



MURRAYS BAY
— PRIMARY SCHOOL —
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27 May 2026 | Newsletter #8 Term 2

Message from our Acting Principal....

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



Term 2 continues to be a busy and positive time at Murrays Bay Primary School, with classrooms remaining settled and focused learning ongoing across all year levels. While the recent fine weather has been a wonderful bonus, we ask families to take extra care with health and well-being as we enter the winter flu season.

Over the past fortnight, our students have embraced some fantastic leadership and community opportunities. A highlight was our Year 6 Student Government attending the National Young Leaders Day (NYLD), where they were highly motivated by a range of inspirational speakers, including former Murrays Bay teacher, William Pike. Leadership was also close to home on Friday, 22 May, when I was temporarily replaced by 'Principal Charlie', who did an outstanding job taking charge as our very capable 'Principal for a Day'.

On Friday, 15 May, our school community stood together for Pink Shirt Day. Ngā mihi nui to everyone for your incredible support in raising awareness. The mahi to prevent bullying and build inclusive communities continues every day of the year, ensuring our school remains safe and welcoming for all.

In sports news, a group of students proudly represented us yesterday at the Super Cluster Basketball Day. They showed great determination and sportsmanship, and we extend a big thank you to Mrs. Sadler, our teachers, and the parent volunteers who made the day such a success.

Tomorrow promises to be an action-packed day for our school. We are looking forward to our School Cross Country tomorrow, and parents are warmly invited to come along and support. Please see further down this newsletter for specific race times. We just hope the students have enough energy left for the excitement of the PTA Disco later that afternoon and evening!

Wishing everyone a fantastic and relaxing long weekend ahead.

Ngā mihi nui

Paul Hoffman

Tumuaki Whakarite - Acting Principal

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CROSS COUNTRY



Week 6

**Thursday 28th
May**



JUNIOR SCHOOL

9:10AM - 10:40AM

Starting with year 3's followed by year 2, 1 & 0

SENIOR SCHOOL

1:30PM-2:50PM

Starting with year 4's followed by 5 & 6

*Come cheer on our
awesome students at
our school cross
country!*





THIS WEEK

PUPP STAR DISCO



THURSDAY 28TH MAY

YEAR 0-3 5-6 PM

DOOR SALES FROM 4.45PM

YEAR 4-6 6.30-8 PM

DOOR SALES FROM 6.15PM

TICKETS \$5

REGISTER
HERE



We will have a quieter, supervised space available outside the back of hall for any kids that need a break from the noise..

UPCOMING EVENTS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 6 Scholastic Book Fair	25 MAY Nest Puberty Parents Info Evening	26 MAY Super Cluster Basketball	27 MAY	28 MAY Cross Country PTA Popstars Disco	29 MAY Y5&6 Assembly
WEEK 7	01 JUNE SCHOOL CLOSED KINGS BIRTHDAY	02 JUNE PTA Meeting	03 JUNE	03 JUNE	04 JUNE Y1&2 Assembly
WEEK 8	08 JUNE	09 JUNE	10 JUNE Super Cluster Cross Country Mathex Competition	11 JUNE Y3&4 Assembly Non Uniform Day	12 JUNE SCHOOL CLOSED TEACHER ONLY DAY

NON UNIFORM DAY

FUNDRAISING FOR OUR SCHOOL COUNSELLOR

JUNE 11, 2026

GOLD COIN DONATION



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


BABY NEWS!

Congratulations to Miss Besim and her partner, Tri who welcomed a beautiful baby girl last week.

Wishing them so much love and joy as they begin this new chapter with their little one!



Year 6 Fundraiser -

TOY AND BOOK FAIR

DONATIONS NEEDED!

Please ensure all donated items are:

- ✓ In good, clean condition
- ✓ Complete and working
- ✓ Suitable for children

We are holding a Toy & Book Fair Fundraiser to help raise money towards our Year 6 Camp and Graduation.

We are kindly asking for donations of new or used:

- 📖 Children's Books
- 🧸 Children's Toys
- 🧩 Games & Puzzles



Donations can be placed in:

🛒 The trolley outside the Library

or

📍 Delivered to Manutara 9



Every donation, big or small, will help support our Year 6 students and is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your generosity and support! 💖

ARE YOU IN ZONE FOR MURRAY'S BAY PRIMARY SCHOOL?

IS YOUR CHILD OR THE CHILD OF SOMEONE YOU KNOW TURNING 5 IN 2026?

IF SO, ITS TIME TO ENROL THEM

AS OF 2026, MURRAY'S BAY SCHOOL HAS MOVED TO COHORT ENTRY. THIS MEANS THAT WE NOW USE THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION'S 8 SET DATES FOR 5 YEAR OLDS STARTING SCHOOL.

	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



Enrol Now

www.murraysbay.school.nz/enrol/



Principal for the day Charlie
Most money raised for Top Team



MURRAY'S BAY SCHOOL

BOOK FAIR

IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY
25-28 MAY

OPEN
8:30-9AM
& 3-3:30PM

DOG HERO
TREEHOUSE TALES
DIARY KID
BAD GUYS
BUNNY vs MONKEY

DRAGON STORIES
CAT KID
PRESS START!
I SURVIVED
SMALL STORIES

SCHOLASTIC Book Fairs



FOLLOW



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Pizza Night 3rd June

skip the cooking and make it a pizza night! Head to Calimero in Mairangi Bay on June 3 and enjoy a family feast while supporting the Murrays Bay Primary School PTA. No secret code or handshake, just turn up to order or phone ahead.

10% of all sales that night will be donated back to the PTA — an easy (and delicious) way to help our school community!

PTA Meeting
02 June 7pm
Staff Room
All Welcome!!

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

SECOND CHANCE
SCHOOL UNIFORMS

OPEN
WEDNESDAY
8.45 - 9.15AM
2.45 - 3.15 PM

Located in school hall
pta@murraysbay.school.nz
Cash or bank transfer only



For our first-ever Top Team: Whanau House Challenge, we officially raised \$9,906.69. A massive thank you to all of you who helped your kids raise money. We have been able to contribute funds towards the cost of the new Manutara Sunshades, purchase new sports balls for all the year groups and have left over in the kitty for future initiatives.

thank you

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(WEATHER DEPENDANT)



Saturday the 30th May

3pm -5pm

Rothesay Bay Hall



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Hey grandparents—bring your grandkids—show them how these games shaped your childhood and were truly fun!

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