

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia Ora

TRIMPER

Our banner photograph shows TRIMPER our school, and Travelwise mascot. TRIMPER stands for our school values:

- Т Taking
- Responsibility R
- I Inquiring
- Minds Μ
- Personal Ρ
- Ε Excellence
- R Respect







Trimper helps our students remember the Travelwise plans and our Values. In the School Notices section of the newsletter we have outlined the Travelwise road plan and procedures for Road Safety.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Browns Bay School Board of Trustees has its first meeting of 2020 tonight in the staffroom at 6.30pm. The Board Members are:

Jane Retimana (Chairman) Nick Brown **Daniel Smith** Tanya Sheppard (Staff Rep) Peter Mulcahy (Principal)

Stacey Strang Jerry Dai Ben Sheeran Sue Moscrip (BOT Secretary)

The Board meetings are open to the public and are held in the staffroom from 6.30pm every third week of the month. A list of dates are advertised on the school website and also in the School Newsletter. If you would like to communicate with the Board then, either write a letter addressed to: The Chairman, BOT Browns Bay School or contact the school.

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PROPERTY PROJECTS

The first part of the Accessibility Project has been completed with the new ramp going into the Office building. This will finally allow easy wheelchair access to the toilet by the sick bay.

The projects next area of work is the deck outside Rooms 14 to 17 and renovation of the disabled student toilet between Room 15 and 16. This project is beginning on March 7 and is expected to take 6 to 8 weeks to complete. The work will be done in stages with the deck and new ramp outside Rooms 16 and 17 the first section to be completed.

We anticipate there may be some disruption to the classes while this work is happening and we are developing a contingency plan to address this, if necessary. The builders are also aiming to minimise disruption with timing of work around class programmes.



The project will then continue around the school with the installation of rails at steps, removal of redundant steps and replacement of some steps. While the project is on we will lose four carpark spaces in the bottom carpark – we would ask parents dropping off / picking up children to not use the carpark over this time.

SCHOOL DONATIONS

I would like to acknowledge the payment of donations recently. They have a direct impact on the quality of education we can offer your children. Although our school is funded through an Operation Grant which covers fixed running costs, we are very reliant on donations to maintain the standard we expect with extra Teacher hours, Teacher Aides, professional development for staff, computer equipment and new classroom resources.

Please note that there are various ways to pay this donation and it can be claimed as a tax rebate at the end of the financial year (March 31 2020). Tax receipts are available from Kindo, while cash/eftpos payments will receive an emailed Tax Receipt from the school.

Regards

Peter Mulcahy

UPCOMING EVENTS

| Thursday 20 February – BBS BOT Meeting 6.30pm | Friday 21 February – Football Kidz Y1-4 |
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| Monday 24 February – Y4 Motat Visiting School | Tuesday 25 February – Y4 Motat Visiting School |
| Tuesday 25 February – Pre-School Visit Rm 10 –9.30am | Wednesday 26 February – Level 5 Sailing Programme |
| Wednesday 26 February – Conferences 3.20 -6.30pm | Thursday 27 February – Conferences 3.20pm-6.30pm |
| Friday 28 February – Full School Assembly – 11am | Tuesday 3 March – Y5 Museum Trip Rm 16/17 |
| Wednesday 4 March – FOTS Meeting – 7.30PM | Friday 6 March – Junior Outdoor Education Day |
| Friday 6 March – Y5 Museum Trip Rm 22/23 | Friday 6 March – Super Cluster Tennis Y 5/6 |

SCHOOL EVENTS



KO WAI TE TAONGA

Year 1 children are enjoying learning about the water cycle and the importance of showing respect for water as part of the Ko Te Wai Te Taonga programme.

YEAR 6 CAMP – CAREY PARK









PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent Teacher Conferences for the start of the school year will be held on Wednesday 26 February and Thursday 27 February from 3.20pm to 6.30pm each night. The purpose of this conference is for parents to share information with the teacher about their child, and for the teacher to talk about how your child has settled into class. Each conference is 10 minutes long and this timing must be strictly adhered to. Teachers have been requested to stop conferences on the bell to ensure they do not run late.

Conference times can only be booked online:

Parents log on to <u>https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code?code=fgk5y</u> Enter our school code – fgk5y Enter your details – name/email/number of students/students names Choose your child's teacher Choose the days and times you wish to attend (available times will be indicated) You will then receive an email confirmation of your appointment time

Bookings are open and will close at noon on Tuesday 25th February

If you are unable to access this site from home, the school office will be able to arrange an appointment for you.

SCHOLASTICS BOOK CLUB

Parents wanting to order scholastic books, to do so on line from Issue 1 by 27 February. There will be no orders at school.

Online Book orders: www.scholastic.xo.nz/LOOP



Magazine Issue 1 went out to the children this week.

SCHOOL PAYMENTS

Please make school payments through your mykindo account. You can pay via American Express, Visa, Mastercard, UnionPay (fees apply), POLi or bank transfer (no fees). Add regular top-ups if you'd like, then allocate to payments when you're ready, or just pay as you go.

Go to www.mykindo.co.nz or via the link on our school website.

YEAR 5/6 NETBALL

It is that time of year to organise Winter Netball for Years 5 and 6. Although it is traditionally a female game, it is open to both girls and boys to participate.

Year 5 and 6 students play on a Wednesday after school at Netball North Harbour in Onewa Rd, Northcote.

Although Term 2 seems a long time away, all registrations for the above league must be completed in March to meet all required deadlines.

The registration must be made by Tuesday 3rd March.

Detailed information around dates, cost and what is involved can be found on the school website along with the online registration forms:

https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/sports/netball

Year 1-4 Your information is coming soon so look out for the email and check the school website in the coming week.

Cherie Bibbie - cherieb@brownsbay.school.nz TIC - Netball

TRAVELWISE

The roads around the school are getting busy in the mornings and afternoons. We have several processes in place to ensure the safety of the children yet this relies on adults modelling the correct behaviours. I would ask that everyone be mindful of the message they are sending to the children when around roads. The processes we ask that you support us with are:

Pedestrian Crossings

We have two Pedestrian crossings in operation in the morning and afternoon and we ask that you please use them with your children. These crossings are controlled by teachers with Students from Year 5 and 6. We ask that you cross when the students call out: **CROSS NOW** – this means they have looked for traffic, put the barrier arms out and have decided it is safe to cross.

Drop Off Bay

The drop off/pick up zone is on Masterton Road and is patrolled by Mr Mulcahy in the morning and afternoon. This is not a place that cars can wait – please move on if your child is not waiting for you. Parents are reminded to stay in the car and children can get in or out by themselves. Queues of cars waiting to get into the pick-up area cause a huge amount of traffic congestion on both Masterton Rd and Browns Bay Rd. It is often a good idea to wait until around 3.15pm to pick up your child from the pick-up zone.

Road Markings

Please remember to obey the road markings (e.g. broken yellow lines mean NO PARKING) <u>Bikes and Scooters</u>

Year 5 and Year 6 children, with a signed '**Application for Approval to ride a Bicycle to School'** may ride their bikes to school or scooters without adult supervision. The form is available from the school office.

Help us reduce traffic around our school!





STUDENT SAFETY – BEFORE SCHOOL

The school has the following arrangements for student supervision before school:

- Students may be on site before 8.30am for coaching or practice as long as a parent is present in the coaching role or manager
- Students may be on site under parent supervision
- 8.30 am Teachers are in classrooms with students having access to storage and toilets
- Two teachers/adults are on duty at the crossings from 8.30 am to 8.50am
- Teacher on duty at car drop off / pick up zone (this is usually the Principal) from 8.40am
- Junior teachers are not on duty in the morning so they can be in their room to ensure there is a transition from parents before school

SKiDs operate a Before School programme for children who need to be dropped off early.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Mid-Bays Music School 2020 enrolments are still open! Our highly qualified tutors make learning music relevant and enjoyable. Any enquiries, please email Meryann Kim: <u>meryann.kim@mbi.school.nz</u>

Cost: Music tuition for \$150 - \$250 for the whole year. (This does NOT include the instrument hire) When: Weekdays after school or Saturday mornings

Where: Murrays Bay Intermediate School

Instruments offered: Saxophone, Drums, Bass, Guitar, Ukulele, Saxophone, Clarinet, Keyboard, Trumpet, Trombone, Recorder, Flute, Violin, Viola and Cello

Group lessons open to 6-12 year olds but there are age requirements for some instruments. Please check our website for more information.

Enrolments will be through Kindo so make sure you have an account. Any troubleshooting solutions will be online at <u>www.mbmusic.org</u>. Spaces are limited so get in quick!

Thanks in advance and please let me know if you have any questions.

Warm regards,

Meryann Kim Room 33, Year 7 Teacher Murrays Bay Intermediate

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