

#### PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers Kia Ora

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who were able to attend the Conferences. If you wish to have a conversation about your child, please contact the teacher to arrange a time that suits everyone.

While the Conferences were taking place, I took the opportunity to talk to the Year 4 to 6 students about the new building. I shared the design and current photos of the interior layout with the students. They were very interested in the process and keen to see the final build. I gave the students a tentative date of Term 3 for the transition into the new building.

We are currently working with the Year 5 and 6 teachers on a series of Frequently Asked Questions to share with the Community on the new build.

### **SCHOOLDOCS**

Browns Bay School has now moved its policies and procedures onto the online platform called SchoolDocs. SchoolDocs can be found at <a href="https://www.schooldocs.co.nz">www.schooldocs.co.nz</a>. SchoolDocs developed a core set of policies and procedures applicable to all New Zealand primary schools, that is tailored for each school. Last year we transitioned our specific policies to SchoolDocs to ensure our special character was evident in our policies and procedures.

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To locate our school site on SchoolDocs enter the website address into your browser. The SchoolDocs page will open,

click the green button "Search for your school" (highlighted), enter our school's name into the search area and the Sign In box will appear. The Username is **brownsbay** and the password is **bbs.** 

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# Welcome

Sign in to SchoolDocs

Username brownsbay

Password



On the website you will find our policies such as the Complaints Policy which is located under Employer Responsibility. If you have difficulty finding the policies, use the search bar.

During the year I will offer parents the chance to participate in Policy Reviews through the website.

# COVID-19

The school has maintained an orange setting since the start of Term 2. In the table below I am providing some information on our current levels of Covid-19

#### **Covid Positive Cases for Term 2**

	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Total
Week 1 (2 – 6 May)	5				2	3	10
Week 2 (7 – 13 May)	5	2	4	4	4	5	24
Week 3 (14 – 19 May)	1	3	2	1	9	7	16

We currently have 22 students who are self-isolating at home.

Most of the cases are spread across the school with most classes having 1 or 2 Covid cases reported. We did notice a spike in one room. The parents were informed of the situation and children in that room were asked to wear masks. The room is being well ventilated and has had an air purifier installed.

The school has received two air purifiers from the Ministry of Education and 4 CO2 monitors. The purifiers have been placed in a high traffic area and in a room with challenging ventilation. The monitors are being moved around the school to check the air quality in different rooms.

# **SCHOOL VALUES: TRIMPER**

At our next school assemblies, I will be introducing our new students to TRIMPER. Trimper helps our students remember our school values:









T Taking
R Responsibility
I Inquiring
M Minds
P Personal
E Excellence
R Respect



#### **STAFF NEWS**

Congratulations to Kerry Jowett and her husband Andrew on the birth of their daughter Savannah Grace who arrived on 05 May.

Peter Mulcahy PRINCIPAL



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

A full schedule of events for Term 2 2022 is available on our school website calendar with the most current events included in each newsletter.

Thursday 19 May – Conferences for Students	Thursday 19 May – BOT Meeting – 6.30pm -Staffroom			
Friday 20 May – Pink Shirt Day (tomorrow)	Wednesday 01 June – FOTS Meeting – 7pm Staffroom			
Monday 06 June – Queens Birthday – (school closed)	Friday 17 June – FOTS Disco – See FOTS section			
Thursday 23 June – Teacher Only Day - (school closed)	Friday 24 June – Matariki Day – (school closed)			

# PINK SHIRT DAY - FRIDAY 20 MAY (TOMORROW)

This week is Bully Free week. Teachers have taken the opportunity to use the amazing resources from the <u>Bully Free website</u> for use in their classrooms. The message this year is He kōtuinga mahi iti, he hua pai-ā rau / Small ripples create big waves. The week provides a great opportunity for students to celebrate what makes them unique and encourages schools to build environments where everyone is welcome, safe, and free from bullying.



On Friday, Pink Shirt Day (20 May), students are allowed to wear a pink shirt or add a splash of pink to their clothing to celebrate Bully Free week. The added splash may be their whole uniform or a ribbon in their hair. Please note: There is no donation required or expected.

#### **SCHOOL EVENTS**

# **MSPORTS FOOTBALL SKILLS**

Msports came to Browns Bay School to give the children a chance to experience Football in a fun environment. They played games and learnt new skills. The rain held off and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity. These photos show Room 34 from Year 3 having fun with Chris and Rossi!









#### **YEAR 4 MERC**

Year 4, Rooms 31 and 32 enjoyed their Outdoor Education Day at MERC Long Bay last week.

Here are some reflections written by some of the students about their experiences at MERC:

"My favourite activity at Merc was **Archery.** You could shoot with real arrows and compete with others to see which team could get the most points. I was very proud because I shot a bullseye in my first archery shot ever!"

By Eric Room 32.



"All the activities at MERC were fun, but I loved Climbing and Outdoor Survival Skills. Climbing let me do what I love, trying harder things and getting better. Outdoor Survival Skills let me learn new things that will help me to be safe and to survive in the wild or nature."

By Amelia Room 32.



"Surf Skills was my favourite activity because you didn't have to wait your turn and the instructor helped everyone. I was very proud because I had never surfed before, and I stood up so many times. I even did a big turn in the middle of catching a big wave. The instructor said that the turn is very hard to learn, and I did it by accident."

By Bella Room 32







# Room 31 students share their proudest moments from MERC:

# Alena

"I am most proud of Moana Paddle because I was too scared to get on it, so I went on it on my second try."

#### Harrison

The activity that I am most proud of is surf skills because I could go into the barrel of the wave on a surfboard.

#### **Johnathan**

I am most proud of Survival Skills because I liked the way my fort was built.



I am most proud of Rock Climbing because I almost got to the top.







# **YEAR 3 MUSEUM TRIP**

As part of our Topic enquiry on Natural Disasters, Year 3 went to the Auckland Museum to learn more about Volcanoes and other events in New Zealand's history. We were also lucky enough to see Dinosaur Pete while we were there. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and this was another fantastic Outdoor Education Day opportunity. Thanks again to those parents who helped us on the day. It was very much appreciated.



# **NEW ENTRANT AND YEAR 1 LUNCHTIME LEGO CLUB**

An insight into our fabulous Lunchtime Lego Club which the New Entrants and Year 1 children get to enjoy.













# **WATERWISE**

An glimpse into our Waterwise Programme. Thanks to Otis for the wonderful photos.













**SCHOOL NOTICES** 

# SCHOOL ONSITE LUNCHROOM

The Browns Bay School Lunchroom is open on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday only and offers children a number of healthy and tasty lunch choices.

You can download the current menu and print a copy for your reference.







The Browns Bay School Lunchroom Menu is on Kindo and lunches can be ordered through your Kindo account from home with no need for COINS and ENVELOPES. The Browns Bay School Lunchroom is cashless.

Order before 9.15am on the day to ensure your lunch order is processed.

# FOTS – Friends of the School

#### **HELLS PIZZA LUNCH - CANCELLED**

We are sorry to announce the Pizza Days will be cancelled due to long term staffing shortages with the pizza company.

- Years 5 & 6 Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May
- Years 3 & 4 Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May
- Years 1 & 2 Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

Please have patience as we work to refund the orders.



We are extremely disappointed we are not able to run this event for the kids and hope to have another lunchtime treat organized soon.

Thanks for your continued support and understanding.

#### **DISCO WINTERWONDERLAND**

Get your Fluro on and Save the Date! The first Disco for the year has been scheduled for Friday 17 June! Parent volunteers will be needed for baking cupcakes, and on the night to help with setup, hotdogs, lollies and tidy up. A volunteer form will be sent out to the FOTS Mailing list, if you would like to receive it, please subscribe to our volunteer's mailing list by contacting **fots@my.brownsbayschool.nz.** 

#### **FUNDING AVAILABLE!**



FOTS is inviting applications for the 2022 Discretionary Fund. If you are a staff member, coach or helper and require funding for a small school project or activity, please download an application form here:

https://tinyurl.com/FOTS-DF2022Term2

Applications must be submitted to Jacky Carr by 3pm on Friday 01 July. Successful applicants will be notified by the end of Term 2, and allocated funding must be used in Term 3.

For further information, please contact Jacky Carr: jackyc@brownsbay.school.nz or the FOTS Discretionary Fund sub-committee: fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz

#### **CONTACT FOTS**

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



Please come along to our next monthly meeting **Wednesday 01 June at 7 pm** in the staff room. All welcome.

#### **FACEBOOK**

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



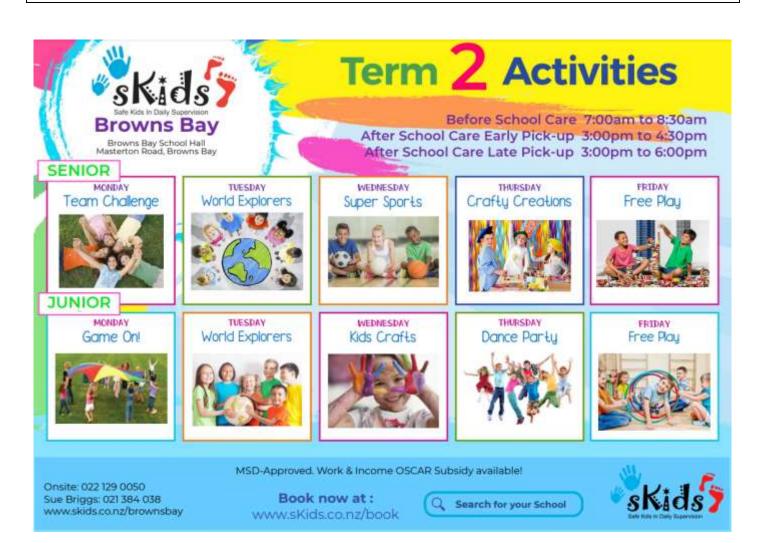
# **Teacher Aide Position**

We are currently seeking a Teacher Aide to join our collaborative, supportive and hardworking team. Previous experience working with students with high levels of learning needs is a bonus but not essential. A sense of humour is also a plus. Applicants should also have a high level of professionalism and an understanding of the confidential nature of this position.

At present we are looking for a Teacher Aide to join our team four days per week from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Position requirements:

- Ability to connect with students and form positive relationships.
- Work alongside the classroom teachers and receive instructions and guidance for how to support the student.
- Be able to use initiative when required.
- Excellent communication skills.
- Uphold and live our school values of Respect manaakitanga, Personal excellence tu rangatira, Taking responsibility takohanga, and Inquiring minds whai whakairo.

Please contact Liz Hammelburg, Associate Principal/Senco at <u>lizh@brownsbay.school.nz</u> for a copy of the job description and an application form. We look forward to hearing from you. Many thanks.







# **Browns Bay School**

5 weekly sessions

Starts: Friday 27th May

. Time: 3.10 - 3.55pm

Venue: School Field
Cost: \$64 per child

\$32 per extra sibling

Register on enrolmy.com/msports-northshore







