



Murrays Bay Intermediate School News

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Coming Events

30/07/19	NH Netball Zone Day	29/09/19	NH Gymnastics Zone Day
05-09/08/19	Sports Camp	03/09/19	ICAS Writing
06/08/19	NH Cross Country	05/09/19	ICAS Science
13/08/19	NH Basketball Girls	8-13/09/19	NZAIMS
14/08/19	NH Basketball Boys	10/09/19	ICAS Writing
19-23/09/19	MBIS Enrolment Week	12/09/19	ICAS Spelling
22/09/19	NH League Zone Day	17/09/19	ICAS English
26-30/09/19	Ski Week	19/09/19	ICAS Maths

Message from Melinda Bennett - Principal

Greetings parents and caregivers and welcome back to Term 3,

This term we are looking forward to a number of large events including Sports Camp in week 3, Enrolments for 2020 in week 5, and AIMS in week 8. I'm very much looking forward to watching our students' success at the sporting events, and meeting our future students during enrolment week.

Recently in the media there has been coverage about the Government's new initiative around school donations. Decile 1-7 schools will be able to access an additional \$150 per year per student if they don't request donations from parents. Because MBIS is a decile 10 school we are not entitled to this funding. As many of you will be aware the higher the decile of a school the less funding it receives from the Government. The belief is that students in higher socio economic areas require less support to achieve success, and that the community is better placed to provide any additional support required through fundraising.

Currently, a similar sized decile 1 school receives \$1.05 million per annum more than MBIS. The introduction of the \$150 MOE donation contribution will see MBIS receiving \$162,000 less than similar sized decile 1-7 schools.

This \$1.2 million funding difference is the reason that we request, and are very grateful to receive parent donations. In 2018 we were grateful to receive \$217,000 in parent donations. To date this year we have received \$129,000.

Thank you to all those families who have already paid the voluntary donation, and thank you in advance to those families who are planning to do this in the future. It really does make a difference to what we are able to provide for your children.

Aroha nui
Melinda Bennett

ICAS Exams – Bookings close next Friday

ICAS exams are happening this year in term 3. All exams are now online and each paper costs \$15 per exam. This year we are offering 6 subjects that students can sign up to. Payment for all tests is through Kindo.

- ICAS Digital Technologies Tuesday 3rd September 2019
- ICAS Science Thursday 5th September 2019
- ICAS Writing Tuesday 10th September 2019
- ICAS Spelling Bee Thursday 12th September 2019
- ICAS English Tuesday 17th September 2019
- ICAS Mathematics Thursday 19th September 2019

The last day to order your child's papers is **Friday 2nd August**.

MBI Report Card Feedback

We are currently reviewing the way we communicate learning through our MBI report cards. As parents/caregivers, we value your insights and feedback. Please take a moment to complete the survey link.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XDHFP7N>

PB4L - Values Survey for our Parents and Community

This year Murrays Bay Intermediate has taken on a new initiative called Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L). The PB4L initiatives help parents, whanau, teachers, early childhood centres, and schools address behaviour needs, improve children's well-being, and increase educational achievement. By strengthening relationships and creating a positive home and school environment, we aim to remove barriers to engagement and improve students' chances to achieve at school and beyond.

As part of this process, we are re-assessing our school values. A shortlist of values has been developed through consultation with staff and students. We are now asking our community about the values they feel would best represent our school.

The survey was emailed at the end of term two, or alternatively, you can copy and paste this link into your search bar.

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1U4UcFQBHGrX970r2iaWOUqAzxHgKKbchJUNbol0OGzY>

40hr Famine

Well done to all students who participated in the 40 Hour Famine this year. MBI has raised an outstanding total of \$6066.90. This will go towards providing clean water, food, essential living items as well as classroom blocks for the families and children who have fled from South Sudan to Uganda. Thank you to our generous MBI community for supporting our students with their fundraising.

Travelwise

You may have seen some of our wonderful Travelwise team reminding drivers that schools are back! Thank you for adhering to the school speed zone limit of 40 km/hr at the start and end of the school days. The school speed zone is to purposefully slow traffic and increase driver awareness of the presence of children and to help reduce the risk of crashes around schools.

Art Room – Can you Help?

We would love empty clean containers eg ice cream and yoghurt containers, old towels, magazines, please send to the art room with your student. Thank you.



FIREWOOD LOGS

KILN DRIED, UNTREATED PINE

9 Logs Per Bag

Hi, I am Mikayla, a year 8 student, fundraising for my school cultural exchange to Japan.

\$6 A bag OR \$5 each for 10 or more bags

Pickup will be arranged from MBI on Weekends

Creating Confident & Resilient Kids – Browns Bay school
Wednesday 14th August 7-9pm \$20 to book kidslink.co.nz/events

Fishing Competition - The North Shore Fly Fishers Club is holding a fishing competition at Lake Pupuke on Sunday 4th August 2019. More information Dave Symes 021 673 045

The FLASH BANG SCIENCE Club are bringing our 6 week science course for children aged 7 – 12yrs to the Northshore for Term 3! You will find us in Browns Bay (Wednesday's. For more information or to book please check out: <http://www.flashbangscienceclub.co.nz/after-school/> or email: anna@flashbangscienceclub.co.nz

Fraser Dental have a free evening to find out if your child needs braces and the costs. 21st August 6pm, register www.fraserdental.co.nz

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Browns Bay

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and support our school

With every travel booking made directly with Amanda MacLeod at **Flight Centre Browns Bay** a percentage of your booking goes towards supporting MBIS.

With over 30 years experience in travel Amanda can help you book your airfares, accommodation, tours, cruises, insurance, rental cars, trains and more!



Get in touch with Amanda to find out more at amanda.macleod.nz@flightcentre.co.nz

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Club Murrays

Contact the **Club Murrays** supervisor,
Leanne Strand on: leanne.strand@mbi.school.nz
or
pick up an enrolment form from the school office.

Do you work and have difficulty finding somewhere for your children to be cared for that doesn't cost the earth?

Hours are from 3pm to 6pm.

Cost is \$15 up to 5pm and \$20 up to 6pm.

**Log on to our Kindo payment system and on your account book your child in. Details on how this is done is on our website
www.mbi.school.nz under the tab Payments/Shop.**

See our website: www.mbi.school.nz for more Newsletters

Community Notices will be posted on the website under Community News.

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