

# BUCKLANDS BEACH INTERMEDIATE A P R I L 2019 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Caregivers

As we approach April school holidays I do hope that families are planning some time together. At BBI, we have a number of events over the next few weeks. Please read below.

## **Y7 CAMPS**

We would like to extend my personal thanks to all who have helped make our Y7 camps a great success once again. Special thanks to parents, grandparents and friends who were able to travel with the students to camp. Without your support the camps could not have gone ahead. As you know, we do work to very strict ratios to ensure safety for all. Health and Safety is our number one priority. We are sure those able to take time to be at the camp will have enjoyed the opportunity to share the special experience with your son or daughter. I know many of you had to reorganise your lives to be able to have the time away. My thanks also to the staff who put in so much time and effort to prepare for the camp and to participate during the week. Thank you all for your commitment and support.

## **SHAVE YOUR LID FOR A BRAVE KID**

Our annual "Shave for a Cure" event is happening Friday 12th April, the last day of Term one.

This year, our Action Group have organised a Talent Show, with a raffle and prizes to raise funds for the Leukaemia & Blood Cancer New Zealand. A Crazy hair/mufti day is being held on the event day, Friday 12th April. Students participating in this event will need to bring a \$2 gold coin donation (and more for this great cause will be much appreciated. If you want to give a larger donation, please write your name as we will receipt it for tax purposes).

## **TOMORROW'S SCHOOLS MEETING**

The rescheduled date for the Tomorrow's Schools meeting is Sunday 7 April at 2pm. Macleans College will be hosting this meeting.

## **TEACHER STAFF DEVELOPMENT AFTERNOON**

On **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April**, classroom teachers will be engaged in Writing Professional Development in the afternoon from 1.15pm – 5pm. Should students wish to leave at 12.45pm then this would be suitable. We do have facilities to supervise students who choose to remain at school until 3pm. After School Classes, and the After School Care in the Library will be available as usual. After School Classes – Japanese, Art Club, Drama, Table Tennis and Chess will be as usual. A separate notice has gone home with students with more information.

## **STUDENT LED CONFERENCES**

On **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April and Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April** school will close for instruction at **12.10pm** to allow student led conferences to take place. Student-Led Conferences on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April will be set at 15 minutes per student from 1pm until 5:15pm - the last available booking is at 5pm. Conferences on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April will be set between 1pm and 8:15pm - the last available booking is at 8pm. A separate notice has gone home with students with more information. Supervision will be available in the afternoon for those students who need to remain at school.

## **BOOK FAIR**

The library will be holding a Book Fair the week of the 1 April - 5 April. The library will be open until 4.30pm each day except for Thursday 4 April when it will be open until 7.30pm as this coincides with the 3 Way Conferences.

## **AUSTRALIAN EXAMS**

ICAS exams will now take place in Term 3 rather than earlier on in the year as previous years. More information will follow closer to the time.

## **PHOTOLIFE**

The student photos have now been completed. We are waiting for the individual photo ordering forms to come back from Photolife with the "Shoot Key" code for ordering online. Once we receive these forms there is a 3 week period where you can order your photos online and not incur the delivery fee.

## **BOT ELECTIONS**

Board of Trustees Elections will take place in June 2019. If you are interested in being on the board please see information and newsletter later next month.

## LEOS COLLECTIONS

The BBI Leos group are currently running two collections, one for old glasses and one for old cellphones. We are collecting glasses to donate to the Lions club who will test the glasses and then send them up to the Pacific Islands where they will be distributed to those who can not afford them. The cell phone collection is supporting Sustainable Coastlines. Sustainable

## AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES

Our After School classes are all up and running. After School Classes will run right through until Thursday 11 April (second to last day of term), and start again on the first day of Term 2 for the second part of the semester. Chess class will start back on the 14<sup>th</sup> May as the tutor is away. There will be catchup classes at the end of the semester.

## INTERNATIONAL VISITORS

We welcome various short term overseas students to our school throughout the year. We are currently hosted a group from Thailand and a group from Japan. The opportunity for exchange of cultures is a valuable experience for all students. Thank you to the families who have welcomed overseas visitors into their homes. If you would like to register as a host for our visitors please contact Debbie Pegler of Student Care NZ. [debbie@nzstudentcare.com](mailto:debbie@nzstudentcare.com) Ph 027-285-7838.

## END OF TERM

The last day of the Term will be Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April. School will close at 3pm on this day. Term 2 starts on Monday 29 April.

## 2019 BIG NIGHT OUT

The Big Night Out is a fun filled night for students to attend with activities such as a quiz, minute-to-win-it games, dance offs and crazy 70's flash back music. The event will be held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April in the school hall. A separate notice has already gone home with students.

Time: 7pm – 8.45pm

Cost: \$3

## STUDENTS LEAVING SCHOOL DURING SCHOOL HOURS/ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL

Please ensure that if students are leaving school early or during the school day, that a note is sent to the class teacher stating the time and the reason. Students are expected to be at the office signed out and waiting for their parents at the specified time. This avoids interruptions to student learning in the classroom, and also teaches students to take some responsibility for themselves. In cases of emergency – then of course the office staff will go to classes to call students when necessary.

Students should not be arriving at school before 8am as there is no supervision unless they are at school for a specific activity eg. running club, cheerleading.

## PARKING / STOPPING

Bucklands Beach Road is a busy road. If possible, please encourage your child to walk to and from school. Alternatively, your child could be dropped off and picked up at a point close to school. **Please note that St John's Church next door to us, also runs a kindergarten, and is not to be used as a pick up or drop off place.** Please ensure that you obey the parking restrictions around the school – especially yellow line areas around our pedestrian crossing. The speed limit is 40km in the immediate area around the school. If you are collecting students from the bus bay, please either park in the areas provided. This is a "no waiting" area as the bus needs to get through, so please just drop off or pick up in this area.

## END OF TERM

School closes on Friday 12 April at 3pm.

Diane Parkinson

**Principal**

## DATES TO NOTE

1-5 April

2 & 3 April

Thursday 4 April

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Wednesday 3 April

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Sunday 7 April

Tuesday 9 April

8 - 12 April

Wednesday 10 April

Friday 12 April

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BBI Book Fair

ARU Rugby Development day

AAIMS Swimming

AK SS Orienteering

1.00pm – 5.00pm – Student Led Conferences

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AK Sprint Orienteering final

School closes for instruction at 12.45pm

Daniel Tizzard Y8 Guest speaker

SEZ Orienteering

Shave for a Cure/Mufti Day

3.00pm School Closes for Term 1 holidays