



Monday 25 February 2019

Welcome to Week 4, Term 1 2019

CARE Value For This Week is CITIZENSHIP

(Participating & Contributing)

"I appreciate the culture and individuality of others within our community".



Kia ora & Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou, hello Brookby families

What a week last week. We are all definitely swarmed out with three swimming events in one week! I was so impressed with Brookby's CARE values on display at the swimming carnival. Well done Brookby kids! Following the swimming carnival all the teachers sat down and had terrific session on writing. After analysing our results and talking with teachers, Brookby kids showed a good increase in writing last year. This is down to the kids working hard, teachers working hard to improve their practise and 'do what works' to make a difference in the learning, and the community supporting the learning at home, aka the 'home-school partnership'. Speaking of home-school, have you seen a seesaw post yet? If not, contact your child's teacher about getting on seesaw.

- Principal Matthew Cooke

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Family Fun Day @ Te Puru: 23 March 10am - 2pm

A massive fundraiser for Kidz First & Starship. Entertainment, spot prizes, auctions, food vendors, games for the kids, etc. Brookby will have some participation. More details announced soon.

Tomorrow's Schools



Now that the Taskforce's report *Our Schooling Futures: Stronger Together* | Whiria Ngā Kura Tūātitini has been published, the members are very keen to receive feedback from as many people as possible to help them complete their final recommendations and report to the Minister of Education in late April 2019. Read the report and more here:

- [Full report: Our Schooling Futures, Stronger Together | Whiria Ngā Kura Tūātitini](#)
- [Report Summary in English](#) and [Te Reo Māori](#). The report summary is also available in eight other languages on the [Resources page](#).
- [Frequently asked questions](#)
- [Cabinet paper: Tomorrow's Schools Review: Report of the Independent Taskforce](#)

Brookby Community can offer feedback the following ways:

Public consultation meetings: the Taskforce is now holding public consultation meetings around the country until Wednesday, 27 March. We really encourage everyone to come along to these events and discuss the future of our schooling system.

The full schedule is now available on our website (venues will be added for events as they are confirmed):

<https://conversation.education.govt.nz/conversations/tomorrows-schools-review/have-you-r-say-today/>.

An online survey: this canvasses opinions on each of the 32 recommendations, is now available here: <https://consultation.education.govt.nz/tsr/survey2019/> and will remain open until 31 March 2019. It will be available in Te Reo and other languages within the next week.

A free 0800 number for oral submissions: call **0800 FOR TSR (0800 367 877)** to leave your thoughts on the future of our schooling system.

Postcards: for students, families and anyone who just wants to briefly 'have their say' on a recommendation or the full report. Freepost postcards will be available at the public meetings.

Formal written submissions: these can be sent to: tomorrows.schools@education.govt.nz

Reporting On and Sharing Your Child's Learning and Progress in Term 1 inc. Digital Tech Parent Session

Continuing Brookby's goal towards increased student ownership of their learning, ie students being able to talk about their learning and discuss their next learning steps, seesaw is the platform we are using to make this happen easier for both parents and students. As such there are no formal parent-teacher-student interviews in Term 1, but rather an emphasis on both students, teachers and parents using seesaw to showcase student learning and highlight next steps in the learning. **Digital Tech Parent Sessions:** On Tuesday 2 April we will be holding a 'Tech' session for all parents. A component of this session will be how to effectively seesaw. We will also be sharing with you how we incorporate the Digital Curriculum in the day to day learning and teaching at Brookby School. Please bring your questions! There will be two sessions:

1. 3.30pm - 4.30pm
2. 5.00pm - 6.00pm

A note will be coming home on Monday 25 March asking you to tell us which session you will be attending.

Yr 5-Yr 8 Camp: 18-21 March @ Camp Adair

Yr 5 to Yr 8 students are off to camp for three nights from 18 to 21 March. Camp Adair is a fantastic, fun and highly accredited YMCA Camp. We had a meeting the other day and have sent home the permission slip, costing and other forms. If you have any queries or need more information about camp, please don't hesitate to contact us here at Brookby.

Yr 3-Yr 4 Sonshine Ranch and Sleepover

Dates for this are 19th March at Sonshine Ranch and the night of 19th March a sleepover at Brookby School. The Year 1's and 2's are invited for a "PJ Breakfast" on the morning of the 20th of March - come along in your PJ's for the day! More details on this exciting event are coming home this week.

Donations 2019

A HUGE THANKS to those who have made the school donation. The donation this year is set @ \$260.00, or if made before 15 March it is \$220.00.

KINDO

We are now well into the term have got most school options available to pay through KINDO. Donations/Class Fees/Camp/School Lunches/Uniforms. It really is simple to use! There are 2 free payment options for you to utilise, and a credit card option which incurs a fee.

TRY IT NOW AND PAY YOUR CAMP DEPOSITS (FOR ROOM 4 AND 5, OR ORDER SOME LUNCH ON FRIDAY AND SUPPORT OUR ARC KIDS WITH THEIR CAFE)

Moving forward our aim is to be a fully cashless school for the ease of both you/us.

<https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/index.html>

Please support us in using KINDO wherever possible. You will automatically receive a receipt via email. (less paper, less hassle for you)

Yr 5-Yr 8 Camp Fundraiser

Ice-Blocks and juices daily. Only \$2.00!

Room 5 Tech programme - 'ARC' - Lunches

Our first group of Room 5 students, 'Bread and Butter', will be serving sandwiches and wraps this Friday 1 March. Please follow the link to order (for multiple children and/or items, please complete an additional form) and pay online. They are serving ham or chicken (with optional salad items) with a choice of wraps (\$2.60) or sandwiches (\$2.50). You need to

order and pay by Wednesday 27 February, 12 noon as no late orders can be taken (we are making to order). Order here and pay by kindo (or by correct cash - this time only)

BoT Minute-Taker/Secretary

We are looking for a BoT minute-taker/Secretary. \$75.00 per meeting is payment that is made at the end of the year in a lump sum payment. Own laptop required. Contact Matthew at Brookby School if keen.

Swimming: Small Schools and ECCS Swimming

Last week a number of Y5-Y8 students competed in the ECCS Small School Swimming Competition and ECCS Swimming Competition. Congratulations to all the kids who swam hard, ensuring the Brookby CARE values were on show for all other schools to see. We had a number of good results at the Small Schools and ECCS, highlighted by Tom Hawkins, Kahn Gardner and Jacob Bingham making it into the finals at the ECCS Swimming. Thanks to Christine Hawkins, Murray Vaueli, Pearl Meredith and Phoebe Taylor who helped and transported the kids.

Dates for Your Diary

- 26 February** - 1st BoT Meeting of 2019 - 6.15pm
- 26 February** - Counties Manukau Cricket Sessions (whole School)
- 8 March** - Cam Colken Guest Speaker (2-3 pm) - All invited!
- 18 - 21 March** - Yr 5 to Yr 8 Camp
- 19 March** - Yr 3/Yr 4 Sonshine Ranch and Sleepover
- 23 March** - Community Family Fun Day @ Te Puru - more details TBA
- 2 April** - Digital Tech @ Brookby: Parent Sessions: 3.30pm - 4.30pm and 5.00pm-6.00pm
- 2 April** - BoT Meeting - 6.15pm
- 5 April** - ASB Getwise Financial Literacy @ Brookby - 1 session per class
- 11 April** - Leadership Day for Brookby's Student Leaders (out with Bex)
- 12 April** - Last Day Term 1

Future of Education

Public meeting



Hon Judith Collins
MP for Papakura



Hon Nikki Kaye
MP for Auckland
Central and National's
Spokesperson
for Education



Agnes Lohani
National List MP



Andrew Bayly
MP for Hunua



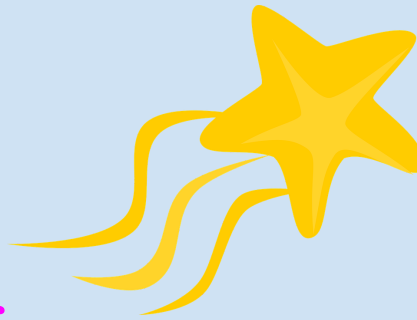
Kanwaljit Singh Bakshi
National List MP
based in Manukau East

Friday 22nd March, 4pm
Papakura High School
Willis Road, Papakura

National

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Brookby's Stars of the Week



Every week our students achieve so much in their school work and daily lives outside of school! This is a page dedicated only to their achievements.

Feel free to send us snippets and pictures of the amazing things your child is achieving so we can share with the school.

School Awards - Week 3, Term 1 - 2019

Room 1

Freyja Shallard-Kerr

Reed Parry

Room 2

Miller Gordon

Ashleigh Gundesen

Room 3

Lily Sonier

Boston Ha

Room 4

Blair Reid

Madison Saunderson

Room 5

Mackenzie Baker

Case Hasler

Representative Sports:

Over the summer we had a number of past and present Brookby Kids competing in the Colgate Games (Representative Athletics), and the Tri-series and Northern IPS Touch Tournaments (Representative Touch Rugby)

Touch Rugby:

Kahn Gardner (U14 Boys Counties Manukau – Most improved player for the region)

Emma Hawkins (U10 Girls Counties Manukau – 1st place team)

Thomas Hawkins (U12 Boys Counties Manukau – MVP for his team)

Paige and Hunter Norris (U10 Mixed North Harbour – Paige Norris MVP for her team)

Well done to all of you, we look forward to hearing more from you next season!

Athletics:

Kayla Reid – Kayla has had a phenomenal season representing at the Trans Tasman Challenge in Australia, then AIMS and Auckland Champs, and receiving 3rd place most recently at the Counties Manukau Champs over the weekend. Kayla is a fantastic 400 and 800m runner with plenty of other distances and events under her belt as well. Well done Kayla, we look forward to hearing more about your races in the future.

Blair Reid – competed at the recent Colgate Games for Papakura Athletic Club in the shot put and the long jump and had an awesome time. Keep it up Blair.

