



**Browns Bay School**

EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

**29 March 2018  
Newsletter**



## PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers  
Kia Ora

### **EASTER WEEKEND: FRIDAY 30 MARCH TO TUESDAY 3 APRIL**

Parents/caregivers are reminded that we will be closed for Easter from Friday 30 March until Tuesday 3 April, inclusive. School resumes Wednesday 4 April. We wish all our students and families a wonderful Easter break.

*Please see the SKIDS advertisement later in the Newsletter*

### **ROOM 11**

I would like to welcome the new students of Room 11 and their teacher, Sharlene Atkins, to Browns Bay School. This group of students will grow over the next few months and then we will open our next New Entrant room in Room 8.

### **EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM**

Last week we had the Year 5 and 6 Team out of the school on their respective camps. On my visits to the camps over the week I saw our students enjoying the beautiful NZ outdoors and camp life. The students had an opportunity to challenge themselves in something new – sleeping away from home, the Burma trail, rock climbing ... and they were all smiling and having a lot of fun. I was very grateful to the parents and teachers who set aside their own time to allow the students the opportunity.

The school outdoor education programme operates across all levels of the school. It is a sequentially designed programme that enables the children to have the opportunity to experience a wide range of outdoor skills. It focuses on safe, challenging and enjoyable learning experiences in the outdoor environment.

It provides students with the opportunities to develop personal and social skills, to become active, safe, and skilled in the outdoors, and to protect and care for the environment.

#### Year 1 and 2

The overall aim of this programme is to introduce the students to a range of skills.

These children experience an Outdoor Education day at school. The Year 2 children continue the programme that runs on longer than the normal school day.

#### Year 3 and 4

The emphasis of this programme is on the application of skills.

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Year 3 children will attend a one-day programme at MERC Camp at Long Bay.

Year 4 children will attend a two-day programme at MERC Camp.

#### Year 5

The emphasis of this programme is on the development of confidence

Year 5 children will attend a 3 day programme at Peter Snell Youth Village.

#### Year 6

The emphasis for this programme is on survival skills – both in the water and in the bush.

The Year 6 children attend a 3 day programme at Carey Park in Henderson Valley.

### **RESPECT - MANAAKITANGA**

At the School Assembly Week 7, I discussed one aspect of the “Things we Value” at Browns Bay School – Respect / Manaakitanga. This value is shown in our school logo as the coast line and cliffs of Browns Bay. The coastline reminds us of the environment we need to care for in our local area.

### **EMERGENCY PLANNING**

A key role of our job at school is to ensure the safety of students while they are in our care, this is a role we take very seriously. The school engages the services of Wade Harrison, Safety Consultant, to review the school’s Emergency Plan each year. Wade is coming in the last week of Term to speak to the children about our emergency plans. We have two main plans, “lock down” or “evacuate”. The children will know them as the GO or STAY procedure. We will be doing a trial of the “lock down” or STAY drill in the last week. Each term we will practice either a “STAY” or “GO” drill to ensure we are prepared for any event.

### **FAREWELL**

At the end of this term we will be farewelling, Mrs Karen Tews. We have appreciated Karen’s work at Browns Bay School over the past years and wish her all the best for the future.

Peter Mulcahy

### **Respect / Manaakitanga**



- Treat others how we would like to be treated
- Care for others, ourselves and the environment
- Acknowledge and value others points of view
- Appreciate that people come from different cultures with different beliefs

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

A full schedule of events for Term 1 and 2 is available on our website calendar with the most current events included in each newsletter.

Friday 30 March 2018 – Good Friday	Monday 02 April 2018 – Easter Monday Holiday
<b>Tuesday 03 April – Easter Tuesday Holiday</b>	Wednesday 04 April – Waterwise
Friday 06 April – Cluster Swimming	Wednesday 11 April – Wacky Wednesday Travelwise Event
Thursday 12 April – NSPS Swimming Champs	Thursday 12 April – BOT Meeting 7.30pm
Friday 13 April – Last day of Term 1	Monday 30 April – First day of Term 2

## **SCHOOL EVENTS**

### **YEAR 5 CAMP – ROOMS 17 AND 23**







**YEAR 5 CAMP – ROOMS 16 AND 22**



**YEAR 6 CAMP**







## **WACKY WEDNESDAY TRAVELWISE EVENT – WEDNESDAY 11 APRIL 2018**



## **Wacky Wednesday**

**WHEN: Wednesday 11 April**

**YOU MUST:** use sustainable transport – that means walk, ride or scooter to school and bring a gold coin donation.

**YOU CAN:** Wear your wackiest clothes!

- If it doesn't match, wear it!
- If it doesn't fit, make it!
- If its fun, do it!

*Special note: If you cannot walk from your home **PLEASE** take one of the 'park and walk' options by parking by the testing station, at the back of the school on Miri Road or on Philson Terrace allowing for a short walk the rest of the way to school. It is not a difficult walk and there are patrolled road crossing from each direction. This will help us to achieve our aim of keeping traffic **AWAY** from the school. Those who do not use sustainable transport **CANNOT** participate in this day and must wear school uniform as this is only for those promoting sustainable transport.*

## **SHORE TO SHORE**

The 2018 Shore to Shore Fun Run is not far away! This year it is scheduled for Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April. It's a fantastic morning out and every entry registered to Browns Bay School earns us money to spend on equipment for Sports, and P.E. sessions! It is super easy to register. Just go to [www.shoretoshore.co.nz](http://www.shoretoshore.co.nz) and look for Browns Bay School. We will have a school tent at the Milford Beach finish line, with a free sausage sizzle for all BBS entrants. There are also spot prizes and activities to keep everyone entertained! We hope to see you there!



## **SCHOOL NOTICES**

### **POOL CARD RETURN**

The swimming pool will be closed for the season from THURSDAY APRIL 12 (the end of the Term). Pool cards may be returned from now to receive your \$10.00 bond back – this offer will close on Friday May 4. Bonds will be returned in Term 2. Pool Cards returned after May 4 will not receive the refunded bond but will still be gratefully received.



### **EASTER TUESDAY HOLIDAY - SKIDS**



**SKIDS BROWNS BAY IS OPEN FOR BOOKINGS**

**EASTER TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

Go to - <http://skids.aimy.co.nz>

Choose: Special day/term 1(2018)

Short day option 7.30-3pm

Full day option 7.30-6pm

*Bookings are limited and close Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March.*

Do not hesitate to email or Call with any queries.

[brownsbay@skids.co.nz](mailto:brownsbay@skids.co.nz) Site phone: 0221290050 Sue: 021 384038

Check out our Facebook page:  
sKidsBrownsBay

[www.sKids.co.nz](http://www.sKids.co.nz)

### **FLIPPABALL**

Flippaball registrations for Term 2 close tomorrow, Friday 30th March. Please see the Browns Bay School website under sports for more information and to register your child.



### **ANZAC DAY CEREMONY**

Each year the school is invited to participate in the Anzac Day Civic ceremony. We would like two representatives to lay a wreath on behalf of the school at the Anzac Day ceremony in Browns Bay on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April. (NB: this is in the second week of the school holidays). School representatives will need to be dressed in school uniform.

If you intend to be at the ANZAC day ceremony, and would like your child to be involved, could you please email Ms Hewitt on [joh@brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:joh@brownsbay.school.nz), or contact the office.





# Travelwise Awareness campaign

The Student Travelwise team will be out the front of the school on Friday 6 April and Monday 9 April to promote safety around our schools. Please make sure you are travelling at the correct speed as you pass the school and watch out for people getting out of cars or crossing the road. If you see the Travelwise team please give them a nice friendly toot or an excited wave!



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## **FOTS – Friends of the School**

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### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)**

Thanks to everyone who attended the FOTS AGM on Wednesday night. Our new president for 2018 is Christine Wilson. Rebecca Gourlay will continue as secretary and Amy van der Loo as treasurer. The role of vice president remains to be filled.

### **NEXT FOTS MEETING: WED, 2 MAY, 7.15pm, STAFF ROOM**

All parents and caregivers are welcome to attend our informal monthly meetings. Come along and get involved! We'll be finalising plans for term 2 and beyond.

### **UNIFORM SALE**

A whirlwind secondhand uniform and desk sale was held earlier in the month and we made a record profit of over \$1,800! Thanks to everyone who came along to grab a bargain. Our donated stocks have now been cleared out, so if you or anyone you know would like to donate BBS items for a future sale, please bring them in to the school office. Many thanks to our FOTS volunteers who washed and sorted the clothing, as well as to those who got up early to work on sale day.

### **PRECIOUS LABELS FUNDRAISER**

You should have received a flyer from Precious Labels with details of how to order these cute, colourful, and durable labels. A variety of stick-on and iron-on labels are available that can be used on clothes, lunch boxes, sports gear, and more. They're laundry, dishwasher, microwave, and freezer safe! Not only will you keep valuable items out of the lost property, but your purchase will also benefit FOTS. Go to [www.preciouslabels.co.nz](http://www.preciouslabels.co.nz) and enter coupon code affi-8f3911 at checkout.



### **ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

The NEW 2018/2019 Entertainment™ Books/Digital Memberships are nearly here! Pre-order today and you will receive over \$200 of bonus Early Bird Offers! Your purchase of an Entertainment Membership contributes to our fundraising. Help us more by sharing this link with your friends and family. As always, thank you for your support.

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/9905w6>

## SPONSORS NEEDED - BLAST IN THE BAYS, OCTOBER 2018

- Interested in supporting a safe public fireworks display?
- Want to connect your business to thousands of people?
- Keen to help make Browns Bay an exciting, vibrant community?
- Like to help support a great cause such as Browns Bay School?



We would love to have a chat about sponsorship opportunities for Blast In The Bays with you. We need the support of lots of generous sponsors to help make this event blast off! It will bring thousands of people to Browns Bay seeking a fun, safe way to enjoy fireworks. Funds raised from the event will help Browns Bay School achieve some great initiatives. Planning for 'Blast' is now well underway with a professional events company and the Business Association. Fire up with Blast In The Bays now and your business will benefit from the excitement, passion, and buzz generated from the outset of our inaugural event. There are lots of options available, so please get in touch to discuss opportunities. Contact Jan O'Connor-Brown on 021 701 513.



Keen to follow what's happening with our Blast In the Bays fireworks event? Please follow our Facebook page and share it with your family and friends:  
[www.facebook.com/blastinthebays/](http://www.facebook.com/blastinthebays/)

### FACEBOOK

For news, photos, updates, and event information, check out:

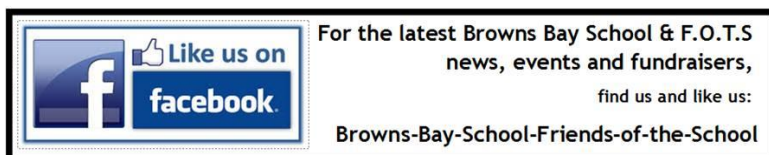
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### FOTS CONTACT

Need to get in touch? Perhaps you're keen to help out, but can't attend our meetings? Please email us:  
[fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz)



## Community Notices



**Thinking Caps** Maths tutoring is working at Browns Bay School every Thursday morning. If you want extra help for your child's maths, we have spaces available. Years 3-6. Sessions based on the school curriculum with friendly and experienced teachers. Phone: Julie 027 2453870 or Office 09 424 3536  
[www.thinkingcaps.co.nz](http://www.thinkingcaps.co.nz)

