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Newsletter



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents & Caregivers
Kia Ora

Our thoughts are with our Korean families who have friends and family in Seoul. We know many people here have been affected by the tragedy in Itaewon this week. Korea is currently in a state of mourning until 05 November to respect the victims.

COMMUNITY SURVEY

The Browns Bay School Board are collecting feedback from parents to assist in the development of the Browns Bay School Strategic Plan 2023 to 2025.

Also included in this survey will be a section where we consult with our community on aspects of the health curriculum. Your responses will help us to make decisions about how much emphasis is placed on different aspects of Health.

If you cannot do the form electronically then paper copies will be available in the school office. This survey closes on Friday 11 November.

English Version <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CD8PJ3M>

Chinese Version <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/C388JN9>

Korean Version <https://ko.surveymonkey.com/r/C37TGNH>

Thank you very much to those parents who have already completed the survey.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES PARENT HELPERS MORNING TEA

On Tuesday 29 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 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.

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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 the eTap Parent Portal on Wednesday 14 December.

HEALTH UPDATE

We would ask parents to advise us if children are sick with Covid-19 to report positive cases only on the google form located on our [BBS website](#).

Please also be aware that children should be symptom free for 48 hours following vomiting or diarrhoea before returning to school.

PROPERTY UPDATE

Our school site is slowly returning to normal with the relocatable buildings being removed. Last week the Portacom buildings on the field were taken away and we expect the Modacom buildings under the Pohutukawa trees to be removed over the weekend.



Peter Mulcahy
PRINCIPAL

UPCOMING EVENTS

A full schedule of events for Term 4 2022 is available on our school website calendar with the most current events included in each newsletter.

Friday 04 November - Football Kids Promo Day	Monday 07 November – Super Cluster Touch – 9am (Ashley Park)
Tuesday 08 November – Travelwise Team Visit to The Cloud	Tuesday 08 November Y6 Session with Constable Wansink
Wednesday 09 November – Level 5 Waterwise Sailing	Monday 14 November – Y6 Session with Constable Wansink
Monday 14 November – Swimming Pool open to class swim sessions only	Tuesday 15 November – Te Ao Maori Day (off site)
Wednesday 16 November – Level 5 Waterwise Sailing	Friday 18 November – Y1-3 Assembly – 9.30am (Invite Only)
Friday 18 November – Y4-6 Assembly – 11.30am - (Invite Only)	Tuesday 29 November – Board of Trustees Parent Helpers Morning Tea -School Hall – 10.30am



GRAND FINALS

Congratulations to our Year 6 team Jonathan, Sophie, Aaren and Sophie for attending the Grand Finals of the EPro8 competition.

Twelve teams from across Auckland met for the final finale of the competition. This required the students to choose a challenge, then design, construct and engineer a number of moveable parts to earn points for their team. During the three hours, they need to solve problems they encounter, work cooperatively as a team and complete as many tasks as they can within that time frame.

Competition was tight and all teams were close in earning points on completion of their chosen tasks. It was a race to the end to secure a place in the top three.

An outstanding effort and achievement to place 3rd = in the Auckland region for the 2022 EPro8 Challenge. Well done!



A STUDENT'S RECOUNT OF THE YEAR 6 BIGFOOT DAYS

It was a Thursday morning when we saw the climbing wall standing tall at the school. The mufti group of kids were excited and eager to have a go at the adventures. First up was archery, (my favourite) even though we didn't win I still hit the target and got points. Next it was the thing most people were most excited for, the huge climbing wall. The helpers were friendly and encouraged us to keep climbing and try new challenges like just using one colour hold. The climbing time was soon done and that meant it was pancake time. The pancakes were average, but we got to decorate them and there was a competition to see who made the best pancake. Sadly, it was almost over with one activity left, the first aid. The first aid guy was funny and taught us lots of things like how to treat injuries. Then it was the end but there was still another day filled with activities on Monday.

On Monday we had to get on three buses to get to Long Bay for the rest of the activities. After arriving at Long Bay, we played buddy up (a game where you buddy up and copy the things the leader says to do,) soon after we got sorted into teams, that we would be spending the rest of the day with. I got put in the black team; we were competing for the golden nugget. We then played games against the other teams like find the puzzle pieces and with a blindfold and make the puzzle, tallest tower where you make a tall tower using bamboo sticks and ropes, squash the ants where you step on the numbers in order but only one person can have their foot on a number at the same time or landmines where you try walk past all the people without touching them with a blindfold on. After we completed those there were another five challenges including human skis, don't step in the chocolate river while using the marshmallows

to stand on, beanbag slingshot, gutter ball when we had to get a ball into a bucket when there wasn't enough pipes to reach and tug of war between all of the teams there was even a tug of war match between the adults and kids but the kids won. The overall winning team of the golden nugget was the team 6, sadly not my team but that was fine. Most people thought the first day was better but I'm not sure, I loved both and would definitely do it again. But we couldn't have done any of these things if there were no parent helpers.

By Zara Rm 24.

FOTS DISCO

A few photos from the recent FOTS Monster Mash Disco which was a huge success and was enjoyed by all!





ECO-WARRIORS!

The BBS Eco-Warriors group have been taking part in the Crombie Lockwood Sunflower challenge. They have been growing their own sunflowers at home with the goal of seeing if we can get the tallest sunflower in the country! So far, our sunflowers have grown into seedlings and some have already had to be re-potted!

Delphie Rm 32 has already won a prize for her growing efforts 😊

Over the last few weeks, we have also been working with Julia and Jocelyn from Restore Hibiscus and Bays to tackle the invasive weeds around Browns Bay School. We have begun with the harakeke garden by Room 8. The Eco-Warriors are learning to identify weeds, 'cut and paste' invasive plants and how to compost green waste. It has been a lot of fun and great learning for the gardening crew 😊



TREE PLANTING

Photos from the replanting activities replacing kowhai in our tree avenue on Browns Bay Road, where trees didn't make it through last summer's dry spell. Lots of smiles and laughter and a great learning outside the classroom opportunity.

The school has a planting plan that has identified a number of green spaces for future planting. If you want to see more green areas around the school, have a look at the planting plan on the school's website.



LEVEL 5 WATERWISE

This week saw the start of Level-5 Waterwise sailing for our senior students. What a great day on the water. Let`s hope for many more days like this, this term.



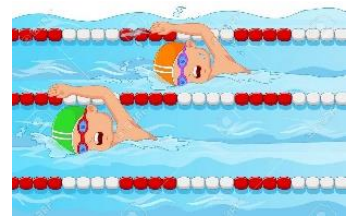
NORTH SHORE SWIMMING COMPETITION

This week we had a small team of competitive swimmers compete at the North Shore Primary Schools Swimming Championships.

This competition is a very competitive event involving many schools on the North Shore. Most events have up to 30 competitors competing.

Well done to the Browns Bay School team who achieved some great placings in their respective age groups. We are proud of the way you supported one another throughout the day!

Thank you to the parents who help out on the day and with transport.



KIWI TAG FOOTBALL

A great and successful day was had by the Browns Bay School Tag Football Team at the Northern Zone Kiwi Tag Football Day. Every game was played with great sportsmanship, teamwork, and a lot of fun.

A huge congratulations to the team who came away unbeaten winning all their games. Mahi Pai! Also, a huge thank you to the parents/grandparents who helped on the day!



PERSONALISED ACCOUNTS ON KINDO – TEMPORARILY UNAVAILABLE

We are making some upgrades behind the scenes with your personalised accounts on Kindo.

This means the Fees and Donations option will be unavailable for approximately 5 working days.



This upgrade will begin on Friday 04 November 2022, to minimise disruption to you.

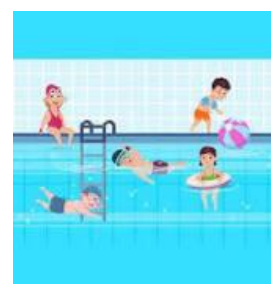
Our Kindo Shop will still be open, so you will still be able to pay for optional items, like lunches and fundraisers.

Thanks for your patience with the upgrade, and we will let you know when you can view and make payments on your personalised accounts again.

HELPERS NEEDED FOR THE SCHOOL POOL

We are looking for 3 school families to take on the responsibility for the swimming pool water testing only between 24 Dec and 12 January including weekends. Full training will be given, and free use of the pool will be provided to those families.

Please email property@brownsbay.school.nz if you can help.



HAROLD SOUVENIRS AVAILABLE TO BUY AT BROWNS BAY SCHOOL

Write your name, class and what you'd like to buy on the outside of an envelope, along with the cash amount enclosed. Hand in to your teacher or the office. Your Harold souvenirs will be given to your teacher to hand back. CASH SALES ONLY – wherever possible, please provide exact change.



****ORDERS CLOSE MONDAY 07 NOVEMBER****

MONSTER MASH DISCO - THANK YOU!

A big thank-you to all the kids that came along and had fun at the Monster Mash Disco! Thanks to the FOTS team, teachers and parents that provided support making cupcakes, balloons, hotdogs & decorations!



ARTWORK CALENDAR & STATIONERY



Ordering will open soon.

Please keep an eye out for order forms being sent out soon.

Our children have created some amazing artwork that will be made into calendars and stationery for 2023.

Available to purchase are calendars, A5 diaries, card sets, mouse mats, A5 blank notebooks.

These items make great Christmas gifts, plus your purchase will help towards our fundraising project for more shade cover around Browns Bay School.

JINGLE IS COMING: THURSDAY 01 DECEMBER!

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.

We will need volunteers, mainly on the BBQ, food, drink and Silent Auction stalls, as well for setting up, so please fill out [this google form](#), if you want to get involved.



Jingle 2022 Thursday 1st December

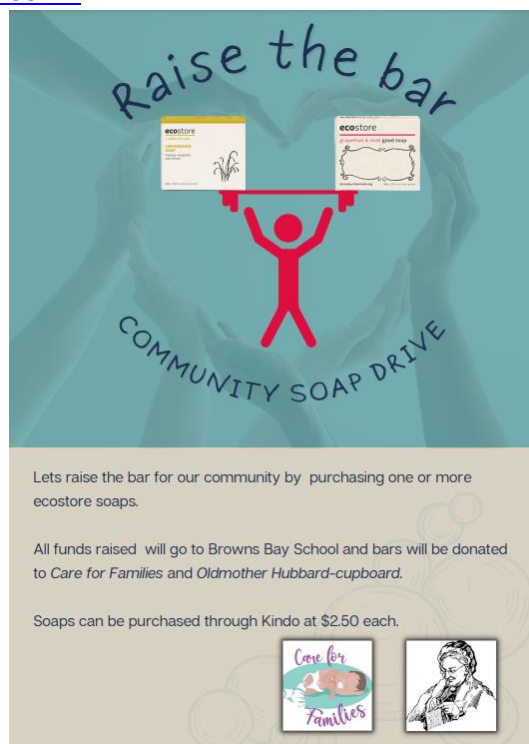
Start making your Jingle Jars now!
Do you have anything you can donate to our silent auction or raffle?

JINGLE AUCTION & RAFFLE ITEMS NEEDED

We would LOVE your support!! As part of Jingle this year, FOTS is holding a Silent Auction and Raffle to help get your Christmas presents sorted! This is where you can help! Do you own or work for a business that would like to donate a product, voucher, service, or experience to the Silent Auction or Raffle? If you have a prize to donate, please get in touch: fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz

UNIFORM DONATIONS

Do you have any uniform items that you would like to donate to FOTS? We are now accepting donations at the school office for our second-hand uniform sale, to be held in Term 1 2023.

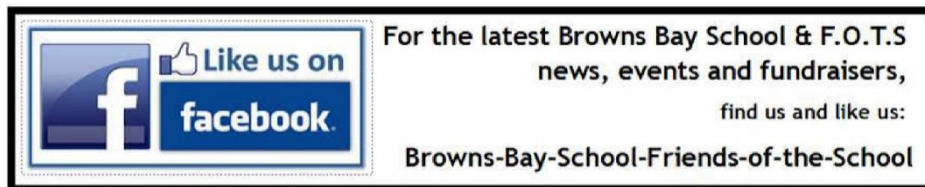


CONTACT FOTS

If you would like to subscribe to our volunteer's mailing list, or if you wish to learn more, please email fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz, or find us on Facebook 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



COMMUNITY NOTICES



Browns Bay School

- 5 weekly sessions
- Starts: Friday 11th Nov
- Time: 3.10 - 3.55pm
- Venue: School Field
- Cost: \$64 per child
\$32 per extra sibling

Register on enrolmy.com/msports-northshore



M-sports-footykids.org.nz



Membership code: **BROWNSBAY**

Anyone using this code, 10% will go to Browns Bay School.

LIGHT UP THE PLAZA 2022

PHOENIX PLAZA • CLYDE ROAD • BROWNS BAY

Friday 18 November

from 4.30pm

Kids' Entertainment
Spot Prizes
Live Music
Games

event details at
brownsbay.org.nz

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3 December 2022 - 5pm



EXTENDED PARADE ROUTE



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at Marine Centre

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