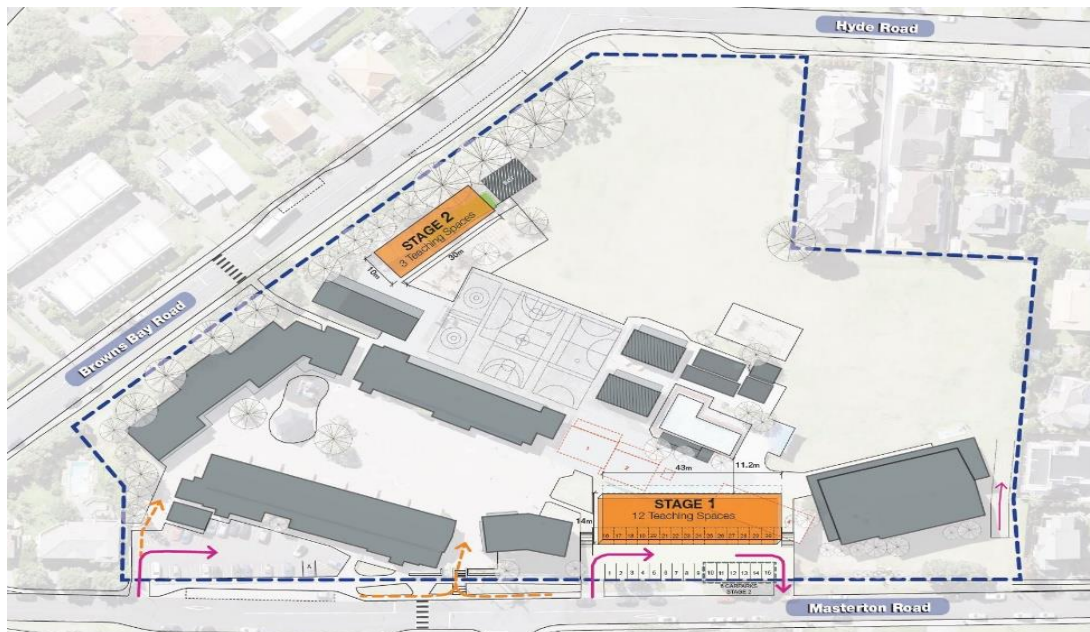




## PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers  
Kia Ora

### ROLL GROWTH PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT



Browns Bay School has a growing roll (even with our school zone restrictions), and over the years there has been regular discussion with the Ministry of Education (MOE) Property Group on how to manage classroom space. This has been an ongoing issue since we converted the Technology suite back into the Room 12 classroom in 2014, we were then allocated Room 26, and then we converted our Resource Room into Room 13. These were stop-gap solutions to address a growing student roll as it occurred. The Board of Trustees has worked tirelessly over these past years to get the MOE to arrive at a permanent solution (a Master Plan) and this has now become a reality.

Over the holiday break we were advised that a Browns Bay School Master Plan had been approved, by the MOE Design Panel. The Master Plan took into account the site, population patterns, various building options and current infrastructure. It was decided that the best Plan would be in two stages:

- Stage 1: 12 classroom block located in the area of Room 18 – 21
- Stage 2: 3 classroom block located in the area of Room 26 – 28

The points around this plan are that:

- Rooms 18 to 21 will be removed / demolished and replaced with a two storey block with 6 Teaching Spaces on each level
- Car-parking will be under the large building

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- Rooms 27 and 28 will be removed once the large block is completed
- Relocation of swimming pool changing rooms and other sheds

School management along with two Board members (Jerry Dai and Nick Brown) will be in regular meetings with the MOE team and GHD designers to develop a Concept Design for Stage 1. It is planned that Stage 1 will be available from 2022 with the Stage 2 Project planned to follow the completion of Stage 1.

A team of teachers is working with Jo Robson (Education Consultant) as part of the Concept Design stage. Our main desire is to have a flexible, modern build for our Year 5 and 6 students (in 2022). These will be modern learning classrooms as per the Ministry of Education policy for new builds and over the next couple of years the teaching staff will be putting their minds to how classes will work in that new type of environment.

### **KORERO MATAURANGA – LETS TALK ABOUT EDUCATION**

The Ministry of Education are consulting with the community regularly on a range of topics.

The main consultation forum is at <https://consultation.education.govt.nz/>

At the moment the consultation for primary schools is on the “National Education and Learning Priorities” (NELP). In the link above you can find a summary document of the proposed changes.

“What are the National Education and Learning Priorities?

The Statement of National Education and Learning Priorities (NELP) is a set of priorities for practice in places of learning, from early childhood through to tertiary education and training. The NELP are statutory documents enabled by the Education Act 1989, and express the Government’s expectations of places of learning to improve wellbeing, equity and inclusion in education. Those in governance positions in the early learning and the compulsory education sectors must have regard to the NELP priorities. This draft of the NELP draws on the messages heard through the Education Conversation | Kōrero Mātauranga, and on targeted engagement with children and young people. In addition to this engagement, the draft NELP have also been informed by evidence about how our education system is performing, and the things that providers and educators can do that will make the most difference for learners/ākonga and their family and whanau”

### **STUDENT PLACEMENTS 2020**

On 5 November each student will bring home a notice requesting your input into the classroom placement of your child in 2020.

The process takes several weeks with class lists drafted by the Leadership Team after input from the 2019 classroom teacher. For each class of children we consider:

- Social (where at all possible the child will be kept with at least one nominated member of their social group)
- Teaching/Learning Style – an attempt is made to match the child with the teacher who will best facilitate their learning style
- Age of the child
- Academic level of the child
- Number of boys and girls
- Class placement in the previous year

Please understand that your information is considered as one part of a bigger picture. These notices can be returned to the classroom or office.

### **ROAD SAFETY**

This week I received an email from one of our parents and with their permission I am sharing it to remind everyone to use the Pedestrian Crossings.

*“I was driving towards the bottom of Masterton Road at 8.50am. I was travelling at about 15kph as there is only room enough for one car on the road at a time, due to cars parked either side of the road. As I was driving, a 5 to 6 year old girl sprinted out behind a parked car straight across the road towards the school driveway (across from the school hall). I did not see her coming and she had no idea that a car might have hit her. There was an adult on the side that she ran to (this may have been her mother) and there was no one else on the side she ran from.*





*The only reason I did not hit her is that I was going slow, I was very aware it was near a school, and that she was well in front of me (about 2 car lengths).*

*This could easily have been a fatality. I was surprised that her parent was not walking with her, and that she did not use the crossing about 20 metres up the road. "*



Our roads are very busy before and after school and children must learn to be road safe and parents must teach them these skills.

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.

<b>Friday 1 November</b> – Lactic Turkey Event	<b>Tuesday 5 November</b> - Travelwise Student Celebration
<b>Tuesday 5 November</b> – Pre-arranged Pre-school Visit	<b>Tuesday 5 November</b> – Last Read-a-thon night
<b>Tuesday 5 November</b> – Touch Super Cluster	<b>Wednesday 6 November</b> – Read-a-thon maps due in
<b>Wednesday 6 November</b> – Waterwise Level 5	<b>Wednesday 6 November</b> - Einstein Olymiad Y5 / 6 Group
<b>Friday 8 November</b> – Full School Assembly 11:15am	<b>Monday 11 November</b> - Touch Super Cluster (Save Day)
B – Class Placement Letters	<b>Wednesday 13 November</b> – Waterwise Level 5
<b>Thursday 14 November</b> - Y6 Visit to Northcross (Group visit only)	

## SCHOOL EVENTS

### SKI/SNOWBOARD CHAMPS - SNOW PLANET

Teams:

Girls Primary Ski Champs - BBS 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

Boys Primary Snowboarding Champs – BBS 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

Girls Primary Snowboarding Champs – BBS 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

Boys Primary Ski Champs – BBS 4<sup>th</sup> Place

Individual Results:

Campbell Bibbie – 2<sup>nd</sup> place Y5/6 Boys Slope Style

Kaitlyn Guthrie – 2<sup>nd</sup> place 5/6 Girls Slope style & Slalom Race

Paige Williams and Adam Hu came in top 10 in their Y5/6 respective ski races (which was amazing with huge numbers competing and the high standard of athletes.)



### TECH MASTERS

A team of Y5/6 students entered the EPRo8 Technology Challenge on Friday 25th October at Murrays Bay Intermediate. The competition requires the students to choose a challenge, then design, construct and engineer a number of moveable parts to earn points for their team. During the course of 3 hours they need to solve problems they encounter, work cooperatively as a team and complete as many tasks as they can within that time frame. Out of the 12 teams that were competing our Tech Masters team came 3rd and have earned a place in the semi-finals held in November. Congratulations to: Ray Chen, Elaine Chen, Jordan DeBruto and Sophie Hassell for making it into the semi-finals and the next round of the competition.



## WE LEARN CONFERENCE

On Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October a group of Y5/6 students attended the 2019 We Learn Conference. This was a one day technology conference, organised by local teachers including Mrs Bibbie, where students run workshops for other students. This year 178 students from 17 different North Shore schools attended this day that was held at Campbell's Bay School. This year as well as attending workshops, members of our Raspberry Pi group shared the work they have been doing with Clive Jordan on programming a Raspberry Pi using Python to set up an automatic watering system for plants. Very impressive! A great day was had by all that went along!



## EXPLORING OUR COMMUNITY

This week the Year 3 students ventured down to Rothesay Bay to participate in a range of activities as part of a 'Call to Action' for our inquiry this year. The students have been investigating the importance of pollinators and nature to sustain life not only in our world but in our community.

As part of this inquiry, the Year 3 students were lucky enough to engage in 6 activities carefully planned and run by rangers of Auckland Parks and Auckland Council that touched on the various ways we can help in our community.

They were able to use their skills to plant an area in hopes of re-populating a small section of Rothesay Bay Beach that had been cleared after storm damage. They were able to test the stream clarity as well as discover and identify different water creatures that inhabit the stream leading into the ocean. A few of the local Park Rangers showed the children different ways of controlling pests in our local reserves and everyone got their feet wet on the beach, digging in the sand for the shoreline survey! The children were also able to make rope from Harakeke (flax) using a few techniques they learnt throughout the morning.

All of the activities were engaging and hands on. The children came away with so many ideas and ways to help in our community.

We would like to thank all of the Rangers and Council Personnel that came to help spread awareness through their teaching, as well as Sarah Sheeran for co-ordinating the morning. By Carrie Lindsay



## READ-A-THON UPDATE

We are getting close to the end of our Read-a-thon challenge... just 6 more nights of Reading and we jump all the way back to Browns Bay on the map. Are you on track to complete the challenge?

Next Tuesday is our last night of reading then you can start showing Teachers your signed map to say you have completed the challenge. Certificates will go out next Friday so you can share your success with Whanau and friends.

Then, from Monday the 11 November sponsorship money can start coming in. Remember to get it in before the prize draws if you can. If it's in by Friday 15 November you are then eligible to be in all 3 prize draws.

Remember we are continuing to **raise money to add more shade around our school.** Can we reach our goal of raising 10 to 12 thousand dollars from this fundraiser, which, after expenses, will all go to this project? Thank you everyone for your support.





## SCHOOL NOTICES

### SECOND HAND UNIFORM

Wanting to sell any of your second hand Browns Bay School uniform items? To complete the form with details of your items to sell, please click on the link <https://forms.gle/WsKuTPJ3TWB8Ch5t7> by 12 November.

Details to include in this order: quantity, uniform item, size, logo (new/old), price, Contact Name, Contact No. Items usually sell for around \$5-\$10 per item. For queries email [terrym@brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:terrym@brownsbay.school.nz) otherwise for FOTS donations, we have second hand uniform boxes in the office.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM

**Hats** - Sunhats are compulsory for all children for the remainder of Term 4 and Term 1 2020. Students without hats will go to the shade area. I would also recommend that sunscreen be put on your child each day. Students may also wear sunglasses.



**Clothing** - With the warmer weather approaching, please advise your children to dress appropriately and to remove layers of clothing during the day.

**Shoes** - To avoid children getting a bee-sting, it is recommended that children wear shoes when playing on the field. Clover will be present on the field soon which attracts bees.



The Lost Property Boxes are overflowing. If anyone is missing anything, can they come check and claim missing items from outside room 3 and room 19. **Please make certain your child's clothing items are named.**

Peter Mulcahy

### STAFF CARPARK

I would like to remind parents that the lower carpark is not available to parents between 7:30am and 5:00pm. This area is reserved for staff cars ONLY.

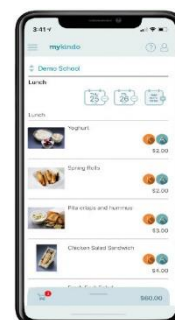
Peter Mulcahy



### KINDO iPHONE APP

Now you have an even easier way to order and pay, when and where it suits you on the myKindo iPhone App. Kindo Android App to follow next year.

- To get started, just search 'myKindo' on the Apple App Store
- Download, sign in and set up a PIN (you can even use TouchID or FaceID)
- Pay for last minute lunches, sports subs, trip fees, fundraising products or anything school-related, right from your mobile device
- Contact the Helpdesk Monday-Friday 8:00am – 4:00pm via [hello@mykindo.co.nz](mailto:hello@mykindo.co.nz) or telephone 0508 454 636 if you need assistance.



### EZLUNCH DATES

Ezlunch orders on Kindo. Please be advised of the following dates:

- Friday 13 December will be the last ezlunch service day for 2019
- Friday 20 December at midday is when their helpdesk closes for the year

Monday 3 February will be the first day of ezlunch for 2020. Thursday 6 February - Waitangi Day.

Here's an opportunity to place your **feedback** for ezlunch service. Please complete the questionnaire by Friday 15 November. It should only take you a few minutes. Click [here](#) to get started.

## FOTS – FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

### NEXT FOTS MEETING: WEDNESDAY 6 NOVEMBER, 7:15pm, STAFFROOM

There are only a couple of meetings left for the year, but we still need help to run our remaining events, including everyone's favourite – Jingle! If you can't make it to our meetings, but want to get in touch or help out, please email us: [fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz)

### **LAST CHANCE STUDENT ARTWORK CALENDARS & STATIONERY**

Our children have created some amazing artwork for calendars and stationery. Available to purchase are calendars, A5 diaries, A5 blank notebooks, mouse mats, and card sets (examples are in the school office). These items make great Christmas gifts, plus your purchase will help towards our fundraising.

Our first order is closed and being processed. If you missed ordering before the first cut-off, it's not too late – we have opened a 2nd and final ordering opportunity.



Here's what you need to know:

- Go to [www.kidsartworks.com](http://www.kidsartworks.com)
- Enter your child's unique entrance code, which is printed on the paper order form already sent home. (If you have lost your entrance code, text your child's name and room to Christine on 021 0320457)
- View your child's artwork, place your order and make payment.
- **Last chance online ordering will close at 12 midday on Monday 11 November – don't miss out!!**
- Payments made by cash/cheque must use the paper order form and be delivered to the school office no later than 3pm on Friday 8 November.

For any questions about this fundraiser, please contact FOTS' Christine Wilson on 021 0320457.

### **NOEL LEEMING ALBANY FRIENDS & FAMILY DEALS**

Head to Noel Leeming ALBANY by 5 November for some amazing deals: cost + 10% on most items! This is a great opportunity to buy early Christmas presents, and you will be supporting FOTS.



### **WE ARE ON FACEBOOK**

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/)

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

### **YEAR 6 SQUASH**

Reminder to year 6 children interested in trying Squash. Free - Have a Go Day – tomorrow Friday 1 Nov 4-5pm and next Monday 4 November 3:30-4:30pm. Held at Browns Bay Racquets Club, 4 Woodlands Crescent, Browns Bay. Contact Jarrod@doubledotsquash.com



### **CHESS**

Chess sessions, for all levels start on **Thursdays 31 October 2019 till 12 December 2019 from 3:10pm – 4:10pm.**

The sessions will be held in the ESOL room. The fee will be \$100 per student for the term. Playing chess develops self-confidence, concentration and problem-solving skills. Chess Power are pleased to start a Chess Coaching Programme at Browns Bay School and look forward to bringing the excitement, competition and educational benefits of chess to the children. For registration and payment online [www.chesspower.co.nz/register](http://www.chesspower.co.nz/register)  
For more information visit our website, [www.chesspower.co.nz](http://www.chesspower.co.nz) and click Parents Centre.



### **MATHS TUTORING IN-SCHOOL**

**Calling all Year 6's - want to get ready for Year 7? Thinking Caps every Thursday morning.** Does your Year 3 - 5 child need a boost in Maths? Is your Year 6 heading off to intermediate and you want to help them feel confident with Maths when they get there? YES! We can help! We run in-school lessons at Browns Bay School so book in NOW! <https://thinkingcaps.co.nz/maths-tutoring-2/enrol/> or call Julie 09 424 3536







**Safe Kids In Daily Supervision**  
Browns Bay  
Browns Bay School Hall  
Masterton Road, Browns Bay

# Term 4 Activities

Before School Care | 7:00am to 8:30am  
After School Care | 3:00pm to 6:00pm

SENIORS		JUNIORS	
<b>MONDAY</b> All-sorts-of-sports 	<b>TUESDAY</b> Team Tactics 	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Cooking & Crafts 	<b>THURSDAY</b> Drama Day 
<b>FRIDAY</b> Lego & Free Play 	<b>MONDAY</b> Snack Art 	<b>TUESDAY</b> Born to Move 	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Team Play 
<b>THURSDAY</b> All-sorts-of-sports 	<b>FRIDAY</b> Crafts & Free Play 		

Email: [brownsbay@skids.co.nz](mailto:brownsbay@skids.co.nz) | Onsite Mobile: 022 129 0050 | Office Mobile: 021 384 038

Register now at [www.skids.co.nz](http://www.skids.co.nz) click on **Parent Login** MSD-Approved  
Work & Income NZ OSCAR Subsidy available!

## Community Fruit and Veg Stand

Free produce provided by our local community

Feel free to take what you like and drop off anything you have spare

View (and use) the stand at the  
Rothesay Bay Hall, Beulah Ave.





## Library News

### Term 4 – 2019



<h3 style="color: purple;">Student Librarians</h3> <p>There has been a change to the Student Librarian Team – students will be selected from Year 5 in Term 4 of the previous year rather than Term 1. This means that the Library will be open to students much earlier in Term 1 of each new year.</p> <p><b>Term 4 closing date for the Library is yet to be confirmed.</b></p>	<h2 style="color: green;">The Stats</h2> <p><u>Total books borrowed this year to date:</u></p> <p>20,451 – weekly average 680</p> <p>Fiction Issues: 10,606 Non Fiction Issues: 3,284 Picture Books: 5,990</p> <p><u>BBS Favourite Authors:</u></p> <p>Jeff Kinney; 814 issues Geronimo &amp; Thea Stilton; 519 issues David Walliams; 299 issues Zack Zombie; 218 issues</p> <p><u>Most Active Borrowing Classes this year:</u></p> <p>Room 17 and Room 16</p> <p>Please email Tammy if you would like to receive data around your own classes borrowing.</p>	
<p>Later this term we will be trialling lunchtime</p> <h3 style="color: pink;">Reading on the Field</h3> <p>Librarians will be outside with a selection of books and a large picnic mat. Children can come and sit in the shade and enjoy being read to, or can read independently. Further details will be shared on the Today's Notices as and when weather permits.</p>		
<h3 style="color: red;">Displays and Book Promotion</h3> <p>Please remind your students, that books on display in the library can be read while in the library, just not issued, at that time. ☺☺</p> <p>In time, books that have been on display, will be promoted for issuing the week following a display change.</p>	<h3 style="color: black;">LIBRARY WEB APP - UPDATE</h3> <p>Don't forget the Search function can be accessed from anywhere on site for students and teachers to check availability of titles.</p> <p>Access is via the Library Portal link on the school website/classes page while at school.</p> <p>We are currently looking at utilising the Reserve function and limiting borrowing and renewal options for very popular titles.</p>	
<h3 style="color: red;">New Books</h3> <p>We are still processing new books for our collection – it is ongoing, and new titles are displayed as they become ready for issuing.</p>	<p style="color: orange;">Thank you for your careful class use of the Bean Bags. They are proving popular with the children.</p> <p style="color: blue;">If you notice that a favourite book has been removed during our recent culling, please let Tammy know and we will try to replace it.</p>	