



MURRAYS BAY
— PRIMARY SCHOOL —
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20 August 2025 | Newsletter #13 Term 3

Message from our Principal....

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

It has been another busy and exciting fortnight at school, with our students being involved in numerous activities both in and out of the class. These have included-

Super Cluster Netball – 14 August

Congratulations to our top Year 5 and Year 6 netball teams who represented our school at Super Cluster Netball. Both teams (5/1 and 6/1) went undefeated in pool play and progressed strongly to the finals, where they both finished in second place to a very dominant Pinehurst School. This is an outstanding achievement, and we are very proud of the effort, teamwork, and sportsmanship shown by all the girls. A big thank you to our parent coaches and managers who supported the teams on the day.



Year 6 Visit to MBIS

Our Year 6 students enjoyed their visit to Murrays Bay Intermediate School last week. These visits provide an excellent opportunity for our students to get a taste of intermediate life, see the learning opportunities ahead of them, and begin to prepare for this exciting transition.

Pedestrian Crossing Safety – Saddleback Rise

Thank you to everyone who has been using the new pedestrian crossing on Saddleback Rise. We remind all families to continue reinforcing safe practices with children: please use the crossing at all times, wait for cars to stop fully, and for parents travelling in cars to please be very aware and mindful when travelling through the crossing. Your support helps keep all of our children safe.

PTA Playground Fundraising

Our PTA continues to work hard raising funds for our new senior playground. We are grateful for the support shown by our community to date. Every dollar raised brings us closer to creating an exciting and challenging play space for our senior students. Please keep an eye out for upcoming PTA events and ways you can contribute.

Daffodil Day – 29 August

On Friday 29 August, we will be supporting the Cancer Society by holding a **non-uniform day**. Students are encouraged to wear **something yellow** and bring along a **gold coin donation**. This is a wonderful opportunity for our school to come together and support a cause that touches so many families across New Zealand.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support of our school. Enjoy the rest of your week.

Kind Regards,
Hayden Iles
Tumuaki - Principal

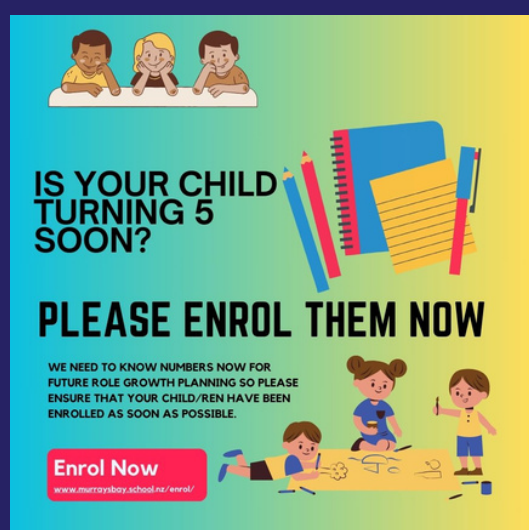
This Weeks Featured Business Partner

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UPCOMING EVENTS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 6	18 AUGUST	19 AUGUST	20 AUGUST	21 AUGUST	22 AUGUST Y3&4 Assembly
WEEK 7	25 AUGUST	26 AUGUST	27 AUGUST Y4 Howick Historical Village	28 AUGUST	29 AUGUST Y4 Howick Historical Village Y5&6 Assembly Daffodil Day – Non Uniform
WEEK 8	01 SEPTEMBER Y3 Zoo Trip I am an Artist – Waipapa	02 SEPTEMBER	03 SEPTEMBER I am an Artist – Waipapa	04 SEPTEMBER I am an Artist – Waipapa	05 SEPTEMBER Y1&2 Assembly



IS YOUR CHILD TURNING 5 SOON?

PLEASE ENROL THEM NOW

WE NEED TO KNOW NUMBERS NOW FOR FUTURE ROLE GROWTH PLANNING SO PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD/REN HAVE BEEN ENROLLED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Enrol Now
www.murraysbay.school.nz/enrol/

**Wear non-uniform & bring
a gold coin donation to
support the Cancer
Society for Dafodil Day
Friday 29 August**

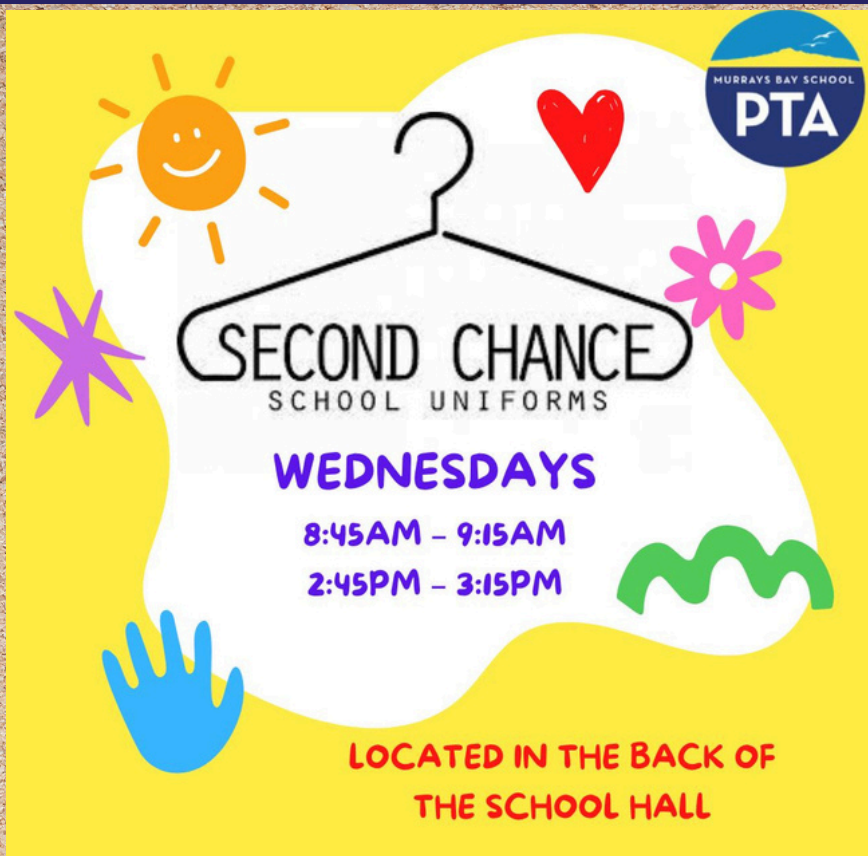
'I am an Artist' Exhibition

This term all of the students at Murrays Bay School have been participating in a visual arts project called 'I am an artist'. Students have been working through the creative process to create a piece of art. They have been experimenting with different materials, learning new techniques and learning how to tell a story or portray a message through their art. In Week 9 we will be sharing our learning with the community. The school hall will be open to families from 8:30-9:00am and 3:00-3:30pm for viewing of the artwork.

The exhibition will open on the following days:

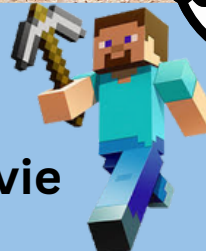
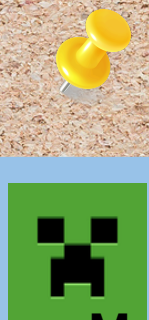
Tuesday 9th September
Wednesday 10th September
Thursday 11th September





Calimero Pizza Night

What a night!
A huge thank you to Calimero for supporting and making our Pizza Night the huge success that it was. To all of you who enjoyed pizza for dinner, thank you for turning up in full force to support the fundraiser. Together, we raised \$859.90 for the school!



Movie afternoon - A Minecraft Movie Sunday 24th August

Join us for a fun movie afternoon, including pizza in the school hall, Sunday 24th August 2-4pm.

Tickets will be \$10 per person (payable at the door), which includes 2 slices of pizza.

The whole family is invited - bring soft cushions or bean bags only.

Complete the registration form here.



Community Notices



Tuition in Academic Writing

Online after-school tuition for students in Years 5-8

Teacher: Allie Rankine

Qualified & Registered New Zealand Teacher with over 35 years of experience.

Enrolling Now

Small groups (maximum 4 students)

Groups: Years 5 & 6 Years 7 & 8

One-hour lessons \$68

(For fluent speakers of English)

Master the fundamentals of academic writing:

Developing core writing skills and boosting confidence in academic writing. This tuition covers key areas such as:

- Using a clear, scholarly voice
- Expanding academic vocabulary
- Writing complex, well-structured sentences
- Developing accuracy in punctuation and grammar
- Organising and structuring ideas effectively
- Building the core skills required for the NCEA Literacy Co-Requisite (Writing Assessment)
- Develop critical thinking skills & depth of understanding



Please email me
to reserve a place
or to inquire further.

EnglishWithAllie.teacher@gmail.com

Timetable

Mondays	
Years 5 & 6:	4.15pm-5.15pm
Years 7 & 8:	6.00pm-7.00pm
Thursdays	
Years 7 & 8:	4.30pm-5.30pm



Power Writing Course

Regular Programme for Primary Students

Build confidence in writing with structure, clarity, and creativity!



What is Power Writing?

Power Writing is a regular course designed to help **primary** students develop strong writing foundations while learning to express ideas clearly and confidently. It supports school learning and prepares students for more advanced writing in the future.



Who is this course for?

- Students who find writing difficult or avoid it
- Students who struggle with sentence fluency or paragraph structure
- Primary students who want to be ready for intermediate-level writing



Course Details

Target: Year 1 – Year 6
Schedule: Once a week
(contact us for details)



Key Focus Areas

- ✓ **Understanding Writing Structure**
Learn how to organise writing using paragraphs, topic sentences, and clear introductions and conclusions.
- ✓ **Writing to a Topic**
Plan and write pieces that stay focused and respond clearly to the given prompt or idea.
- ✓ **Developing Logical Thinking and Expression**
Strengthen persuasive writing with reasoning, examples, comparisons, and explanations.
- ✓ **Exploring a Range of Writing Types**
Practise writing narratives, descriptions, reports, and opinion pieces in fun and engaging ways.



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BEATS BY BINGO

STUDIO 54 EDITION

Put on your platforms, fluff that fro and give us your glam, it's time to party in the name of fundraising.
Our kindy is rolling out the glitter carpet for a night of funky tunes, live and silent auctions and bingo, games, raffles, and music-fuelled madness!

Friday 12th September
MAIRANGI BAY BOWLING CLUB

ENTRY FROM: 6:30PM BINGO: 7:30PM

fancy dress is encouraged!

R18 | LICENSED BAR

BYO SNACKS/NIBBLES

Get your friends
together &
buy a table of 8
or join a table!

\$30 per ticket

For more information:

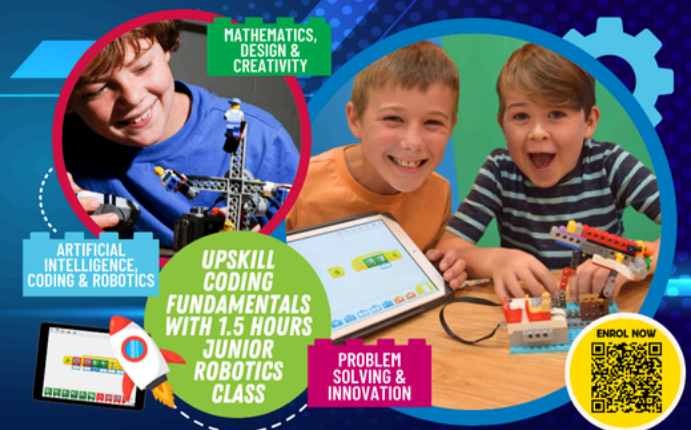
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Advertise in our Community Section - \$25+gst per edition

Adverts need to be relevant to our School Community - email office@murraysbay.school.nz for more information

Community Notices



GIBBS FARM FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2025

10AM-2PM

\$95 per adult

Join us for an unforgettable day at the breathtaking Gibbs Sculpture Farm while supporting Kaipara Kiwi, a not-for-profit dedicated to the preservation of kiwi.

This is a rare chance to explore one of New Zealand's most stunning outdoor sculpture parks all while contributing to the protection and conservation of kiwi in the Kaipara region.

Scan the QR code to get your tickets now.
Limited tickets available.



Please note: Gibbs Farm is a private property open by appointment only. There is no entry fee applicable when visiting Gibbs Farm.
For this fundraiser, your ticket secures your entry via Kaipara Kiwi and all proceeds go towards our kiwi conservation efforts.

NOUGHTY WASTERS MAKERSPACE



learn how
to use
tools!



FREE Outdoor Sessions
Sep 7, 14, 21
9:30-12:30
27 Lake Road
Book on Humanitix
All ages welcome



2025 Term Dates

TERM 01 2025	03 February – 11 April
TERM 02 2025	28 April – 27 June
TERM 03 2025	14 July – 19 September
TERM 04 2025	06 October – 18 December



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(Enter your School's name in the 'Notes' box on the Checkout page)
- 6 See the 'Fundraiser' tab on the website for more info

Thankyou for your support !

20% of your purchase will go to our school

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Forward this website url to your family and friends!

Questions?

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