



# BUCKLANDS BEACH INTERMEDIATE

## BBI CELEBRATES

Dear Parents/Guardians

**AIMS GAMES** - We are proud to announce that Bucklands Beach Intermediate are the overall winners of the AIMS Games Sporting Championship for 2017. BBI had 163 student entries, who competed amongst the 10,000 Intermediate aged students in Tauranga between 9-15 September. The students, staff and parents have been so committed to the AIMS Games event for the past eight years. Throughout the past six years, we were proud of our 2nd and 3rd places and are delighted to be 1st this year. BBI won 18 golds/ 9 silver/ 10 bronze medals; 37 in total, plus 3 cups (badminton, table tennis, gymnastics), plus the overall winners cup. There were 303 schools competing this year. BBI competed in the following sports: Aerobics, Badminton, Boys' Basketball, BMX, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Boys Football, Girls Futsal, Golf, Gymnastics, Hockey, Indoor Bowls, Netball, Hip Hop, Swimming, Tennis, Table Tennis and Yachting. For a full list of results please visit: <http://www.nzaimsgames.co.nz/2017-results/>

**SEZ GYMNASTICS** - BBI competed at the South Eastern Zone Championships earlier this term. BBI Had a successful day and had 15 students (11 girls/ 4 boys) qualify for the Auckland Championships. Last week, the BBI team competed at Waitakere Gym Club. Congratulations to the Year 8 girls team who won gold, the Year 7 girls team who won bronze. Individual competitors were awarded: Year 8 Girl, Mandy Zhang won bronze. Overall Open Individual, Lucy Packer won gold. Lucy competes step 8, and is currently preparing for the Nationals in Nelson, and has been invited to represent NZ at the Prime International Invitational, in Singapore during November.

**SEZ LEAGUE** - Congratulations to the Under 55kg League team for beating Sir Edmund Hillary, and winning the South Eastern Zone Championships. They will compete in the Auckland Championships tournament, early next term.

**SEZ BASKETBALL** - Congratulations to the BBI Thunder team for winning the South Eastern Zone Championships. They will compete in the Auckland Championships tournament, on 25 October.

**SEZ CROSS COUNTRY** - Earlier this term, BBI sent forty runners to the South Eastern Zone Cross Country. Overall, BBI placed 1st in the Year 7 boys and Year 8 girls team events and 2nd in the Year 7 girls and Year 8 boys team events.

**ICAS WRITING** - This year one of our Year 7 students, Elaine Cao, has won an award for "Top in NZ" in writing. Congratulations to Elaine who will be presented with her medal later in the year.

**MAGGI COOK OFF** - We were thrilled to hear our students Amy and Stephanie were announced as the winners of the Maggi Pop Up Kitchen this year. They worked so hard on perfecting their skills and thoroughly knowing the preparation steps in their recipe prior to the finals in Christchurch. When we decided to use Asian flavours, Stephanie's mum came in and gave advice on preparing and cooking the vegetables, which was very helpful. What an amazing journey they have had with Nestle and Maggi. They represented BBI on television so well and we are proud of them. They won \$5,000 for the school, which will be put towards a sound system in the BBI Sports Cloud.

**SEZ DEBATE TOURNAMENT** - Five students were on the squad for the SEZ Debate Tournament - Nancy Chen, Stephanie Chong, Diya Mehta, Christian Mutti, and Wei Tian Teo. Wei Tian, Stephanie, and Nancy were the three that participated in the debate; however, all students helped with research and the were included in the debate process. The tournament was held on Thursday 21st September at Howick Intermediate. The team did a great job for their first ever debate, and with fewer than three weeks to prepare!

**CHESS COMPETITION** - Another win for BBI chess teams at the recent Chess Power Regional competition held at Pt View School in August. Fifteen teams in the Eastern Zone were represented in the intermediate section. BBI had four teams at this competition. Our teams came in 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> place. Teams members were Ryan Dukeson, Kevin Lin, Allan Han, Devon Patabendige, James Hu, Stanley Yan, Kim Wang and Jason Zheng, Benjamin Yu, Nick Wen, Tommy Ding and Rick Wang , Jerry Zhang, Anika Pattni, Zac Wright and Jens Gade. Anika won the 1<sup>st</sup> place for overall girls section. Kevin, Allan and Devon scored a perfect 6 out of six games. Our students have been invited to compete in the coming ChessPower Individual competition in October. Ryan Dukeson, Kevin Lin, Allan Han and Aleck Shen will be representing our school at Christchurch this weekend, 30<sup>th</sup> Sept & 1<sup>st</sup> Oct.



### CHAMBER MUSIC

The Lewis Eady annual Junior Music Contest was held on Saturday the 16th September in Ponsonby Primary School. The mission of the competition is to support emerging talent in primary and intermediate age musicians, and with the plethora of talent we have at BBI, what a fantastic platform this was for our chamber musicians to shine. The competition was strong, with ensembles of a wide variety of sizes and instrumentation welcome. BBI students, Nancy Chen (Rm23), Malinda Guan (Rm17) and Philip Wen (Rm19) teamed-up to perform a flute trio from the Classical period.

Our second ensemble, the 'BBI Piano Trio' featured pianist Wei-Tian Teo (Rm17), violinist Lorna Zhang (Rm26) and cellist Bruce Zhang (Rm21). They selected to play a movement from a dramatic piece by Beethoven.

The judges congratulated both groups for their spirited performance and polished style.

The nervous students were delighted to feature in the prizes, with both the BBI trios gaining the esteemed accolade of Golds.

### BBI SPEECH FINALS - This year, we had a strong field of team speech finalists. Congratulations to the following students who won in our school competition!

Prepared speech: Zoe Henderson

Impromptu speech: Kade Young

Mandarin speech: Chris Bo

**SEZ SPEECH FINALS** - At the Zone finals for the Prepared and the Impromptu Speeches (held at Santa Maria on the 19th September) Zoe, unfortunately was too sick after her superb successes at AIMs, to represent BBI. In a 'mad dash' we asked the runner up, Jedric Garcia to step into her place. We had only 45 minutes from asking him to the actual starting time of these finals (fielding the best of the best from some fourteen schools). Without any preparation or even cue cards Jedric not only delivered his speech on the power of decisions, but claimed first place! I cannot begin to tell you how proud we are of Jedric, not only for winning but for stepping up as he did, and powerfully delivering a speech to 'end all speeches'! Also to commend at these finals was Kade Young, who is gifted at thinking quickly on his feet and presenting ideas in a unique way! Though he didn't place, we are proud of him as well!

### ROCK BAND

The school rock band performed well at the Manukau heats of Bandquest. Congratulations to Daniel Park for winning best guitarist.

### ART EXPO 2017

#### Is this you? Then, your help is needed!

As part of our current unit of inquiry "How we express ourselves" our Year 7 students are staging an Art Expo. The Art Expo will be open for viewing Thursday 2nd November (Week 3 of Term 4). There will be student and teacher artwork for sale. New BBI greeting cards are also being produced in a kiwiana theme. These will be available for purchase both at the Expo or ordered through your child's class.

The students are busy with their teachers creating wonderful masterpieces to exhibit. We would love your help please. If you have time, creative ideas, skills and/or resources in the following areas please email our Art Specialist, Jacqui Carr - jacqui@bbi.school.nz

- Assistance framing artwork during the school day (anytime during Term 4 Week 2 - 23 to 27 October)

- Help staging the Expo - Tuesday 31 October (during the school day and into the evening if required) and Wednesday 1 November (during the school day).

Access to large art exhibition display screens. Whether you can help for an hour or a day, provide screens at no cost or point us in the right direction, frame art or share creative ideas - we'd love to hear from you.

In appreciation, Mark Stevenson and Jacqui Carr

### END OF TERM

The school will close at 3pm as usual. There will be After School Care in the library until 4.30pm. After school classes - Hip Hop dance and Guitar will continue as usual.

Diane Parkinson  
Principal

### DATES TO NOTE

Friday 29 September

Monday 16 October

Friday 20 October

Tuesday 24 October

Thursday 2 November

End of Term - School closes at 3pm

Start of Term 4, 2017

School closes early for Labour Weekend - 2.15pm close

BBI Athletics Day

Art Expo