

BROMLEY SCHOOL

"Learning for an Exciting Life"

Kia Ora, Talofa Lava, Welcome.

Thank you so much for your support last Thursday with picking up your child early from school to enable the teachers to attend a meeting regarding their work conditions as part of the teachers union negotiations. It was a most important meeting and we could not have sent them if we didn't have your support.

FINALLY after many, many years of waiting the **redevelopment of Bromley School begins.**

You will see fence sections arriving this week and compounds set up for the work to start.

There is no doubt that this work will cause disruption to the running of the school but as my old rugby coach used to tell me 'no pain- no gain'.

The entire scope of works will likely not be completed for a year but we hope to have the bulk of the major work finished by Term four. This makes the winter Term's 2 & 3 our most disrupted. Super!!!!

Some of the beginning work will involve sorting drainage and other utilities including water-tightness and system upgrades.

The initial major classroom works will be the building of the new hall space and a total overhaul of Koru 2, the Senior rooms that look out onto the playing fields AND later Koru 1 and the old Room's 9 & 10 which are the four classrooms on the South side of the school overlooking the netball courts.

We will lose playground options over this time so please be aware of the most up to date information to help you move around the school.

CEMETERY CAR PARKING. Whist this is not an official car park I know of lot of people use it and it is a great space. To avoid trucks coming through the front of the school this area will now be used by the contractors so is now **CLOSED** to all forms of school parking.

There will be a section cut into our fence to allow trucks and services to access the school through the cemetery and it is way too dangerous to use this space for parking until the redevelopment is finished. I apologise for any inconvenience but throughout this whole process the contractors and the school are saying the same message.

CHILD SAFETY IS NUMBER 1

This will obviously place a strain on other pick up and drop off locations around the school so it goes without saying that over this time we will all need to go a bit slower and be ever watchful around the roads. Please allow an extra 5 minutes, at least as we start the process, for drop off and pick up. The most dangerous time is after school as everyone leaves at the same time. Use of controlled crossings will be essential.

Also, please take extra care if you are using the alleyway by the Kindy on Kawau Crescent. This is a narrow street and we had a close call last week. Please be extremely vigilant as all pick up zones are likely to be a bit busier than we have been used to.

Other than that, I'm sure everything will go off without a hitch.

For those who are interested we have plans of the redevelopment in the office or feel free to ask Ms Nicholls or myself.

VISION CONSULTATION. Please access a brief overview of our vision on **SKOOL LOOP**, the Bromley School communication APP. We value your input and understanding of the vision and are keen to hear your views.

We are also exploring the **school uniform** and whether it's time for a change. Please have your say on this as well, via the app.

I trust you are able to have some quality family time over the Easter holiday. Please remember that all **schools are closed for Good Friday as well as Easter Monday and Tuesday. Therefore, school resumes on Wednesday 4th April.**

Thanks once again for your understanding and support. Bromley school is a great place and it's just going to get better.

Regards

Scot Kinley