



19 March 2020  
Newsletter



## PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers  
Kia Ora

### Taking Responsibility / Takohanga



- Take ownership of your own behaviour, belongings and your learning environment
- Make sensible choices
- Challenge yourself to become independent
- Work together co-operatively

### THINGS WE VALUE

This term we are focussing on our school value of Taking Responsibility – Takohanga. At the start of the school year I spoke to the children about the importance of Taking Responsibility and making good decisions. This has been very evident during our Year 6 Camp and Junior Outdoor Education Day where there was evidence of children taking responsibility, challenging themselves to be independent and work collaboratively with others. I would like to thank the 2020 Librarians for taking responsibility / takohanga in the library this year!

### COVID-19

Thank you everyone who has completed the Google Form about the Online Learning – we would really like this completed by this Friday so we can include the information in our planning. At this stage, the Ministry of Education (MOE) has advised schools they are not expecting widespread school closures. They are planning for temporary closures, like what is happening at Logan Park School but as the World Health Organisation has confirmed, the risk to children remains low and parents should continue to send their kids to schools. Any decisions about school closures will be made on a case-by-case basis.

The current situation can be quite confusing and stressful for children with all the news and impact on their lives. The MOE have provided the following ideas for talking to children and young people about COVID-19 [here](#)

We have had to make some changes to the way we work at Browns Bay School to fit in with the various directives from the Health and Education Ministry's. As a result, we have cancelled the School Assemblies until further notice and the Year 5 Camp. I will present School Certificates to children in their classes on Friday. The Year 5 students will still have the Climbing Wall at school on Wednesday and Thursday.

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### **TEACHERS ONLY DAY - FRIDAY 29 MAY**

The Board has approved this day as a Teacher Only Day for professional development. This means the school will be closed for instruction. All teaching staff will be engaged in professional development. This is the day before the Queen's Birthday weekend and may be an opportunity to make it a slightly longer weekend.

Peter Mulcahy

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Thursday 19 March- BBS BOT Meeting - 6.30pm	Friday 20 March – TRAVELWISE POSTPONED (No Mufti)
Friday 20 March – Full School Assembly -11am (Cancelled)	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> March Y5 Camp – Rm 17 and 22 (Cancelled)
Tuesday 24 March Pre-School Visit – 9.30am Rm 10	Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> March Y5 Camp – Rm 16 and 23 (Cancelled)
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April - FOTS AGM – 7pm	

### **SCHOOL EVENTS**

#### **YEAR 5 TRIP TO THE MUSEUM**

In week 5, Rooms 16, 17, 22 and 23, visited the museum to further our learning around our topic Our Place. We have been learning about early migration to New Zealand and were able to handle museum artefacts, representative of the tools and items early Polynesian migrants would have brought with them on their Waka. The children were excited to handle these objects and make connections to their classroom learning. Many thanks to all of our parents who made this trip possible. We appreciate the time you were able to give us.



#### **JUNIOR OUTDOOR EDUCATION DAY**

The children had lots of fun during their Junior Outdoor Education Day on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.





# Introducing our 2020 Librarians!



*Our librarian team has now undergone their training and are enjoying supporting you when you visit the library at lunchtimes!*



## **SUPER CLUSTER TENNIS 2020**

On Friday the 6th March the BBS Tennis team competed at the Super Cluster Tennis Tournament. It was a fantastic day of tennis with some toughly fought matches. The players represented BBS with personal excellence and great sportsmanship. Congratulations to Jamie Holroyd and Matthew Fleming for winning the Doubles Plate section and to Cody Yang and Kota Matsuno who were the overall Boys Doubles Super Cluster champions!



## **BROWNS BAY SCHOOL SWIMMING SPORTS 2020**

On the 10th of March the Browns Bay School Year 4, 5 and 6 Swimming Sports was held at the Sir Owen Glenn National Aquatics Centre. We had over 80 competent swimmers take part throughout the morning. It was a great morning and all swimmers should be very proud their efforts, outstanding behaviour and sportsmanship.

A huge thank you also goes out to all the parents and teachers who helped out on the day so the children could experience such a great event.

There was some amazing swimming and some great results throughout the morning.

The following placings were determined by the fastest times overall for each event.

<b>Year 6 Boys</b>	<b>1st Place</b>	<b>2nd Place</b>	<b>3rd Place</b>
<b>Freestyle</b>	Chris Kumala	Lucas Qu	Matthew Fleming
<b>Backstroke</b>	Chris Kumala	Lucas Qu	Matthew Fleming
<b>Breaststroke</b>	Lucas Qu	Jamie Holroyd	Chris Kumala
<b>Butterfly</b>	Chris Kumala	Lucas Qu	Julian Noh

<b>Year 6 Girls</b>	<b>1st Place</b>	<b>2nd Place</b>	<b>3rd Place</b>
<b>Freestyle</b>	Sienna Hickling-Crane	Bella O'Neil	Emily Armes
<b>Backstroke</b>	Bella O'Neil	Emily Armes	Crystal Park
<b>Breaststroke</b>	Sienna Hickling-Crane	Emily Armes	Chloe Lemon
<b>Butterfly</b>	Sienna Hickling-Crane	Emily Armes	Sophie Herde

<b>Year 5 Boys</b>	<b>1st Place</b>	<b>2nd Place</b>	<b>3rd Place</b>
<b>Freestyle</b>	Angus Lockett	Roy Deng	Ben Brien
<b>Backstroke</b>	Roy Deng	Angus Lockett	Edison Jiang
<b>Breaststroke</b>	Roy Deng	Angus Lockett	Wilson Zhang
<b>Butterfly</b>	Roy Deng		

<b>Year 5 Girls</b>	<b>1st Place</b>	<b>2nd Place</b>	<b>3rd Place</b>
<b>Freestyle</b>	Jasmin Reader	Helena Yule	Isla Farrell
<b>Backstroke</b>	Jasmin Reader	Helena Yule	Ada Moxon
<b>Breaststroke</b>	Jasmin Reader	Bella Prajogo	Ada Moxon
<b>Butterfly</b>	Jasmin Reader	Sofia Brandolino	Helena Yule

<b>Year 4 Boys</b>	<b>1st Place</b>	<b>2nd Place</b>	<b>3rd Place</b>
<b>Freestyle</b>	Alex Su	Shawe Feng	Bryce Larkan
<b>Backstroke</b>	Alex Su	Yi-Hsiu Lo	Shawe Feng
<b>Breaststroke</b>	Alex Su	Bosco Jin	Bryce Larkan
<b>Butterfly</b>	Alex Su	Bosco Jin	Stewart Zhou

<b>Year 4 Girls</b>	<b>1st Place</b>	<b>2nd Place</b>	<b>3rd Place</b>
<b>Freestyle</b>	Sophie Lau	Ada Ding	Zara Hong-Michael
<b>Backstroke</b>	Ada Ding	Sophia Dai	Patcha Sheeran





### **SCHOOL TERM DATES**

A reminder that school finishes for Term 1 on Thursday 09 April.

Term 2 commences on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April

The Easter holiday and Anzac Day all fall within the School Holidays this year.

### **POOL CARD RETURN**

The swimming pool will be closed for the season from Monday April 6<sup>th</sup>.

Please return your pool card by Thursday 9 April end of Term 1 in order to receive your bond refund. Refunds will be processed in Term 2. We would appreciate the return of all cards. Thank you.



### **SCHOLASTICS BOOK CLUB**

Parents wanting to order scholastic books, to do so on line from Issue 2 by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March. There will be no orders at school.

Online Book orders: [www.scholastic.xo.nz/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.xo.nz/LOOP)

Magazine Issue 2 went out to the children this week.



### **FOTS**

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & NEXT FOTS MEETING:**

##### **WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL, 7pm, STAFF ROOM**

Interested in joining Friends of the School (FOTS)? The Annual General Meeting is a great time to get involved because it marks the beginning of the FOTS year. Ahead of the AGM, we're calling for nominations from school parents/caregivers for the FOTS executive team roles of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These roles have a 1-year term. Nomination forms can be collected from the school office and must be returned to the office by Tuesday 31 March, 3:30pm. Position descriptions and the FOTS constitution can be found here:

<https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/about-us/friends-school>

If you want to know more, please contact us: [fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz)

#### **BELINDA COLES PHOTOGRAPHY FAMILY MINI SHOOTS**

##### **SUNDAY 19 APRIL, CASTOR BAY BEACH**

We have a great opportunity for you to get affordable, professional family photos! Thanks to Belinda Coles Photography for offering family mini shoots at Castor Bay Beach on Sunday 19 April. Sessions are 20 minutes long and will be moved to her studio in Huapai if it rains. Pricing will be a \$20 sitting fee plus all digital files for \$130 (or free files if you purchase \$130 in prints). We will let you know details on how to book online very soon! Check out Belinda's website for examples of her amazing photos:

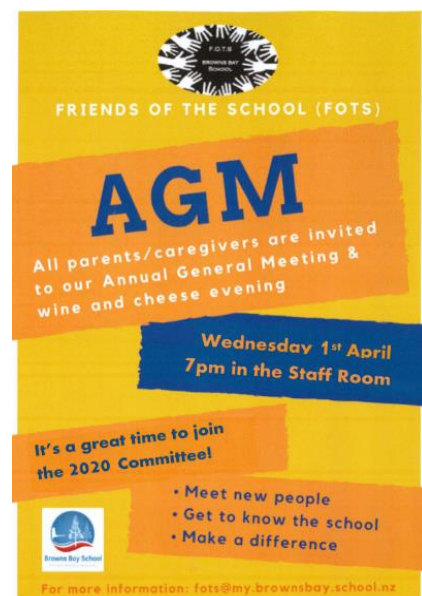
[www.belindacolesphotography.co.nz](http://www.belindacolesphotography.co.nz)



### **FACEBOOK**

Did you know we share a Facebook page with BBS? For news, photos, updates, and event information, go to:

[www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School-173302139385925/](https://www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School-173302139385925/)



**Murrays Bay Twilight festival advertised in our previous newsletter has been cancelled**  
**Browns Bay Preschool 20<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration & Reunion has been postponed**



"THE GIRLS MAKE ME SMILE (AND USUALLY LAUGH OUT LOUD!) ALL THE TIME - BUT ALSO GIVE ME A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE ON SITUATIONS WHICH KEEPS ME LEARNING.  
 - EMMA, UNIT LEADER"

**Do you want to gain new friends, grow your leadership skills and make a difference to a young girl?**  
 GirlGuiding New Zealand is looking for new volunteers to help run amazing Guiding programmes in Browns Bay. If you want to give a few hours of your time to help a young woman gain confidence and learn some life skills, visit us at:

<https://www.girlguidingnz.org.nz/join-us/leaders-volunteers> or email Jenny on [jenny.knight@ggnz.org.nz](mailto:jenny.knight@ggnz.org.nz) to chat about the different options available.

**SUMMER SERIES**

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**8 WEEKS / TUESDAYS 4:00 - 5:30PM**  
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**\$40 PER PARTICIPANT**  
**1045 BEACH ROAD, LONG BAY, AUCKLAND**  
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**ecofest north**

**21 March – 19 April 2020**  
[kaipatiki.org.nz/ecofest](http://kaipatiki.org.nz/ecofest)

A month-long series of eco-events.  
 See you there!

**Kaipātiki Project**  
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**BROWNS BAY SCHOOL**  
JUNIORS - 5 to 7 years

# Holiday Programme

Full Day	07:00 a.m.-06:00 p.m.	\$56.00
#Trip Day	07:00 a.m.-06:00 p.m.	\$65.00
*Trip day 2	07:00 a.m.-06:00 p.m.	\$70.00
Short Day	07:00 a.m.-03:00 p.m.	\$46.00

\$20 discount on full week booking. Family discounts available.  
Rocket Ropes or Butterfly Creek, your choice when booking.

<b>Closed Today</b> <b>Mon 13 Apr</b>  Have fun on Easter Monday.	<b>Vive La France</b> <b>Tue 14 Apr</b>  Jump onboard sKids Airlines flying to France. Lean what makes France so special. Enjoy Nutella crepes for lunch. Delicieux!	<b># Zoo Trip</b> <b>Wed 15 Apr</b>  From elephants, rhinos and giraffes to lions, primates and red pandas, come explore the zoo with us.	<b>Wood Working</b> <b>Thu 16 Apr</b>  Explore your imagination. Create, build and decorate today with wood, glue, paint and plenty of decorations.	<b>Disco in the Dark</b> <b>Fri 17 Apr</b>  Today you're getting a sKids makeover for our Glow in the Dark Disco! Dress-ups, face paints and boogie beats!
<b>Little Scientists</b> <b>Mon 20 Apr</b>  Watch some awesome displays from the Traveling Science Show, then its your turn to try some hands on experiments. Cool!!!	<b>#Movies &amp; Pizza</b> <b>Tue 21 Apr</b>  Lets jump on the bus and head to The Trolls movie followed by yummy pizza and ice cream.	<b>Emergency Services</b> <b>Wed 22 Apr</b>  Today we will meet our amazing heroes that look after our community and hear about how they keep us all safe!	<b>#Butterfly Creek</b> <b>Thu 23 Apr</b>  Explore the amazing butterfly house & dinosaur Kingdom. Pet farm animals. See alligators, crocs, mermaids, unicorns and dragons.	<b>Fri-YAY</b> <b>Fri 24 Apr</b>  Its Fri-YAY at sKids. Lets celebrate with cookie decorating, movies, bead making. Plenty to YAY about today.

Breakfast available before 8am, afternoon tea provided after 3pm. Please bring morning tea, lunch, water bottle and appropriate clothing for the days activities.

For more information, call +64-21384038 Or +64-221290050  
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**BROWNS BAY SCHOOL**  
SENIORS - 8 to 14 years

# Holiday Programme

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<b>Science Show</b> <b>Mon 20 Apr</b>  Today we'll be visited by a real scientist! Be amazed by mind blowing science experiments and crazy concoctions!	<b>#Movies and Pizza</b> <b>Tue 21 Apr</b>  Grab your mates and jump on the bus! We're off to the movies to see Disney's "Onward" followed by pizza and ice cream.	<b>Emergency Services</b> <b>Wed 22 Apr</b>  Today we'll be visited by our local heroes - the police, fire, ambulance and surf life saving services. Learn what its like to save lives.	<b>*Rocket Ropes</b> <b>Thu 23 Apr</b>  We're off to Rocket Ropes - Auckland's only urban high ropes activity park. Challenge yourself with over 60 epic aerial activities!	<b>Fri-YAY!</b> <b>Fri 24 Apr</b>  There's lots to do that will make you say "YAY" today! Baking, movies, crafts, sports and lots of sKids FUN.

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