



Browns Bay School

EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

**03 September 2020
Newsletter**



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia Ora Koutou

I would like to welcome our New Entrants and their families who have started in Room 1 with Kylie Van Der Westhuizen. Some of these students have had a delayed start to school due to Level 3 restrictions, so we are pleased to finally see them at school.

JUNIOR VALUES AWARD

At the Year 3 Assembly I was delighted to present the inaugural SKIDS Junior Values Award to Indy Hendricks from Room 15.

We are very grateful to Sue and the SKIDS team for supporting the school through the donation of this trophy.

Year 1 to 3 students will be eligible for this Award.

PROPERTY

The junior classes in Rooms 1 to 12 will soon be enjoying the new air conditioning units that are being installed into the classrooms. The units have been funded by the Board from the 2019 School Investment Package. The units will definitely help on the hot summer days!

COVID-19

The COVID-19 website states that Alert Level 2 will remain in place until at least Sunday 6 September 2020. As this timing is quite late for the start of the new week, we will continue with our current processes next week, especially the existing Drop-Off and Pick-Up arrangements.

The notice about the Countdown Supermarket earlier this week again reminds us about the need for keeping a record of where we have been. The School has not received any alerts from the Ministry of Health regarding the supermarket.

Some COVID-19 reminders are:

- At home, please continue with good hand hygiene, cough and sneeze etiquette, appropriate physical distancing when out and about and keeping your child home if they are sick.
- The official advice on face coverings is that children and young people do not need to wear face coverings at school. Other public health control measures are in place including children and staff staying home if they are sick, contact tracing, and hygiene requirements. Regardless, if your child does want to wear a face mask, that is fine.

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Community Notices

- We are continuing with contact tracing by having the Governments QR code posters at our entrances, so please check in every time you come onsite. We keep a visitor register in the Office for anyone who comes onsite for a period of time. The Room 1 and 2 teachers manage their own Drop-Off and Pick-Up registers. The Year 1 and 2 teachers manage their own Pick-Up registers.

The staff are following the guidelines expected of a school with regards to student hygiene practices:

- Wash and dry hands, cough into elbow, do not touch your face, stay home if you are sick, report flu-like symptoms.
- Disinfect and clean all surfaces daily.
- Hand sanitiser at entry to classrooms and in shared spaces. Soap, water and the ability to dry hands must be provided in bathrooms.

Classroom supplies for staff and students` health and safety are:

- Boxes of facial tissues, for disposal of in the rubbish bin.
- Hand sanitiser pump pack in close proximity to the entrance door for use.
- Liquid soap adjacent to the sink area for hand washing.
- Paper towels in a dispenser for drying hands.

Each classroom has a disinfectant spray bottle for immediate response to any health and safety incidents.

For more information about public health measures at Alert Level 2 you can [visit the COVID-19 website](#)

DISTANCE LEARNING

Supporting student learning when they are at home

At Alert Level 2 we will support learning at home for those required to self-isolate on health advice, waiting for a test result or choosing to remain at home because they are vulnerable to illness.

The Distance Learning Grids are still available and a new grid is on the school website for these children. Teachers are now focused on the children at school and supporting their progress and achievement; they are available to support vulnerable children.

Children who are staying at home because parents are concerned about COVID yet are not vulnerable may stay at home, yet please note this is not considered a justified absence. These children can still access the Distance Learning Grids yet we would prefer them to return to school.

2021 CLASS PLANNING

If you have a child to enrol or are moving schools in 2021 we would appreciate notification. This will help us with our planning. Please email the School office bbs@brownsbay.school.nz

TEACHER ONLY DAY

Please pencil in the date of **Friday 23 October** as a Teacher Only Day.

As part of the Teachers Pay Agreement in 2019, schools were allocated 8 days to use prior to June 2022. We have cancelled two of these days this year due to COVID-19 concerns yet we are anticipating this day going ahead. The day will be used by staff for professional learning.

CONGRATULATIONS

On behalf of the school community I would like to congratulate Carrie Lindsay (Room 15) and her husband Ian on the birth of their baby boy, George James Lindsay, born on 30th August.

2021 SCHOOL YEAR DATES

The 2021 school year dates are on our [school website](#) .

The first day of school for students is on Tuesday, 9th February 2021 with the year ending on Friday, 17th December 2021.

Peter Mulcahy
PRINCIPAL

UPCOMING EVENTS

A full schedule of events for Term 3 is available on our website calendar with the most current events included in each newsletter.

Thursday 3 rd September – FOTS meeting – 7.30pm – Zoom	Thursday 17 th September - Newsletter
Friday 25 th September – Term 3 ends	Monday 12 October – Term 4 begins

SCHOOL EVENTS

STAYING SAFE AND HEALTHY – Lucy Song is a Year 6 student who was new to our school from Korea at the beginning of this year. She has allowed us to share a video she made to remind us how to stay safe and healthy. [Watch here.](#)



ROOM 22 ARTWORK

Room 22 students made some lovely artwork during lockdown.



SCHOOL NOTICES

2021 ENROLMENTS

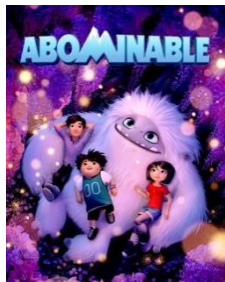
If you have pre-school children or know of any families with pre-school children that have not yet enrolled for 2021, please ask them to enrol online by Friday 18 September so we can finalise planning for 2021. Please visit the school website: <https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/enrolments/process-forms> for more information.



ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS:

Purchase a digital entertainment book and support our school fundraising. Enjoy offers from your local hospitality favourites and much, much more! To order go to -

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/9905w6>



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: POSTPONED

SECOND SCREENING - We are hoping to reschedule the second screening of Abominable for a date later in the term, and will let you know the details as soon as we can.



SUPERHERO DISCO: POSTPONED

With our current COVID restrictions in place, we have to postpone the Superhero disco! A new date will be advised as soon as we can.



NEXT FOTS MEETING: THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER at 7:00pm. This meeting will be held via ZOOM. All parents and caregivers are welcome to attend our informal monthly meetings. If you would like to view the meeting please email fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz for the code.


WE ARE ON FACEBOOK: For news, photos, updates, and event information, go to: www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School-173302139385925/

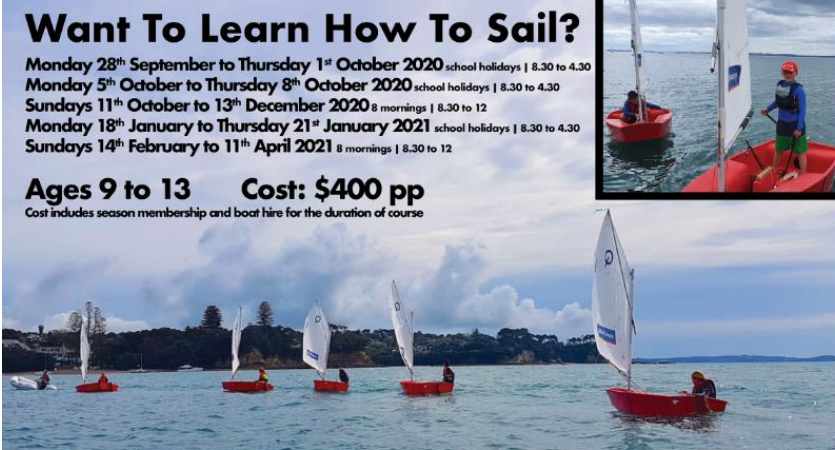
COMMUNITY NOTICES

Want To Learn How To Sail?

Monday 28th September to Thursday 1st October 2020 school holidays | 8.30 to 4.30
Monday 5th October to Thursday 8th October 2020 school holidays | 8.30 to 4.30
Sundays 11th October to 13th December 2020 8 mornings | 8.30 to 12
Monday 18th January to Thursday 21st January 2021 school holidays | 8.30 to 4.30
Sundays 14th February to 11th April 2021 8 mornings | 8.30 to 12

Ages 9 to 13 Cost: \$400 pp
Cost includes season membership and boat hire for the duration of course

Junior Learn to Sail at  **TORBAY SAILING CLUB**
Find out more and register today at www.torbaysailing.club/LTS
email LTS@torbaysailingclub.org.nz





Mairangi Bay
Junior Surf Registration
2020/2021 Season

New registrations open 21st September 2020

Please be in quick as spaces are limited,
priority is given to existing members

www.mairangibayslsc.org.nz

New members - Informal information sessions to answer any questions will be held at the Club Rooms the 15th and 17th of September (6-7pm). Please bring proof of age for your child.

1st Club Day: Sunday 1st November 2020 for all registered children aged 5 to 13.
Session times for all ages are on the Mairangi Bay Surf Lifesaving website.

Age groups are the child's age as at 30th September

Registration fees:
\$120 single child (5 & 6 yr olds)
\$130 single child (7 yrs +)
\$220 2 children in the family,
\$270 3 children in the family

Check out the juniors section of our website for more information:
<https://mairangibayslsc.org.nz/junior-surf/>

For registration queries contact admin@mairangibayslsc.org.nz





Tuesday, 1 September 2020

To our Auckland whānau

This letter is to inform you about the service delivery for the Children's Community Dental Service (Auckland Regional Dental Service).

During Level 3, there were national restrictions on the health services able to be offered to minimise the risk of spreading COVID-19. This included restrictions on routine dental treatments and check-ups. Because of this, we have now commenced our COVID-19 Recovery Plan. This means we need to firstly offer appointments to children who have been identified as requiring treatment and those waiting the longest for their routine examination. We also offer an acute service for any child who is experiencing dental pain. In addition, during the transition to Level 2 there may be some restrictions in the range of dental treatments that we are able to provide.

We apologise in advance for the delays this will cause for some children who are due a routine check-up. Please be assured that we will contact you as soon as we are able to offer your child an appointment with our service.

In the meantime, if your child is in pain or you have immediate concerns with their teeth, please phone 0800 TALK TEETH (0800-8255-83384). Our staff will be available to discuss your concerns with you directly, and will offer your child an appointment if required.

For more information as well as our top tips for keeping your child's smile bright, please search 'ARDS' on the Waitematā DHB website – www.waitematadhb.govt.nz

This advertisement for Thinking Caps Maths Tutoring features a collection of colorful circular fraction caps (yellow, purple, blue, red, orange) with mathematical symbols like plus, minus, multiply, and divide. The text 'Thinking Caps Maths Tutoring' is written in a playful font. A large blue button with white text says 'ENROL NOW' and '09 424 3536', with the website 'thinkingcaps.co.nz' below it. To the right, it lists 'Term 3 Focus: FRACTIONS', 'In-School Lessons', 'Hands On', 'Small Groups', and 'Caring, Expert Teachers'.

This advertisement for KidsLink features a circular diagram with three arrows forming a loop, labeled 'SCHOOLS', 'FAMILIES', and 'SERVICES'. In the center is the KidsLink logo with the tagline 'Creating Connections'. Above the diagram, the text reads 'We're working together to grow great kids' and 'E mahi tātou ki te whakatupu ake i a tātou tamariki'. At the bottom, it says 'Visit kidslink.co.nz for more info'.