



Browns Bay School

EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

**02 May 2019
Newsletter**



ANZAC Day:

A very big thank you to Susie Cooper and Sophie Haine for representing Browns Bay School in the ANZAC Day wreath laying ceremony at Browns Bay on 25 April 2019.

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers
Kia Ora

I would like to welcome everyone back to school for the second term of the year. I hope you were able to find time to be together over the holidays as a family.

A special welcome to our new students and their families, especially our new New Entrants in Room 8 with Jane Kelly. I would also like to welcome a new staff member, Karen Knight, who is teaching in Room 10.

Edwin Dela Cruz, our Property Manager, is leaving our school on May 10 and moving with his family to Whangarei. Edwin has been a hard-working and diligent Property Manager over his time at Browns Bay School. Edwin has kept the school buildings and grounds looking immaculate as well as helping out with all types of extra roles. We are sad to see him go yet wish Edwin and his family all the best. Mike Miller and Anthony Roquid will be covering for Edwin until a new appointment has been made.

PRINCIPAL SABBATICAL

Last term I was fortunate to complete a TeachNZ sabbatical. The focus of my sabbatical was on designs for modern classrooms and how teachers are utilising these designs. My studies took me to Christchurch and around Auckland to visit and talk to teachers on the designs they had developed and what was working (or not working) with the design and the teaching inside the buildings. It was an incredible experience to talk freely with teachers and observe them in action. I came away with some positive learnings and also an admiration for our teaching profession in their openness to share and help each other.

I also enjoyed the opportunity to take some time out from being a Principal to be a “stay at home” Dad to my family – cooking meals, cleaning the house; and also catching up with my wider family in New Zealand. I have definitely returned to Browns Bay School refreshed.

I thank the Staff and Board for allowing this to happen and covering for me while I was away.

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PERSONAL EXCELLENCE / TU RANGATIRA

Personal Excellence / Tu Rangatira



- Be your best
- Have a 'can do' attitude
- Persevere to achieve your goals and challenges
- Be resilient

One of our four values is Personal Excellence / Tu Rangatira. This value is represented by the two trees in our logo. This value asks that our students do their best in their work and effort; give things a go with a positive attitude and be resilient and persevere at tasks. This value is often talked about in the school in relation to students doing their best in any activity.

Term 2 is the Winter Sports term where we have teams representing Browns Bay in after-school Netball, Hockey, Miniball, Basketball and Flippaball. We currently have some teams representing the school in the North Harbour tournaments for League, Tackle Rugby and Rippa Rugby. Sport is a great opportunity for the students to show this value and I wish the students all the best in their various competitions and encourage them to **Play Hard and Play Fair**. Our Sports Code of Conduct for Players, Parents and Coaches is on our school website: <https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/sports/code-conduct>

PROPERTY

During the Term Break the school had some Property maintenance and capital projects started and completed. The BOT funded project to improve the fencing around the school continued, with the section of fence on Browns Bay Road completed with a new gate installed by the pedestrian crossing.



The painting of the exterior of the school began over the holidays with the front of Rooms 1 to 7 completed. The painters are now currently working on the back of Rooms 1 to 7. This work is being staggered around the school to keep the disruption to a minimum.



Tree maintenance was also undertaken with two trees being removed – one due to being diseased and the other due to the damage it was causing to a neighbour's property.

NZEI – PAID UNION MEETINGS

The Primary Teachers Union – NZEI have called all members to paid union meetings in the Week beginning May 6. 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 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. The school will remain open.

Peter Mulcahy

BOT - BOARD OF TRUSTEES

BOARD ELECTIONS

The Election date has been set at June 7.

In the lead up to this election the following dates are important:

Main Roll closes	Noon Wednesday 8 May
Call for Nominations	Friday 10 May
Close Supplementary Roll	Noon Wednesday 22 May
Nominations close	Noon Friday 24 May
Voting papers sent by	Wednesday 29 May
Election Day	Noon Friday 7 June
Count Votes	Thursday 13 June
Board Takes Office	Friday 14 June

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 , or
- talk to a current Board member - <https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/about-us/bot> ,or
- visit <https://www.trustee-election.co.nz/reviewez/>

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 its next meeting on May 9 at 7.30pm in the Staffroom and parents are always welcome to attend. The Board has changed the date of the following Board Meeting to **June 20**. This was done to accommodate the incoming Board.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Mon, Tues 06 & 07 May - Year 4 Camp - R23, 24 & 28	Wednesday 08 May – Y3 Outdoor Education Day – R14,15
Thursday 09 May – BOT Meeting 7.30pm	Thursday 9 May - Y3 Outdoor Education Day – R2, 3, 28
Friday 10 May – FOTS DISCO	Friday 10 May – Football Kidz
BULLY FREE WEEK – 13 – 17 May	
Mon, Tues 13 & 14 May – Year 4 Camp – R25 and R27	Tuesday 14 May – Rugby League Tournament
Tuesday 14 May – Y2 Zoo Trip	Wednesday 15 May – Howick Historical Village Trip Y1
Wednesday 15 May – Cluster Football	Thursday 16 May – Chess Club Interschool Tournament
Friday 17 May – Cluster Football (save)	Friday 17 May – Emergency Drill
Friday 31 May – Teacher Only Day – School Closed	Monday 3 June – Queens Birthday Holiday – School Closed

TEACHER ONLY DAY – FRIDAY 31 May 2019

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.

SCHOOL EVENTS

SUPER STARS

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

YEAR 0/1 TEAM – Celia Hu 9, Bella Attwood 10, Ivy Zhuravlyova 11, Hannah Young 12

YEAR 2 TEAM – Phoenix Eketone-Tekanawa 4, Sheldon Li 5, Colton Coley 6, Zoey Trotter 7

YEAR 3 TEAM – Scarlett Romanes 2, Marcus Marshall 3, Bayleigh Swan 14, Rio Chapman 15

YEAR 4 TEAM – Roy Deng 24, Joel Edmonds 25, Reuben Bennett 27, Ben Brien 28

YEAR 5 TEAM – Qenneth Dela Cruz 16, Arran Begic 17, Elizabeth Stanger 22, Madison Pardington 23

YEAR 6 TEAM – Thomas Mansfield 18, Vicky Halla 19, Marnie Barber 20, Dylan Hawken 21

VALUES CUP – Ella Waterman R 20

ARTS AWARD – Nathan Ariawan Rm 20, Beau Dobson Rm 21

SPORTS CUP – Deonna Qu Rm 19

SPORTSMANSHIP CUP – Erin Hemmingsen R18

SERVICE TO SCHOOL – Alexis Dowling R20

CLUSTER SWIMMING 2019

At the end of last term the BBS Swim Team represented us at the Mid Bays Cluster Swimming event. Every student gave their best to their different events. Throughout the morning there was some very exciting racing and amazing results. Browns Bay came away with 2nd place overall.

Congratulations go to the following students for their placings:

Year 4 Boys

Freestyle Relay, 25m, 3rd - Ben Brien, Roy Deng, Angus Lockett, Edison Jang

Year 4 Girls

Sofia Brandolino - 2nd 25m Backstroke, Isabella Prajogo - 3rd 25m Backstroke, Relay Year 4 Girls 25m Freestyle - 2nd - Eva Wilson, Sofia Brandolino, Renee Wang, Layla Bloem

Year 5 Boys

Andrew Feng - 1st 50m Freestyle, 1st 25m Breaststroke (New record broken 21.40s), 1st 25m Butterfly, 1st 75m Medley, Chris Kumala - 3rd 25m Backstroke, Matthew Fleming - 3rd 25m Freestyle, Relay Year 5 Boys 25m Freestyle - 2nd - Andrew Feng, Matthew Fleming, Chris Kumala, Kieran Dong

Year 5 Girls

Sienna Hickling - Crane - 1st 50m Freestyle, 2nd 25m Freestyle, 2nd 75m Medley, Sophie Herde - 3rd 75m Medley Relay Year 5 Girls 25m Freestyle - 3rd - Sienna Hickling - Crane, Sophie Herde, Hope Williams, Casey Findlay

Year 6 Boys

Ethan Storey - 3rd 50m Freestyle, 3rd 25m Butterfly, 2nd 75m Medley, Dane Waretini - 3rd 25m Backstroke, Evan Dong - 3rd 25m Breaststroke, Relay Year 6 Boys 25m Freestyle - 2nd - Ethan Storey, Dane Waretini, Campbell Bibbie, Evan Dong

Year 6 Girls

Deonna Qu - 1st 50m Freestyle (new record broken), 1st 25m Breaststroke (New record broken), 1st 75m Medley (new record broken), 2nd 25m Butterfly, Ella Waterman - 2nd 25m Backstroke and 2nd 25m Freestyle, Alicia Zhou - 3rd 25m Backstroke, Relay Year 6 Girls 25m Freestyle - 1st - Deonna Qu, Ella Waterman, Pelageya Pavlyuk, Alicia Zhou, Relay Open Medley - 2nd - Ethan Storey, Deonna Qu, Andrew Feng, Ella Waterman

Congratulations to:

Andrew Feng - Overall Year 5 Boy Champion & joint Tournament Champion

Deonna Qu - Overall Year 6 Girl Champion

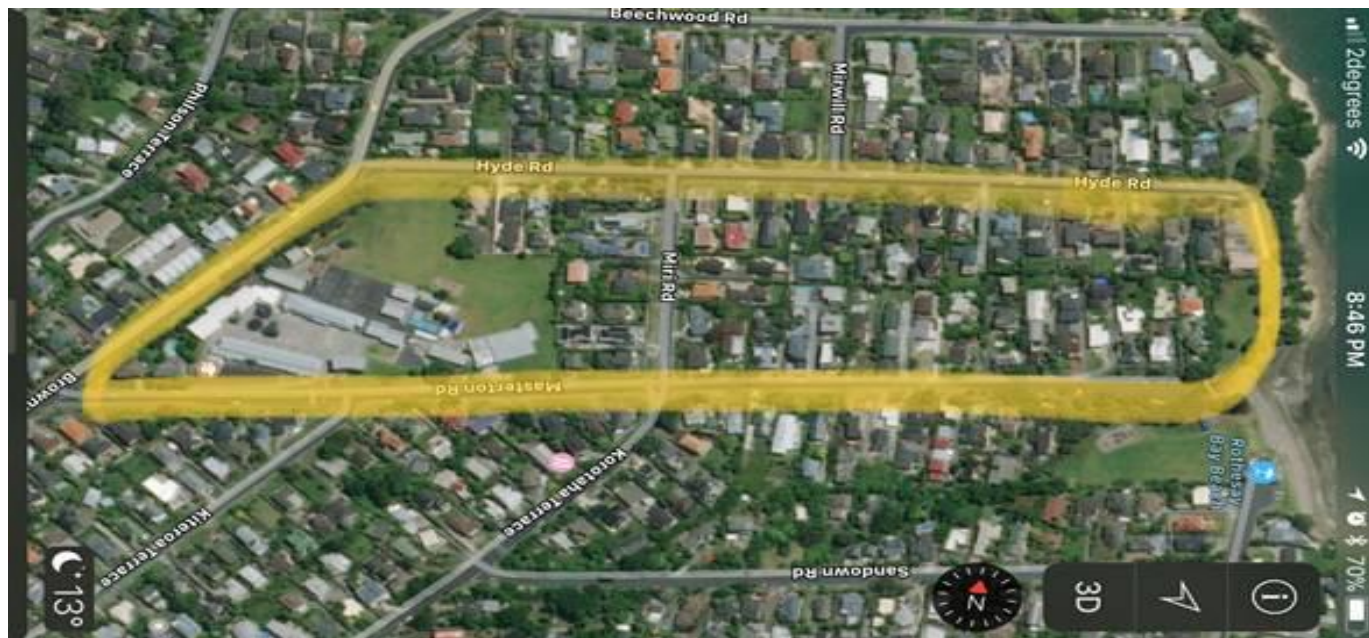
Browns Bay School Swim Team - 2nd Overall.

BBS CROSS-COUNTRY YEARS 4-6

It's that time of year again.

Cross-country this year will be held during term 2. Year 4, 5 and 6 students will begin practices during weeks 2 and 3. The Final cross-country event will take place on Tuesday 21st May, 11:15am (weather dependent) save days Wednesday 22nd May and if required Monday 27th May.

Cross-country training will be part of our fitness program to start the term and we encourage all children to take part. If your child is unwell or unable to take part in any of the scheduled practices or the final event, please inform your child's teacher.



The course is run out of the school grounds like previous years. There are teachers/supervisors stationed all along the route with particular safety awareness at road crossings. Children are reminded about safety eg. to be aware of driveways, roads, staying on the paths, respecting other pedestrians and properties. Children will need to come prepared with suitable shoes. Children who need their inhalers will carry them with them.

The Cluster Cross-Country team will be determined from the results of the final school cross-country event on Tuesday 21st May. Practice results may also be used if necessary or required. The Super Cluster event is to be held on Wednesday 12th June. Any extra practice you would like to do with your child would be appreciated.

SCHOOL NOTICES

BBC PRODUCTION

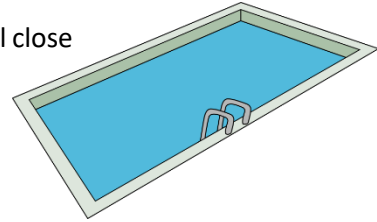
Next Wednesday 8 May the school is being visited by a family as part of a BBC production 'Wanted Down Under'. This is a TV show in the UK whereby families spend some time in NZ to make a decision as to whether to move to NZ or remain in the UK. The Production Team will be on the school grounds and filming will be limited to specific classrooms.

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.

POOL CARD RETURN

Pool cards need to be returned by tomorrow to receive the \$10.00 bond back – this offer will close on Friday May 3. The bond will be sent home via your child next week. Pool Cards returned after May 3 will not receive the refunded bond but will still be gratefully received.



THANK YOU

At the end of last term, our amazing support staff collaborated to bring this Rebecca Gibbs design to life, which is now proudly displayed in our library. Amongst other things, our support staff keep the administrative wheels of our school turning, look after our children when they are hurt or unwell, work with our children and teachers in classrooms and facilitate dedicated programmes in Literacy and Maths, look after our book resources, organise our sports teams and keep our children fed. They care about the children they work with and do their very best for each and every one of them. BBS is very lucky to have them on our staff.



Ehara taku toa
i te toa takitahi
Engari, he toa
takitini
Success is not the work of one,
but the work of many

FOTS – FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

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

UNIFORM SALE

Thank you to everyone who came along to our second-hand uniform sale, which raised over \$1,000 for the school! Many thanks to Holly Thomas and our other FOTS volunteers who washed and sorted the clothing and got up early to work at the sale.

CLEAN GREEN DISCO: FRIDAY 10 MAY IN THE SCHOOL HALL

Kids, dress up and bring along some cash, as we will have glow wristbands, cupcakes, chips, lollies, chocolates, hair braiding, face paint, and more!

Disco forms have gone home this week in your child's home packs. Please complete one form for each child and return them to class teachers by Tuesday 7th May. Tickets (\$6) and hotdogs (\$3) can also be ordered on KINDO (<https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/> - under FOTS) by midnight next Monday. Sorry, but there will be NO ticket or hotdog sales on the night. Children will receive their tickets in class on Thursday next week. To speed up entry, please have them bring it along to disco (if they forget, their name will need to be checked off a list at the door). For those who ordered hotdogs, these can be collected from the kitchen once inside disco.



JUNIOR DISCO (Years 0-3): Drop off is at 5pm at the main entrance to the hall and pick up is at 6:30pm from within the hall. Once you have found your child, you will leave together through the side doors.

SENIOR DISCO (Years 4-6): Drop off is at 7pm at the main entrance to the hall and pick up is at 8:30pm from within the hall.

***Parents/caregivers please note: To reduce over-crowding and for safety reasons, Discos are kids-only zones. Please drop your child off at the door and they will be well looked after by BBS staff and FOTS. If your child is Year 0 or Year 1, it is understood that you may need to stay at Disco with them. Please see a staff member at the entrance to the hall for a sticker that will identify you as a Year 0/1 chaperone.

DISCO VOLUNTEERS: We are looking for volunteers to (1) bake and donate some mini (bite size) cupcakes for us to sell at disco, (2) help with disco setup from 1-3pm on day of disco, (3) help at Junior disco from 4.45-6.45pm or Senior disco from 6.45-8.45pm on the night. If this sounds like you, please get in touch with us by emailing: fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Entertainment Books have been sent home with children, so please take a look at the fantastic offers and support our school by purchasing the book or digital copy. These make great gifts too – perfect for Mother's



Day! If you don't wish to purchase a book or want the digital version instead, simply pop it back in the envelope and send it back to school. There are boxes in the office for returned books.

To order a digital membership, use the following link: <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/9905w6>

BELINDA COLES PHOTOGRAPHY

A big thank you to Belinda Coles Photography for supporting FOTS. Thirteen families made the most of her mini photo sessions at Castor Bay. If you missed out, please check out her website to see her amazing work: www.belindacolesphotography.co.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/

COMMUNITY NOTICE



Thinking Caps MATHS TUTORING IN-SCHOOL, every Thursday morning. Do you want your child to learn their times tables off by heart? YES! We can help! We're having a massive focus on times tables in Term 2! We run in-school lessons at Browns Bay School so book in NOW! <https://thinkingcaps.co.nz/maths-tutoring-2/enrol/> or call Julie 09 424 3536



BEACH TIDY UP

Kia ora,

The Sustainable Coastlines and in-conjunction with Arena Living, would like to invite teachers, students, families and friends of Browns Bay School down to Browns Bay beach for a beach clean-up

Where: Browns Bay beach

When: Saturday 4th May 1.00 – 4.00pm

Join us by dropping into our clean-up station, located **on the grass opposite Kiwi Bank on Beachfront Lane**. Here you'll receive important health and safety information and pick up sacks, gloves and other important equipment, as well as be assigned a clean-up location in the surrounding area.

More info about what to bring on the day can be found on our [website](#) or on [Facebook](#).

Ngā mihi,

Dan Downing

COMMUNITY PLANTING DAY

The Hibiscus and Bays Local Board are working with community groups to protect and enhance urban streams in the East Coast Bays area.

Join our community planting day at Rothesay Bay Stream and find out more about how we can work together to make a positive difference to water quality in our streams and beaches.

Bring your family and neighbours and stay for a free sausage sizzle.

Where: Rothesay Bay Reserve

When: Saturday 4th May 1.00 – 3.00pm

Please note: Children to be accompanied and supervised by an adult.

Find out more: Contact Ben Sheeran 021 462 777