



17 August 2023
Newsletter



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,
Kia Ora

I would like to welcome Tracey Dixon back to Browns Bay School. Tracey has been on maternity leave and returns to teaching in Room 8.

The photo above shows some of our students showing off their wacky hair during our last Travelwise event.

2024 CLASS PLANNING

I am currently working on class numbers for 2024 (NOT placements yet) and ask parents to notify me if they are going to change schools in 2024. If you know of any family with school age children that have not enrolled for 2024, please ask them to do so urgently. All enrolments are now online, please use this [form](#). I can be contacted at peterm@brownsbay.school.nz or bbs@brownsbay.school.nz.

We would appreciate this information by Friday 08 September so we can begin planning for 2024. Once we have our in zone student numbers, we can advise on how many out of zone places we will have available. This number will be advertised in late September.

2024 TERM DATES

TERM 1 Thursday 01 February to Friday 12 April
(13 April to 28 April)

TERM 2 Monday 29 April to Friday 05 July
(06 July to 21 July)

TERM 3 Monday 22 July to Friday 27 September
(28 September to 13 October)

TERM 4 Monday 14 October to Tuesday 17 December
(Christmas Holidays)

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2024

Auckland Anniversary Day	29 January (in school holidays)
Waitangi Day	Tuesday 06 February
Good Friday	Friday 29 March
Easter Monday	Monday 01 April
Easter Tuesday	Tuesday 02 April
Anzac Day	Thursday 25 April (in School Holiday)
King's Birthday	Monday 03 June
Matariki Day	Friday 28 June
Labour Day	Monday 28 October

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PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

The Board of Trustees has agreed in principle to raising funds for the laying of artificial turf in two areas of the school.

The rationale for this project was due to the rough condition of the asphalt on the Senior Court and the “asphalt heaving” around the Basketball hoops. The plan to convert a section of the field was instigated because of the poor quality of the field surface after the classrooms were removed and replaced by the temporary classrooms when the MLE building (Te Whenua and Te Ngahere) was being constructed. The recent wet weather conditions have also contributed to this decision.

A draft outline of the project is shown below:



The Senior Courts

1. Re – asphaltting the court is about as expensive as laying artificial turf over the court. Also, the Asphalt company could not guarantee the condition of the court.
2. New Basketball / Netball hoops will be purchased.
3. The layout of the courts would be a safer version than the current layout – providing a 3 metre gap around the courts away from buildings.

Field

1. The Artificial Turf area consists of a field area for a court and artificial grass connecting the Hard – court to the Field; and connecting the Field to the playgrounds.
2. A low-level fence (1m) will be between the Turf and the Field to direct children to the path and away from crossing the Turf with muddy shoes.
3. The plan is to have markings for a Futsal field, with Netball and Basketball.
4. New Basketball / Netball hoops will be purchased.

The project is planned for late 2024. This will allow funds to be confirmed from a variety of groups and also allow for other projects to be completed (e.g., Roof replacement of Rooms 13 to 17 and Rooms 1 to 7).

The Friends of the School are also committed to this project and will be working with the Board of Trustees to raise funds.

Peter Mulcahy
PRINCIPAL

UPCOMING EVENTS

A full schedule of events for Term 3 2023 is available on our school website calendar with the most current events included in each newsletter.

Friday 18 August – Y0-3 Assembly – 9.45am – School Hall (Year 3 presenting)	Friday 18 August – Y4-6 Assembly – 11.30am – School Hall (Year 6 presenting)
Tuesday 22 August – Super Cluster Basketball	Wednesday 23 August – ICAS Science Exam – 9am
Thursday 24 August – BOT Meeting - 6.30pm Staffroom	Friday 25 August – Daffodil Day (Mufti Day)
Monday 28 August – FOTS Meeting 7pm - Staffroom	Monday 28 August – Super Cluster Football
Tuesday 29 August – ICAS Maths Exam - 11am	Friday 01 September – FOTS Disco (Circus Theme)
Tuesday 05 September – Class and Individual Photos	Wednesday 06 September – Sibling Photos

TEACHER ONLY DAY

ADVANCED WARNING - Monday 13 November – Teacher Only Day - School Closed.

The Teacher Only Day has been provided by the Ministry of Education for all schools to have time to review the new Curriculum.

DAFFODIL DAY - FRIDAY 25 AUGUST (MUFTI DAY)

Daffodil Day provides a wonderful opportunity for us to remember and support those affected by cancer. This year we are looking to support the Cancer Society. Daffodil Day this year will involve a mufti day. (The children do not need to wear their school uniform). The children can wear appropriate clothing of their choice and we will encourage the children to add a splash of yellow to their clothing somehow e.g., a yellow ribbon or hair tie, a yellow wristband etc.



We would encourage the children to bring along a gold coin donation which will be collected and passed onto the Cancer Society. Our thanks for your support of this worthy cause.

SCHOOL EVENTS

STORYTIME IN THE LIBRARY

**Term 3 Storytime in the Library with
Miss Hewitt, Mrs Carr and Mrs Hammelburg**



TRAVELWISE WACKY HAIR DAY



LAUNCH! PRODUCTION UPDATE

Week 5 sees the halfway point in the rehearsal schedule for 'Launch', our Browns Bay School Production for 2023. It's all happening around the Senior team every Thursday and Friday afternoon with every student involved. The students are challenging themselves in this 'Arts' intensive production involving four allied disciplines of Visual Art, Music, Dance and Drama. They are all learning so much as they workshop their roles, collaborate with their teachers and peers, and apply their new skills. The progression we are seeing is exciting and encouraging.

As we head towards the business end of this Production Term, we will be communicating with you via email regarding ways in which you may be able to support our hardworking teacher and student team.

We are all loving this Production journey and are so excited to be offering our students this 'Arts' opportunity. Watch this space in the next edition for photos!

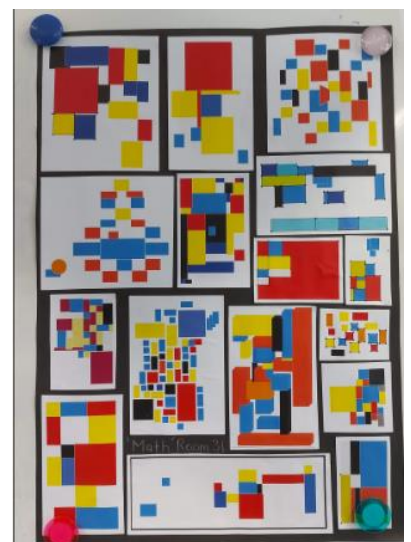
BBS Production Team.

LAUNCH!



YEAR 5 TANIWHA IMAGES

The Year 5 students have created some stunning Taniwhas inspired by a story they read recently. The students carefully planned, drew and then created their final piece of art using oil pastels. They learned how to use analogous colours to create a visually pleasing and harmonious piece of art. Here are some of the images:



MATHS WEEK BY RM 31

Room 31 enjoyed this Maths inspired art activity during Maths week. After learning about Piet Mondrian and his use of squares, rectangles and primary colours they used a Maths website to create their own.

TOUCH

Registrations are now open.

Touch is a team sport open to Year 2 to 6 students.

Games are played in Term 4 on Mondays after school (Sunnynook Park TBC).

Please go to the school website for more information on Touch, and how to register and pay. Our sports teams can only run with the amazing support of our parent community. If you are able to help with coaching or managing, please indicate on the online form when registering or email sports@brownsbay.school.nz

<https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/index.php/sports/touch>

Entries close at 9am on Monday 21 August.



CLASS AND INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Photolife Studios will be in the school on Tuesday 05 September and Wednesday 06 September to take the annual school photos. Class and individual photos will be taken on Tuesday, and sibling photos will be taken on Wednesday. All children will have an individual photo taken.

When the photos are ready for printing the children will bring home a unique photo shoot key.

This key will need to be used by parents to view and purchase photos on-line.

More information will be sent home next week.



STUDENT SAFETY REMINDER

I would like to remind families / whanau that children must be collected from the classroom / school at 3pm. Children cannot wait on the playground without supervision.

We are happy for families to play on the school grounds until 3.30pm and then we ask you to leave to allow teachers to meet and plan for the next day in peace and quiet.



BIKES AND SCOOTERS



Children in Year 5 and 6 are required to have a bike license with a completed consent form from parents or caregivers to ride independently. (Forms are available from the school office).

Without a license or for younger year levels, children are required to be accompanied by a parent or caregiver to and/or from school. When registering and obtaining consent from our school, children will be provided with a high visibility vest for their safety and may use the scooter/bike rack located behind Room 17.

Rules and Recommendations:

- All bike license rules must be adhered to.
- Closed shoes, high visibility vests and helmets must be worn.
- Scooters and bikes should not be ridden in the school grounds between 8.30am and 3.30pm.
- Bikes and scooters must be walked across the crossings and into the school grounds.
- Bikes and scooters must be parked in the bike and scooter rack behind Room 17.

CIRCUS DISCO - FRIDAY 01 SEPTEMBER

The Circus is coming to town! Come and see the amazing 'feats' of dancing!

With music, cupcakes, chips, hotdogs and (potentially) candy floss, it's FUN for kids of all ages (but specifically Browns Bay students Years 0-6).

Junior Disco Years 0-3

- 5pm - 6.30 pm

Senior Disco Years 4-6

- 7pm- 8.30 pm

Tickets are on sale now via Kindo!

- Ticket \$5.00
- Hotdog \$3.50



1st September - Friday

If you would like to volunteer to help out on the day with decorating, cupcakes or the stalls, please fill in the Google Form via this link: <https://forms.gle/2Pn3oqFN5wTnnn7c8>.

ICON Photography

Thank you to all the families that purchased an Icon Photography session. Your photos will be available for viewing 3pm - 7pm on **Thursday 17 August** in the school hall.

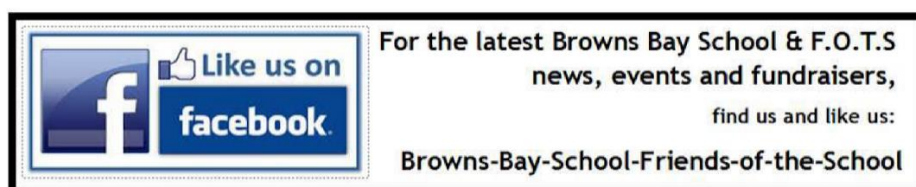
CONTACT FOTS

If you'd like to subscribe to our volunteer's mailing list, or if you wish to learn more, please email fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz, or find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School.

Please come along to our next monthly meeting on **Monday 28 August at 7pm** in the staffroom. All are welcome.

FACEBOOK

Did you know we share a Facebook page with Browns Bay School? For news, photos, updates and event information, search www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School.




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3 SEPT 2023

10AM - 2PM

PHOENIX PLAZA, CYLDE ROAD, BROWNS BAY

Presented by **BROWNS BAY**
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The poster features a central black background with a white grid pattern. It is surrounded by circular inset images showing various vehicles (a tank, a vintage car, a motorcycle) and a crowd of people. The text is in a mix of bold, stylized fonts.

Stop,
look,
listen!

Cross at the
Zebra



Cross the road at the crossing or a
place you have clear vision both ways



Never cross on a corner where cars can
come from different directions



Don't get distracted with phones, balls
or friends! Stay alert



Stop, look and listen!
Cross quickly