



Island Bay School

NEWSLETTER

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PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Kia ora e te whānau,



It's been a big week in the life of our school! Many of our tamariki have been involved in either Art Splash or the Futsal Festival or both, and of course we have also marked Te wiki o te Reo Māori (Māori Language Week).

This week te Kura o Tapu te Ranga took on the wero and engaged in a variety of rich and exciting learning activities to celebrate such a wonderful week. This has included; poi, rākau, waiata, new

kupu, mindfulness using pau te hau - pau te ha, games, and wonderful creations such as animations, stories and artworks. All of the learning spaces concluded the week with a hui to celebrate the mahi.

Teacher Only Day - 30 September 2022

Optional Whānau-Kaiako Connection (via Google Meet) 9-10.30am

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in our strategic planning consultation over the last couple of months. One of the things we heard from you as a parent and whānau community is that you really like student-led conferences, and appreciate the reporting, learning stories and learning snapshots as well as coffee connections.

However, we are aware that some would like an opportunity to ask teachers questions without your child present, particularly if the query doesn't feel quite significant enough to book a dedicated meeting.

To address this, we are trialling an **optional 5-minute booking (via Google Meet)** on our teacher only day where you can connect with your child's guardian group teacher (without your tamariki). Once you have booked a time, your child's teacher will send you a link for the time allocated.

The purpose of this session is to give you the opportunity to ask specific questions and clarify anything you have not been able to ask about your child after viewing their reporting or attending their student led conference (SLC).

For example:

- Does my child participate well in class?
- Is my child progressing as expected?
- What do they do well?
- What do they need help with?
- How do they get along with others?
- Are there any areas of concern - socially or academically?
- Or if you have any other specific questions you wish to raise with your child's teacher before the commencement of Term 4.

If you think your questions may take longer than 5 minutes we ask you to make time in person for a longer conversation with your child's teacher.

Note that these sessions are optional. Click on the button below with Event code p95zx or copy this link <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/p95zx>

Book your Optional 5-minute teacher meeting here

COVID Update: the new long-term strategy

You'll be aware that on Monday 12 October, New Zealand moved to a new, long-term approach to COVID-19. These changes have been made based on public health advice and reflect high levels of immunity and declining case numbers across New Zealand.

This new approach will only result in minor changes to the way we operate as a kura.

Household contacts of a person with COVID do not need to isolate, but instead are asked to complete a RAT test each day, for 5 days. Therefore, tamariki who are household contacts but test negative and do not have COVID symptoms, should continue to attend our kura. It is the best place for them to be so they can be engaged in their learning, and connected with their teachers, classmates and friends.

Mask wearing is no longer required. However, as a kura, we will continue to:

- Support tamariki and kaiako who want to wear a mask while inside
- Support mask wearing for all when gathering in large groups
- Support any whānau who would like to wear masks onsite
- Ask students and staff in the medical room to wear masks
- We will continue to supply masks to learning spaces for both adults and tamariki.

All the other recommended public health measures will stay in place, as we know they reduce the spread of infectious and illnesses including COVID. These measures include ensuring our indoor spaces are well-ventilated, maintaining good hand hygiene, encouraging everyone to cough or sneeze into elbows and, most importantly, staying home and getting tested if they have COVID symptoms.

Noho ora mai, have a great weekend,

Deborah Fenton

Island Bay School Principal

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term 3 Dates

See 2022 Term dates, School hours and a School map [here](#)

Please continue to check the Island Bay School App for all upcoming events, or the [Community Calendar](#)

- 19 Sep - Whānau hui with Poutama Pounamu, 4-6pm
- 20 Sep - Harakeke TED Talk presentations
- 20-22 Sep - Rimurimu TED Talk presentations
- 28 Sep - Pacific Fono, 5-6.30pm
- 28 Sep - School Board meeting
- 29 Sep - School Discos - see below
- 29 Sep - Last day of Term 3
- 30 Sep - Teacher Only Day

School Notices & News and Community News

For realtime updates & full info, see the [Notices, News & Reminders](#) section of our Island Bay School website.

- [Island Bay Kelly Club October School Holiday Programme](#)
- [Social ballroom lessons in Island Bay - all welcome!](#)
- [Art with Andrea](#)
- [Island Bay United Football Holiday Programme](#)
- [Island Bay Tennis & Squash Club](#)
- [EVERYONE OUT HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES - book now for Oct hols](#)
- [Stem Club Community @ MakeRoom in Island Bay](#)
- [Let's Roll Therapy Ball classes in Island Bay - enrol now](#)
- [Frozen Jr The Musical - tickets now on sale, 18 Sep](#)
- [Pridelands School Holiday programme](#)
- [School Holiday Computer classes](#)

SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD

Bilingual Unit discussions with Poutama Pounamu - 19 Sep

On Monday 19 September from 4-6pm, anyone who is interested in our bilingual plans is welcome to come along to discussions with Poutama Pounamu to plan Kaupapa Māori and how it will look in action. Tamariki welcome to attend.

Planting - we need your help ASAP!

We need parent help to do some planting. Please contact Natalie at [Home and School](mailto:homeandschool@islandbay.school.nz) (homeandschool@islandbay.school.nz) asap if you are able to help, so we can get the plants growing ready to sell.

Donations for the FAIR!

We need donations of:

- White sugar
- Condensed milk
- Golden syrup
- Vanilla essence
- Icing sugar
- Butter

There will be labelled boxes outside the school office for you to put your donations in.

We also really need more sweet makers especially coconut ice, rocky road and mostly FUDGE!! Please either sign up here or contact Jo directly –

joannaschott@rocketmail.com.

IBS Disco!

**Thursday
29 September**



Years 1-2 during lunch time – 1.30pm

Years 3 and 4 – 5pm-6pm

Years 5 and 6 – 6.30pm -7.30pm

Sausage Sizzle (Year 3-6 discos only) \$2 cash

Tickets: \$2 (kindo)

SCHOOL NEWS & SHOUT OUTS

Adventures in pictures this week (L-R clockwise from the top)

- An awesome talent show by our Y3/4 Patangatanga, Manaia and Harakeke children. Thanks to our judges Tessa, Mel and Paul. They had the hard task of selecting our finalists for the talent show next term! Ka pai to Sylvia, Apollo, Patrick and Shiv!
- Futsal Festival Fun! Over 100 of our tamariki participated in the Futsal Festival at ASB. We had a great time and congratulations to all our tamariki who participated! A big Shout Out to the managers of our 22 teams - we couldn't participate without you, so thank you for your time!
- Art Splash! Ka pai to all the children who sung in the choir at Artsplash on Tuesday night! You represented our school with great pride and positivity. We are all so proud of you! A huge Shout Out to Alishah for all the support and enthusiasm she gave to the Artsplash kids. What a brilliant experience for them all.

See more great photos [here](#)

Good luck to Edward and Alfie competing in the Wellington Primary School's tennis competition this Wednesday. Also Interzone swimming is on this Thursday. Good luck to the 24 children participating.



School Board Update

Thank you to all who participated in our strategic planning discovery workshops. We really enjoyed engaging with a variety of people and groups and have spent some time this week reviewing everything we heard. There were some clear themes emerging that we will continue to shape up into a clear strategy. We aim to have a draft available during Term 4.

See the election results for the School Board [here](#).

We farewell and give thanks to Tai (and Anna who left earlier in the year) as parent reps and Lizzie as the staff rep. You've put in three years of good mahi and the school is better as a result. We welcome Emily as a parent rep and Ashleigh as the new staff rep and look forward to the contribution you will bring.

SCHOOL FAIR UPDATES



Together we can make this the best fair ever!

The school fair is the biggest fundraising event of the year for Island Bay School and we want everyone to be involved!

We have a new approach this year that let's you put down directly what you'd like to do at the time slots of your choice. We really appreciate your time and effort - *many hands make light work!*

Please find a stall that you would like to help with, and tick your choices. If you cannot totally fulfill a time slot, just put in a note before submitting the form, so that we can find someone to share the time with you.

Please fill in your details and submit the form ASAP.

Pick your slot here!

Term 4 sports

Please contact Alice ASAP (alice@islandbay.school.nz) if your child is interested in joining any of the following teams - apart from netball (see below for netball details)

We need to finalise teams before the holidays.

Don't let money be a factor in not playing a Term 4 sport. We have had a donation to fund children playing sports at IBS.

Please note, children need to wear an Island Bay School Tshirt at sports events where they are representing our school. These can be purchased from the office for \$20. Many thanks for your help with this.

- **Touch Rugby** - Y1-6. Wednesday afternoons at Kilbirnie Park (note it's not at Wakefield due to resurfacing).
- **Water polo** - Y3-6. Friday nights. Years 3-6 at Aquatic Centre in Kilbirnie. From Friday 21 October to Friday 9 December between 4-7pm with A, B, C and Development grades offered. Cost \$30 per child.
- **Floorball** - Y1-6. Tuesday afternoons at ASB stadium.
- **3x3 Miniball** - Year 5/6 will be on a Monday and year 3/4 will be on a Tuesday at the ASB stadium
- **Futsal** - Y1-6. ****MONDAY**** afternoons at ASB stadium. (note day change)
- **Netball** - Y1-4. Saturdays at EBIS - see below

Annual Wellington and Kapi Mana Primary and Intermediate Tennis Tournament

This is an optional tournament. See details [here](#).

Year 1 to 4 Junior Netball - Term 4 2022

Would your child like to learn the basics of netball? Netball for the juniors is in the summer and will be run over 7 weeks at Evans Bay Intermediate School on a Saturday. The first day of play will be 29 October 2022. The last day is 10 December 2022.

For more information on netball check out the school netball page [here](#) or email Cat on netball@islandbay.school.nz

Please use this [link](#) Island Bay School-Island Bay School (sporty.co.nz) to register your child.

Registrations close Monday 17 October 2022.

The proposed session times are:

- Year 1&2 Programme – 9.30am-10.15am or 10.30am-11.15am
- Year 3&4 Programme – 11.30am-12.30pm, 12.45pm-1.45pm, 2pm-3pm

Cost is \$40 for the term which you can pay on Kindo in term 4.

The netball programme depends on parent help so please indicate if you would like to assist players/teams. Check out www.futureferns.co.nz to find out more details.

If you want to do the star helper training, this is on Thursday 20 October from 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

The link to register is [MK MotherEarth futureFERNS Star Helper and Coach Registration Form Term 4 2022](#) (google.com)



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MARKET DAY

**Come along for something sweet, savoury, games, and
lots more!**

3PM TO 6PM

AT 30 TE WHAREPŌURI ST (SWIS)

WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

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