

# Our 2018 theme: Growing Together

Manaaki whenua, manaaki tangata, haere whakamua  
Care for the land, care for people, go forward.

Kia Ora,

Well, there certainly have been some challenges here at Brooklyn School over the past 2 weeks. Cyclone Gita definitely made its presence felt when it impacted upon the Brooklyn region and our school was one of many within our community who felt its force. I would like to again express our very deep thanks to all of those wonderful people who helped us put Brooklyn School back together over recent times. The BOT, staff and students acknowledge this amazing effort and are very proud of what we have managed to achieve. We send our thoughts and best wishes to our families and neighbors who are dealing with their own cleanups and we hope that they are making progress during this difficult time.

We are focused upon getting back into the process of learning here at Brooklyn as we look forward to the fantastic opportunities that are coming up throughout the remainder of this first term.

Kia Kaha

Chris

- Our wonderful staff are beginning an inquiry into effective communication tools, within the school. We all appreciate being in the know and proactive, making a contribution to our home and school partnership. A reminder that class messages can be found at:
- [www.brooklyn.school.nz](http://www.brooklyn.school.nz) where you scroll to your child/s class button to open and read the messages.
- Newsletters can also be viewed and read on the newsletter tab on the same page.
- Instant and quick messages to our school facebook page.
- The staff will continue to identify an effective tool for sharing student success and achievement.



## 2018: Class Names

*Our wonderful students have worked with the staff to develop class names that will represent them for the year. Our names reflect and symbolise the theme for the year – growing together. It has been so interesting, hearing what the students have to say about, themselves as individuals – what they bring to the group and what their goals are for the year.*

*Room 3 : Room Kowhai*

*Room 4: The Bumble Bees*

*Room 5: Room Manuka*

*Room 1: Sunflower*

*Room 6: Moana*



**Our class awards for week 4. Clever students. And congratulations to Sam Chapman who was acknowledged as an AKO award recipient and winner of the Principal's cup!**

# The Science of Slime!

We are in for an exciting day **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March**. An opportunity to explore the properties of **Polymers and Non-Newtonian Fluids**.

You will need old clothes for this work in Room 2 with Amy and Maddie our visiting scientists from the Ministry of Inspiration.



## Little Picasso's ART SCHOOL

[www.littlepicassos.co.nz](http://www.littlepicassos.co.nz)

### CHILDREN'S ART CLASSES TERM 1: MAR 5TH - APR 11TH

#### School Age Children (5-12+ years)

The focus of each weekly class builds on learnt skills and introduces new techniques and concepts. Little Picasso's gradually guides the students, whilst encouraging exploration and experimentation.

6 sessions (60 minutes each) - \$70.00

#### Juniors (5-8 years):

Monday 3:30pm-4:30pm or Wednesday  
3:30pm-4:30pm.

#### Seniors (9-12+ years):

Monday 4:30pm-5:30pm or Wednesday  
4:30pm-5:30pm.



Little Picasso's Term 1 - 2015 Lesson Dates

Monday Session:	Wednesday Session:
March 5th	March 7th
March 12th	March 15th
March 19th	March 21st
March 26th	March 28th
April 2nd	April 4th
April 9th	April 11th

TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD CONTACT:  
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[JOHNNA@LITTLEPICASSOS.CO.NZ](mailto:JOHNNA@LITTLEPICASSOS.CO.NZ)

Ministry of Inspiration has a few announcements!

### **STEAMS School Motueka!**

Demo Day for ages 5-12 on 22 March. For registration please see eventbrite listing.

### **STEAMS Club starts Thursday, 1 March**

Science and Engineering club for students aged 6-12 from 4-5pm. Come along and do cool science experiments. Located at Garin College, cost \$100. For registration please see eventbrite listing.



# Community notices:



Term 1: 13th Feb - 12th April 9 weeks

Tuesday (Rec Centre)

2.00-2:45 Open to explore for under 5 = Causal Class - able to drop in.

3:30 -4:30 Rec Gym - 3+4-years, - 5-6 years, 7-9 years

4:30 – 6pm Junior Comp – new to the class or 1-2 years experience.

6pm -7:30pm Senior Comp - existing gymnasts.

Thursday – (Motueka)

3.30-4.30 5 - 8 years Ninja zone, free running Gymnastics Boys only!!

4.30. 6.00 Rec comp 7 years + Extension.

6.00 -7.30 8+ Free Running, Tumbling mix Girls and Boys  
Gymnastics Fun Camp and Sleepover planned for the 28th and 29th April. An opportunity to be part of a 24 hour training, fun, dance, gymnastics, cheer stunts, and hanging out.

Details outlined on [sporty.co.nz/riwakabrooklyngymclub](https://sporty.co.nz/riwakabrooklyngymclub) and our FB page.



Week 3	19 <sup>th</sup> Swim for life	20 <sup>th</sup> Slims Day – Whole School. Swim for life	21 <sup>st</sup> Swim for life	22 <sup>nd</sup> Swim for life	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Week 4	26 <sup>th</sup> Swim for life	27 <sup>th</sup> Swim for life	28 <sup>th</sup> Swim for life	1 <sup>st</sup> March Swim for life	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Week 5	5 <sup>th</sup> Seawork	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup> Science with LEARNZ Room 6	8 <sup>th</sup> Room 6 Snorkel Day@ Kaititeri	9 <sup>th</sup> Interschool Swimming sports
Week 6	12 <sup>th</sup> Welcome Andrea Student Teacher Room 6	13 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup>
Week 7	19 <sup>th</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup> Slims Day	21 <sup>st</sup>	22 <sup>nd</sup> MOI open day.	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Week 8	26 <sup>th</sup>	27 <sup>th</sup>	28 <sup>th</sup>	29 <sup>th</sup>	30 <sup>th</sup> Good Friday
Week 9	2 <sup>nd</sup> April: Easter Monday.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Ester Tuesday Holiday:	4 <sup>th</sup> Commonweal th Games Start	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>
Week 10	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>

FOTS - Friends of the School.

Position Available:

*BOOK CO – ORDINATOR – We need you. A small group of very clever and wonderful people are keen to have an apprentice come on board to learn the ropes of this very important role within our school. Brooklyn is well known for its fantastic book sale on a yearly basis. WE NEED another clever and talented person to take on this role with support of the current team to find out more, as well as add their own flavour to how books are collected, sorted, arranged and put up for sale!*

Next Meeting: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March – Room 6 @ 3.15pm

**Planning:** What’s already on the agenda for FOTS to develop?

**Fundraising Targets:**

*Room 6 for Wellington – a mothers Day raffle. Disco. Race Night. Lunches?*

**FOTS:**

*Term 1 – Be @ Brooklyn night. – Sunday Soiree – Easter Fun.*

*Term 2 – Race Night*

*Term 3 – Adventure Race: Cycle Challenge.*

*Term 4 Book Sale with food and activities for the kids. – October?*