

Browns Bay School

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MEET THE TEACHER

Meet the Teacher meetings are to be held next week—

Y5/6 Rooms 18,19, 20, 21, 22, 23

6.30pm Tuesday 7 February

Y0/1/2 Rooms 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

6.30pm Wednesday 8 February

Y3/4 Rooms 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 24, 25,

7.15pm Wednesday 8 February

Parents will go directly to classrooms for these meetings. The meetings will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's teacher and to find out about routines, expectations etc. It is not a time to find out about progress. There will be an opportunity for learning conversations at conferences scheduled for the first week of March.

PROPERTY CHANGES

As you may have noticed, the holiday break has been a time of considerable activity around the school site.

Office/Admin block: This new building has been built by the Ministry of Education to replace the previous office/admin which was found to be part of the 'leaky building syndrome'. Whilst we had hoped that this would be completed and fully operational before school started for the 2012 year, this has not been the case and there are a number of finishing touches still being completed. This will provide some minor disruption over the next few weeks and we hope you will bear with us during this time and we apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Site works: The site of the previous office building is being reinstated. Concrete is being laid today to part of the area and the remainder will be filled and grassed over the next few weeks. We have plans to develop this area for students as funds permit and not just leave it as an empty space.

Relocatable classrooms: We were provided with two temporary relocatable classrooms (Rooms 26/27) whilst the new office block was being built. These were removed for placement in another school in the past two weeks. Unfortunately in doing so the surface of our main field has been damaged and we are hoping this will be rectified this week.

Senior Playground: Friends of the School (FOTS) were successful with grant applications over the holiday break to add to the significant funds they had already raised. They are now able to proceed with this new structure which will be erected near Room 23 and should be in place later in February. This will be an exciting addition to the school environment.

PUPIL INFORMATION UPDATES

Next week we will be issuing pupil information updates. It is extremely important that we have the current information for each child in the school, especially should any emergency situation arise. The updates will show the information we currently hold. Please amend where necessary and return to school as soon as possible (including those where there are no changes).

UNIFORMS

The school no longer operates a uniform shop at school.

Uniform orders can be made through the school office or via the school website and will be delivered by the supplier as soon as possible after the order is placed.



LUNCHROOM

The lunchroom will be open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays this year **commencing Wednesday 8th Feb.** Children need to bring their lunch order to school in a named envelope and put it in the lunchbox in their classroom. EZLunch will continue to operate on these days and Subway orders will continue to operate on Wednesdays.

DATES TO REMEMBER			
Monday 6th Feb	Waitangi Day—school closed	Tuesday 7th Feb	Meet the Teacher—Years 5&6— 6.30pm
Wednesday 8th Feb	Meet the Teacher—Years 0-2 — 6.30pm Years 3&4 —7.15pm	Wednesday 15 Feb	Board of Trustees Meeting—7.30pm

GREETINGS FOR 2012

Welcome back to all parents and children for the 2012 school year. We trust you had an enjoyable holiday break and we look forward to another successful school year. A special welcome to all of those children and their families who are new to our school this year. We hope that you will find being part of the Browns Bay School community a rewarding and enjoyable experience.

Roger Harnett (Principal)

STAFFING

The staffing organisation for 2012 is as follows:

Roger Harnett—Principal,

Joanne Hewitt – Deputy Principal (responsibility for Year 5 & 6);

Liz Day - Associate Principal 1 (responsibility for Year 0-2);

Jacky Carr – Associate Principal 2 (responsibility for Years 3 & 4).

Teaching Teams

Year 0/1—Melanie Hogg, Rm7 (Team Leader), Tanya Loader Rm10, Jan Glidden Rm8, Michelle Crabb Rm9

Year 2 - Jules McCourt Rm5 (Team Leader), Kylie Engleback/Sonya Wright Rm3, Jacinda Vaughan Rm4, Ruth Corrigan/Kylie Coulam Rm6

Year 3—Stephanie Whooley Rm16 (Team Leader), Karen Leithead Rm11, Amanda Old Rm15

Year 4—Christine Nock Rm24 (Team Leader), Meika Isgrove Rm17, Amie Whitelaw Rm14, Donna Fearon Rm25

Year 5—Marilyn Bridger Rm23 (Team Leader), Anna Benton-Guy Rm18, Carrie Jackson Rm22

Year 6—Glenda Bradley Rm21 (Team Leader), Debbie Pulman/Kylie Settle Rm20, Raewyn Miller Rm19

Part time teaching staff – ESOL - Karen Cebalo, GATE - Karen Cebalo/Brenda Thorington, ARTS - Karen Warren, ICT - Cherie Bibbie, Jenny Davies (Rdg Rec), Carolyn Randell, Tanya Sheppard.

Support Staff - Claire Mills (Executive Officer), Gillian Jessop (Administration Secretary), Judith Walker (Administration Officer), Marion Lambert (Resource Co-ordinator), Tony Park (Property Manager), Scott Dawson (Groundsman).

Debbie Fullam, Bobbie Lee McIntosh, Sue Christman, Sharon Pheloung, Lyndal Bruce (Teacher Aides), Sandra Houston (Lunchroom), Adele Van Driel (Sports)

STAFFING CHANGES

As you can see from the above, there are minimal changes to our staffing for 2012. Ms Daisy Barrett starts the year on parental leave and her role is to be taken by Mrs Kylie Engleback and Mrs Sonya Wright in a shared teaching role. Mrs Engleback and Mrs Wright were in a similar role on the staff for the latter part of last year and have taught with us previously.

Mrs Ruth Corrigan returns to the school after having been granted leave for 2011.

STATIONERY FOR STUDENTS

Lists of stationery requirements have been sent home with all children today. All stationery is available for purchase at school from tomorrow (Wednesday) and we hope that parents will support the school in this way. Purchasing stationery items through school allows for consistency in the items being used and provides a minor income stream for the school. Without this, school donations/fees would have to increase.

In the initial stages all orders and payments will be handled through your child's class, **not** through the school office. Any payment should be forwarded to the class teacher in a named envelope.