



**Browns Bay School**

EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

**07 March 2019  
Newsletter**



## **PRINCIPALS MESSAGE**

Dear Parents and Caregivers  
Kia Ora

At the last Board of Trustees meeting, Aaron Cooper was re-appointed as Chairman of the Board through to the election on 7<sup>th</sup> June. The final Board meeting of the current Board will be held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May with the new Board in place for the scheduled meeting on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June.

If you are interested in standing for the Board of Trustees you are welcome to be an observer at one of the monthly Board Meetings to get an understanding of the role. The current Board members who are listed on the website are available to discuss their role and there is a list of Board meeting dates. [www.brownsbay.school.nz/our-school/board-of-trustees](http://www.brownsbay.school.nz/our-school/board-of-trustees)

The Board meetings are open to the public and are held in the Staffroom from 7.30pm. The dates of the meetings are on the website, and also advertised through the school newsletter. If you would like to communicate with the Board regarding the upcoming election, either write a letter addressed to: The Chairman, BOT Browns Bay School or contact the school.

### **TEACHER ONLY DAY**

The Board of Trustees has given approval for the school to close on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May for professional development for teaching staff. This is the Friday before Queens Birthday weekend. On this day the school will not be open for students.

### **CONFERENCES**

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Parent Teacher Conferences last week. Teachers are available to meet with parents during the year to have discussions about student's progress and concerns. Please be aware that two afternoons each week are reserved for Staff and Team meetings. An email or note with a variety of times and a brief summary of the request would be helpful for these meetings.

### **NZEI – PAID UNION MEETINGS**

The Primary Teachers Union – NZEI have called all members to a paid union meeting in the Week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> March. The vast majority of our staff are union members and will be attending a meeting. The meetings are staggered through the week and at different times during the day. This has enabled us to put a plan in place to

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minimise the amount of disruption to the school. In order to manage teacher attendance at these meetings, your child may spend part of a day during that week in a different class.

Jo Hewitt  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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A full schedule of events for Term 1 is available on our website calendar with the most current events included in each newsletter.

Friday 8 March – Junior Outdoor Education Day - Breaking News – Postponed till 15 March	Monday 11 – Wednesday 13 March – Year 6 camp
Thursday 21 March – BOT Meeting 7.30pm	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March – Full School Assembly
Monday 25 March - Wednesday 27 March – Year 5 Camp Rooms 17/22	Wednesday 27 – Friday 29 March – Year 5 Camp Rooms 16/23

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## SCHOOL EVENTS

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### **SUPER STARS**

At the last full school assembly, the following pupils received certificates for their achievements:

YEAR 0/1 TEAM - Gabriella D'Aguiar-Sanders 11, Harper Papworth 9, Roy Wi 10, Noela Ongoongo 12

YEAR 2 TEAM - Harry Smith 5, Austin Jiang 6, Scarlett Millar 4, Indy Hendricks 7

YEAR 3 TEAM - Andy Dong 3, Jana Ali 15, Alex Su 14, Henry So 2

YEAR 4 TEAM - Harley Mead 25, Mayuri Pillay 27, Sophia Dai 28, Sofia Brandolino 24

YEAR 5 TEAM - Ethan Bradley 17, Ethan Wild 16, Franklin Pepper 22, Brooke Copeland 23

YEAR 6 TEAM - Faith Mead 18, Ruka Kambe 19, Nathan Ariawan 20, Kingston Utakea 21

VALUES CUP - Max Brown Rm18



### **SCHOOL NETBALL**

A reminder that any Y1-3 children wanting to play winter netball have until Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March to register. Please visit the school website to find out more information and sign up. <https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/sports/netball>  
Years 4-6 registrations have now closed. Thank you to those that have registered. You will be contacted shortly in regards to trialling for teams.

Thank You

Cherie Bibbie



### **Y4 SOCIAL TERM 1 NETBALL**

Any Year 4s that would like to be part of a social netball game on a Tuesday after school this Term please contact Penny Bridle [pennybridle@icloud.com](mailto:pennybridle@icloud.com) for more information.

### **TEDDY BEARS PICNIC**

Room 9 invited Mrs Day to join them for their Teddy Bears Picnic.

Finley with the oldest Teddy at our picnic. He brought his Mummy's teddy who is 15 years old.



## **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2019 LIBRARIANS**

This group of dedicated book lovers have completed thoughtful applications and undergone their Librarian Training and are ready for the year!

The Library is now open at lunchtimes.



**Sophie Haine** Rm 19, **Chloe Baughan** Rm 19, **Erin Hemmingsen** Rm 18, **Caitlyn Brading** Rm 21, **Taekyung Hwang** Rm 18, **Ray Chen** Rm 19, **Zoe Smith** Rm 18, **Sofia Bell-Syer** Rm 20, **Abigail Moxon** Rm 19, **Ethan Storey** Rm 18, **Lora Kim** Rm 20, **Kevin Wi** Rm 18, **Kingston Utakea** Rm 21, **Jacky Cai** Rm 21, **Deonna Qu** Rm 19, **Jenny Bong** Rm 21, **Jadyn-Lee Craythorne** Rm 19, **Leilani Fair** Rm 20, **Jerry Liao** Rm 20

## **ICAS 2019**

This year the University of New South Wales who administer the ICAS exams, have changed the format and have created a number of alternate assessments.

Browns Bay School will only be offering the 'ICAS' assessment, as NZ already has an excellent range of other assessments which we use as a standard component of our school assessments. ICAS will be offered to students who are currently working within the top 10% and would benefit from the opportunity to further challenge and extend themselves.

This year all of the 6 exams, Digital Technologies, Science, Writing, Spelling, English and Maths, will have sitting dates in the fortnight between the 3<sup>rd</sup> September and the 19<sup>th</sup> September.

Registrations will not need to be made until the end of July. At the beginning of July, invitations will be sent to children who qualify at the beginning of July. The cost will be \$15 per exam, and all exams (except Yr 4 and 5 Writing) will be sat online.

## **OUR NEW LIZARD GARDEN**

We are very grateful to one of our 2018 Year 6 pupils, Chloe Luo, for creating a special Lizard Garden for our school. Chloe has long had an interest in NZ geckos and skinks and did a lot of research last year. Did you know that "New Zealand has more than 110 species of lizard. We have geckos and skinks, and none are found anywhere else in the world. All native lizards are fully protected. Mice, rats, mustelids and cats pose a threat to all lizards. You can help by creating areas on your property where mice and rats are controlled, there is thick native ground cover to protect lizards from predators, and there is a continuous supply of food." (Department of Conservation)





<https://www.doc.govt.nz/nature/native-animals/reptiles-and-frogs/lizards/skinks/common-skink/>



Chloe designed the lizard garden for us last year, then she built it over the January school holidays. It is located behind Room 26. There are plenty of rocks for the skinks to bask on, and plenty of bugs and spiders for them to eat. Children are welcome to go there with their families after school, or with their teacher in school time, but please do not touch or move anything.

Thank you Chloe!

## **SHORE TO SHORE 2019**



Join BBS' Shore To Shore Team-  
5km Fun Run/Walk 2019 –  
Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> March

Come and join our BBS team of students, family and friends at this fantastic Sunday morning 5km fun run/walk event on 31 March. Shore To Shore, hosted by Harbour Sport, starts at Takapuna Grammar and finishes at Milford Reserve and attracts over 5000 participants. There will be spot prizes and activities. The BBS tent will be up at Milford Reserve and the sausages will be sizzling, ready to go for BBS participants. We'd love to see a big BBS contingent at Shore To Shore this year - it's a great way to connect with others at a cool community event. Our school earns rewards for sports gear from every entrant that registers under Browns Bay School whether you are a student, family member or friend. All information about the event and registration can be found here: <http://shoretoshore.co.nz/register/>



## **YEAR 5 STREAM HIKOI**

Year 5 children are guardians of our streams. Alongside Auckland Council we are learning about how to keep our local streams clean, cool and a healthy place for our native plants and animals to live.

On Friday 22 February our four classes went on a hikoi along Taiāotea Stream. The Auckland Council are busy working on the Taiāotea Stream Daylighting Project: turning the stream and surrounding environment back into its natural and native state.



Firstly we weeded around the stream where the community have been holding native tree planting days. Our hikoi continued to Sherwood Reserve where members of the community had activity stations set up for us. These included: being 'pest detectives' by identifying animals through tracker tunnels; pest trapping; macroinvertebrate identification; water quality testing and bird counting.



We then continued to our lunch spot where the Glasgow Team (who are the muscle behind the daylighting of the stream) put on lunch and a show! We were treated to a sausage sizzle while watching the felling of two massive pine trees.



This incredible, educational day was made possible by Sarah and Ben Sheeran, their team at Auckland Council and the Glasgow Crew. We would like to extend a very big thanks to everyone involved.

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## SCHOOL NOTICES

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### DROP OFF ZONE

The Drop Off zone on Masterton Road has some particular procedures we would like you to know. They are:

- Drivers do not get out of the car
- Move to the front of the drop zone where possible
- Organise children before leaving home if you want to use the drop zone so they have their hair done, jumpers on, bags handy and understand their role on arrival.
- DO NOT use the drop zone if you need to get out of the car..... find a carpark

We appreciate people have their different ways to say goodbye, however it is imperative that you STOP, DROP and GO, allowing your children to exit the car without support and their needs already taken care of. If you are unable to achieve this then please find a carpark to finish your farewell.

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## FOTS

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### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & NEXT FOTS MEETING: WEDNESDAY 3 APRIL, 7pm, STAFF ROOM

Interested in joining Friends of the School (FOTS)? The Annual General Meeting is a great time to get involved because it marks the beginning of the FOTS year. Ahead of the AGM, we're calling for nominations from school parents/caregivers for the FOTS executive team roles of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. These roles have a 1-year term. Nomination forms can be collected from the school office and must be returned to the office by Tuesday 2 April, 3:30pm. Position descriptions and the FOTS constitution can be found here:

<https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/about-us/friends-school>

If you want to know more, please contact us:

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

### BELINDA COLES PHOTOGRAPHY FAMILY MINI SHOOTS

Save the date – we have a great opportunity for you to get affordable, professional family photos! Thanks to Belinda Coles



FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL (FOTS)

# AGM

All parents/caregivers are invited to our Annual General Meeting & wine and cheese evening

**Wednesday 3 April  
7pm in the Staff Room**

It's a great time to join the 2019 Committee!

- Meet new people
- Get to know the school
- Make a difference



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



Photography for offering family mini shoots at Castor Bay Beach on Sunday 31 March. Sessions are 20 minutes long and will be moved to her studio in Huapai if it rains. Pricing will be a \$20 sitting fee plus all digital files for \$130 (or free files if you purchase \$130 in prints). We will let you know details on how to book online very soon! Check out Belinda's website for examples of her amazing photos: [www.belindacolesphotography.co.nz](http://www.belindacolesphotography.co.nz)



### **SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE:**

**TUESDAY 9 APRIL, 8.30am, SCHOOL HALL**

We've gathered enough stock to hold a second-hand uniform sale. Mark the date in your diaries and make sure you get there early to grab the best items! Sales are cash only. Most items will be \$10 and under. If you have any BBS school uniform items in good, clean condition that you would be happy to donate for the fundraising sale, please bring them in to the office. Thanks for your support!

### **FUNDING AVAILABLE**

FOTS are now inviting applications from within the school community for the FOTS Discretionary Fund. If you are a staff member, coach, or helper and require financial assistance for students or their activities in terms 1-2, please download an application form here: [https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/application/files/4815/5070/4458/DF\\_Form\\_2019\\_Term\\_1.pdf](https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/application/files/4815/5070/4458/DF_Form_2019_Term_1.pdf) Applications must be submitted to the school office by 3pm on Friday 22 March. For further information, please contact Jacky Carr: [jackyc@brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:jackyc@brownsbay.school.nz) or the FOTS Discretionary Fund Sub-Committee: [fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz)



### **DISCO**

Make sure you save the date for our Clean Green Disco in week 2 of term 2: Friday 10 May.

### **WE ARE ON FACEBOOK**

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

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

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East Coast Bay Library - Course in Korean 2019			
한국어 코스	매주 월요일 (4주)	10:00am ~11:00am	3월18일 ~4월8일
1주차 Week 1	아이가 주도하는 놀이 시간 Child-lead Play time skill		3월18일 18th March
2주차 Week 2	우리가 보고 있는 것 말하기 Connecting by saying what we see		3월25일 25th March
3주차 Week 3	우리의 기대를 명확히 전달하기 Communicating expectations		4월1일 1st April
4주차 Week 4	심하게 투정할 때 긍정적으로 반응하기 Positive response to tantrums		4월8일 8th April

참석을 원하시는 분은 [jumi@whanaumarama.co.nz](mailto:jumi@whanaumarama.co.nz) 로 문의 바랍니다.  
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[www.ecbafc.co.nz](http://www.ecbafc.co.nz)



**Browns Bay**

Browns Bay School Hall  
Masterton Road, Browns Bay

# Term 1 Activities

Before School Care | 7:00am to 8:30am

After School Care | 3:00pm to 6:00pm

## Seniors

**Monday**  
Have a Ball



**Tuesday**  
Tuesday Challenge



**Wednesday**  
Cooking & Play



**Thursday**  
Water Wars



**Friday**  
Stations



## Juniors

**Monday**  
Snack Art



**Tuesday**  
Tuesday Treasures



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**Thursday**  
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**Friday**  
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