

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers Kia Ora

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 sent home on Friday, December 13 with the Data Booklets.

The reporting to parents on student achievement in relation to National Standards has no longer been a requirement of our school reports since 2018. We are now reporting against the Curriculum levels as outlined in the NZ Curriculum. The chart below shows how the curriculum levels typically relate to years at school. These curriculum levels are shown on our progress graphs in our Data Booklets.



The achievement objectives in each of the Levels are broad statements yet there are specific tests in reading, writing and maths that support a teacher to make a judgement of a student's curriculum level (e.g. success at Reading Curriculum Level 3 is at 11 – 12 years based on a Probe reading test with a comprehension score of over 75%). The teacher judgements are shared with parents on the progress graphs.

The school report format for End of Year has remained the same as previous years.

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READ-A-THON

Thank you to everyone for your work on the Read-a-thon! The maps have been returned, certificates have gone out and we are aiming for all the sponsorship money in tomorrow. (We have reached over \$10 000 so we are very excited for a great total). The first prize draw is tomorrow. So get your sponsorship form and money in, to make sure you are in for the first draw.

STUDENT PRIVACY

Browns Bay School does not permit the taking of photos or videos of students on the school grounds or while they are in our care, without the approval of the Principal. It came to my attention that a person was doing this yesterday morning on the field. We have viewed our CCTV and we are currently endeavouring to contact the person to discuss this with them. If you do see anyone taking photos or video please let staff or myself know as soon as possible.



SUPPORT STAFF

On Tuesday 12 November our teaching staff wore Black and White to show support for our support staff who are currently campaigning for a new collective agreement and pay equity. The support staff agreement covers all our teacher aides and administration staff. More information can be found online at www.campaigns.nzei.org.nz/support-staff or in the notice in the Community section of our newsletter. The funding for support staff comes from the School Operations Grant and this therefore competes with all the other budget areas – this campaign promotes that this funding be increased to enable schools to fund the support staff needed.

Peter Mulcahy

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Friday 15 November – Kapa Haka (Browns Bay Xmas lights)	Friday 15 November – Read-a-thon Prize draw #1	
Tuesday 19 November – Kids for Kids Rehearsal / Tuesday 19 November – Pre-school visit		
Performance		
Wednesday 20 November – Level 5 Waterwise	Thursday 21 November – Year 6 Trip	
Thursday 21 November – Noel Lemming BYOD evening	Friday 22 November – Onepoto Festival	
Wednesday 27 November – Athletics Day	Friday 29 November – Full School Assembly	

Please note: <u>END OF YEAR EVENTS</u>

Jingle Tuesday December 10 (save day Thursday 12 December)

Reports Thursday 13 December Y6 Graduation Tuesday 17 December

Final Assembly Thursday 19 December 11.15am
School closes Thursday 19 December 1pm
School Opens Monday 3 February 2019

SCHOOL EVENTS

SUPER STARS

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

YEAR 0/1 TEAM -

Sam Pham 1, Celine Shi 8, Alhena Scott 9, Millie McKenzie 10, Monica Su 11, Sierra Smith 12, Austin Chui 13

YEAR 2 TEAM – Jennifer Wang 4, Shyla Antonie 5, Blair Yan 6, Abi Robinson 7

YEAR 3 TEAM - Elaine Zhou 2, Milla Rossouw 3, Elaine Lei 14, Callum Capper 15

YEAR 4 TEAM - Gisele Seller 24, Paige Randall 25, Lydia Jin 27, Liam Young 28

YEAR 5 TEAM – Kaitlyn Guthrie 16, Ruby Smith 17, Sienna Hickling-Crane 22, Te Miha Kahukiwa 23

YEAR 6 TEAM - Connor Smith 18, Chloe Baughan 19, Alexis Dowling 20, Chae Obenario 21

VALUES CUP - Ruka Kambe 19

ARTS AWARD - Kingston Utakea 21

ACHIEVEMENT CUP - Quinn Zhang 16, Jessica Xu 17

COMMUNITY SERVICE - Armand Nel 20, Sid Hine 20, Dane Waretini 21

SERVICE TO SCHOOL – Erin Hemmingsen 18

SPORTS CUP – Bastion Armstrong 21

SPORTSMANSHIP CUP – Brooke Gillespie 18



OUTDOOR EDUCATION DATES FOR 2020

Year 1, Year 2 – Outdoor Education – Friday 6th March (Save 13 March)

Year 3 – Outdoor Education – Thursday 7th May and Friday 8th May

Year 4 Camp – Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th May and Monday 11th May – Tuesday 12th May

Year 5 Camp - Monday 23rd March - Wednesday 25th March and Wednesday 25th March - Friday 27th March

Year 6 Camp – Monday 10th February – Wednesday 12th February

SCHOOL POOL CARD

The pool will be opened for after school use and pool cards handed out closer to mid-December. A School Pool Card notice will go out by email shortly to all families with pool card information and pool rules for use over the summer. The pool is currently undergoing testing in preparation for the 2019/2020 season.



TRAFFIC AROUND THE SCHOOL



Masterton Road - We have been monitoring this area closely in the morning and afternoon to ensure the traffic flow is continuous and does not back-up resulting in congestion on Browns Bay Road. We are actively asking parents to go 'around the block' if their children are not waiting at the zone. This is to ensure the cars behind do not back-up too much. Please no U turn at the drop off area at peak school times. Please do not park over our



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neighbour's driveways as this annoys people immensely. We appreciate your support with this.

LONG BAY JUNIOR SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGE ADVENTURE RACE

On Friday, 1st November a team of four Year 5 students; Aidan, Chloe, Sophie and Ethan, represented our school at the Long Bay Junior Sustainability Challenge Adventure Race. The students competed in a 2 hour event, which included a mix of running/walking, navigation and sustainability-based activities. Teams navigated to as many checkpoints as they could, collecting points for their team. To earn extra points the team completed sustainability themed activities e.g. identifying weeds, doing a water clarity test and applying first aid.

Our students had an amazing time and displayed wonderful teamwork and problem-solving skills. A special thank you to Craig Hutchinson, who kindly transported our students and shadowed them at the event.





TRAMPOLINE COMPETITION

Recently Abagail Moxon and Ada Moxon represented Browns Bay School in the North Harbour Schools Trampoline Competition. Both girls represented BBS to a very high standard and came away with some pleasing results. Abigail came 4th in the year 5-6 level 3 routine, and Ada came 1st in the year 0-4 level 3 routine.

NORTH HARBOUR KIWI TAG FOOTBALL CHAMPS

The BBS TAG Football team recently competed at the North Harbour TAG Football Champs. This team did extremely well to make it all the way through to the grand final especially considering it was their first time competing at this tournament.

Congratulations to the team (Bastion Armstrong, Campbell Bibbie, Jake Horsfall, Thomas Mansfield, Brodie Harbott, Connor Smith, Kingston Utakea, Elia Politt, Ella Waterman, Gemma Agar, Madi Taulima and Brooke Gillespie) for being placed 2nd overall.



Last week the Super Cluster Touch Tournament was held. Well done

to the teams for a successful day. The girl's team made it through to the Bronze final, and the boys had an outstanding day winning the gold final. Awesome achievement Bastion Armstrong, Campbell Bibbie, Jake Horsfall, Thomas Mansfield, Brodie Harbott, Connor Smith and Henry Swift.

SECOND HAND SCHOOL UNIFORMS

A list of second hand uniforms for sale will be emailed out to families tomorrow. For all enquiries please contact the Seller directly.

KAPA HAKA

Performs in Browns Bay – our hard working, 70 strong Kapa Haka group is performing down in Browns Bay, on the stage outside Starbucks, this Friday at 5.30pm. We are part of the entertainment prior to the annual 'switching on of the lights' ceremony. Please come and support our group for their very first public performance of 2019 – the next one will be at the Onepoto Cultural Festival next Friday, 22 Nov at 1.40pm. Thanks so much for all the support in getting this group costumed and ready to perform – it is much appreciated. Meika Isgrove and Karen Warren.

KIDS FOR KIDS 2019

This concert is only a few days away now and the excitement is building! 95 of our senior students have worked tremendously hard to learn a whole bundle of lyrics and some have challenged themselves considerably by completing soloist auditions, at which the standard was amazingly high. Reminders that it is light, bright mufti clothing for the concert but uniform for the rehearsal on Tuesday morning. Please check your home email for further information and reminders for payment and permission for bus travel. Thanks for all your support for this event. Looking forward to seeing many familiar faces at the concert on Tuesday evening — it promises to be a fabulous night! Karen Warren.

CHOPSTICK CHALLENGE

Ever since Chinese Language Week we had been waiting for two fine days, and last week we had them! Our Challenge leaders, Lucas, Chris, Ruby, Quinn, Elgin, Emma, Mandy, Chloe, Jessi, Jerry, Elaine, Jessica and Felix, were each responsible for a level at lunchtime.

Level 1 involved transferring pompoms from one container to another;

Level 2 involved them sorting pompoms into three different containers;

Level 3 involved transferring paper clips; and

Level 4 involved transferring uncooked grains of rice!

The junior children could take their time but the senior children had a strict time limit. Children were given a mastery card for each level they worked through. What amazing dexterity and skill our students showed. We ran the Challenge for two lunchtimes, and the students are asking us to run it for a third lunchtime as they were all so keen!











EINSTEIN OLYMPIAD

On November 6 a group of six Year 5 and 6 students - Caleb Stuart, Sophie Herde, Daniel Tennant, Harry Borton, Sophie Haine and Nevada Stacey - attended the inaugural Einstein Olympiad at Rangitoto College. Our primary students teamed up with Intermediate and College students to compete in a series of activities that challenged the students academically and practically. The groups had to solve problems over the day, ending with an Escape Room challenge. Our students came back excited and enthusiastic after the sessions. They also made some new friends with older students at the Intermediate and College. Thanks to Mr Joseph Herde who supported the children on the day.





EMERGENCY MOBILE ALERT TEST

Emergency Mobile Alerts are messages about emergencies sent by authorised emergency agencies to capable mobile phones. The alerts are designed to keep people safe and are broadcast to all capable phones from targeted cell towers. They can be targeted to areas affected by serious hazards and will only be sent when there is a serious threat to life, health or property, and, in some cases, for test purposes.

Since the system was launched in November 2017, a test has been held annually to ensure the Emergency Mobile Alert system works well. The test allow us to evaluate the system, cell towers and your phone's ability to receive the alert.

The previous nationwide tests were sent to cell towers all over New Zealand and we expect approximately four million phones were capable of receiving the alert – twice as many as the previous test.

The date for the test this year is **Sunday 24 November**, between 6pm and 7pm.



LAST FOTS MEETING OF 2019: WEDNESDAY 4 DECEMBER, 7:15pm, STAFFROOM

There's only one meeting left for the year. It would be great to see you there as we still need help to run the school's favourite event – Jingle! If you can't make it to our meetings, but want to get in touch or help out, please email us: fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz

READ-A-THON

Hand your Read-a-thon sponsorship money in to your class teacher and be in to win! Payments can also be made directly to the FOTS account: Friends of the School 12-3059-0033716-00. PLEASE make sure you reference your child's name and room number.

Those who have returned their money will be included in our prize draws on 15, 18, and 22 November – the earlier you get your money in, the more chances you have to win some cool prizes.

STUDENT ARTWORK CALENDARS & STATIONERY

Calendars and stationery have now been ordered and will be delivered to children in the next few weeks. If you purchased items, thank you so much for your support. Also, an enormous thank you to all BBS staff and FOTS' Christine Wilson for making this fundraiser happen. For any questions about your order, please contact Christine on 021 0320457.

THANK YOU, SAMUEL WANG!



A huge shout out to Samuel Wang from Room 7 who went busking on his violin to raise funds for shade around school. He raised over \$100! Thank you for your amazing donation, Samuel.

BELINDA COLES PHOTOGRAPHY: FAMILY MINI SHOOTS SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER

Save the date – we have a great opportunity for you to get affordable, professional family photos just in time for Christmas! Thanks to Belinda Coles Photography for offering family mini shoots at Castor Bay Beach



on Sunday 15 December. Sessions are 20 minutes long and will be moved to her studio in Huapai if it rains. We will let you know details on how to book online very soon!



JINGLE IS COMING: TUESDAY 10 DECEMBER!

In association with BBS 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 to help with setting up and managing stalls, so please look out for a Google form to be sent out next week.

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, youcher, 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

JINGLE JARS

Start saving your glass jars now for this annual Browns Bay School tradition! Every child is encouraged to decorate and donate a lidded glass jar of any size filled with fun, <u>NEW and UNUSED</u> items, such as small toys, stationery, marbles, hair accessories, arts and crafts, \$2 shop items, beads, stickers, and a small amount of lollies (nut free please). Children can then buy a Jingle Jar back at Jingle, with all funds raised being donated to the school.



Jingle Jars will be collected in class from Monday 26 November until Monday 10 December.

CLASS PRIZE: The class that donates the most Jingle Jars will win a special treat!

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 2020.

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 Notices

DARE TO EXPLORE AUCKLAND LIBRARIES - Kia Māia te Whai

Looking for fun, free ways to keep your Children/tamariki learning and building their reading skills over summer? Sign up for Kia Māia te Whai-Dare to Explore, Auckland Libraries' summer reading adventure for children aged 5-12 years.

Register online from 18 November at www.daretoexplore.nz OR visit one of our 54 participating libraries. This is a great activity to do with friends, so encourage your child's buddies to come along and join the adventure.

Fill your children's summer holidays with exciting challenges and take part in the free activities offered at your local library.

Keep your kids' reading levels up over the long summer break. This year the theme is Onamata Inamata Anamata - Past, Present, Future.

All of our fabulous characters are back, along with Moa who returns this year.

Children can join the programme from home, at the library, online, or away on holiday.

Get involved and see why over 13,000 tamariki enjoyed reading with Auckland Libraries last summer!

Key dates are:

18 November Online registration opens

9 December The Programme begins. Children can collect their booklets20 January The Programme finishes. Last day for checking in at the library

21 – 28 January Celebration week with library party







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Road Works Notice



Where:	Browns Bay Road, Browns Bay
	(refer site map on reverse side)
When:	Sunday 24 th November 2019 to Monday 2 nd December 2019 Contingency date to Wednesday 11 th December 2019 (No work on Friday or Saturday Nights)
Times:	Night Shift: 7:30pm to 5:00am
Duration:	7 x shift (weather dependant)

On behalf of Auckland Transport, Fulton Hogan will be carrying out resurfacing work in your area. In the event of bad weather, the work will commence on the next fine shift.

A new traffic control layout may be in operation during the work and brief delays may be experienced. Your cooperation in following the directions of any traffic control staff on duty and our temporary road signs would be appreciated.

On-street parking may be limited during work hours. Any vehicles parked in the work area will be towed to a safe position a short distance from the work site. Every effort will be made to locate the owner before towing. To avoid any inconvenience we would appreciate if you could park your vehicle away from the work area on scheduled work days.

We will notify you directly if vehicle access to your driveway is likely to be affected. Should you require assistance at any time please do not hesitate to ask our onsite staff.

There may be parts of the operation which cause minor dust nuisance. We will make every effort to minimise dust emissions and have controls in place to manage any potential dust issues.

For further information please contact the site engineer:

Name: Gavin Wallace
Phone: 027 479 8824

Email: Gavin.Wallace@fultonhogan.com

Alternatively, please phone the Auckland Transport call centre on: (09) 355 3553 or email feedback on completion of the works to aktfeedback@fultonhogan.com.

We thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation while we undertake this work

Resurfacing work at Browns Bay Road, Browns Bay





THINKING CAPS Maths tutoring is working at Browns Bay School every Thursday morning. If you want extra help for your child's maths, we have spaces available. Years 3-6. Sessions based on the school curriculum with friendly and experienced teachers.

Phone: Julie 027 2453870 or Office 09 424 3536 www.thinkingcaps.co.nz

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WATER SAFETY DAY

Auckland Drowning Prevention are hosting a free water safety day at St Marys Bay on Saturday 23rd November from 2-6pm. We have free kayaking, supping and sailing and lots of Aquatic Based activities and prizes.





Support staff are making a difference for children. Now it's time to make a difference for support staff!

New Zealand's school funding system is broken.

It fails to deliver certainty for schools, secure and fairly paid work for support staff, and consistent, quality learning support for students.

Teacher aides are on the frontline of learning support. They are often unable to support themselves and their families on what they earn. 90% of teacher aides are earning less than the living wage and most are in insecure, fixed-term employment.

The system is broken, but together we can change it.

WHAT ARE WE CAMPAIGNING FOR?

Pay equity and collective agreement negotiations for teacher aides are underway, and we're pushing for a government commitment to a substantial pay increase that finally recognises teacher aides' skills and responsibilities by the end of 2019.

Other support staff also need significant pay increases, improvements to allowances and firm commitments to pay equity processes too.

Government funding is essential to make this happen. Schools must be resourced to pay support staff fairly, ensure secure employment and provide high quality learning support.

Support staff make a real difference for our tamariki and rangatahi – and now it's time for the people on the frontline of education to get a fair go. Together, we can make it happen.

campaigns.nzel.org.nz/support-staff



BEGINNER BAND AT MBIS: There is still space for your child to learn a new instrument at MBIS in 2020. See all the information using <u>this</u> link and sign your child up <u>here</u>.



Catch up on measles vaccination

The measles outbreak is continuing, so it's still important to catch up on your children's vaccinations.

Children will get very sick with measles.

They also can miss school activities like sports, concerts and camps.

The friends of a child with measles may also have to stay at home if they are unvaccinated.

See your doctor - it's FREE.

Do it now, so measles doesn't interfere with end-of-year activities and get-togethers.

If you suspect measles please stay at home and call your doctor or Healthline (0800 611 116) for advice.

Measles info at: arphs.health.nz/measles



www.dpanz.org.nz





