



MURRAYS BAY
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Message from our Principal....

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

We have had an eventful fortnight at school, with students involved in a wide range of activities. Our Year 4 students enjoyed their visit to Howick Village, while our Year 3 team had an exciting day exploring Auckland Zoo. Experiences like these are fantastic for our learners and really help to consolidate the learning that has been taking place in their classrooms.

I would also like to acknowledge and sincerely thank everyone who supported Daffodil Day last Friday. As a school, we were able to donate close to \$1,000 to this incredibly valuable cause. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

We currently have some building work underway here at school. In our Kererū block, new carpet and wall linings are being installed, which will make a real difference for both students and staff, especially by improving acoustics in these spaces. In addition, carpet is being replaced in the Ruru block.

You may also have noticed the new garden at the front of our school on Clematis Avenue. This addition has made a wonderful difference and really enhances the front entrance of our school.

Cohort Entry 2026

A huge thank you to those of you who responded to our recent Cohort Entry Consultation Survey. Your opinions are valued. The consensus was for Murrays Bay Primary School to move to this system for 5 year olds starting at our school and our Board have approved this to start at the beginning of next year.

If you are interested in the feedback or feel that you would like more clarification about Cohort Entry, please click on the report [HERE](#).

Lastly, I would like to once again acknowledge and thank you, our parent community, for your ongoing support. For a school to run smoothly it requires partnership and collaboration, and we are so grateful for the time, energy, and commitment you give. On behalf of the staff, thank you for all you do to support our learners and school community.
Enjoy the rest of your week.

Kind Regards,
Hayden Iles
Tumuaki - Principal



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UPCOMING EVENTS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 8	01 SEPTEMBER Y3 Zoo Trip	02 SEPTEMBER	03 SEPTEMBER	04 SEPTEMBER	05 SEPTEMBER Y1&2 Assembly Wear your National colour Non-Uniform
WEEK 9	08 SEPTEMBER	09 SEPTEMBER Super Cluster Football I am an Artist – Waipapa PTA Meeting	10 SEPTEMBER I am an Artist – Waipapa	11 SEPTEMBER I am an Artist – Waipapa	12 SEPTEMBER Y3&4 Assembly
WEEK 10	15 SEPTEMBER	16 SEPTEMBER	17 SEPTEMBER	18 SEPTEMBER	19 SEPTEMBER Y5&6 Assembly Last Day of Term – school closes @3pm

'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



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FRIDAY 5 SEPTEMBER



Year 4 Howick Historical Village





Year 2 Zoo Trip



MURRAY'S BAY SCHOOL
PTA

SECOND CHANCE
SCHOOL UNIFORMS

WEDNESDAYS
8:45AM – 9:15AM
2:45PM – 3:15PM

**LOCATED IN THE BACK OF
THE SCHOOL HALL**



Next PTA Meeting
Tuesday 9 Sept,
7pm in the
staffroom.
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By practising both the core techniques now emphasised in class and the additional skills needed for success, students develop the confidence to write with accuracy, clarity, and their own unique voice.

Schedule

- **Period:** 22 Sep-3 Oct (10 days)
- **Time:** Every day, 3 PM-4:30 PM



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SATURDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER
WESTLAKE BOYS HIGH SCHOOL
2:00pm — Matinee Highlights Performance (60 mins, no interval)
7:00pm — Full Show (120 mins)



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Friday 12th September
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ENTRY FROM: 6:30PM BINGO: 7:30PM
fancy dress is encouraged!
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\$30 per ticket

For more information:
E: rangitoto@kaitiaki Kindergarten.org.nz

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AGES 5-13

30 SEPTEMBER

10AM-2PM

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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

2026 Term Dates

TERM 01 2026	03 February – 02 April 06 February – Waitangi Day
TERM 02 2026	20 April – 03 July 27 April – ANZAC Day Observed 01 June – King's Birthday
TERM 03 2026	20 July – 25 September
TERM 04 2026	12 October – 15 December 26 October – Labour Day