



**Brookfield  
School**

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## Mission Statement

Brookfield School will nurture the child and foster a community of learners.

Tēnā Koutou e te whānau,

*"Poipoia te kakano kia puawai."  
Nurture the seed and it will blossom.*

Nau mai hoki mai ki te wahanga tuatahi mo te tau hou 2020.

Welcome back to Term 1 2020. An extremely warm welcome to all new students and families to Brookfield School and those new to Tauranga Moana.

This year we welcome new staff members:

- Tracy Stubbing - Room 11 Years 5 and 6.
- Jake Ryan - Room 3 Years 3 and 4.
- Nicky Klinkert - Room 13 Year 2.
- Robyn Hamilton - ORRS Specialist teacher.
- Colleen Wilkie - Reading Recovery teacher.
- Cindy McQuade - Teacher Aide.
- Gail Blakeley - Teacher Aide.
- Ngawaiwera Rikirangi Ngatoko - Kaiawhina.

Our starting roll is 270 students.

### Safety always first at Brookfield School

Our start and end to every school day is **very** busy with traffic. At times, it can be stressful and dangerous especially when families are in a rush. I would **strongly** suggest the following law and safety precautions in and around our school please.

**Please do not assume that students have seen you and will move out of the way.**

- Our students observe everything so please reinforce safety standards with them.
- Look out for driveways, entries and exits into the school.
- Students tend to weave in and around the cars which are parked in the car parks.
- **Always** check for students in and around your car before pulling in and driving off.
- Please drive only on the road. Footpaths are for students and families walking.
- Please be mindful of the bike lanes, using your indicators is crucial.
- Patience with parking.
- Use the crossing if needing to cross the road.
- Students must exit out of the car closest to the footpath.
- If pulling into the pickup 5 minute zone, please stop your car and then ask your child to get in and get them to put their seatbelt on straight away. Discourage running alongside the car and jumping in.

### Absent/Late:

Please remember to phone (576 9433) or text (022 3181098) the office if students are running late or are going to be absent from school. School starts at 9am and ends at 2:45pm.

### Working together

Please contact your child's teacher first if you have any concerns or information.

### Whānau & Family Hui

#### All Welcome - Thursday 13 February 6pm-7pm

This is a great opportunity to come and find out about our school and work together as a team. If you are new to the school community then this is a great way to meet others. Please RSVP by emailing or texting Helen in the office. (RSVP is for catering purposes). Email: office@brookfield.school.nz.

**Naku noa  
Ngaere Durie  
PRINCIPAL**

## Welcome to...

We welcome the following new students to our school:

#### **Room 2**

Ezekiel O'Brien-Brown

#### **Room 3**

Tannah Simpson  
Chloe McNamara  
'Olita Lafo  
Mosiana Tonga

#### **Room 4**

Pareawhiu Te Amo

#### **Room 5**

Aprilia October

#### **Room 6**

Sukraj Singh  
Riley Hoey

#### **Room 8**

Ariana Jamieson  
Ethan Lilly  
Anzac O'Brien  
Oshaan Cook  
Tate Drummond  
Eli Swales  
Taila Flett  
Darty Barnett  
Amaia Burton

#### **Facebook**

We have a school Facebook to communicate events to our school whānau. Please do not use it as a forum for questions and answers. If you have a question please contact your child's classroom teacher in the first instance.

#### **Room 9**

Eli Dickinson  
Sofia Martin  
London Matthews  
Storm-Severe Soper  
Kiara Kaokao

#### **Room 10**

Hannah Manos  
Shylo-Maia Bristowe

#### **Room 11**

Gabby McNamara  
Maonga Gallagher-Harrison

#### **Room 12**

Ivy Drummond  
Kayla Africa  
Ella Cromb

#### **Room 13**

Cherish Te Rupe  
Ava-leigh Spooner



### Whakatau to te wiki

E hara taku toa  
I te toa takitahi  
He toa takitini

My strength is not as an individual,  
But as a collective.

### Safety to and from School

We encourage children to arrive at school between 8.30 and 8.50am. Entry to and from school is via the steps down behind the staffroom. We encourage children to come directly to and from school, not to call in at the dairy. We try to keep the office area just for those who need to see Mrs Pinkerton/Whaea Ngaere or Mrs Burborough. The school recommends that only children ten years or over cycle to school. They must wear a helmet. If children are crossing at the lights after school, they meet at the flagpole and go with the "walking school bus". This means they cross in safety with two duty teachers. Children who cross from the school entrance have Whaea Ngaere assisting them.

### Our School Motto is:

***Learning Together - Achieving More  
Poipoiā Kia Rere***

This means the family and the school working together, being interested and supportive of the child and their learning. This way we can ensure success!

### Meet the Teacher

We are holding our "Meet the Teacher Picnic" at Kulim Park this year on the 18th of February 5.30-6.30pm. Come along with your family and your picnic tea and take the opportunity to chat with your child's teacher and meet other families. It's fun!

### Goal Setting Conferences

These will be held on the 4th of March from 1.10-6.30pm. You will have the opportunity to sit down with your child and their teacher to set goals for your tamariki to work toward. School closes at 12.30pm on that day.

### School Uniform

Thank you to our whānau for ensuring our students look very smart in their uniforms.

### **Kia Ora Koutou Katoa**

**Carol Burborough  
DEPUTY-PRINCIPAL**

### Naming Items

Could you please ensure you **NAME** every item that comes to school with your child. All uniform along with hats, togs, towels, drink bottles, shoes, lunch boxes etc. It is incredible how quickly our lost property bins fill up, mostly with unnamed clothing. We will be checking the lost property regularly and returning named items. Don't forget to regularly check your child's uniform as often names fade if you use a sharpie or laundry marker. Please encourage your child to always put their property back in their school bags if they are not using it eg: shoes, hats, lunchboxes, tog bag. There is very little chance of it being misplaced if it is in their bag. Make sure they have a big enough bag to fit everything in.

### Fundraising

Thank you all to our Brookfield Team - parents, whānau, and teachers, who have been working in the holidays at One Love for two days and Bay Dreams raising funds for our kura. Each team member is paid an hourly rate for their mahi and all the money goes directly to our kura.

### Stationery Packs

At Brookfield School we offer a stationery pack that consists of stationery the teachers have carefully chosen to match the needs of their teaching programmes and that is robust enough to last the year. We encourage families to purchase our school stationery packs which are competitively priced and include a Reading Log. This takes the hassle out of having to go shopping for stationery and also ensures the quality of the stationery so it lasts throughout the year. Please note, we do not make any profit from the sale of school stationery.

### Hats

All students are required to have a hat by Monday 10 February or they will have to sit under the shade structure during break times. Hats are available at the office for \$12 or they can be ordered through the online shop.



### SPORTS

Jake Ryan is our sports coordinator this year. He is a talented sportsman who has been involved in a range of sporting codes during his 6 years at Tauranga Intermediate. Jake is very excited to work alongside whānau and tamariki to explore new areas of sport that they enjoy and assist them in reaching their personal potential.

In term one we are offering volleyball (mixed teams), cricket (boys and girls teams), Kiwi Tag (mixed teams), Touch Rugby (mixed teams) and Flippa Ball (mixed teams).

Notices for these sports were issued to interested students earlier in the week. Please ensure that permission slips and payment are returned by the due date. If your child's permission slip and payment is not received by the due date we are unable to register them.

### Volleyball - Year 3/4 and Year 5/6

- Starts on Friday 21st February finishes on Friday 3rd April.
- The cost to play is \$35, this includes a \$10 bond for the sports uniform which will be refunded upon return of our school sports uniform. Gear is supplied - players only need to be in their Brookfield School sports uniform.
- Venue: QEYC Stadium or Trustpower Arena, Baypark.

### Cricket - Year 1/2, Year 3/4 and Year 5/6

- Starts on Friday 21st February finishes on Friday 3rd April.
- The cost to play is \$35, this includes a \$10 bond for the sports uniform which will be refunded upon return of the school sports uniform. Gear is supplied - players only need to be in their Brookfield School sports uniform.
- Venue: QEYC Stadium or Trustpower Arena, Baypark.

### Kiwi Tag - Year 3/4 and Year 5/6

- Starts on Monday 17th February (runs every Monday).
- The cost to play is \$20, this includes a \$10 bond for the sports uniform which will be refunded upon return of the sports uniform. Tags and balls are supplied - players only need to be in their Brookfield School sports uniform.
- Venue: Mitchell Park in Otumoetai.

### Flippa Ball - Year 3/4 and Year 5/6

- Starts on Tuesday 11th February finishes on Tuesday 31st March.
- The cost to play is as follows: Year 3/4 & Year 5/6 - mixed team - \$65 per player. We need at least 7 players to make a team in both year 3/4 and year 5/6. Players need suitable swimming attire to play and a coach is a must.
- Venue: Memorial Pool - Tauranga.

### Touch - Year 3/4 and Year 5/6

- Starts on Thursday 13th February finishes on Thursday 2nd April.
- The cost to play is \$20, this includes a \$10 bond for the sports uniform which will be refunded upon return of our sports uniform. One Year 3/4 team and one Year 5/6 depending on numbers. Players only need to be in their Brookfield School sports uniform.
- Venue: Bethlehem Sports Club (Hatawaho Reserve).

***\*Please note, we cannot have teams without coaches so if you have an interest in any of these areas please see Jake Ryan in Room 3. There will be one practice a week at school for each sporting team, days/times to be advised.***

## **What's Happening in Term One**

Monday 10 Feb	PTA meeting 5-6pm
Thursday 13 Feb	Whānau & Family Hui 6-7pm
Tuesday 18 Feb	Meet the Teacher Picnic 5.30-6.30pm
Thursday 20 Feb	Waimarino Trip (Years 4-6)
Wednesday 4 March	Goal Setting Conferences 1.10-6.30pm
Thursday 5 March	Junior Swimming Sports
Friday 13 March	Teacher Only Day (School Closed)
Thursday 2 April	Whānau & Family Hui 6-7pm
Friday 3 April	Cool Bananas 1.45pm
Thursday 9 April	Cool Bananas 1.45pm
Thursday 9 April	Term One Ends 2.45pm



## Health and Safety

Brookfield School Road and Safety policy adheres to the law in accordance with NZ Transport Agency. Please read carefully the following:

### Students travelling by car

Seat belts save lives. They support you if you're in a crash or when a vehicle stops suddenly. The force on seat belts can be as much as 20 times your weight - this is how hard you'd hit the inside of your vehicle without restraint.

Under New Zealand law, all children under seven years of age must use an approved child restraint appropriate for their age and size. Children aged seven must be secured in a restraint if one is available in the vehicle.

Age of child	The law says you must:
Until their 7th birthday	Correctly secure your child in an approved child restraint
From their 7th to their 8th birthday	Correctly secure your child in an approved child restraint if one is available in the vehicle (and if not, in any child restraint or safety belt that is available)
From 8th birthday to 14 years old	Must use safety belts if available. If not available, they must travel in the back seat.
Over 14 years old	Must use safety belts where they are available.

If you are the driver, you can be fined if you have a passenger aged under 15 riding in your vehicle without wearing a seat belt or child restraint.

### Students biking to school:

Wearing an approved safety helmet dramatically reduces the risk of a skull fracture if your head hits an object or the road, which is why the law requires you to wear one. A helmet also reduces your chance of getting a concussion and protects your head from cuts and scrapes. Your cycle helmet must:

- meet an approved standard
- be securely fastened.

## **Ōtūmoetai Community of Learners / Kāhui Ako TEACHER ONLY DAY – 13<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020**

Our nine Ōtūmoetai Community of Learners / Kāhui Ako Schools will be holding a simultaneous Teacher Only Day on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March, this term. This is an Ōtūmoetai Community of Learners / Kāhui Ako initiative to bring all the teachers and staff who work directly with students together for professional development.

This Teacher Only Day will ensure all our teachers across the nine schools are focusing on our Ōtūmoetai Community of Learners / Kāhui Ako achievement challenges in addition to addressing student wellbeing. The schools in our Ōtūmoetai Community of Learners / Kāhui Ako are: Ōtūmoetai College, Te Wharekura o Mauao, Ōtūmoetai Intermediate School, Ōtūmoetai Primary School, Pillans Point School, Matua School, Bellevue School, Brookfield School, Bethlehem School. We also have twenty seven Early Childhood Centres in our Ōtūmoetai Community of Learners / Kāhui Ako.

The Ōtūmoetai Community of Learners / Kāhui Ako achievement challenges are:

**Student Hauora / Well being:** ECE through to Year 13  
With a focus on self-efficacy, sense of belonging, growth mindset and resilience

**Oral Language development / Kōrero:** ECE through to Year 13 in Te Reo and English.

**Literacy with main focus on Writing/ Tuhituhi:** Year 4 through to Year 13 in Te Reo and English

**Priority Learners:** ECE through to Year 13

**Henk Popping**  
(Principal, Otumoetai Intermediate)

### PTA Meeting

There will be a PTA meeting on Monday 10 February, 5-6pm in the school staffroom.  
All welcome including children.

### Guitar Lessons

Alex Whimster offers guitar lessons for year 4 to year 6 students which are held at school.  
For further information please ask at the office.

### Gymnastic Classes

Gymnastic lessons start next Tuesday lunchtime in Manunui. The cost is \$50 per term. The classes are run by a qualified instructor from The Gymnastic Academy. If you would like to enrol please advise the school office.

### Hip Hop Classes

Hip Hop classes will be starting next Wednesday lunchtime in Manunui. The cost is \$50 per term. Choreography is kept simple so that children of all levels can have a go. Classes run for 10 weeks per term which includes 9 classes plus a performance. If you would like to enrol please advise the school office.