



MURRAYS BAY
— PRIMARY SCHOOL —
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12 August 2026 | Newsletter #12 Term 3

Message from our Acting Principal....

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

It has continued to be an exciting time of year with so many wonderful opportunities in and out of the classroom happening at Murrays Bay Primary School.

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who joined our recent Parent Hui workshops. It has been fantastic to share how our implementation of the new curriculum and Science of Learning approaches are working at Murrays Bay. It has also been great to share how this process has led, and will continue to lead, to reduced screen time at school and improved outcomes for our students.

Please note our next workshop on PC4L (Positive Culture For Learning) will now take place on Thursday, 20 August at 2:20PM in the hall. Please complete the expression of interest, this will be shared tomorrow on HERO, if you would like to join us.

A big thank you to parents in Year 1 who completed a recent survey in relation to the Little Learners Love Literacy Online Platform. We are busy collating your responses and how this feedback can be used within our school context.

Ticket sales are now open for our Year 5 & 6 Production, Time After Time! All of our Year 5 and 6 students are involved with this production and we would love to see you there! You can purchase your tickets via the link below.

[Buy Tickets HERE](#)

I would like to ask all parents to please also take a moment to chat with your children about road safety, especially if they walk, bike, or scooter to school. A quick reminder about staying alert at safe crossing spots goes a long way in keeping everyone safe around traffic.

Finally, a quick favour: a large number of our house tokens seem to be wandering home! We went from having enough to fill each house tube twice to not being able to fill them once. If any have landed in pockets or school bags at home, please send them back so we can keep our house spirit going strong!

Thank you, as always, for your wonderful support. I hope that all families are staying healthy as we (hopefully) head out of the flu season.

Ngā mihi nui

Paul Hoffman

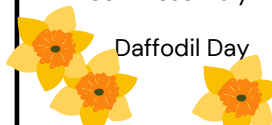
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UPCOMING EVENTS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 4	10 AUGUST	11 AUGUST	12 AUGUST	13 AUGUST	14 AUGUST Y5&6 Assembly Book Character Dress Up Day 
WEEK 5	17 AUGUST	18 AUGUST	19 AUGUST Trees for Survival Planting Day	20 AUGUST Super Cluster Netball Parents Hui Workshop	21 AUGUST Y1&2 Assembly
WEEK 6	24 AUGUST	25 AUGUST PTA Meeting Lunar House Fundraising Dinner	26 AUGUST	27 AUGUST	28 AUGUST Y3&4 Assembly Daffodil Day 

Students are invited to wear non-uniform & bring a gold coin donation to support the Cancer Society for Daffodil Day Friday 28 August



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

New Zealand Robot Olympiad

Congratulations to Cooper Chen who was awarded Bronze & Tech Medals in the Junior High Division last month

This is an outstanding achievement that reflects Cooper's dedication, creativity, and technical skills.



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	5	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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LIFE AT SCHOOL

INFORMATION EVENING

HOSTED BY MID BAYS KĀHUI AKO & ONEROA SCHOOLS

Thursday 10th September, 2026

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Windsor Park Baptist Church Cafe

This event will help parents & caregivers understand what to expect when their child starts school.

A panel of Deputy Principals will provide information and answers to your questions.

Doors open at 6.15 pm

REGISTER:

<https://bit.ly/LifeAtSchool2026>



YEAR 5 &
YEAR 6



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1970s



1980s



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1950s



DATE:

8TH - 10TH SEPTEMBER

EVENING SHOWS \$12

MATINEE \$10

TICKET:

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PTA Meeting
25 August 7pm
Staff Room

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

SECOND CHANCE
SCHOOL UNIFORMS

OPEN
WEDNESDAY
8.45 – 9.15AM
2.45 – 3.15 PM

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SEPT**

\$30PP
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The Magic Faraway Tree

Sunday 23rd August

Doors sales open 1:40pm

Movie starts at 2:00-3:50pm

Children MUST be collected at 3:50pm from the hall

\$10 per person cash at door

2 slices of pizza included

Where: MBPS School Hall

MBPS pupils and their
families welcome



Snacks:

\$2 chips, drinks

\$3 lolly bags

**Registrations Close Sunday 16th August.
The event will only go ahead if we have enough**



25th August LUNAR HOUSE FUNDRAISING DINNER



Enjoy dinner. Support Murrays Bay Primary School.

15% of the Sales* Donated to the PTA

Choose how you would like to support

1

DINE IN

Reserve your table directly

09 985 4555

Enjoy dinner with family and friends at Lunar House (6/8 Oracle Drive, Albany)
Please let Lunar House know you are from Murrays Bay Primary

2

TAKEAWAY

Order online

Scan the code to place
your takeaway order.

Pick up directly from
Lunar House.



Scan to place your order

Thank you for supporting Murrays Bay Primary School.

*Selected dishes. Find the menu from the Takeaway Online Order Link.

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