



Browns Bay School

EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

**08 August 2019
Newsletter**



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia Ora

Recently we have received feedback from our school community concerned about the safety of our students near traffic. The concerns have mentioned adults and students crossing roads in dangerous places, students crossing roads unsupervised and unsafe driving decisions i.e. U-turns by crossings. I have also witnessed some poor decisions by drivers and am worried that we will soon have a serious incident outside our school. I am asking our drivers and pedestrians to demonstrate our value of Takohanga and take responsibility by making sensible choices when driving and walking.

Taking Responsibility / Takohanga



- Take ownership of your own behaviour, belongings and your learning environment
- Make sensible choices
- Challenge yourself to become independent
- Work together co-operatively

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Drop off/Pick up area



Wait at the crossing



Signs out - wait



Cross now. Cross at the crossing only.

The safest place to cross a road is at the pedestrian crossings – not at the corner of Browns Bay Road and Masterton Road. The crossings are patrolled by teachers before and after school.

Many children walk to school with their parents, family and friends, or by our "Walking School Bus". The link below will take you to our website where we have brochures in English, Chinese and Korean about the Walking School Bus.

<https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/school-information/travelwise/walking-school-bus>

PARENT SEMINAR

In conjunction with Kidslink we are pleased to invite you to the "Creating Confident and Resilient Kids" Seminar for parents. The seminar presenters are: Rechelle McNair Trainer/Facilitator and Lynley Forde from 2 Flourish – Specialist Teacher.

Please book your seat today by going on: kidslink.co.nz/events. The cost is \$20.

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KidsLink Browns Bay School

MATHS WEEK

Next week is NZ's Maths Week from Monday 12th August to Friday 16th August. Our school will be participating in many activities during this week, such as:

- activities on the NZ Mathsweek website
- trying to solve daily estimation problems on our Today Notices
- competing in a Matific competition on line for some year groups
- having lots of fun with Maths Trails and Maths fitness.

We would love to see families becoming involved as well, so why not go online to the maths site with your children.

<https://www.mathsweek.co.nz>

ENROLMENTS

We are also looking at 2020 and beginning to establish class numbers.

If you are aware of any new enrolments or know you may be changing school next year, we would appreciate notification.

Peter Mulcahy

UPCOMING EVENTS

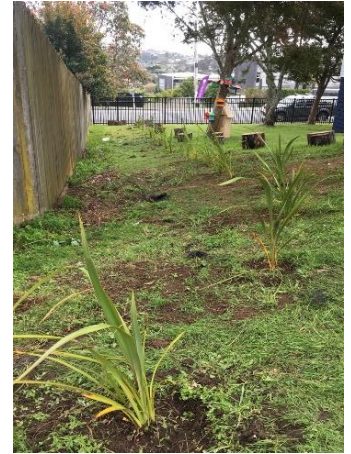
Monday 12 August – Y6 Visit Murrays Bay Intermediate	Tuesday 13 August – Prearranged Pre-school visit
Wednesday 14 August – Kidslink Seminar - 7-9pm – Creating Confident and Resilient Kids \$20	Friday 16 August - Full School Assembly
Saturday 17 August - Quiz Night - cancelled	Thursday 22 August – BOT Meeting 7pm
Friday 23 August - Hockey - Super Cluster	Thursday 29 August - Ripa/Tackle Day
Friday 30 August - Movie Night – Wonder Park 5:30pm	

SCHOOL EVENTS

TE AO MAORI DAY

On Friday 2nd August the third Te Ao Maori Day was held at the school. This day was a collaboration between the school and the Maori Whanau community to support Maori students in their cultural knowledge. The students involved presented their pepeha to whanau, completed projects based on Tikanga Maori, and prepared a hangi meal that whanau enjoyed later that day.

As part of the day our Kaumatua, John Retimana, blessed the new garden area by the entrance of the school (near Room 8). In the garden area we planted harakeke (flax) and kowhai. BOT member, Ben Sheeran, organised the harakeke, and with help from the students from the Te Ao Maori group and Year 3, the beginning of the garden was planted. We also had special visitors from the East Coast Bays Community Creche help plant some harakeke too (see our Banner photo). The goal is to develop this area in native bush to attract bird life to our school and to also create our own sustainable area of harakeke for weaving.



GARDENING CLUB

The School Gardening Club has once again proved to be popular this term with a new group of students joining the Monday session to learn about all aspects of growing plants.

Our 3 beds are full of all sorts with so many greens the kids got to take some home the first week back. Currently we have silverbeet, spinach, carrots, leeks, beetroot, rocket, broad beans a tonne of parsley, and lots more growing. The kids are learning to identify these and understand what we can use them for. Most of the kids have helped plant these from seeds. We often have plants flowering and going to seed, which give us an opportunity to see the bees at work and our plants re-sow themselves. So many opportunities for the kids to learn!

We have been very fortunate that Sarah Sheeran has organised with the local council for some new gloves for our young gardeners. We also have some new spades which will be getting some use in the spring.



Greens homeward bound! Apart from using our garden produce to make things to eat at gardening club. The next most popular activity is taking it home to mum and dad. Enjoy! Hands up showing our new gardening gloves.

SUPER CLUSTER BASKETBALL AT NORTH SHORE EVENT CENTRE – WEDNESDAY 31 JULY

Both the Girls and Boys teams displayed great sportsmanship and determination. A huge well done to both teams for making through to the Bronze finals.



SCHOOL NOTICES

MEASLES

The Auckland Regional Public Health have sent out an email update to schools about measles. They have been sending out regular updates and the last one advises Principals to:

- Update immunisation registers
- Encourage staff and families to get immunised

The best way to prevent getting measles is to have the MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccination. They recommend that you get vaccinated with at least one MMR if you do not have proof of vaccination or of having had measles. This is free for those under 50 (for adults there may be a small admin fee). Adults over the age of 50 are considered immune.

If we are alerted by the Regional Health (and it is only them that can alert us) that we have had a measles case, any child or adult under the age of 50 who has been in the same classroom, or confined space, with the case will be asked to stay at home if they:

- Have not had at least one documented MMR at least two weeks prior
- Or have not had a blood test or doctor's record showing they are immune to measles

Adults over the age of 50 are considered immune, as they are likely to have been exposed to measles as a child. The reason for this update is that more than 20 schools in Auckland have had one or more cases of measles.

TOUCH RUGBY

If you are interested in your child playing Touch rugby for the school in Term 4. Please go to the school website under Sport/ Touch to register and for more information. This will be available on the website from tomorrow afternoon Friday 9th August.



FOTS – FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

QUIZ NIGHT CANCELLED – Unfortunately, due to date clashes, we have made the decision to cancel quiz night this year. We hope to be able to bring a quiz night back in 2020!!



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT DATE CONFIRMED – FRIDAY 30 AUGUST in the school hall



Bring the whole family to our movie night featuring WONDER PARK (PG), kindly brought to you by the MAGIC LOFT in Browns Bay. Doors open at 5.30pm for a 6.00pm start. Tickets \$5 (if 2 yrs+), Snack packs \$3, Raffles \$2. Tickets will be available from 13 August via KINDO only (sorry, no cash sales).

BE IN TO WIN with a \$2 raffle - you could win a very cool VIP Movie Night lounge experience for up to 6 people, courtesy of SKIDS. Prize includes comfortable seating plus food, treats, and drinks throughout the movie! It's going to be a fun, family-friendly night of entertainment! Children of all ages must be supervised by an adult during the movie (no drop-offs please).

WORLD CUP FEVER DISCO

Make sure you save the date for our last disco of the year which will be held on Friday 20 September.

STUDENT ARTWORK CALENDARS & STATIONERY - Our children have been creating some amazing artwork this term for the 2020 calendars and stationery. Available to purchase will be calendars, diaries, sketchpads, mouse mats, and card sets. These items make great Christmas gifts, plus your purchase will help towards our fundraising project for more shade cover around BBS. More information coming home soon.

NEXT FOTS MEETING - WEDNESDAY 4 SEPTEMBER, 7:15pm, in the STAFF ROOM. Come along and find out what's happening around school in Terms 3 and 4. 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

WE ARE ON FACEBOOK For news, photos, updates, and event information, go to:

www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School-173302139385925/



For the latest Browns Bay School & F.O.T.S news, events and fundraisers,

find us and like us:

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MATHS TUTORING IN-SCHOOL

Thinking Caps every Thursday morning. Does your child find fractions and decimals scary? YES! We can help! Our focus in Term 3 is Fractions and Decimals... We run in-school lessons at Browns Bay School so book in NOW! <https://thinkingcaps.co.nz/mathcs-tutoring-2/enrol/> or call Julie 09 424 3536



**Murrays Bay
Intermediate School**

MURRAYS BAY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL ENROLMENT

Orientation school visit will be on Monday 12 August- leaving school at 9:15am and returning at 12:30pm.

Students who will be attending Murrays Bay Intermediate School in 2020, both in zone or out of zone, will need to attend our enrolment week to enrol their child into the school. This takes place during the week of the 19th August to the 23rd August. All details on how to enrol and the requirements are on our website under 2020 Enrolment. www.mbi.school.nz

Please note that an interview time is to be booked prior to enrolment week.



Northcross Intermediate School

Individual Growth through Challenge and Learning

NORTHCROSS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL ENROLMENT

Information regarding enrolment has been sent home with all year 6 children orientation. The school visit was held on 6 August. <https://www.northcross.school.nz/>



FIRE AND EMERGENCY NEW ZEALAND ("The New Zealand Fire Service")

There have been a number of house fires in the Bays area of late, including one right across from the school. We are doing what we can to try to prevent this happening to others.

Keep an eye out in following newsletters for the date and time for:

An informative presentation that will help keep you safe in your home, covering:

- The five golden rules of fire safety
- The speed of fire
- The dangers of oil/fat fires
- Special fire safety equipment for people that may have a disability

Please note: This presentation is not suitable for children due to some of the content and videos in the presentation. Extended family members, friends and neighbours are welcome to attend.

Dates and times will be advised in due course.

Nick Linton, Fire Risk Management Officer - Waitemata Fire Area

Fire Fact: "A house fire can become fatal within 5 minutes"

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