



**Browns Bay School**

EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

**16 May 2019  
Newsletter**



## PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers  
Kia Ora

### **STRIKE – SCHOOL CLOSED - WEDNESDAY 29 MAY**

The letter below was sent to all parents by email this morning:

The Board of Trustees cannot provide teaching or supervision for students during the upcoming strike.

The NZEI (New Zealand Education Institute) has advised the Board of Trustees that the principal and teachers at our school will be taking strike action on WEDNESDAY MAY 29 for the full day.

The Board has carefully considered the availability of teaching staff, and unfortunately decided that we can't provide the normal teaching services during the strike. It is important that you make alternative arrangements for the care of your child/children on the day of the strike.

The school will need to close during this strike. I know this is inconvenient for parents and students, but please be assured that student safety is our main concern.

Thank you for your understanding. Please contact Peter Mulcahy  
[peterm@brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:peterm@brownsbay.school.nz) if you have any queries regarding this situation.

Yours sincerely  
Aaron Cooper (Chair Board of Trustees)

If you are interested in researching the background of the strike then information can be found on the [NZEI website](#).

You will have noted that this Strike Day is in the same week as our Teacher Only Day. The TOD date was set in late 2018 and with over 500 teachers involved it is too late to change this event. The decision to have a Strike Day on May 29 was beyond our control.

### **MRS LIZ DAY**

Liz has advised the Board that she will be retiring at the end of this term. Liz is an Assistant Principal, with responsibility for Learning Support and the Year 1-2 Team. Liz has decided to retire to enjoy her growing family of grandchildren, to travel and she hopes to be back for relieving. At our last Board meeting Liz was presented with a certificate from the

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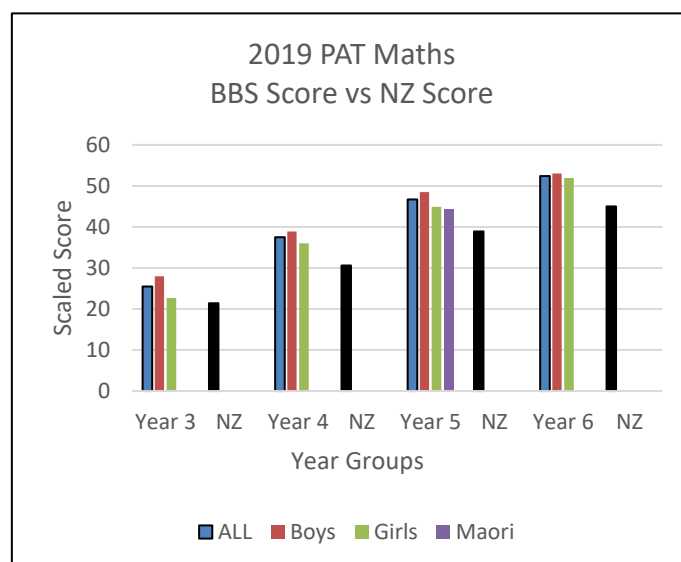
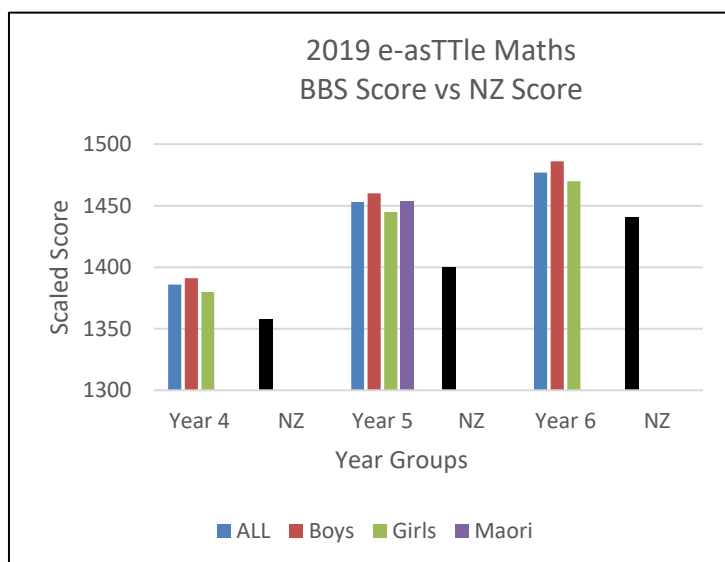
### Community Notices

NZ School Trustees Association in recognition of her considerable length of service as a Staff Representative on the Board. We will sorely miss Liz's knowledge and kind approach to the students at our school. We wish her all the best for the future.

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

At the last Board meeting I presented a report on the results of our student's achievement in two tests that are standard across New Zealand. I am pleased to share the Mathematic results with you from the Progress and Achievement Test (PAT) and the e-asTTle test that students sat in Term 1. I have used the average scaled scores from each year group, compared to the NZ expected score. Please note the scaled scores in PAT differ to e-asTTle.

All Year group's achievement in both assessments were better than the NZ (as shown in black) expected score. Boys and girls results were fairly even, across all year groups.



Peter Mulcahy

## BOT - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### BOARD ELECTIONS

The nomination forms have been sent out to the community by our Returning Officer and they close on **Friday 24 May**. In the lead up to this election the following dates are important:

Close Supplementary Roll	Noon Wednesday 22 May
<b>Nominations close</b>	<b>Noon Friday 24 May</b>
Voting papers sent by	Wednesday 29 May
<b>Election Day</b>	<b>Noon Friday 7 June</b>
Count Votes	Thursday 13 June
<b>Board Takes Office</b>	<b>Friday 14 June</b>

In this election the Board requires **five** parent representatives and one staff representative. If you are interested in being on the Board of Trustees you can:

- Contact me for any information on [peterm@brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:peterm@brownsbay.school.nz) , or
- Talk to a current Board member - <https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/about-us/bot> , or
- Visit <https://www.trustee-election.co.nz/viewez/>

Please note we will be mailing information out to parents and would like to remind you about the delivery timeframes of posted letters. You may need to ensure any posted nominations / votes are within delivery timeframes.

The Board has changed the date of the following Board Meeting to **June 20**. This was done to accommodate the incoming Board.

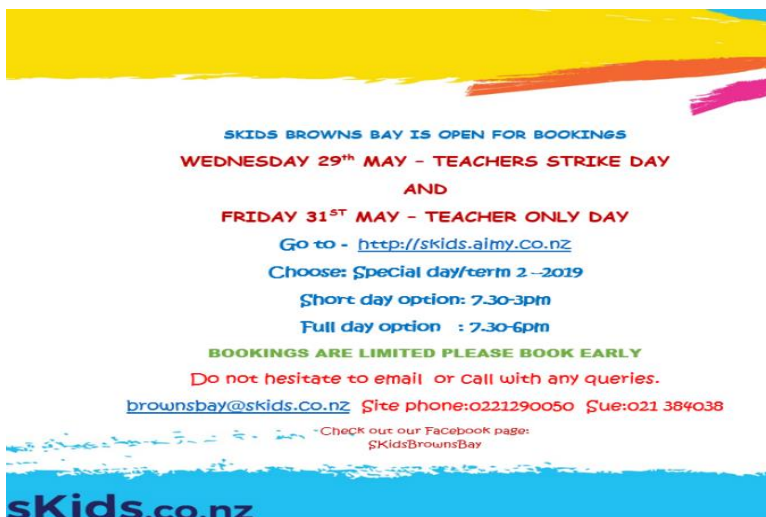
## UPCOMING EVENTS

BULLY FREE WEEK – 13 – 17 May	
Friday 17 May – Pink Shirt (or something pink) Day	Friday 17 May – Emergency Drill
Tuesday 21 May – Pre-school Visit	Tuesday 21 May – School X Country
Tuesday 21 May – Maori Whanau hui 7pm	Wednesday 22 May – School X Country (save day)
Thursday 23 May – Ripa / Tackle Day	Friday 24 – BOT Nominations close (noon)
Friday 24 – School Assembly (Yr2)	Friday 24 – Yr 5 Group – River study
Monday 27 May - School X Country (save day)	Tuesday 28 May – Ripa/ Tackle (save day)
Wednesday 29 May – STRIKE DAY – School Closed	
Thursday 30 June – Travelwise Day	Thursday 20 June – Kahui Ako Rehearsal Day – leads only
Friday 31 May – Teacher Only Day – School Closed	Monday 3 June – Queen's Birthday Holiday – School Closed

## SCHOOL EVENTS

### TEACHER ONLY DAY – FRIDAY 31 MAY

The Board has approved this day as a Teacher Only Day for professional development. This means the school will be closed. All teaching staff will be attending a professional development day with the teachers from our Community of Learning cluster. This is the day before the Queen's Birthday weekend and may be an opportunity to make it a slightly longer weekend.



SKIDS BROWNS BAY IS OPEN FOR BOOKINGS

WEDNESDAY 29<sup>th</sup> MAY – TEACHERS STRIKE DAY  
AND  
FRIDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY – TEACHER ONLY DAY

Go to - <http://skids.aiomy.co.nz>  
Choose: Special day/term 2 – 2019  
Short day option: 7.30-3pm  
Full day option : 7.30-6pm

BOOKINGS ARE LIMITED PLEASE BOOK EARLY  
Do not hesitate to email or call with any queries.  
[brownsbay@skids.co.nz](mailto:brownsbay@skids.co.nz) Site phone: 0221290050 Sue: 021 384038

Check out our Facebook page:  
SKidsBrownsBay

**skids.co.nz**

### PINK SHIRT DAY – FRIDAY 17 MAY

This week has been Bully Free week. Classes have taken the opportunity of the amazing resources on the [Bully Free website](#). The theme this year is 'Whakanuia Tōu Āhua Ake! Celebrating Being Us!' The week provided a great opportunity for students to celebrate what makes them unique and encourage schools to build environments where everyone is welcome, safe and free from bullying.

The link on our website will take you to a booklet for parents giving ideas and suggestions for supporting children with this issue. A copy is available in the school office.

<https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/school-information/latest-news/bully-free-week-13th-17th-may>

On Friday (tomorrow) students are allowed to wear a pink shirt (or something pink) to celebrate Bully Free. There is no donation required or expected.





### **HOWICK HISTORICAL VILLAGE TRIP - YEAR 1**

Room 9,10,11,12 Trip to Howick on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May.

The year 1 children had a wonderful day, stepping back in time to learn what life was like in the past.

The children got to experience an old school house lesson, explore inside toys from long ago, learn some 19<sup>th</sup> century nursery rhymes and the actions that went with them and play some Victorian outdoor games like stilts, quoits, hoops and skimmers. It was a massive day, jam packed with lots of fun and exciting learning.



### **ZOO TRIP - YEAR 2**

Year 2 had a wonderful trip on 14 May, exploring Auckland Zoo.





**MERC OUTDOOR DAY - YEAR 3 – 8 MAY**



**MERC CAMP ROOM 23, 24, 25, 27 & 28 - YEAR 4 – 6, 7 & 13, 14 MAY**





### **NZ BARBARIAN RUGBY FUN DAY**

On Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May our Tackle Rugby team played in the NZ Barbarian Rugby Fun Day at Bruce Pulman Park in Takanini. This was such a fun morning and the boys were such great ambassadors of the school. They played 3 great games against schools from all over Auckland with amazing results:

BBS Vs Pukekohe Hill School 20-10 win

BBS Vs St Kentergern Pre 35- 5 win

BBS Vs Cockle Bay School 50- 0 win

A huge thanks must be given to Steve Watt who was our Schools allocated Barbarian player. Thanks also to Brent Bibbie and Moehewa Armstrong coaches of the team and to all the Mothers who supported the team on Mother's Day!



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### ***SCHOOL NOTICES***

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#### **TRAFFIC**

I would like to remind parents about safe driving around the school at drop off and pick up times.

##### **Browns Bay Road**

- 40 km per hour speed
- Respect the NO parking lines, our neighbours driveways and the Bus Stops
- Respect the Crossing Barriers

##### **Masterton Road**

- 40 km per hour speed
- Respect the NO parking lines and our neighbours driveways
- Respect the Crossing Barriers
- Drop Off Bay - just drop the children off and please stay in the car
- No U turns – just go around the block onto Hyde Road and then Browns Bay Road

**Please note that the Community Police Officer will be doing random patrols and we also have an option to advise the Police of cars breaking the Road Rules.**

#### **EMERGENCY PLANNING**

A key role of our job at school is to ensure the safety of students while they are in our care. This is a role we take very seriously. The school engages the services of Wade Harrison, Safety Consultant, to review the school's Emergency Plan each year. Wade is coming in on May 17 to speak to the children about our emergency plans. We have two main plans, "lock down" or "evacuate". The children will know them as the GO or STAY procedure. We will be doing a trial of the "lock down" or STAY drill while Wade is at school. Each term we will practice either a "STAY" or "GO" drill to ensure we are prepared for possible events.

**NEXT FOTS MEETING: WEDNESDAY 5 JUNE, 7.15pm, STAFF ROOM**



We need your help! Our group of volunteers is shrinking, putting your favourite school events like Discos and Movie Nights in jeopardy. FOTS also fundraises for projects around the school that are not covered by the Ministry of Education or school budgets – the Studio, new junior playground, and awesome

shade sails were all supported by FOTS. So come along to a meeting and see how you can help – every little bit makes a difference. If you can't make it to meetings, but want to get involved, please email us: [fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz)

**CLEAN GREEN DISCO**

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Clean Green Disco. We hope you had a great night and enjoyed some of the new things we tried this time. With your support, Disco raised nearly \$4,000 for the school! A big thank you to the parents/caregivers and staff who volunteered their time to decorate the hall, bake mini cupcakes, and help out on the night, and to our FOTS volunteers who put the event together – Christine Wilson, Amy van der Loo, Holly Thomas, Rebecca Gourlay, Angela Hutchinson and Jacky Carr.



**DISCRETIONARY FUND TERM 2**

We received some amazing submissions for the FOTS Discretionary Fund in term 1 and now is your chance to take advantage of our term 2 funding round. We are accepting applications from within the school community for small school projects that need funding in terms 2-3 and are not covered by other budgets.

If you are a staff member, coach, or helper and require financial assistance for students or their activities, please download an application form here:



[https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/application/files/2115/5788/4877/DF\\_Form\\_2019\\_Term\\_2.pdf](https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/application/files/2115/5788/4877/DF_Form_2019_Term_2.pdf) If you have any questions, please contact Jacky Carr or the FOTS Discretionary Fund Sub-Committee: [fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz) Applications must be submitted to the school office by 3pm on Friday 14 June.

We were pleased to approve the following projects in term 1:

- Raspberry Pi kits for the Raspberry Pi Club
- Waterwise instructor caps
- Funding to support Book Week
- Compost bin murals
- Year 0 and Year 3 sand/water play tables
- Year 1-3 drama storage boxes

### **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT!**

Save the date for our Family Movie Night on Friday 21 June. More details coming soon.

### **ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

Thanks to everyone who has supported the school by purchasing an Entertainment Membership. If you still have your book at home, please either purchase your copy or send it back to school with your child. There are boxes in the office for returned books.

To order an Entertainment Book/Digital Membership packed full of valuable offers, please click here:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/9905w6>

### **WE ARE ON FACEBOOK**

For news, photos, updates, and event information, go to:

[www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School-173302139385925/](http://www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School-173302139385925/)

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## ***COMMUNITY NOTICES***

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### **M Sports Rugby Kidz Skills Clinics at Browns Bay School**

M Sports are coming back to hold fun Rugby Kidz clinics at the school. Girls and boys from years 0-6 are welcome to participate. They'll play fun games, learn exciting new skill techniques, play small matches and make new friends all under the guidance of our great team of qualified coaches.

When: 5 weekly sessions starting Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June (31<sup>st</sup> May session postponed – teacher only day)

Time: 3.10 – 3.55pm

Where: School Field

Cost: \$49 per child, \$24 per extra sibling

Register on [enrolmy.com/msports-northshore](http://enrolmy.com/msports-northshore). For more info please email Chris on [adminnorthshore@msports.co.nz](mailto:adminnorthshore@msports.co.nz)





With support from Noel Leeming, the School is running a Friends & Family Fund Raising event for 1 week, 13-19 May. Proceeds from this event will be used to help fund the many (Academic, Sporting and Cultural events our students participate) in every year.

So, whether you've been dreaming of a flash new TV or a funky new phone cover, this is your chance to save big & support our school. During this fundraising event our local Albany store will be discounting, to cost +10% with 2.5% of those sales going back to our School!

All you need to do to support the cause is save this flyer to your smartphone/device or print it out and bring it with you when you shop at Noel Leeming during the week starting 13th May.

To make this the most successful fundraiser ever, we encourage you to share this flyer with your extended friends, family, business contacts, and colleagues.

We sincerely hope with the support of our extended family and friends the network we can make this the most successful fundraising event ever. This flyer was emailed on 10 May.

**noel leeming**  
**friends & family deals**  
 Browns Bay School - 13 - 19 May 2019

**cost\* + 10% storewide**  
excludes\* IT accessories, PC Software, AV Accessories & PC Consumables. See below for terms & conditions.  
**+2.5% of total sales will go towards Browns Bay School**

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**Print and present this flyer or show it on your device in store. Pricing available in store only.**  
Offer runs 13 - 19 May 2019 and is only available at Noel Leeming stores listed below, while stocks last. Cost\* +10% + 2.5% storewide excludes IT accessories, PC software, AV accessories, & PC consumables. \*Average cost reflects the average price of the product including any administration and handling costs, and does include any volume related adjustments which may apply and GST. Offer is not available online and cannot be used in conjunction with any deferred and/or interest free credit offer or with any other promotional offer. Offer does not apply to any Noel Leeming Gift Card purchases, Tech Solutions, extended warranties, laybys, delivery fees, Dyson products, Apple hardware (including iPhones), gaming consoles and bundles, iTunes cards, mobile phone top up/cash bonus, two or half price items. Flybys points consist of 1 standard point for every \$50 of cumulative spend at Noel Leeming over a 12 month period. Visit noelleeming.co.nz/flybys for more details. An additional 2% surcharge applies when purchasing items on a credit card. See in store for details. Some of our nationally advertised specials may be at a lower price than this offer but you will receive the best price on the day for the item you choose.

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