



27 April 2023  
Newsletter



## 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 with your families.

A special welcome to our new students and their families, especially our new New Entrants in Room 11.



## 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 school 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 with 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 School (after school) in Netball, Hockey, Miniball, Basketball and Flippaball. We currently have some teams representing the school in the North Harbour tournaments for Tackle Rugby and Rippa Rugby. Sport is a great opportunity for the students to display 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.



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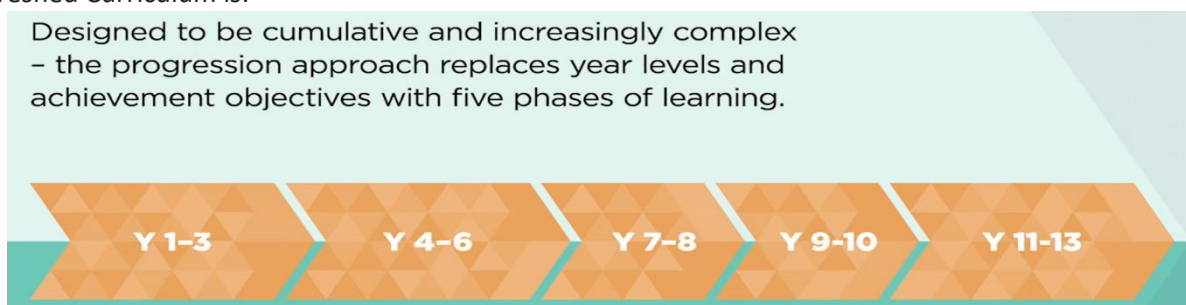
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## CURRICULUM REFRESH: SOCIAL STUDIES

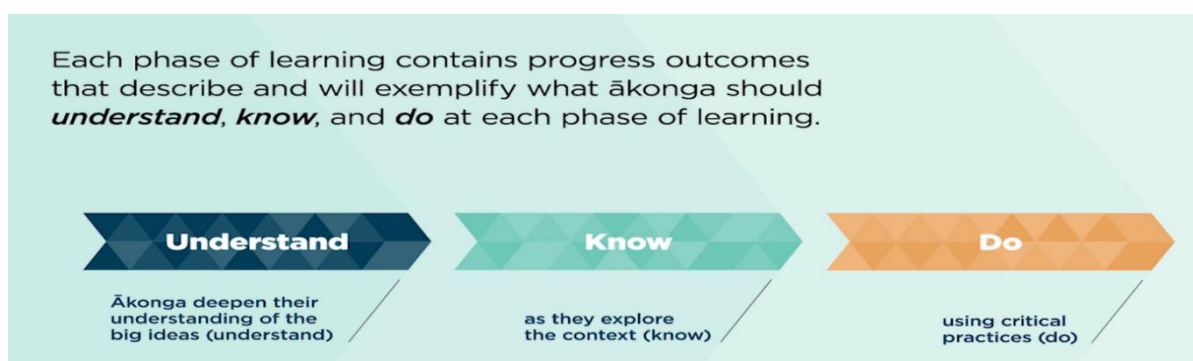
The Teacher Only Day on Monday was extremely useful for staff to work on understanding the direction of the Curriculum Refresh. We had a very productive day reviewing the changes to the New Zealand Curriculum. The current Curriculum was developed in 2007 and the timeline for the changes are:

- **Social Sciences** was released in November 2022, and the new Aotearoa New Zealand Histories must now be taught in all schools.
- **English** is being refreshed now and will be released in Term 2, 2023.
- **Mathematics and Statistics** is being refreshed now and will be released in Term 2, 2023.
- **Science** is in development for release in 2024.
- **Technology** is in development for release in 2024.
- **The Arts** is in development for release in 2024.
- **Health and Physical Education** is in development for release in 2025.
- Schools will have until the beginning of 2027 to start using the fully refreshed curriculum.

The Refreshed Curriculum is:



and



More details on the Ministry of Education website can be found [here](#)

## **INDUSTRIAL ACTION**

The Primary Teacher and Primary Principal Collective Agreements are yet to be settled with the Ministry of Education. Sometime over the next few weeks teachers will be voting on whether to accept or reject the latest offer from the Ministry. Principals have agreed to a Strike Action that focuses on not supporting any **new** work with the Ministry of Education. This strike action by Principals will not affect the daily running of the school as it is aimed at restricting the Ministry's planned actions and motivating them to provide an appropriate offer.

## **POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PB4L)**

In Term 2 we will be focusing on taking pride in ourselves by wearing the correct uniform. This week your children will be discovering the importance of clearly labelling all of their school uniform items. We would really appreciate you helping them with this. Argyle sells pens for labelling clothing. Places like Spotlight also sell stick on and iron on labels for clothing. FOTS also have an ongoing fundraiser to purchase labels (see flyer).

Next week our focus is on 'Lost Property'. Your children will be learning the importance of looking after their property so that it doesn't end up in the lost property bin (located outside Room 10). This bin is often overflowing with good quality school uniform items. Liz Hammelburg would be very grateful if parents waiting to collect their children from the Junior area on Fridays can help to sort the lost property items collected during the week. Please be prepared to help her if she approaches you. Thank you.

Peter Mulcahy  
PRINCIPAL







## UPCOMING EVENTS

A full schedule of events for Term 2 2023 is available on our school website calendar with the most current events included in each newsletter.

Monday 01 May – FOTS Meeting – 7pm Staffroom	Monday & Tuesday 01 & 02 May - Year 4 Camp - R31&32
Tuesday 02 May – North Shore Swimming	Thursday 04 May – Year 1 Trip to MOTAT
Monday & Tuesday 08 & 09 May - Year 4 Camp R30&33 & Year 4's from R20	Friday 19 May – FOTS Disco (See FOTS notice below for more details)
Thursday 25 May - BOT Meeting 6.30pm - Staffroom	Friday 26 May – Y1-3 Assembly - 9.45am - School Hall
Friday 26 May – Y4-6 Assembly – 11.30am - School Hall	Monday 05 June – Kings Birthday – School closed

### FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION PRESENTS...


## Glow with the Flow BBS Disco

**Friday 19th May, 2023**


**PARENT HELP NEEDED**  
 IF YOU CAN HELP:  
 -BAKE AND DONATE MINI CUPCAKES FOR US TO SELL AT DISCO  
 HELP SET UP FOR DISCO FROM 1.00 - 3.00PM  
 -HELP AT THE JUNIOR/SENIOR DISCO  
[WATCH OUT FOR FOTS GOOGLE FORM OR EMAIL US:](#)  
[fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz)

**Junior Disco - Yrs 0,1,2,3 ⚡ 5.00 - 6.30pm**

**Senior Disco - Yrs 4,5,6 ⚡ 7.00 - 8.30pm**








**Tickets - \$6**



**Hotdogs - \$3.50**

**\*Students must pre-order hotdogs. No sales on the night.  
 All sales are online via Kindo. Please order tickets for each child individually.**

**Lollies, cupcakes and more available on the night.  
Please bring cash.**

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## SCHOOL EVENTS

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### ANZAC DAY REPRESENTATIVES

Many thanks to our school representatives who attended the Anzac Day Ceremony at Browns Bay and laid a wreath on behalf of the school.

- Zachary Rm 25
- Giselle Rm 27
- Samuel Rm 27
- Jorja Rm 30



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## SCHOOL NOTICES

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### ENROLMENTS FOR 2023/2024

Do you have a child/ren who will turn 5 in the next 12 months? If so, please enrol them as soon as possible as we need to know numbers now for our future roll growth planning. Please use the following link for more information about our enrolment process and to access the online enrolment form.

All [enrolments](#) are now online.



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## FOTS – Friends of the School

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### CONTACT FOTS

If you would like to subscribe to our volunteer's mailing list, or if you wish to learn more, please email [fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:fots@my.brownsbay.school.nz), or find us on Facebook

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

Please come along to our next monthly meeting on **Monday 01 May at 7pm** in the staffroom. All are welcome.

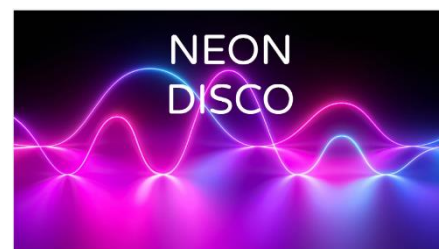


### NEON DISCO - Friday 19 May!

Get ready, the BBS Disco is happening in Term 2!

- Years 0-3 (Junior) 5 pm - 6.30 pm
- Years 4-6 (Senior) 7 pm - 8.30 pm

Parent volunteers will be needed on the night to help. A Volunteer Form will be sent from the school in Term 2 if you would like to help.



### FACEBOOK

Did you know we share a Facebook page with Browns Bay School? For news, photos, updates and event information, search [www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School](https://www.facebook.com/Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School)



For the latest Browns Bay School & F.O.T.S news, events and fundraisers, find us and like us:  
Browns-Bay-School-Friends-of-the-School



# Friends of The School Parent Association

Term One 2023 Update



## Friends of the School Parent Association AGM

A BIG THANKS to those parents who attended, it was fantastic to see some new faces who are keen to do what they can to support the school.

The 2023 Executive voted in are:

President: Michael Corbett  
 Vice President: Sarah Voss  
 Treasurer: Siobhan Richards  
 Secretary: Morgana Smith

## 2022 Fundraising Target and Focus Areas

The Friends of the School Parent Association (FOTS) fundraising target for 2022 was set at \$42,000, with the primary fundraising focus of contributing to the new seating and Changing Sheds for the school pool area.

We also contribute annually to the Year 6 Graduation and help with the increasing costs of the BBS Education Outside the Classroom programme, which includes school trips, waterwise, outdoor education days and school camps.

A Discretionary Fund is also set aside to support smaller projects throughout the year as needed.

## 2022 Funds Distributed

We are thrilled to confirm that \$60,000 was donated to the school pool restoration project.

Donations were also made to the school for the Education Outside the Classroom programme (\$6,000) and Year 6 Graduation (\$500).

The Discretionary Fund contributed payments just over \$5500 in 2022. Funding included a range of items from first aid resources for the sick bay, Te Matai equipment, board games for a lunchtime club, sets of novels for classrooms and Kapa Haka costumes.

Thank you to all our families for your continued support which in turn enhances the school environment for our kids.

**Email us to go on the mailing list and keep up to date with all the news:**  
[fotsemy.brownsbay.school.nz](mailto:fotsemy.brownsbay.school.nz)





# Friends of The School Parent Association

Term One 2023 Update



## 2023 Events Update

We are so pleased to kick off 2023 with a calendar full of events planned for BBS this year!

We'll be holding the popular Disco, Movie Night in addition to the second hand uniform sales, the popular Calendar Art as well as a new event which we will be announcing soon.

All the proceeds from the fundraising activities go directly back into Browns Bay School.

There are lots of different ways you can get involved, whether it be volunteering to help run one of the events, helping with the preparation of events, ticketing etc or more administrative support - all offers of help are accepted and very much appreciated.

## Parents & Caregivers Event

We are excited to announce we will be organizing a parents and caregivers event in 2023 - it has been a long time since this event has been able to happen so keep an eye in the school newsletter for more details.

## Join Today!

Investing time in your child's school life is hugely rewarding so come and get amongst it!

Even just a few hours of your time over the course of a year makes a huge difference.

Join in our Parent meetings or volunteer your time to help out at an upcoming fundraising event. Meetings are usually held monthly and are notified through the school newsletter and Facebook.

If meetings aren't your thing, perhaps you would like to help with a fun event like the Disco, or a fun parent's evening or an idea of your own.

Begin the journey of learning more about your child's school, meeting other parents and forging new friendships.

There are so many ways to support the school so the teachers and their support crew can focus on delivering the best education and experiences for our kids.

## FINALLY ...

**A HUGE thank you to all the teachers and staff at Browns Bay School for their time and efforts given to help and support our events in 2022.**

**Thank you to all the amazing FOTS Committee, Volunteers, Parents and Helpers throughout 2022, your contribution has been very much appreciated and has had a huge impact on the school.**

**Our very special thanks to Peter Mulcahy and Jacky Carr for their continued encouragement, involvement and support of the Friends of the School Parent Association.**

**Email us to go on the mailing list and keep up to date with all the news  
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## COMMUNITY NOTICES





### ENJOY CHESS IN 2023!

✓ Improve logical thinking and problem solving skills

**Fridays in Room 12**  
**5 May to 30 Jun 2023**  
**3:10 - 4:10pm**



Scan to register

### COACHING PROGRAMME

Dear Parents,

Playing chess in school helps students achieve many learning outcomes faster and more effectively. Put simply, chess makes kids smarter. Chess enables all students to shine and develop intellectually in a way they really enjoy. Playing chess develops self-confidence, concentration and problem-solving skills.


**Put simply, chess makes kids smarter.**

We are pleased to continue the Chess Coaching Programme at our school and look forward to bringing the excitement, competition and educational benefits of chess to your children.

Chess Power has been educating Chess in many schools in Auckland and across New Zealand. Our coaches are all professionally trained and accredited and our support systems are world class.

#### WHAT HAPPENS IN A CHESS POWER COACHING PROGRAMME?

- ✓ Grow Kids Minds™!
- ✓ Improve concentration and focus
- ✓ Develop important life skills – fair play and decision making
- ✓ Develop Tactical & Strategic thinking
- ✓ Prepare for Chess Tournaments against other schools
- ✓ Develop a love of chess, of learning and of thinking
- ✓ Play Chess Online safely and for free



Each session starts with a formal lesson; all players will learn a new strategy, idea or skill each week. Then they put those skills into practice with activities and games. All games are monitored and supervised by the coach who provides individual feedback along the way.

Throughout the programme, we reward kids that do well and encourage and support kids that are struggling. At completion of the programme we recognise each child with a certificate based on their performance.

#### CLASS DETAILS

Sessions will be held weekly on **Fridays** after school from **3:10pm to 4:10pm** in **Room 12** starting **Friday 5 May 2023**. The last session will be held on Friday 30 June 2023.

#### REGISTRATION

If your child would like to be part of this for Term 2, please visit our website:

[www.chesspower.co.nz/class-registration](http://www.chesspower.co.nz/class-registration)

This is a 9-week program. The fee is \$200 for the term per student.

It is easy to register. Just choose your school and fill out the online form. A payment link will be available to you on the form.

To learn more...  
 Visit our website [www.chesspower.co.nz](http://www.chesspower.co.nz) and click **Parents Centre**



### Browns Bay School

**Rugby Skills Clinics (non contact)**

**5 weekly sessions**

**Starts Fri 19th May**

**Time: 3.10 - 3.55pm**

**Venue: School Field**

**Cost: \$59 per child, \$29.50 per extra sibling**

Register on [enrolmy.com/msports-northshore](http://enrolmy.com/msports-northshore)

[m-sports-footykids.org.nz](http://m-sports-footykids.org.nz)



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 the draw to win  
 a **FREE** week  
 at one of our  
 Football holiday  
 programmes!!

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### Lessons conveniently in school time!

C = Confident  
 A = Achieve  
 P = Prepared  
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"Let us be part of your family's support team"  
 Book in for Term 2 Now  
 Focus: Multiplication / Division

[www.thinkingcaps.co.nz](http://www.thinkingcaps.co.nz)





### KidsLink is the starting point for parents...

**Learning Behaviour Extra Curricular**  
**Physical Needs Under 5's Well-Being**



It connects you to a range of trusted services who specifically work with kids & teens

**visit: [kidslink.co.nz](http://kidslink.co.nz)**



## MUSIC LESSONS AVAILABLE HERE AT SCHOOL

Our school provides the opportunity for pupils to take specialist instrumental lessons right here at school. We partner with the Music Education Centre to provide specialist tuition that is structured to the individual needs of each student, making lessons both fun and educational. For many parents the added convenience of lessons close to home makes in-school lessons the best option for their children.

There are limited spaces for new students to join in Term 2, so for more information about availability and instrument choice offered, please contact the Music Education Centre directly on 0800 89 39 39.

### MUSIC LESSONS AT SCHOOL!

The Music Education Centre offers specialist music tuition for a range of instruments including **Piano, Guitar, Drums and more!**

### IT'S CONVENIENT!

Have your child's music lesson right at their school and give them the opportunity to develop their skills through our **individualised lessons that're both fun and educational!** Learning music supports all areas of learning through developing **confidence, creativity, concentration and so much more!**



To enrol, please visit [bit.ly/MusicEducation2023](https://bit.ly/MusicEducation2023)

# FAMILY FUN DAY

BRING YOUR PRESCHOOLERS AND  
YOUNG CHILDREN FOR A FREE  
AFTERNOON OF FUN

**SATURDAY**

29th April  
2.30-4.30pm

1 Sidmouth Street,  
Mairangi Bay

Bouncy castle - \$1 Candy Floss  
Bubbles - Face painting - Fun Games  
Play on the Toy Library toys



**North Shore Community Toy Library**