



Browns Bay School
EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

05 February 2020



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers
Kia Ora

Happy Chinese New Year – the Year of the Rat.

Welcome back to the new school year, and a particularly warm welcome to the new students and their families who have joined our school community this year. The school roll has continued its upward trend and we would encourage any parents with pre-schoolers to complete the online enrolment form as soon as possible early in the year.

MEET THE TEACHER EVENINGS

The Meet the Teacher evenings are a chance for you to meet your child's teacher and hear about the programme that will be operating in your child's classroom. The scheduled days/times are:

Wednesday 5 February	6.00pm	Year 6 – Rooms 18, 19, 20, 21
Wednesday 12 February	6.00pm	NE / Year 1 and 2 – Rooms 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
	6.45pm	Year 5 - Rooms 16, 17, 22, 23
Thursday 13 February	6.00pm	Year 3 and 4 – Rooms 13, 14, 15, 26, 24, 25, 27, 28

If you are unable to attend, information will be made available through the class pages on our website.

SCHOOL FOCUS

One of our focus areas for 2020 is the whole school implementation of the **Kia Kaha** Programme. This is an Anti-bullying programme supported by the NZ Police. Teachers will be implementing this programme throughout the year, with support from our Police Education Officer. The Programme is designed to help young people learn and apply a range of safe practices that they can use to build and maintain successful relationships throughout their lives.

Reading will be a major school focus for 2020. On Thursday 30 January teaching staff attended a one day conference on "The Reading Book" by Sheena Cameron and Louise Dempsey. The course focused on:

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- Using the shared reading approach at all levels of the school to explicitly teach comprehension, critical thinking and decoding

Guided reading

- Planning and organising guided reading lessons
- Reviewing a range of generic activities that engage students, reduce teacher planning and offer an alternative to worksheets

Independent reading

- Reviewing the importance of independent reading, including ideas to motivate and engage students in the reading process

Teachers came away excited and inspired by new ideas to work on with students during their Literacy programmes.

WAITANGI DAY

The school will be closed for Waitangi Day – Thursday February 6th

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

I would like to thank parents for their honesty and support of the school community through voluntarily keeping students away for the suggested 14 days. We have set up a web page for Coronavirus at

<https://www.brownsbay.school.nz/school-information/health-safety/coronavirus-updates>

Browns Bay School's response continues to be guided by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health. We still require all students (domestic and international) who have travelled from, or via, mainland China to undertake a period of 14-day self-isolation in order to ensure that our community remains at low risk from the spread of the virus. All other students are to be in school as usual and absences will be recorded in the usual manner.

Our approach is in excess of the minimum requirements and we will continue to take a precautionary attitude. In the meantime, we hope that all of our community will continue to extend kindness and compassion to those affected by the impacts of the threat of coronavirus.

Updated information can be accessed at:

Ministry of Health - Coronavirus Information:

<https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov>

Ministry of Education - Coronavirus information

<http://education.govt.nz/school/health-safety-and-wellbeing/student-and-staff-health/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov/>

If you have any concerns about one of your children or students, the Ministry of Health guidance suggests that you contact Healthline at [0800 611 116](tel:0800611116) or your GP for medical advice.

We continue to closely monitor information provided by the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education and will update you as necessary through our school newsletter or by email.

Cecilia Chen, ESOL Teacher Aide, is available for Chinese speaking parents to answer any queries. She can be contacted at ceciliac@brownsbay.school.nz or wechat 34336448

关于新型冠状病毒的最新消息

首先，感谢家长的诚信和对学校工作的支持，自愿在家观察 14 天后再返校。

Browns Bay 小学遵照教育部和卫生部的指导，我们仍要求所有从中国内地或途径中国大陆旅行的学生（本地和国际学生）进行为期 14 天的自我隔离，以确保将我们的社区受病毒传播的威胁处于较低水平。

所有其他学生将照常上学，缺勤情况将按常规记录。

我们目前所采取的措施已经超出教育部要求的最低标准，我们对待此次事件将继续采取谨慎的态度。与此同时，我们希望我们所在社区将继续对受到冠状病毒影响的人们表示同情。

以下链接可以查询最新的信息：

卫生部关于新冠病毒的最新信息：

<https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov>

教育部关于新冠病毒的最新信息：

<http://education.govt.nz/school/health-safety-and-wellbeing/student-and-staff-health/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov/>

如果您对自己的孩子健康状况有任何疑问，卫生部建议您致电 0800 611 116 或与您的家庭医生联系，寻求医疗建议。

我们将继续密切留意卫生部和教育部提供的信息，并在必要时通过我们的学校简报或通过电子邮件向您更新。

ESOL 老师助理 Cecilia Chen 可以为说中文的父母解答任何疑问。可以通过 ceciliac@brownsbay.school.nz 或通过微信 34336448 与她联系。

Regards
Peter Mulcahy

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 6 February – Waitangi Day	Monday 10- 12 February – Year 6 Camp
Tuesday 11 February – Pre-school Visit	Wednesday 12 February – Meet the Teacher (scheduled rooms)
Thursday 13 February – Meet the Teacher (scheduled rooms)	Friday 14 February – Senior Basketball Trials
Monday 17 February – Senior Basketball Trials	Thursday 20 February – Vision and Hearing Testing
Thursday 20 February – Level 4 Waterwise (Millennium)	Thursday 20 February – Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday 21 February – Football Kidz	Wednesday 26 February – Conferences 3.20-6.30pm
Thursday 27 February – Conferences 3.20-6.30pm	Friday 28 February – Full School Assembly 11.00am

SCHOOL EVENTS

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent Teacher Conferences for the start of the school year will be held on Wednesday 26 February and Thursday 27 February from 3.20pm to 6.30pm each night. The purpose of this conference is for parents to share information with the teacher about their child, and for the teacher to talk about how your child has settled into class. Each conference is 10 minutes long and this timing must be strictly adhered to.

A booking form will be sent out prior to the Conferences closer to the time.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAMME / CAMP DATES

Year 0-2	Outdoor Education Day	Friday 6 March
Year 3	Outdoor Education Day	Thursday 7 May (Rooms TBC) Friday 8 May (Rooms TBC)
Year 4	Camp	Monday 4 – Tuesday 5 May (Rooms TBC) Monday 11 – Tuesday 12 May (Rooms TBC)

Year 5	Camp	Monday 23 – Wednesday 25 March (Rooms TBC) Wednesday 25 – Friday 27 March (Rooms TBC)
Year 6	Camp	Monday 10 – 12 February

A reminder that Police Vets are required if a parent is intending to stay overnight at a camp. If you are unsure if you have a current police vet please contact the school office or email Jo Hewitt – joh@brownsbay.school.nz. Police vets are taking a number of weeks to be returned so please action this asap if required.

WATERWISE – Level 5 Sailing Programme – Waiake Beach

Those Year 5 and 6 children who are on Level 5 of our Waterwise Programme will begin their sailing programme at Waiake Beach on Wednesday 26th February. Information will be sent home with these children shortly. The Programme relies on parents who are able to volunteer – most especially those that are our trained instructors. Thank you to those parents who have undertaken the training to support us with this valuable programme – we couldn't do it without you.

SCHOOL NOTICES

SUNHATS

Sunhats are compulsory for all children for Term 1 2020. I would also recommend that sunscreen be put on your child each day. Students may also wear sunglasses.



VISION AND HEARING TESTING

The Vision and Hearing Technicians will be visiting our school as part of the Vision and Hearing Screening Programme

They will be in contact closer to the scheduled day to let us know which students will be tested, and require a consent form signed by a parent or guardian.

Children eligible to be tested include:

1. New Entrants to the school **who have not had a B4 School Hearing and Vision test at Pre-school.**
2. Children who need rescreening or were absent from previous testing.
3. Children new to the school who have not been tested in New Zealand.

Children do not need to be tested if they have completed the B4 School Check

SPORTS

Over the next few weeks students will be given the chance to join various sports teams. This is advertised in our daily notice that goes to all classes. Information and registration is generally online through our school website. Information has already been advised with regard to Miniball / Basketball and Flippaball – these sports start very early in the school term. Specific information with regard to these sports has been advised to children and is available on our school website www.brownsbay.school.nz/sports

Registrations for Basketball (Year 5/6) must be made online via the school website and close by 9.00am on Monday 10 February

Registrations for Miniball (Year 3/4) and Flippaball close by 9.00am on Monday 10 February.

LUNCHROOM

The lunchroom will continue to open on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. Children will need to bring their lunch order in a named envelope and put it in the lunchbox in their classroom. Ezilunch will also continue to operate on those days and Subway will continue on a Thursday.

FOOD ALLERGIES

We have a group of children who can react seriously to various foods. PEANUTS and TREE NUTS are two such foods. Severe allergies present a considerable challenge to schools, children and families. Symptoms can cause significant health problems for allergic students.

We encourage parents to monitor the food that is placed in your child's lunchbox. We would appreciate you not including those items if at all possible.

FOTS – Friends of the School



What is F.O.T.S?

We are a group of parents who volunteer to help and support the school with various fundraising and social events. We aim to promote and encourage a close relationship between home, school and community. Every parent/caregiver at BBS is eligible to be part of FOTS.

What does FOTS do?

The F.O.T.S team is a group of volunteer parents/caregivers who meet each month and develop opportunities to:

- Support & enhance our children's school experience and environment through events and resources.
- Provide a voice for parents.
- Connect parents with each other, the School Board, teachers and school management.
- Fund-raise

For more information: email "fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz":

Community Notices

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

MUSIC EDUCATION CENTRE

LEARNING MUSIC CAN ADD AN EXTRA DIMENSION TO YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION

We are the largest specialist music provider in Auckland. Teaching music is what we do!

We are completely focused on giving your child the best musical learning possible.

Our programmes are individualised to develop your child's musical passion and ability.

We have lessons in piano, guitar, drums and other instruments starting in term one right here at school! Enter the URL below into your browser to enrol your child today!

<https://pw304-b54866.pages.infusionsoft.net/>

CHESS CLUB

"Improve concentration, focus and thinking"

Join our Chess Club! 9 weeks coaching program

ESOL Room

Thursdays

13 Feb – 9 April - 3.10 pm – 4.10 pm \$120 per student

Register today! www.chesspower.co.nz/register

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

MULTI-SPORT PROGRAMME

Programmes run weekly on one day a week for one hour.

This term we will focus on the following sports:

- ✓ Endzone (American Flag Football) - 4 Session
- ✓ Netball - 2 Sessions
- ✓ Football - 2 Sessions

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

For year 0 – 6 students. Programme starts in Week 2 of Term 1 2020
All Sessions Start at 3:05 pm and finish at 4:05 pm.

PRICE \$ 98 FOR 8 WEEKS

Mairangi Bay School – Mon	Forrest Hill School – Wed
Browns Bay School – Mon	Marlborough Primary – Thu
Northcote Primary – Mon	Torbay School – Thu
Glamorgan School – Tue	Takapuna School – Thu
Campbells Bay School – Tue	Sunnybrae Normal School – Fri
Murrays Bay School – Tue	Target Road Primary – Fri
Milford School – Wed	Kauri Park School – Fri
Verran Primary – Wed	Windy Ridge School – Fri

"We endeavor to run this programme rain or shine, however in the event of extreme weather parents/caregivers will be informed before 2 pm if a session gets cancelled a make-up session will be advised."

"For more information, meeting places and to book please go to our website."

****MINIMUM OF 10 ENROLLMENTS (KIDS) REQUIRED TO RUN A SESSION PER SCHOOL****

Website: www.kellysports.co.nz

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Phone: 022 533 5420/09 390 5000

Facebook: @kelly-Sports-East-Coast-Bays
@Kelly-Sports-Glenfield-Birkenhead



BASKETBALL SKILLS PROGRAMME TERM 1



Kelly Sports introduce players to Basketball in a fun environment.

This programme is designed to enhance players individual and team basketball skills giving them confidence in a fun environment when playing the game. The Programme includes the following focus areas : Shooting, jump shot, three pointer, free throws, Ball handling - dribbling, passing, Individual defense, Offensive patterns, Defensive structures - man to man, Practice and warm up routines for players.

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ECB R.F.C. EAST COAST BAYS JUNIOR RUGBY & RIPPY RUGBY 2020 Registrations Now Open

Thinking of enrolling for Rugby or Rippa Rugby?

East Coast Bays is the largest junior rugby club on the North Shore! And for good reason!! We love our kids and our families, and fun is right at the heart of our core values, ensuring all kids are supported, get a go, and most importantly, they have FUN! We also have family fun club nights every month with great activities for the kids, and dinner in the club afterward! A great family night out.

Non contact Rippa Rugby & Quick Rip!

We have awesome non contact Rippa Rugby for Boy & Girls of all ages!

U9, U11 & U13 Girls Only Grades

5-7yo Rippa - the largest on the Shore with all games played at ECB.

U9, U11 & U13 Boys & Mixed Grades are also now available!!

Registration Dates - Come Along.

Head along to the clubrooms on any of these dates with your child.

Tuesday February 18th 4pm – 6.30pm
Saturday February 22nd 8am-11am
Wednesday February 26th 4pm -6.30pm
Saturday February 29th 8am – 11am

For more info visit baysrugby.com/juniorsclub

GO BAYS!

East Coast Bays Rugby Football Club | 496 East Coast Road, Mairangi Bay | www.baysrugby.com



Life's more fun on

SNOWPLANET

NOW RUNNING FOR 6 WEEKS!

OPEN SCHOOLS

Learn to ski or snowboard and make new friends, all while having fun!

TUESDAY – 18th of Feb – 24th of March | 4:00pm – 5:00pm

\$222 entire term

Includes 1 hr lesson, Snow Pass, Skis/Snowboard, Boots & Helmet

\$15 extra hour freeride

Groups available for First Timers, Beginners, Intermediate & Advanced.
Suitable for ages 5- 12

CUT OFF DATE FOR BOOKINGS:
15th OF FEBRUARY 2020

For more information contact us at
schools@snowplanet.co.nz | 09 427 0193 | <https://t10panschools20.eventdazq.com>

REGISTER NOW!