



**Browns Bay School**  
EFFORT BRINGS REWARD

15 December 2022  
Newsletter



## PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers  
Kia Ora

As this is the final newsletter for 2022, I would like to take the opportunity to extend Season's Greetings to you and your family.

It has been a full year for Browns Bay School with sports events, cultural activities and academic learning. I would like to pay tribute to the work and commitment put into our school by the school community throughout this year. The children have worked extremely hard over the year and deserve a well-earned summer break. The staff of the school have put in a lot of extra work in the classroom and around the school, and I would like to thank them for their professionalism and caring attitude to their students. I would like to acknowledge the support, given over the year, by parents to the school. Parents have supported the school by helping in the classrooms, supporting trips and being involved in your children's learning. The FOTS Team are to be thanked for their hard work and effort this year. The Board, with Stanley Zhang and Stacey Strang, as Chairs, have guided the school well over the year and provided sound governance. Well done to all those groups for working together, and ensuring the child is at the heart of all decisions.

Please keep safe over the holidays and we look forward to welcoming the children back for the new school year on **TUESDAY 31 JANUARY 2023**.

### **STAFFING**

I would like to acknowledge the staff who are leaving us at the end of the year, and I would like to thank them for their work over the year in the classrooms, supporting our students and with their work around the school. We appreciate the way you have worked alongside the students. Thank you very much.

I would like to acknowledge **Jan Glidden, Sajida Scott, Jane Kelly, Katrina Taylor, Cheryl Knapp, Katie Weir and Sally Campbell**. Thank you for your work at Browns Bay School and best wishes for the future.

### **YEAR 6 STUDENTS**

It is with a touch of sadness, yet with high expectations, that we farewell our Year 6 pupils as they move on to Intermediate School. Many of these pupils have been at school since they started as 5 year olds, some have come to us from other schools and others have come to us from other countries. However, they all have in common the fact that they are Browns Bay School pupils.

We thank all Year 6's for the contribution they have made to our school. We hope that in the future they will look back on their time at Browns Bay School with fondness.

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## **TEACHER ONLY DAYS 2023**

In 2023 all schools are entitled to two Teacher Only Days as part of the Curriculum Refresh announced last week by the Ministry of Education. These days mean the school is closed to students and they are not added on at the end of the year.

The local Primary schools in our Cluster have agreed on the first Teacher Only Day on **Monday 24 April**. This is the first day of Term 2 and is followed by ANZAC Day.

As we will not be having a Browns Bay School Teacher Only Day during the year our End of Year date for next year has been altered to **THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER 2023** (NOT Friday 15 December as originally advertised)

The 2023 Term dates are on our website [here](#)

Peter Mulcahy  
PRINCIPAL

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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A full schedule of events for Term 4 2022 is available on our school website calendar with the most current events included in each newsletter.

Friday 16 December – Final Y4-6 Assembly 11.15am	<b>Friday 16 December – School closes 1pm</b>
Tuesday 24 January – School Office open from 10am to 2pm	Tuesday 31 January 2023 – First day of School – 8.50am
Thursday 02 February - Newsletter	Monday 06 February – Waitangi Day

## **OUTDOOR EDUCATION DATES FOR 2023**

Year 1 and 2 Outdoor Education Day	17 March 24 March (save)	School based
Year 3 Outdoor Education Day	13 March (2 classes) 14 March (2 classes)	Long Bay Regional Park
Year 4 Camp	1 - 2 May (2 classes) 8 - 9 May (2 classes)	MERC, Long Bay
Year 5 Camp	6 - 8 March 8 - 10 March	Peter Snell Youth Village
Year 6 Camp	27 February – 1 March	Carey Park Camp

**These Outdoor Education days are reliant on Parent support so please book some Leave from work so you can spend some time with your children**

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## **SCHOOL EVENTS**

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### **JINGLE 2022**

We were delighted the weather played its part and we were able to watch amazing performances, enjoy the great atmosphere, a very 'cool' Santa and be part of a brilliant community celebration! A big **'Thank you'** to everyone who made it possible!!





### **CULTURAL DAY – JUNIOR SYNDICATE**

Year 1 and 2 enjoyed their Cultural Day which involved a yummy shared lunch.





## **PROJECT RUNWAY TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGE**

This term in Year 5 students have been actively engaging in a wide range of technology challenges including a marble run challenge, bridge building challenge and as a finally they created some amazing frocks using newspaper, string and masking tape. In teams across the modern learning space students worked to create carefully designed garments using recycled materials and then wrote a story to go with their design. As a finale each team chose a person to walk along the fashion runway and show off their amazing garments to the Year 5 Team while a second student shared their story. What a wonderful way to end the year!



## **YEAR 4 MOVIE TRIP**



## **SPORTS ROUND UP**

Sport for 2022 has now come to an end. It's been wonderful to have had 2 terms of uninterrupted sport! We have had many students involved in the various sports made available to them. As always, we are very grateful to the coaches and managers who have supported our teams throughout the year, BBS sport would not be possible without you.

We have had some teams finish their season with some great results.



## Splash Polo

Congratulations BBS Marlins for coming 2nd place in their grade

## Miniball & Basketball

Congratulations to the following teams:

Year 4 BBS Breakers - 3rd place

Year 6 BBS Giants - 3rd place

Year 4 BBS Stormers Miniball - 1st, Division 2

Year 5 BBS Heat - 2nd in Division 1

Year 5 & 6 BBS Lakers - 2nd place, Junior Breakers Basketball League



Year 3 BBS Hurricanes - Winners - Y3 B grade

## Touch

Year 2 BBS Wildcats - Winner - Year 2 grade

Year 4 BBS Tornadoes - 2nd place, A grade

Year 5 BBS Bulldogs - 2nd place, B grade

Year 5 & 6 Girls BBS Flames - Winners, Girls B grade



## Thank You

Thank you to our Chinese and Korean Cultural leaders for supporting our new students in the playground over the last two years. We will be looking for some new leaders for 2023.

Daniel, Peter, Sunny, Jayden, Isabella, Carmen - you have amazing bilingual talent and strength.



**FAMILIES LEAVING THE SCHOOL – NOTICE RE EZLUNCH/KINDO SHOP**

If your family is leaving our school and has been using ezlunch or Kindo, please make sure to stop any regular automatic payments that have been set up before the school year finishes. You may also need to transfer or close your account which can be done as follows:



- Not sure if your new school is using Kindo? If you're not sure if your new school is using Kindo, you can either ask them directly or go to "My Details" in your Kindo account and click on the list of schools to see if your new school is listed.
- New school IS using Kindo. If your new school is using Kindo, simply click on the new school from the list in "My Details" of your Kindo account and you'll be attached to the new school's menu. Any balance on your Kindo account will remain available to spend with the new school.
- New school is NOT using Kindo, or you no longer need Kindo. If you need to close your Kindo account, use the "Close Account" button within the "My Details" section of your Kindo account. You can either withdraw your account balance or choose to donate your balance to the school. Please note that all withdrawals will be made via electronic payment to your New Zealand bank account. Kindo is unable to process cash withdrawals.

If you are wanting to withdraw your Kindo account balance or make a donation that exceeds Kindo's threshold (currently more than \$10,000 total within one year), Kindo may need to undertake some identity checks on you to comply with its obligations under the Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Countering Financing of Terrorism (CFT) Act 2009. Please action the withdrawal or donation in your Kindo account as outlined above and if these AML checks are necessary Kindo will advise of the next steps required in this regard. Kindo has endeavoured to make this process as pain-free as possible and appreciates your patience.

**STATIONERY 2023**

In 2023, the start of year stationery orders will only be done online through our usual suppliers, Educational Essentials Limited, and **NOT** processed at school. Each year group has a pack of stationery with all the items required for the year. The prices of the items are all at "back to school" prices and are held at that level for the year. **All stationery orders made before January 26 2023, will be delivered to the school** pre-labelled with your child's name on, ready for when they start the school year.

The stationery packs can be ordered online through **KINDO** from **Monday 19 December**. Stationery lists, for each year group, will be available on the school website should you wish to purchase items individually. **A link to the online KINDO shop will be on the BBS website.**



**SKIDS BROWNS BAY – EARLY CLOSURE OPTION**



**We will be OPEN for an Early Closure session on the last day of school**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022**  
Book 1:00pm – 3:00pm or 1:00pm – 6:00pm

Book now at [www.sKids.co.nz/brownsbay](http://www.sKids.co.nz/brownsbay) and click 'BOOK HERE'



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## Level Up

AUCKLAND COUNCIL LIBRARIES PRESENTS **READING CHALLENGE**

**East Coast Bays Library 12 December - 22 January**  
**Summer Reading Challenge for kids and teens aged 5 - 12**  
 Use the Beanstack app to take part online and come to the fun events at the library during the summer holidays. Register today.  
 Complete quests and log your summer reading online to earn free badges and enter prize draws.

Find out more at [aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/schoolholidays](http://aucklandlibraries.govt.nz/schoolholidays)

# sKids Holiday Programme

sKids Browns Bay  
 Browns Bay School  
 Masterton Road, Browns Bay

**Short Day:** 7.00am to 3.00pm \$48.50  
**Full Day:** 7.00am to 6.00pm \$57.00

## Christmas 2022

Monday 19th	Tuesday 20th	Wednesday 21st	Thursday 22nd	Friday 23rd
<b>HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS</b>	<b>JINGLE BELL ROCK</b>	<b>HO HO HO-LIDAY PARTY</b>	<b>WE ARE CLOSED TODAY</b>	<b>WE ARE CLOSED TODAY</b>
Join us for a jam-packed day of Christmas baking, crafts, games, swimming, & awesome sKidsfun! Decorate your own miniature gingerbread house to take home!	We're partying sKids style with face painting, dress-ups, a Christmas photo booth & a jingle bell disco! Cool off with ice cream sodas and a swim in the pool!	Today we say goodbye 'til 2023 but we're still celebrating with a pool party, Christmas movies, and a Christmas themed ice cream sundae bar! Meri Kirihimete!	Wishing all our sKids kids and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.  Thank you for being a part of our sKids family in 2022 - we look forward to seeing you all in 2023!	

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