

## **PRINCIPALS MESSAGE**

Dear Parents and Caregivers Kia Ora

#### CONGRATULATIONS

I would like to congratulate Charlotte Whooley on her graduation last Friday at the North Shore Principals Association ceremony. Charlotte can be very proud of her achievement in becoming a Fully Registered teacher.

#### **STAFF CHANGES**

At the end of this year we farewell Glenda Bradley (Rm 21), Mel Hogg (Rm 7) and teacher aides, Shiree Urquhart and Kath Earthy. Glenda is retiring while Mel is moving with her family to Whangaparaoa where she has a new teaching position as a Team Leader.

#### **REPORTING TO PARENTS**

This week the Senior Leadership Team and I will be reading all the December reports prior to them going home on December 8. The report is to be read alongside the Data folders which will also be going home.

For the past seven years schools have been required to report on their student's achievements in relation to National Standards. Our school reports reflect this request and in Reading, Writing and Mathematics you will read where your child is in relation to the standard. For Year 4 to 6 children the National Standards are based on the end of their particular year at school. For Year 1 to 3 children the National Standards are based on time at school from their starting date (usually their birth-date), that is:

- After One year = 40 weeks at school
- After Two years = 80 weeks at school
- After Three years = 120 weeks at school

In some cases a child may be in Year 1 and have been at school for only 3 terms (30 weeks) or possibly for 5 terms (50 weeks). These situations may occur with Year 2 and 3 pupils as well. In this instance, teachers have written an appropriate comment in Reading, Writing and Mathematics to indicate how your child is progressing toward the standard. These are called Interim Reports.

Teachers have looked at your child's work over the year to make an **overall judgement** of your child in relation to the standard. Teachers review student's assessment data from specific tests (e.g. Running Records for reading, GloSS or JAM tests for Maths), check through work samples, have learning conversations with students and

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observations are all parts of the process. Earlier in the term we conducted moderation exercises to ensure teachers had common understandings of the standards.

These reports are for parents/caregivers and are addressed to parents/caregivers with the intention that they will be the first to open them. We encourage you to share the reports with your children.

#### **ELEARNING EVENING**

It was great to see a large number of parents in the Hall on Tuesday night for the eLearning Evening. We were also very appreciative of our students who came along and shared with parents the work they have been doing on the computers over the year with programming (Scratch, Raspberry Pi, Coding unplugged), robotics (Edison, B-bots), documents (GAFE), online sharing (SEESAW) and creative activities (Stop-go animation).





Peter Mulcahy

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

A full schedule of events for Term 4 is available on our website calendar with the most current events included in each newsletter.

Tuesday 05 December - Jingle	Tuesday 05 December – Life Education starts
Tuesday 05 December – Pre School Meeting	Wednesday 06 December - Cluster Athletics
Wednesday 06 December - Waterwise	Wednesday 06 December – Year 2 Beach Trip
Thursday 07 December – Year 5 to Waiwera	Thursday 07 December – Year 6 Graduation
Thursday 07 December – Year 1 Shared Lunch	Thursday 07 December – Reports go home today
Friday 08 December – New Classes	Monday 11 December – Jingle Save Day
Wednesday 13 December – Year 3 and 4 Movie Trip	Wednesday 13 December – Year 6 Talent Show

## SCHOOL EVENTS

#### SUPER STARS

At the last full school assembly, the following pupils received certificates for their achievements: YEAR 0/1 TEAM - Maddie Neville-McIntyre 8, Grayson Makin 9, Bryce Larkan 10, Queenie Wang 11, Elisha Strong 12, Abbie Lyons 13 YEAR 2 TEAM – Ray Ma 3, Samantha Ridgley 4, Ryan Ahn 5, Lexi Jones 6, Celina Musso 7 YEAR 3 TEAM - Isabella Katipa 1, Connor Mees 2, Florencia Camus Rogers 14, Liam Gibbs 15 YEAR 4 TEAM – Chloe Baughan 24, Ray Chen 25, Gemma Agar 27, Mikey Sykes 28 YEAR 5 TEAM - Jamie Rentoul 16, Lauren Munro 17, Daniella Kieser 22, Angela Ye 23 YEAR 6 TEAM – Charlotte Smith 18, Olivia Sun 19, Juyoung Kim 20, Ema Camus Rogers 21 VALUES AWARD – Rui Yi Ong R20, Benjamin Bibbie R18 ARTS AWARD – Casey Richardson-Mould R21, Stephanie Rule R18 ACHIEVEMENT CUP – Sini Patel R20, Nika Kurochkina R21 SPORTS CUP – Brya Mathers R17, Talia Mills R21, Madison Mills R19 SERVICE TO SCHOOL – Kate Borton R21

TRAVELWISE – MUFTI AND WALK



Join your friends and some Teachers to walk from one of our 3 park and ride stops, or from Countdown, tomorrow morning. Be at Miri Road, Drivesure, Philson Terrace or Countdown at 8.30am to walk as a group of children and Teachers.



If you walk from the park and walk spots or from home, or you bus, scooter or bike to school, you can choose to wear your own colourful, mufti clothes to make your friends and the Teachers day BRIGHTER and also be clearly seen around the roads!!

If you wear mufti please bring a gold coin donation towards <u>Travelwise</u>.

The Travelwise team apologise if you haven't already had communication around this event.



## **SCHOOL NOTICES**

#### **DISABLED PARKING**

A reminder to please leave the disabled car park by the Dental Clinic free (unless you have a permit). We have families that need to use this park for drop-off and pick-up and we want it available to them at these busy times.

#### **LIFE EDUCATION**

We welcome Harold from the Life Education Trust to Browns Bay School on Tuesday next week. Harold is being supported by Corrine Kirkham the Life Education teacher. The classes will be visiting the caravan for two sessions while it is on site and will be covering the following topics:

New Entrants - Food and Nutrition Year 1 - Food and Nutrition Year 2 – Food and Nutrition Year 3 – Social Relationships/Community Year 4– Food and Nutrition



The Food and Nutrition module discusses body image, exercise and nutrition for

good health. The **Social Relationships** module focuses on friendships and self-responsibility. Children explore concepts such as being friendly as opposed to being a friend, and they learn about managing conflict. If you would like more information please visit the website: <u>www.lifeeducation.org.nz</u>

There is an opportunity for parents to meet Corrine and view the van on Thursday 7 December at 2.30pm. A reminder that some children still need to pay the \$6.00 to fully participate in this programme. Money is to be sent to the class teacher.

#### SCHOOL DONATIONS

A reminder that any outstanding school donations can still be made. Those who have chosen to make this payment on a term by term basis are most welcome to continue to do so, with the next payment being due now.

#### POOL HELPERS REQUIRED FOR SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORK

We need people to cover the last week of December and first week of January only. We need this to operate, otherwise the pool will be closed for that time. If you can commit to three visits each day to the BBS pool for a week, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Edwin on 02102321713 or <u>edwind@brownsbay.school.nz</u>.

#### **JINGLE 2017**

The weather forecast for next Tuesday is looking good, fingers remain crossed. Everything is coming together on the performance side of things here at BBS – we are all excited and looking forward to another fantastic Jingle evening. So...time to wash the Christmast shirt, pull out the Santa Hats and generally get organised for another great night out. See you then! - *Karen Warren*.



#### LOST PROPERTY

It's that time of year... Mount Polar Fleece! Lost property has been relocated to the bike shed as of Monday if you need to check for any gear.

#### **OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAMME 2018 – POLICE VETS**

As most of you will be aware the school runs a very extensive Outdoor Education Programme, incorporating a sequential skill development programme, from Years 1 -6. As an added safety precaution the Board of Trustees has a policy in place requiring all parents who stay overnight at any of our Year 4 -6 camps to undergo a Police Vet.

It is vital that we have parent support at our camps, both during the day and overnight. Without this support these programmes will not be able to take place.

If there is any possibility that you might be considering staying overnight at any Year 4, 5 or 6 camp in 2018 could you please contact the school office and we will send the relevant documentation to you. Please note – The Police vetting process may take 4-6 weeks so it is important to action this as soon as possible.

Jo Hewitt – Deputy Principal





Have you sorted something for the last day of school? With school closing early at 1pm we have the afternoon sorted for you! Come and see what the fuss is about at sKids Browns Bay.

> SKIDS BROWNS BAY IS OPEN FOR BOOKINGS Last day of school - Friday 15th December \*\*Special offer 1-3pm \$12

> > To book go to <u>www.skids.co.nz</u> Choose: Special Day/ Term 4 (2017) Special day option 1-3pm Bookings after 3pm -Casual EPU booking 3-4pm Casual ASC 3-6pm

Do not hesitate to <u>email</u> or call with any queries. brownsbay@skids.co.nz Site phone\_0221290050 Sue 021 384038 Check out our facebook page <u>"SKidsBrownsBay</u>"

## MID BAYS MUSIC

Mid-Bays Music school 2018 enrolments open on 1st of December!

Music tuition for \$150 - \$250 for the whole year. (Includes the music) When: After school or Saturday mornings. Where: Murrays Bay Intermediate School.

When: classes start 10th Feb.

Open to 6-12 year olds. The cost is \$150 - \$250 for the year.

Instruments offered: Drums, Guitar, Ukelele, Cello, Violin, Saxophone - Clarinet, Keyboard/Piano, Trumpet, Recorder, Flute, Violin, viola, cello, saxophone, trombone, French Horn, Guitar, Bass Guitar, drums, ukulele

Enrolments are open online at <u>www.mbmusic.org</u> for 2017. Spaces are limited so get in quick!

The highly qualified tutors make learning relevant and enjoyable. Any enquiries email Eunice Park mbmusic@mbi.school.nz.

## FOTS – Friends of the School

## ONLY 5 SLEEPS UNTIL JINGLE! HERE'S OUR TOP TIPS FOR A GREAT EVENING ON TUES DEC 5

- Bring a picnic or enjoy the food stalls which open at 4.30pm – you'll find them near the senior playground this year.
- 2. Performances begin 6pm.
- Look out for the marked areas near the hall to set up your picnic rug or sand chairs (please no deck or upright chairs as these block the view for others).
- 4. Arrive early to secure a great spot!
- 5. Seats on the edges of the picnic area will be provided for those who need chairs.
- 6. Let SKIDS help entertain your children with games on the field before Jingle begins.
- 7. Bring gold coins for purchases (no EFTPOS available sorry).
- 8. Remember sunscreen and/or warm clothes for everyone.
- 9. Please ensure your child has eaten before 5.45pm and has used the bathroom.
- 10. During Jingle your child sits with their class and teacher throughout all performances until the finish. You can collect Year 0-2 children from the senior netball court area.



## STALLS AT JINGLE

Please bring lots of gold coins as there is no EFTPOS is available sorry: Jingle Jars \$3, Sausage Sizzle \$2, Beef Kebabs \$2, Dumplings \$3, Jesters Pies \$5 (EFTPOS available here only), Fruit Kebabs \$1, Popsicle Minis \$2, Chips \$2, Water \$2 plus more!

## JINGLE JARS STILL NEEDED!

This weekend help your kid's create a Jingle Jar for a bit of fun and donate it to School to help raise funds. Children buy a jar at our Jingle event for \$3 through a lucky dip and are very popular so we need heaps to go round!

- Fill a lidded glass or plastic jar with a variety of fun, NEW and UNUSED items please and if possible, choose gender neutral items.
- New small toys, stationery, marbles, arts and crafts, \$2 shop items, stickers, glow items and a small amount of sweets (no nut based items please). Have some fun decorating the jar.
- Bring the Jar to class where they are being collected now. The class who has the most Jingle Jars donated by Mon, Dec 4 will win a lunch-time reward before the end of Term!
- If you can donate more than 1 jar great! If you have a pre-schooler coming to Jingle who may want to buy a jar, please donate an extra jar so there are enough to go around.
- Thanks for your support and for helping to create some end of year fun!



## TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO ORDER GREEK PASTRIES - CLOSES THURS 7 DEC



Salad + Greek Pastry = Dinner sorted and your summer catering will be made easy! The amazing large-sized pastries are just 4 for \$10 and come in a variety of flavours! Please order by KINDO before midnight tonight or by next Thurs 7 Dec when the fundraiser closes. Your savoury or sweet pastries will be ready to pick up from Little Greece in Browns Bay (behind

Repco) at your convenience anytime from next Wednesday. Little Greece are open on Saturdays between 9am-3pm so you can pick up then too. Your entire purchase of these pastries is donated to BBS! All info and paper order forms to download are here.

www.brownsbay.school.nz/school-information/latest-news/now-heres-tastyfundraiser-1



4 AMAZING PASTRIES FOR \$10! CHOOSE FROM SAVOURY OR SWEET. PICK UP FROZEN FROM LITTLE GREECE B.BAY. 100% OF YOUR PURCHASE DONATED TO SCHOOL. ORDER BY EVERY THURS UNTIL 7 DEC VIA KINDO OR USE ORDER FORMS. www.brownsbay.school.nz



#### FOTS CONTACT

Need to get in touch? Would you like to know more about FOTS? Please email us: fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz

## FACEBOOK

Be sure to follow BBS & FOTS on Facebook for news, photos, updates and event information, check out: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School">www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School</a>

\*\*Our Facebook page has reached 500 followers. Thank you everyone for supporting the page\*\*.



## **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 <u>www.thinkingcaps.co.nz</u>



# Did you take part in an international study tour (1-4 weeks in length) when you were at high

#### school?

(5-25 years ago; between 1992-2012)

My name is Donna O'Donnell and I am a PhD student at AUT University.

I am researching the effects on ex-students who participated in such tours.

I would love to chat to you about your experiences and have you share your reflections on the tour's effects on your life since.

This research will involve you agreeing to meet with me and be involved in two semi-structured interviews of around an hour each.

> (Note: Your identity will remain anonymous and you will not be required to share anything you do not wish to)

Please contact me, Donna O'Donnell, via email: dodonnel@aut.ac.nz





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