



MURRAYS BAY
— PRIMARY SCHOOL —
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24 June 2026 | Newsletter #10 Term 2

Message from our Acting Principal....

Tēna koutou katoa, Goeie dag, 안녕하세요, أهلا, 您好, こんにちは,
Welcome.....

As we head into the final two weeks of Term 2, it is wonderful to see our students remaining focused and putting their best efforts into their mid-year learning goals.



A highlight of last week was undoubtedly our first Parent Hui Workshop. We would like to extend a massive thank you to the 80+ parents and caregivers who turned up to engage with us. A big thank you also to everyone who took the time to complete our questionnaire; we truly value your input, and you can find the feedback listed further down in this newsletter.

This coming Friday, our Mid-Year Reports will be sent home. Please read the additional information previously sent out on HERO to help you understand the report format. Alongside this, our Parent-Teacher Conference booking slots are now officially open, also on HERO. We are looking forward to seeing you all next week to discuss the wonderful learning and progress your child has made so far this year.

Looking ahead to next week, we are incredibly excited to be hosting our annual Matariki Festival on Thursday, the 2nd of July, in Waipapa (our school hall). Parents, caregivers, and our wider community are warmly invited to attend this wonderful celebration. We wish Miss Salatielu, her support team, and all of our Kapa Haka performers the very best as they prepare for this special day.

As we prepare to close for the term at the end of next week, we want to thank you for your ongoing support and wish all of our families a wonderful, safe, and relaxing mid-year break.

Ngā mihi nui

Paul Hoffman
Tumuaki Whakarite - Acting Principal

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UPCOMING EVENTS

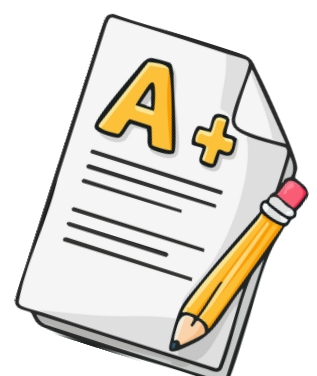
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 10	22 JUNE	23 JUNE	24 JUNE	25 JUNE	26 JUNE Y1&2 Assembly
WEEK 11	29 JUNE	30 JUNE Learning Conferences	01 JULY Learning Conferences	02 JULY Matariki Festival	03 JULY Y3&4 Assembly Last Day of Term 3:00pm
TERM 3 WEEK 1	20 JULY First Day of Term 3 8:55am	21 JULY	22 JULY	23 JULY	24 JULY Y5&6 Assembly Y1 100 Days of School Celebration



Printing School Reports

1. Open HERO on a computer.
2. View your child's report.
3. Select the printer icon.
4. Look through what Print Options you want to include then click Print.
5. Select the Printer you wish to send it to, or select 'Save to PDF' . Click Print
6. If you have clicked 'Save to PDF' you now need to decide where on your computer to save it - remember to rename the document.

Tips



Please note: This cannot be completed on a mobile phone. We strongly recommend that you save a copy of your child's school report as these documents are not retained by the school or available for access at a later date.

Term Dates

TERM 1 2026	03 February – 02 April 06 February – Waitangi Day
TERM 2 2026	20 April – 03 July 27 April – ANZAC Day Observed 01 June – King's Birthday
TERM 3 2026	20 July – 25 September
TERM 4 2026	12 October – 15 December 26 October – Labour Day

Teacher Only Days
02 April
12 June



Hui Feedback

Thank you so much to everyone who attended our first curriculum workshop; your positive feedback and excellent questions are incredibly valuable. I have compiled answers to commonly asked questions.

- We love the suggestion for a take-home pamphlet and will definitely look into providing one for our next session!

- While our school timetable makes finding a perfect time slot tricky, we unfortunately have to stick to our current schedule of hosting these sessions on Wednesday afternoons.

- For those who couldn't make it or arrived late, the workshop slides are available for your personal reference by contacting the school office. We kindly ask that they not be shared publicly.

- To explore the updated New Zealand curriculum in more detail or find great tips for home learning, we highly recommend checking out the official Ministry of Education Parent Portal (education.govt.nz/your-childs-learning).

- If you would like targeted ideas for supporting your child at home, please reach out to their classroom teacher first. However, as mentioned at the workshop, here are a few suggested websites and tools...

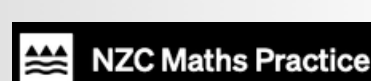
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a. Access for Year 1-2 children

- <https://app.stepsweb.com/login/>

b. Access for Year 3-6 children

- <https://nzc-maths-practice.nz/>



- I am happy to report that the 'gender' gap in mathematics outcomes is closing, based on recent assessment data we have seen. We will elaborate on this at the maths workshop in Term 3.

Understand your child's learning
Parent Portal

Understand what your child is learning at school or kura, how they are progressing against the curriculum, and what you can do to support them at home.



Next Parent Hui - Pedagogy, 29 July

★ MURRAYS BAY SCHOOL PRESENTS... ★

TIME *after* TIME



A Celebration of Music
THROUGH THE AGES



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**8TH – 10TH
SEPTEMBER 2026**



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IN TERM 3**



Thank you!



Thank you for supporting our Pyjama drive! The Kindness Collective were so impressed by the efforts that they visited with a film crew to interview our student organisers in Manutara 4



You will find the two videos on their social accounts [here](#) and [here](#).

MATHEX

Murrays Bay students had a fantastic time at the Junior Mathex Competition held at Northcross Intermediate School, competing against over 50 teams from across Auckland. Working in teams of four, students tackled a series of challenging maths problems and demonstrated excellent perseverance and collaboration under time pressure. Both teams achieved impressive results, with one team placing 5th and another team finishing 12th equal. Well done!



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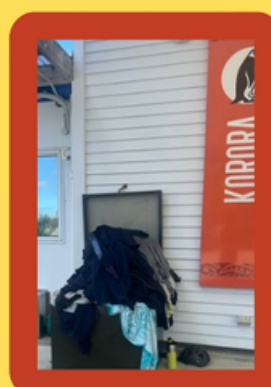
	Cohort No.	Start of Term Date	Cohort No.	Mid-Term Date
Term 2	3	Monday 20 April	4	Monday 1 June
Term 3	5	Monday 20 July	6	Monday 24 August
Term 4	7	Monday 12 October	8	Monday 16th November



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28 July 7pm

Staff Room

Family Movie Afternoon

23 August

full details to follow



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