING AWARDS CEREMONY

Our Prize Giving day is on Friday 9 December, 2022.

All parents are warmly invited to attend our Prize Giving. The actual prize giving will start at the times shown below, so do ensure you arrive a bit early in order to have a seat.

We hope to broadcast these ceremonies. A private link will be sent out to parents on the day.

11.00am – Year 7 Prize giving in the hall. (Students will go back to class for the rest of the day)

1.30pm – Year 8 Prize giving in the hall.

HOMESTAY FAMILIES NEEDED

We will be expecting International Students from Thailand from 12 March to 2 April 2023. We are looking for Homestay families to host students. Students are placed two per home, they can share a room but must have their own bed. Families are paid \$300 per student, per week. If you're interested in becoming a Homestay family, and would like more information. Please contact Debbie Daniell at debbie@nzstudentcare.com for more information.

SCHOOL REPORTS / PARENT PORTAL

The end of year school reports will be circulated via the Parent portal system, which you access through the BBI website <https://bbi.school.kiwi/>. The reports will be uploaded to the Portal by 4.30pm pm on Friday 9 December.

END OF YEAR ORGANISATION

Monday 12 December is our Year 7 Day in and the Year 8's celebrate their end of year at Lagoon Leisure centre.

Tuesday 13 December – yearbooks will go home at the end of the day. Farewell assemblies will be held in the morning.

Wednesday 14 December Last day of term. School will close at 12 noon. This is an optional day for both Year 7 and Year 8 students – please let classroom teachers know if you are not at school on this day.

Mufti Days – from Monday 12 December to the end of term.

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SCHOOL YEARBOOK

The school yearbook will be handed out to all students on **Tuesday 13 December**. We are proud of our yearbook. It is a wonderful reminder of all the activities and student involvement at BBI. Most students will have paid towards the cost of the yearbook through their stationery order. If anyone wishes to make a further donation towards the cost of the yearbook, that would be appreciated. Students who have not yet paid through their stationery, and wish to purchase a yearbook, may do so on the parent portal.

If any student is leaving early and would like their yearbook posted to them (we do not hand these out early), please ensure that you give your student a stamped addressed A4 (large) envelope, and hand this to your classroom teacher.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE IN THE LIBRARY

The last day of after school care in the library will be on **Thursday 8 December, 2022**. If you have any queries, please email to Serena Griffiths, serena@bbi.school.nz

CANS WEEK and GUMBOOT FRIDAY

Thank you to everyone who supported Gumboot Friday and the CANS week collections through the year. BBI is a major contributor to the CANS collection, and we can be proud that we have helped make someone's Christmas happier.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP OPEN ON TUESDAY AFTERNOONS FROM 2.30 PM

All Donations of good quality second hand uniform welcome.

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 to 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 2.30pm 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

BBI BEE HIVE

We are very excited to announce the arrival of a Beehive at BBI. Luca Purchase, a year 8 school leader, has been working alongside Mrs Jackson to get this initiative started. As an enviro-school, Bucklands Beach Intermediate is always looking for ways in which we as a school community can make a difference to sustaining and caring for our environment. This beehive will produce in the region of 20 - 40 kg of honey which will be sold from the office to the school community as well as being used in the food tech department. The wax from the hive will be used by the Kaitiaki group to make a variety of sustainable products.

If your child has a bee allergy, please could you let the school know.

If you would like to help continue and grow this initiative with a contribution, please could you contact Mrs Jackson at kathrynj@bbi.school.nz.



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HEALTH AND WELLBEING – SCHOOLTV

As teens develop an interest in sex, technology and apps make sexting easy, and unfortunately, acceptable among today's youth. However, many parents are shocked to learn that children as young as 10 are sending naked pictures of themselves to friends and classmates via text and social media. This type of behaviour is seeping into primary school playgrounds causing irreversible damage to young minds. Sending this type of content is problematic for a child of any age, but over the years there has been a staggering increase in pre-teens using mobile phones to share sexual images and videos. Not only is this type of behaviour detrimental to a young person's moral and ethical wellbeing, it also has legal implications placing them at risk of a criminal record.

In this edition of SchoolTV, parents will learn how to approach the subject of sexting with their children, as well as offer helpful strategies on dealing with the fallout should their child send or receive content containing sexual imagery. 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 Sexting edition of SchoolTV

<https://bbi.nz.schooltv.me/newsletter/sexting>



LOST PROPERTY

There is a large amount of lost property. Please do encourage students to check the Lost Property Box if they have lost anything. The lost property is regularly laid out for students to check if they are missing items.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Diane Parkinson'.

Diane Parkinson
Principal

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DATES TO NOTE:

Term 4

Wednesday 30 November

Thursday 1 December

Monday 5 December

Friday 9 December

Monday 12 – Wednesday 14 December

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Tuesday 13 December

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Wednesday 14 December

- 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. 1.30pm)**
- **4.30pm – End of Year reports on Kamar through the portal system**
- **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)
- **5.30pm Board meeting**
- usual school day
- **Farewell Assemblies. Yearbook distributed.**
- **12.00 noon – the School Closes for the holidays.**
(Optional morning for Year 7 and Year 8 students)

Friday 27 January 2023

- 10.00am – 11.30am – Second hand uniform Sale

TERM DATES FOR 2023

Wednesday 1 February

to

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

Wednesday 26 April

to

Friday 30 June (*note after ANZAC day*)

Monday 17 July

to

Friday 22 September

Monday 9 October

to

Friday 15 December

Teacher only days for 2023 will be advised a later date

Wednesday 1 February 2023

8.40am

- Year 7 students meet in the BBI sports Cloud

9.10am

- Year 8 students meet in the BBI Sports Cloud. Please wait outside until all the year 7 students have gone to their classes