

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers Kia Ora

It is quite amazing viewing the work in the newsletter completed by the children to acknowledge ANZAC Day this year. I was very proud of our students work on display in Browns Bay commemorating ANZAC Day.

COVID-19 LEVEL 3

I hope you are all staying safe under Covid-19 Level 3. I do understand how difficult this time can be with managing safe Bubbles, the financial implications for families as well as the separation from friends/whanau and familiar activities. Please be kind to yourselves and remember the Learning Grids are for you to work through at your own pace at home with your children. We know many of you will be working from home and that we do not expect you to act as "teachers" in the way we do. Please be led by your child as to what they can and cannot do.

As you are aware the school has moved to Level 3 with three "bubbles" of students and teachers working within the school. The groups are maintaining a safe distance from each other, and even within their groups they are following the guidelines to stay safe – today we had an internal school Zoom Meeting to connect the Bubbles.

On May 11th the Government will be announcing what the next stage is; if we move to Level 2 that will bring a new set of protocols to schooling in NZ. Next week my work will

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focus on the organisation around the re-opening of the school under level 2. I am assuming that school will still not quite be as we would normally expect. As soon as the new guidelines are confirmed I will advise parents.

CONGRATULATIONS

On behalf of the school community I would like to congratulate Carrie Lindsay (Room 14). Carrie and her husband are very thrilled to be expecting their first child, due on September 1st. Carrie will be going on maternity leave around the middle of Term 3.

RESPECT / MANAAKITANGA

Respect/Manaakitanga is a key value for our school and is represented by the coastline in our school logo.

This value focuses on treating others how we would like to be treated ourselves and caring for people and the environment. These expectations can be illustrated to the children by reminding them of the physical distancing expected when walking or going outside.

TEACHER ONLY DAY POSTPONED

The Teacher Only Day that was scheduled for Friday May 29 has been postponed to later in the year. This TOD was one provided under the Primary Teachers Collective Agreement signed last year in which teachers were entitled to eight before June 2022. The postponement is in recognition of the current unsettled nature of this term.

BUILDERS ON SITE

Our team of builders are back on site working on the toilets between Room 14 and 16, as well as the deck outside Room 24 and 25. It is hoped that these two jobs will be completed before students return to school.

Regards

Peter Mulcahy

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 30 April – BOT Meeting - 6.30pm	Monday 4 May – Distance Learning Grid 3 (Star Wars reference – "May the fourth be with you")
Tuesday 5 May– Children's Day in Japan & South Korea	Thursday 7 May - Newsletter

SCHOOL EVENTS

ANZAC DAY CREATIVITY AT HOME





















We made paper poppy for ANZAC Day.





















Ben Brien from Room 16 made all these by himself.









Patcha Sheeran Room 24 excelled herself with ANZAC activities

Patcha's Post

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SCHOOL NOTICES

Year 3 and 4 Outdoor Education Programme – MERC

The year 3 and 4 Outdoor Education Programme was due to be held at MERC during May this year.

As a result of Covid-19 this programme will not be going ahead at this time.

Once we return to school we will be meeting with MERC to look at see what alternatives will be available to us for later this year.

Hopefully this means we may be able to undertake some form of modified programme for the Year 3 and 4 students.

HOME SCHOOLING SUPPLIES

Educational Essentials are available for any Art and Craft, Stationery etc. whilst the children are still at home. EEL are more than happy to supply, make home deliveries and you will be charged at their special School pricing.

Should you need them, please go to educationalessentials.co.nz and follow the instructions below.

**Do not register - Shop as guest (credit card payment required at checkout)

Add required items to cart Press checkout – top right Click Guest checkout Fill in address and details etc. Pay by credit card Put BROWNSBAY under Order No...

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FACEBOOK

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