



**Browns Bay School**  
EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

23 November 2023  
Newsletter



## PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,  
Kia Ora

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES PARENT HELPERS MORNING TEA**

On Tuesday 28 November, the Board of Trustees is hosting a morning tea in the school hall to acknowledge and thank the wonderful parents, caregivers, grandparents and friends that contribute to our school over the year.

If you have been involved in a sports team through coaching or managing, a regular classroom helper, supported our school library, been involved in FOTS etc, please join us in the school hall at 10.30am.

To those who are unable to make it, please accept our thanks for your valuable contribution to the success of our school.



### **JINGLE**

On Thursday 30 November we have our Jingle Concert at school (save day is Tuesday 05 December). At Jingle children will perform songs and dances with a Christmas theme. The event takes place on the grass field outside the school hall. It is a picnic style event, and it is recommended you bring a rug to sit on (if you need a chair then please go to the side or back so views are not blocked). You are welcome to bring your own picnic food or buy some from the food trucks and stalls. The timeline for the evening is:

4.30 – 5.45pm	Food trucks / Jingle jars / raffles / silent auction/Korean and Chinese Food Stalls/ lantern stalls
5.45 – 6pm	Children gather in Year groups
6 – 7pm	Jingle Concert

When the concert ends the children will remain with their class teacher until they are collected by parents. Toilets will be available in the school hall and between Rooms 15 – 16.

Please remember:

- You will need CASH for raffles, Korean and Chinese food stalls, lantern stall and Jingle jars.  
Food trucks do have eftpos.
- FOTS volunteers and helpers will have a space reserved for them.
- Bring a picnic or enjoy the food stalls which open at 4.30pm.

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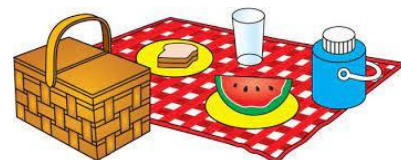
- Scholastics Book Club

#### FOTS – Friends of the School

#### Community Notices



- Look out for the marked areas near the hall to set up your picnic rug or sand chairs (if you need a higher chair then please go to the side or back so views are not blocked)
- Remember sunscreen and/or warm clothes for everyone.
- Please ensure your child has eaten before 5.45pm and has used the bathroom.
- During Jingle the Year 3 to 6 children sit with their class and teacher throughout all performances until the finish.



The Year 0, 1 and 2 children will be sitting with their teachers at the front, facing the performance before and after their item...parents to collect from their sitting place at the end of the show.

### **REPORTING TO PARENTS**

Teachers are writing End of Year Reports and will then share them with the Senior Leadership team for moderation. These reports will be available on Tuesday 12 December from 4pm. It is recommended that you download a copy of your child's report each time they are published and save for your records.

### **2023 END OF YEAR**

Please note that the school year will finish at **1pm on Thursday 14 December**.



At the end of the year there are Special Year group events planned. These are listed in the Upcoming Events.

The Final School Assemblies will be split into a Junior (Year 0 – 3) and Senior (Year 4 – 6) Assembly. The Final Assemblies are:

Year 0 – 3	Year 3 hosting	2pm	<b>Wednesday 13 December</b>
Year 4 – 6	Year 6 hosting	11.30am	<b>Thursday 14 December</b>

Peter Mulcahy  
PRINCIPAL

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

A full schedule of events for Term 4 2023 is available on our school website calendar with the most current events included in each newsletter.

Thursday 23 November – BOT Meeting – 6.30 Staffroom	Tuesday 28 November – BOT Morning Tea – 10.30am School Hall
Wednesday 29 November – Waterwise Level 5	Wednesday 29 November – Super Cluster Athletics
Thursday 30 November – Jingle – 4.30 School field	Monday 04 December – Y1/2 Cultural Shared Lunch
Wednesday 06 December – Hearing & Vision Testing	Wednesday 06 December – Y0/1 Decoration Day
Wednesday 06 December – Waterwise Level 5	Thursday 07 December – Y2 Beach Trip
Monday 11 December – Y3/4 Movie Trip	Monday 11 December – Y2 Decoration Day
Tuesday 12 December – Y2 Beach Trip (Save Day)	Tuesday 12 December – Y5 Movie Trip
Tuesday 12 December – Y6 Graduation – 6pm School Hall	Wednesday 13 December – Y0-3 Final Assembly (Y3 Hosting) – 2pm
Thursday 14 December – Y4-6 Final Assembly (Y6 Hosting) – 11.30am	Thursday 14 December – Term 4 Ends – 1pm
Thursday 01 Feb – Term 1 Starts	

### **JINGLE**

We are getting very close! There's a lot of practising going on at the moment, and I'm sure there are many households hearing the same music over and over again! Our Year 5 & 6 Jingle singers are working on their songs, our presenters are fine tuning their scripts and next Thursday we will have a crew who will be assisting with the set up throughout the day and the evening too. All our Year groups are finalising their performances for this very special event on the Browns Bay School calendar. Fingers are crossed that the weather will allow us to go ahead next Thursday evening. So, we hope the Christmas outfits are organised and the picnic rugs are shaken out of their winter storage ready for a great evening. Karen Warren.



## SCHOOL EVENTS

### JUNIOR CROSS COUNTRY

GROUP	1ST	2ND	3RD
Year 0 Girls	Sophie Pekepo	Layla Cameron	Akane Kato
Year 0 Boys	Vojin Vasovic	Tyler Edenborough	Sean Yoo
Year 1 Girls	Wanjika Gitau	Juliette Graves	Mira Mostert
Year 1 Boys	Matthew Skinner	Jiangchen Zu	Tommy Cairns
Year 2 Girls	Nicole Liu	Sharon Lee	Farah Crow
Year 2 Boys	Max Dobbie	Seymour Zhang	Cooper Hart
Year 3 Girls	Maddie Graves	Elle Turner	Leonie Berla
Year 3 Boys	Luke Houston	Lochy Iversen	Lucas Lee-Jones



## **SUPERSTARS**

At the recent school assemblies, the following pupils received certificates for their achievements:

**YEAR 0/1 TEAM** - Jada Rivers R7, Xavier Johnson R7, Juliette Glaves R8, Jack Weir R8, Yessle Choi R9, Rossouw Brand R9, Vojin Vasovic R10, Shirushti Senthil R10, Molly Thornton R11, Philip Volkov R11, Olivia Nuttall R12, Seojin Lee R12

**YEAR 2 TEAM** - Michael Al-Shemmeri R1, George Qiao R1, Cooper Goode R2, Senwei Ren R2, Willow Goodes R3, Brendan Zhang R3, Jayden Yan R4, Zara Mills R4, Marina De Paiva R5, Ozair Rampurwala R5

**YEAR 3 TEAM** - Jason Jiang R14, Mint Chaikajonsak R14, Chase Hampshire R15, Akealah Atchison R15, Sierra Vu R16, Henry Yu R16, Harper Jackson R17, Leon Liang R17



**VALUES AWARD** - Neve Syred R9

**YEAR 4 TEAM** - Elynn Son R30, Connor Dong R30, Rhia Crow R31, Jack Fowler R31, Isla Packer R32, Harley Kent R32, Callan Basson R33, Taylor Zhang R33,

**YEAR 5 TEAM** - Ishan Hooda R18, Lesley Zhang R18, Vincent Wong R19, Isobel Edmonds R19, Harrison Mills R20, Jonathan Bloem R20, Jessica Fincham R21, Mika Tongs R21

**YEAR 6 TEAM** - Isla Ruan R24, Aaron Yang R24, Tina He R25, Emma Liu R25, Sophia Ling R26, Leo Yang R26, Camila Piantelli R27, Renee Kennedy R27

**VALUES AWARD** - Scarlett Millar R25

**ACHIEVEMENT CUPS** - Kevin Wen R17, Isla Ruan R24

**SERVICE TO THE SCHOOL** – Suwon Kim R25

**ARTS AWARD** - Caleb Buist R27, Rafe Sykes R25

**SPORTS CUPS** - Shae Spangenberg R27, Liam Iversen R25





#### ICAS DISTINCTION AND HIGH DISTINCTION CERTIFICATES AND MEDAL WINNER



#### Move-a-thon top fundraisers



Huge congratulations to Leah in Room 30 on her ICAS results. Leah achieved High Distinction awards for English, Maths and Science, and won a medal for her English exam. This means that Leah achieved the top score for all Year 4 students across all schools in New Zealand. Leah, this is an amazing feat, and we are all very proud of your achievement.



### EINSTEIN OLYMPIAD

A group of Year 5 and 6 students participated in the annual MidBays Kahui Ako Einstein Olympiad. The students were part of teams with Murrays Bay Intermediate and Rangitoto College students as they competed in a variety of activities. The activities involved academic activities in literacy, numeracy and technology. The students had a great day meeting other like-minded students. It was a successful, fun day and we were pleased to see Browns Bay students in the groups that were placed second and third.



### SCHOOLS SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGE SERIES

A team of 4 Year 6 students competed at the Lactic Turkey Schools Sustainability Challenge Series at Long Bay Regional Reserve.

Each race is for teams of 4 students to compete in a 2-hour event, which includes a mix of running/walking, navigation, and sustainability-based activities. Teams navigate to as many checkpoints as they can, collecting points for each checkpoint visited. To earn extra points teams can complete sustainability themed activities which will require some research and teamwork. Examples of activities could be to identify native bird calls, match a pest to the correct trap used or make something from flax.

The aim of the event was to:

- provide an opportunity for students to show their physical capabilities through recreational activities in the outdoors.
- Provide a challenge in offering a range of activities that help students understand how parks and our environment are managed, especially regarding pest management (Ark in the Park, PTA control etc), and the impacts of recreation.
- Help foster a sense of stewardship by exposing them to Auckland Regional Parks environments, how special they are, the threats posed to them, and an understanding of how students can help minimise these.

Our Team on the day said it was a very cool and challenging experience.

We are also very proud of them for their amazing results. Out of 90 schools ranging from Senior Primary to High School, Browns Bay School came an outstanding **4th place overall** and then took out **1st place** in the Primary School division! An amazing achievement!

Lastly, a huge thank you to Harry's parents for organising and supporting the team!



## TE AO MAORI DAY

This year our Māori ākonga (identified on our school roll) were involved in a Te Ao Māori day at school. This day was a collaboration between the School and the Māori Whanau Community to support Māori students in their cultural knowledge. The day was reflective of the following Māori values: Kotahitanga - unity and togetherness; Manaakitanga - hospitality, kindness and support; Whanaungatanga - making connections, building relationships through shared experiences and working together to provide a sense of belonging. The students had a thoroughly enjoyable day, preparing and sharing together, playing traditional Māori games, and learning to weave and understand some tikanga around harakeke/raranga. It was also very moving to see the tuakana-teina relationships (where the older students helped and guided the younger students) flourish and develop.



## SCHOOL NOTICES

### SCHOLASTICS BOOK CLUB

Parents wanting to order scholastic books, to do so online by Sunday 26th November.



There will be no cash orders at school.

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

## JINGLE IS COMING: THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER!

In association with Browns Bay School students and staff, FOTS is excited to help bring you the end-of-year concert and celebration, Jingle. Book this date in your family's diary now! Every child will perform a song with their Year group at this early-evening, outdoor event. FOTS will provide a variety of food and treat stalls, starting at 4:30pm. Performances start at 6pm, and all family and friends are invited.



Remember to **bring money and cash** as there will be:

Food trucks:

- Fish and Chips
- Pies
- Coffee & Ice cream

Food stalls:

- Chinese
- Korean
- Ice blocks, water, chips and juice

Raffles & more!



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

- Can you help set-up for Jingle on Thursday 30th Nov from 1-3pm?
- Can you help out on a stall selling food items or raffle tickets between 4.30-5.45pm?
- Can you help to clean-up after Jingle? If you can help in any way, please complete the Google Form by clicking on the following link or scan the QR Code



[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSevLoE3ITykVmAqMOOgPtQuPcKQMp0rznb59NYMWBeT6yZTIA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSevLoE3ITykVmAqMOOgPtQuPcKQMp0rznb59NYMWBeT6yZTIA/viewform?usp=sf_link)

## JINGLE JARS - A Creative Weekend Project for the Kids

Get your kids creating a Jingle Jar for a bit of fun and to help raise funds for our School. Jingle Jars are donated to School and then sold by lucky dip to our children at Jingle for \$3. Kids love to discover the surprises that have been put inside.

- Fill a lidded glass or plastic jar with a variety of fun, **NEW and UNUSED items please** and if possible, choose gender neutral items.
- New small toys, stationery, marbles, arts and crafts, \$2 shop items, stickers, glow items and a small amount of sweets (no nut based items please) are great. Have some fun decorating the jar.
- Bring the Jars to your class where they are being collected now. The class who has the most Jingle Jars donated by Wednesday 29th November will win a lunch-time reward before the end of Term 4!
- If you can donate more than 1 jar - great! If you have a preschooler coming to Jingle who may want to buy a jar, please donate an extra jar so there are enough to go around.
- Thanks for your support and for helping to create some end of year fun!

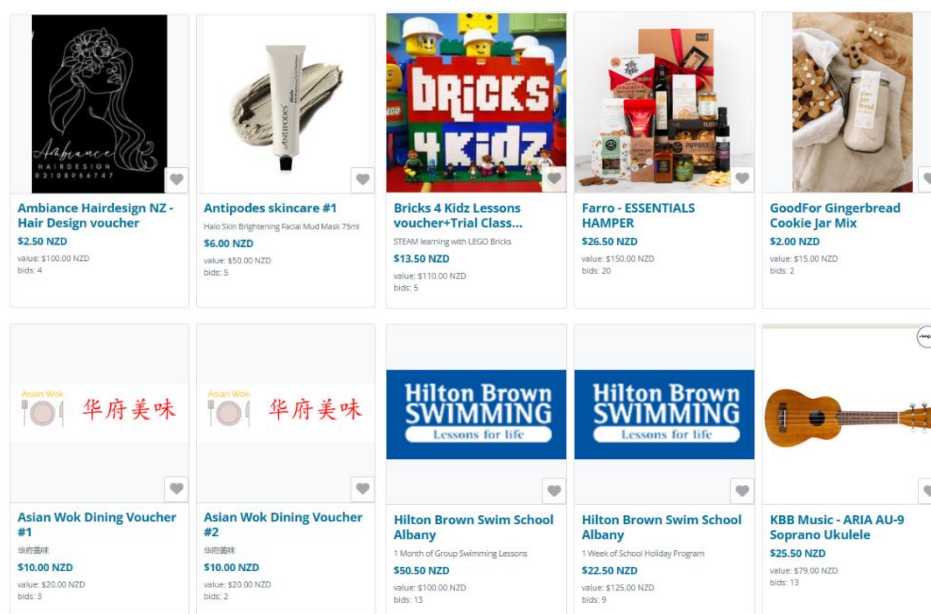


## JINGLE ONLINE AUCTION

The Jingle Silent Auction is now live! <https://www.32auctions.com/organizations/103334/auctions/152550>

Thank you to:

- Ambiance Hairdesign
- Antipodes Skincare
- Asian Wok
- Auckland Zoo
- AUT Millennium Gym
- Becca Project
- Black Antler Eatery
- BRicks 4 Kidz
- Farro
- GoodFor
- Hilton Brown Swimming
- KBB Music
- Kiwi Valley Farm
- Little Greece
- Magic Loft
- Organic Hit
- Pak'n'Save Albany
- Rangitoto Swim School
- Ripe Deli
- Skin Boutique
- Susan Mills
- The Meat Room
- Ucan2 Dance



If you know of a business that can donate goods or services to the auction, please get in touch with [fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz)

## UNIFORM DONATIONS

Do you have any uniform items that you would like to donate to FOTS? We will be accepting donations at the school office **during Term 4** for our second-hand uniform sale, to be held in Term 1 2024. Please drop off any uniform cleaned and in good condition.

## CONTACT FOTS

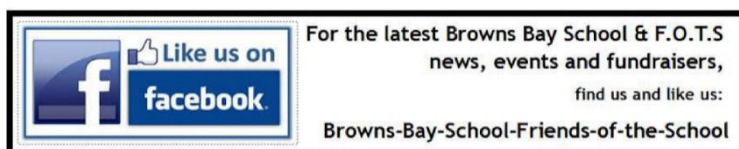
If you'd like to subscribe to our volunteer's mailing list, or if you wish to learn more, please email:

[fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz)

, or find us on Facebook [www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School](https://www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School).

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





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**Holiday Programme**  
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December Holiday programme				
Monday 11th December	Tuesday 12th December	Wednesday 13th December	Thursday 14th December	Friday 15th December
Regular Before and After School care	Regular Before and After School care	Regular Before and After School care	School finishes @ 1pm. Bookings available 1 – 6pm	Hello Summer! What's your favourite thing to do in Summer? Let's create your wish list today..
<b>skids</b>	<b>skids</b>	<b>skids</b>	<b>skids</b>	<b>SCHOOLS out for SUMMER</b>
Monday 18th December	Tuesday 19th December	Wednesday 20th December	Thursday 21st December	Friday 22nd December
<b>Santa's Workshop</b>	<b>Games Galore</b>	<b>Community Spirit</b>	<b>House of chocolate</b>	<b>Festive Party</b>
Create handmade Christmas gifts for your friends and Whanau, maybe some for yourself	There is nothing quite like playing Christmas games. It means that Christmas is nearly here right?	Christmas is a time for giving. Let's deliver gifts and bring some joy to our local elderly community.	Lots-a-chocolate today. Make some yummy delicacies, gift wrap them, ready to deliver!	Join our Christmas morning tea and party games. Only 3 sleeps to go!!
				
				12pm closing today

[Book now](#) for our Christmas Adventures programme 15<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> December.

Skids is open from 1pm on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December.  
Make your booking [here](#).



**KidsLink is the starting point for parents...**  
Learning Behaviour Extra Curricular  
Physical Needs Under 5's Well-Being

It connects you to a range of trusted services who specifically work with kids & teens

visit: [kidslink.co.nz](https://kidslink.co.nz)

## In-school Maths tutoring 2024

We are taking bookings for  
Term 1  
[office@thinkingcaps.co.nz](mailto:office@thinkingcaps.co.nz)

Years 3-6








# POSTER COMPETITION!

North Harbour Blue Light Poster Competition

Deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> December

Theme: What does bike safety look like.

Prize: Drift Bike for the winner of each category

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Three Categories

Years 1 & 2

Years 3 & 4


Years 5 & 6

One entry per student and must include full name, year group & school on the back on of the poster. All entries must be handed in to their school office by the deadline. Winners will be decided Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023 and notified through their Primary School. Winning entries and a selection of others will be shared on North Harbour Blue Lights Facebook page.

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# NORTH SHORE


# youth music

## APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR 2024




**Con Brio Choir**

Premier Choir  
Auditioned  
10 - 17 year olds




**Stringalongs**

Beginner string group  
Non-auditioned




**Junior Orchestra**

Un-auditioned  
2 Year + string and brass  
10 - 16 year olds




**Songsters**

Non-auditioned  
Beginner choir and soloists  
5 - 8 year olds



**Children's Choir**

Non-auditioned  
7 - 12 year olds



**Resound**

Auditioned  
Youth choir  
16 - 25 years old

To apply or to find out more information  
about the above groups, visit our website  
or find us on Facebook

**[www.nsym.org.nz](http://www.nsym.org.nz)**

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TUESDAY, 28 NOVEMBER 2023 FROM 15:00-17:00

Tamariki Play - Browns Bay Beach Reserve


Browns Bay Beach Reserve

**SAFE DRIVE**  
VEHICLE TESTING >>>>>>>>>

# Browns Bay



## Christmas Parade & Market



The Biggest Little Parade in Auckland

## 2 December 2023

Craft market 3pm - 7pm in Phoenix Plaza  
Parade starts at 5pm

Tamariki Play - Browns Bay Reserve Playground  
28<sup>th</sup> November 2023 3:00pm-5:00pm  
Get Out & About at Browns Bay Beach Reserve.  
The team will be there from 3:00pm-5:00pm for  
Tamariki to come down and give some games a go.  
There's something for everyone, so be sure to come  
on down for some afternoon fun. The team will be set  
up by the skatepark and playground. Keep an eye out  
for the flags to find the team.  
All brought to you by the Hibiscus and Bays Local  
Board.