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"We are set in a great location within walking distance to the Long Bay regional park and local primary schools" says Centre Manager Rashika Prasad. "Our children will be able to go on wonderful local excursions and make connections with their local community."

BestStart's Set for School programme ensures families know what to expect as children become ready for the next steps in their learning journey. Play activities which link to areas within the NZ school curriculum, such as literacy, maths, and science, will be seamlessly incorporated into everyday learning. Preschool classrooms are also set up to encourage

greater independence and assist children to develop self-help and socio-emotional skills for school.

BestStart Educare has been providing award-winning early childhood education for over 25 years. *BestStart* has consistently been recognised as New Zealand's highest-quality ECE service for the past six years as a gold winner in the annual *Quality Service Awards* as well as securing a gold win for *Best Childcare Provider* at the *Oh Baby 2022* biennial awards. *BestStart* has more than 260 centres nationwide and Long Bay is the newest addition.

"We cherish the relationships we build with each child and their family. Through one-on-one communication and interactive online learning portfolios on *Storypark*, we capture and share each child's unique learning journey. It's a wonderful way for parents to stay connected and be part of their child's daily activities," says Rashika.

BestStart offers 20 hours free for three to five-year-olds (*conditions apply). The Long Bay team can help you find out if you are eligible for a WINZ subsidy and assist with application for this.

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For more information:

Call: 09 558 1468

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Visit: www.best-start.org. Opening hours: 7:30am-6pm

BestStart Long Bay Opens to the Community

Another milestone in the development of Long Bay has been reached with the opening of *BestStart Long Bay*. Conveniently located next to *New World*, the modern, purpose-built childcare centre caters for *pēpi* and *tamariki* from 3 months of age up to 6 years old.

A lot of love and care has gone into creating a space at *BestStart Long Bay* that inspires creativity, exploration, and a sense of community. *BestStart Long Bay* offers quality care and education for all children, with age-appropriate activities for every age group. The safe and nurturing learning environments are designed to build children's confidence, empowering them to lead their own learning and reach their full potential.

Recognising that every child is unique and that a strong connection with their teachers supports their sense of belonging and wellbeing, *BestStart Long Bay* offer excellent child-to-

teacher ratios. Each child will receive individual attention and support from Rashika Prasad (Manager) and the Long Bay teaching team, who come from diverse backgrounds with a wealth of experience and passion for delivering positive outcomes for children.

Working in partnership with parents and caregivers, *BestStart Long Bay* develops an individual learning plan for each child that focuses on the child's individual needs, interests, their cultural background, and the aspirations their families have for them. Learning plans are tailored for each age group – primary caregiving is met for babies and toddlers, and preschoolers participate in *BestStart's* wonderful *Set for School* framework to ensure a seamless transition to school experience.

To help you decide if *BestStart Long Bay* would be right for your child, you are welcome to make a booking to visit.



Rashika Prasad, Manager, *BestStart Long Bay*



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Chair's Letter

**By Steve Piner, Chairperson
Torbay Business Association**

Our unsung heroines, Candice and Anna, have again worked their magic to make sure we bring you the best in local

goings on. Firstly, we extend a warm welcome to our new neighbour *BestStart Long Bay*. The layout and resources are fantastic and well worth the visit (p3).

Make sure to read the *Torbay Friendship Club's* piece on scammers (p14). It's a valuable reminder to everyone connected online. Stay safe!

We are excited to be supporting *Auckland Council's* new 'Love Food, Hate Waste' campaign with a series that kicks off this month. Michelle Beard's column fits that theme perfectly (p20).

Of course we love to hear your comments about the magazine. Your feedback, good and bad, is essential to making sure we continue to deliver our best. On that note we have had a few changes in our delivery team, and we appreciate your patience while they get settled in. Don't forget, we offer a Paper-Free subscription service – see p30 for details. As Long Bay continues to expand, and more townhouse developments replace single dwellings across our delivery area, we're noticing some growth in our delivery runs. Don't worry! Our print run of 7200 is still enough, for now.

With a little bit of luck, and a lot of hard work, by the time you read this you will have seen the results of what has been happening in the background to update and liven up Torbay Village. I can tell you we keep busy. And while I'm sure everyone has it well in hand, make sure to remember your mums, and in your way celebrate Mother's Day!

Ngā mihi nui (big thanks) to all our contributors, our advertisers, designers, the printing team, and our local delivery team, without whom none of this would be possible.

From one Mother to another,

Happy Mothers Day

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Celebrating Culture and Connection in Long Bay

The *Long Bay Residents' Association* put on a great event in mid-March with the idea of bringing the community together to eat and share food from each other's cultures. This was an excellent opportunity to make new connections and try something different! We had a variety of flavours from Malaysia, the Netherlands, England, South Africa, and others, including the obligatory Kiwi sausages on the BBQ.

There was also a Jenga competition which was a lot of fun. Competitors were randomised with young and not-so-young facing off to bring out a touch of competitive spirit. Prizes were kindly donated by the *Long Bay Surf Club*.

"It was fantastic to see the variety of cultural food – a

celebration of the diversity in our community," remarked Gareth Roberts (*Chairperson for the Long Bay Residents' Association*).

Earlier in the day the residents also got together for the *Long Bay Community Clean Up* event which runs once a quarter. Another great way to make new connections and help keep the streets and rain gardens clean and tidy. The next clean up event is June 15th at 9.30am.

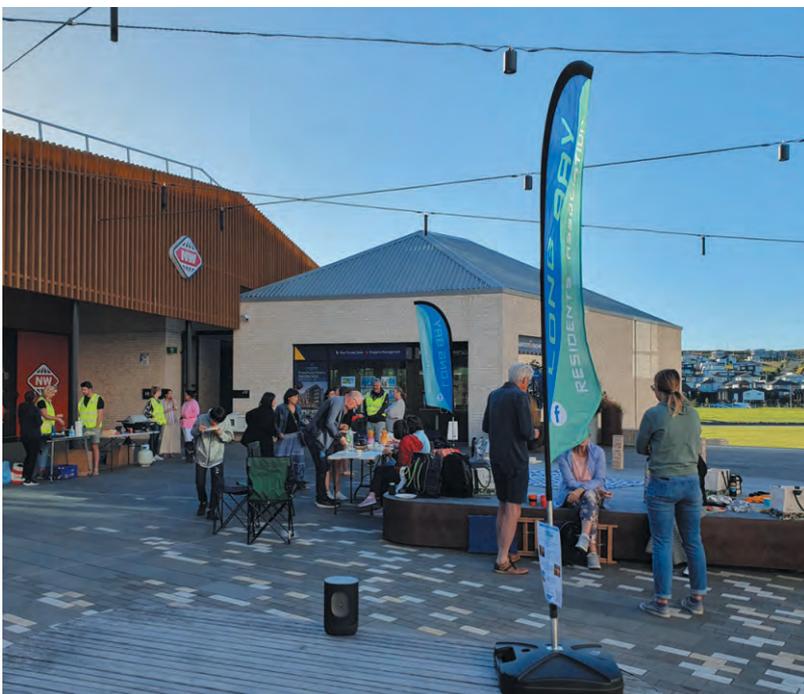
To make these kinds of events possible, please donate via our website at www.longbay.nz. If you are a Long Bay resident, you can also join the Association via the 'Join Now!' link.



Long Bay residents enjoying the Jenga competition



Jenga winners



Long Bay Village square



Members of Long Bay Residents' Association Board – Community Clean Up

15 Years of Laughter

Famous French writer, Victor Hugo, once said, "Laughter is the sun that drives winter from the human face."

If you love a good laugh, you might want to try *Browns Bay Laughter Yoga*. *Laughter Yoga* combines yoga, deep breathing and fun exercises designed to stimulate laughter. The sessions are led by a trained laughter leader who chooses a theme which can make for some very funny activities. Don't worry, all the exercises are adaptable to your own physical ability.

Browns Bay Laughter Yoga is a not-for-profit community group that has been running since 2008 with any costs being covered by participants' donations. Many people of all ages have enjoyed the group sessions and reaped the benefits of laughter and light exercise. One greatly enjoyed add-on is the weekly social get together at a local café for coffee and conversation after the *Laughter Yoga* session.

So, if the shadow of winter creeps across your face during the

cold months to come, bring the sun back and lift your sense of well-being with *Browns Bay Laughter Yoga*.

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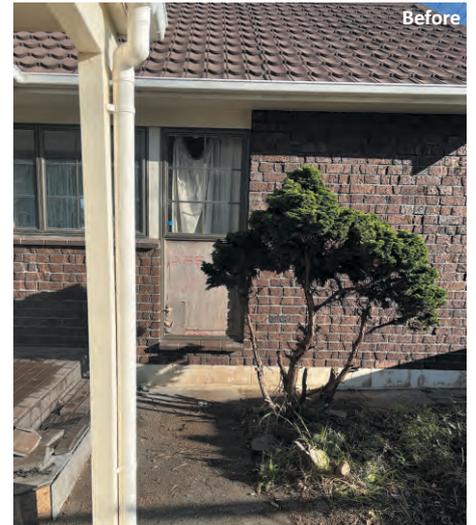
A Fresh New Look

By Steve Piner

It's amazing what a coat of paint can do. Even brick work can be transformed, lifting the appeal and feel of a home.

The simplest method is to pay someone to do it. But, if you're on a budget, feeling adventurous, or overconfident, you can do it yourself.

If you decide to DIY, you can hire water-blasters and spray equipment, and source paint, rollers, and brushes locally. Spraying is easier than rolling, but you'll still have to touch up mortar joints (especially if they are deep) to ensure good coverage. Other advantages of spraying includes that it takes less time and gives thorough coverage. We elected to spray the soffits and fascia at the same time. However, you do need to be more careful when spraying, as overspray may carry on the wind. Make sure to move cars out of harms way and alert neighbours so they can do the same.



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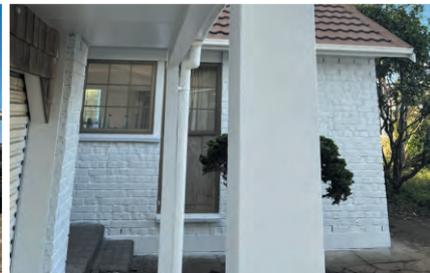
- Pressure wash (at least 2000psi).
- Check for and seal any leakage around windows, doors, and vents, and repair any missing mortar.
- Spray with a suitable moss, mould, and lichen killer.
- Pressure wash again (min 2000psi).
- Mask up window and door openings, downpipes, and anything

else you don't want to paint.

- Brush or spray with a sealer/primer coat.
- Brush or spray two topcoats.

As most brickwork is dark, if you want to go to a light colour, be prepared: you may need a third coat.

However, using a pigmented primer/sealer close to your chosen topcoat will make a huge difference.




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Thanks to the *Hibiscus and Bays Local Board (HBLB)*, the *Torbay Business Association* has been able to continue *Torbay Village Santa Day*, run business networking events, and the occasional *Torbay Village Market*. We would love to organise attractions on a more regular basis, but alas the shoestring we run on can't stretch beyond the (HBLB) generosity. So, it's great when

businesses run events in the Village, like the *Ground + Glow Mother's Day Wellness Celebration Event* by *Yoga Roots and Sauna Collective*, and *Foxy & Co's* special ladies' afternoons. Any businesses with *Torbay Village* event ideas, or willingness to support/sponsor happenings, are welcome to talk to us (theteam@torbay.co.nz). We've got the know-how, some gear and we know what types of attractions work.

Ground + Glow

A Mother's Day Wellness Celebration Event



Sunday, 12 May
@ 1pm-5.30pm

Torbay Village
Senior Citizen Hall

Foxy & Co's Fun Afternoon

10 About 40 ladies attended *Foxy & Co's* special ladies' afternoon on Sunday 7th April. It was a fun afternoon about hair, beautiful hair. There were goodie bags, free raffles, demonstrations, consultations, bubbles and a talk by a specialist on hair loss in women.

Foxy & Co held the event to help ladies understand their hair and get educated on how to care and style their hair to achieve a just-left-the-salon look. It was also about giving back to the local Torbay community. The event was a great success, and we look forward to the next one.



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Supporting **Breast Cancer Cure** this **Mother's Day**
Sunday 12th May | 10am - 11am

Bring Mum down to Waiake Beach for a **FREE** ice cream or coffee from the Cooper & Co Van. Proceeds from purchases for the rest of the family to be donated to Breast Cancer Cure!



Prizes to be won!



Mum's Advice Never Gets Old

By Dianne Denman, St Mary by the Sea Community Garden

Vegetables contain a host of highly protective substances that help build our resistance to illness and disease.

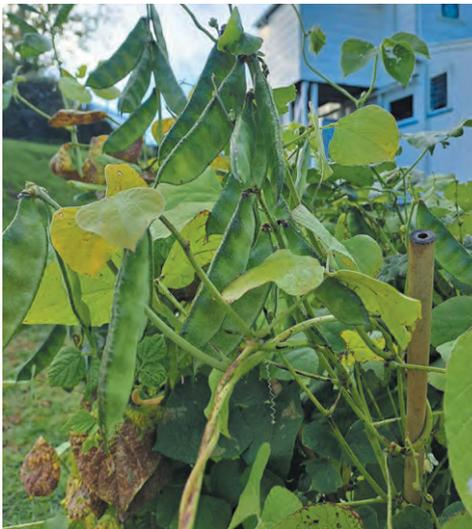
Variety is the key when it comes to the vegetables and fruit we consume. The different colours of plants provide different antioxidants, so eating the rainbow is what we are aiming for.

Silverbeet can be grown almost all year-round. The red silverbeet, *Ruby Chard*, is easy to grow and provides many nutrients. It's highly decorative and suitable for growing in pots and planters, for example, on your deck. Pick the leaves regularly to encourage

fresh growth.

Peas are a cold season crop. They can be sown from Autumn to Spring in our East Coast Bays area. Some varieties can grow to two metres high and as wide as 50 centimetres. Use stakes or trellis to support them. The *Snow Pea/Sugar Snap* pea is great value in that the pods can be eaten whole, which means less waste. They're best to eat when young and tender. These are just two of the vegetables that provide us with nutrients and help bolster our health through winter when colds and flu are more prevalent.

So, remember your mother's words, "Eat your vegetables".



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Māori in the Māra (garden)

Huawhenua (vegetable) is made from the words *hua* (fruit) and *whenua* (land). Hence, fruit of the land. Similarly, *huarākau* means fruit from a tree (*rākau*). A fun word to say is *āniwaniwa*, meaning rainbow. Growing in the *māra* under the *āniwaniwa* this month are *kōrare* – silverbeet and *pī* – peas, not to be confused with the *pī* that help with pollination – bees, or the joke slang word for the Beehive in Wellington – *whare* (house) *pī* (bee).



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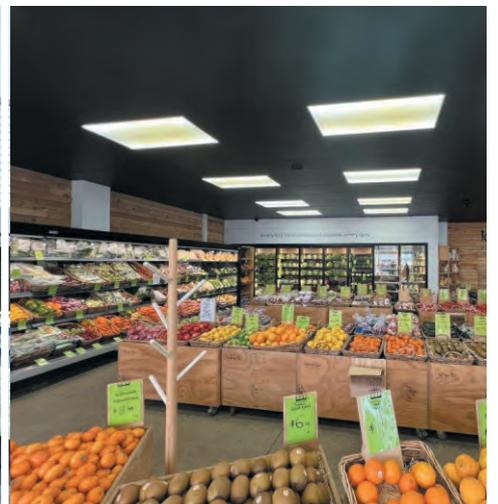
Pranav and Savan (pictured below), brothers who live locally, are the new owners of the Northcross fruit and veg shop, previously *Farmer Joe*. They call themselves 'The Produce Pros' because they've got 11 years' experience - Pranav used to work for *Farro*. *Fruit World, Northcross*, is their first step into business ownership. They looked at a few businesses but when they walked into *Farmer Joe's* they loved the feel of the shop. With Kevin's blessing they'll be continuing with what he started by keeping the look and feel on the inside. One thing they do expect to change are the prices. With *Fruit World's* buying power, they expect to drop the prices. They'll also be adding new grocery lines over time including packaged meat.



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Beware of Scammers Targeting the Lonely

By Delphine Pearson, Torbay Friendship Club

We sincerely hope you had a lovely Easter weekend and drenched yourself in chocolate. At Christmas you indulge in too much of everything and promise you are going to cut down. By Easter, the indigestion is over, and you start to treat yourself again and soon those self-made promises are forgotten. I say, enjoy your life to the fullest while you can. One never knows what tomorrow will bring. Laugh, love and be happy.

On that note, don't let your happiness be ruined by scammers. Our April speaker, affiliated to most banks, discussed various scams that are creeping around aimed at encouraging unsuspecting, lonely people to part with their money. Remember, if a deal sounds too good to be true, it is not true.

We learned that scammers are creating fake profiles online. They steal photos from the Internet, create a fake identity and then they try to build up a supposed genuine companionship with you. They never let you see who you are actually talking to. If you don't know who you are talking to, and they ask you to send money or to give them a short-term loan – DON'T do it! It's a SCAM!

Rather than looking for companionship online, come along and meet real people in real life at the Torbay Friendship Club. Perhaps join our next coffee morning. Our last one, at Kings Plant Barn, Silverdale, was a wonderful success. Maybe

join our excursions. Our dinner at *Daikoku Japanese* in Albany was thoroughly enjoyed. We also have groups within the Club that play Mahjong, Scrabble, Rummi, or do Crafts. They are all well supported and enjoyed.

If you would like to join some of the fun, our next meeting is on 9th May at 10am in the Torbay Community Hall. To find out more, don't hesitate to call me on 022 072 9813 or Noreen McArthur on 027 271 3524.



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Our recent production of *'Grease'* was a runaway success. Every show sold out — a testament to the support and enthusiasm of our community.

Join us and become part of a legacy of creativity, passion, and camaraderie. Whether you're treading the boards or lending a helping hand backstage, your contribution matters. *Torbay Theatre* is where dreams take centre stage and friendships are forged that last a lifetime.

Our community needs things to bring people together, and you can be the catalyst for change. Take the leap and join us at *Torbay Theatre*. Together, let's create magic that resonates far beyond the stage. Contact us today and discover how you can make a difference! – info@torbaytheatre.com



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Music for our Mothers

This year's annual *North Shore Brass Cabaret Concert* celebrating mothers on Saturday 11 May, features world champion piano accordionist Grayson Masefield. Grayson was first in the world to win world championships in all three categories of classical, virtuoso, and digital accordion categories.

Grayson adjudicates and performs at festivals around the world – most recently, just this year, in Sweden, Denmark, and China. In addition, he founded *Aotango*, a quintet of professional musicians who regularly appear in New Zealand. Grayson originates from a family of accordion players based on the North Shore who for three generations have been importing accordions.

The cabaret concert promises music from around the world. Grayson will be accompanied by *North Shore Brass* under Harmen Vanhoorne and opening the concert will be the up-and-coming *North Shore Brass Academy Band* under Billy Middleton. See page 29 for details.



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Pūhoi – A Hidden Gem

By Candice Bradshaw

Twenty-five minutes' drive north of Torbay lies Pūhoi, a quaint little village that is very dear to me with its strong sense of community spirit dating back to the 1860s.

Bordered by the Pūhoi River, this iconic destination provides a relaxing break from urban life and the hustle and bustle of Auckland.

One of the most iconic landmarks is the *Puhoi Pub*, an establishment that has been serving locals and travellers for over a century. They have live music most weekends and a delectable menu to soak up your beverage with.

The *Puhoi Cottage Tearooms* offer the best scones in town and they are famous for their Devonshire High Tea!

There are multiple attractions to see when visiting. The *Puhoi Heritage Museum* offers insight into the unique identity of the village. The *Centennial Hall* has some interesting historic pictures and is worth a look. The hall can also be hired. The *Puhoi Store* sells locally sourced flowers and honey, good coffee and food.

For those seeking adventure, there are exciting opportunities for outdoor activities such as mountain biking and hiking. The breathtaking views make it a paradise for outdoor enthusiasts.



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Kayaking along the river or a leisurely stroll offers a peaceful escape in nature. You'll find kayaks available for hire opposite the *Puhoi Store*.

I'd also recommend checking out the shops. *Slow Water Trading Post* is a treasure trove of Bohemian gifts, Texan boots and more. *Brook and Bridge* is a newly owned store that has a beautiful array of local art and giftware, and somewhere I can be found every Thursday.

If you need to retreat from the chaos of city life and to reconnect with nature, Pūhoi is a close getaway. It's a special place if you're just needing to just 'be'.





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Fishing Spots



By Nathan Pont

In April, I joined a fishing charter to the Firth where we fished on one of the mussel farms. We successfully used ledger rigs using Pilchard. Pilchard as a bait worked really well for attracting Snapper. We had to stay in touch with the bait because as soon as it hit the bottom the baits were getting eaten.

If fishing mussel farms, have ways to hold yourself in place or be prepared to drift. I found the best way to stay in place was to loop a rope with hook around the mussel farm line, then tie the rope to the boat. Just don't anchor anywhere near the mussel farms as there are lines everywhere, not just directly under the floats.

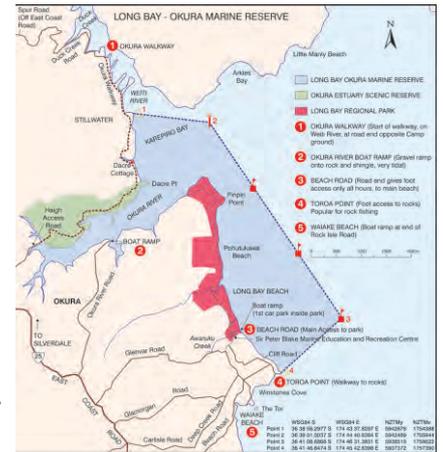
Be sure to consider the wind and tides when working out what way the boat will be facing. The best location to fish appears to be in the channels of the mussel farm. Being on the wind side of the channel will have the boat facing into the wind and the back of the boat facing into the channel. As always be respectful and don't damage any of the equipment on the mussel farms. If you are not confident, just drift fish.

Other fishing I enjoyed in April was soft baiting in 5–10m of water around Rangitoto and Kawau. I successfully used micro soft baits, often 1–2 inch. This required using smaller jig

heads, a lighter line and a 10lb leader instead of the typical 20lb. Micro soft baits appeared to work up to depths of 15m. Any deeper required a heavier jig head. Micro soft baits are fished in the same way as normal soft baits, they just can't be cast as far so you need to fish straight below and behind the boat rather than in front of the boat.

Find the tern work-ups to find the best location to fish with soft baits. These spots are usually in the Whangaparāoa Bay, along the East Coast Bays, and Rangitoto Channel.

Finally, many people have contacted me about an increase in the number of people fishing in the Long Bay Marine Reserve which is protected. A recent investigation showed the number and size of Snapper has increased within Long Bay Marine Reserve compared to outside. If you see anyone fishing within Marine Reserves, help protect the Snapper for future generations them by phoning **0800 DOC HOT** (0800 362 468).



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		HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH		
Wed 01	00:23	3.1m	06:27	1.0m	12:40	2.9m	18:41	0.9m
Thu 02	01:20	3.1m	07:26	1.0m	13:38	2.9m	19:43	1.0m
Fri 03	02:21	3.1m	08:27	0.9m	14:41	2.9m	20:50	0.9m
Sat 04	03:22	3.1m	09:28	0.8m	15:47	3.0m	21:56	0.9m
Sun 05	04:21	3.2m	10:27	0.7m	16:51	3.1m	22:56	0.8m
Mon 06	05:18	3.3m	11:24	0.6m	17:50	3.3m	23:52	0.7m
Tue 07	06:13	3.4m	12:18	0.5m	18:46	3.4m	-	-
Wed 08	-	-	00:45	0.6m	07:06	3.4m	13:11	0.4m
Thu 09	-	-	01:36	0.6m	07:58	3.4m	14:01	0.4m
Fri 10	-	-	02:26	0.6m	08:50	3.4m	14:50	0.4m
Sat 11	-	-	03:16	0.7m	09:40	3.3m	15:37	0.5m
Sun 12	-	-	04:07	0.8m	10:30	3.2m	16:24	0.6m
Mon 13	-	-	04:58	0.9m	11:19	3.1m	17:11	0.8m
Tue 14	-	-	05:51	1.0m	12:08	3.0m	18:00	0.9m
Wed 15	00:33	3.0m	06:45	1.1m	12:58	2.9m	18:52	1.0m
Thu 16	01:25	3.0m	07:39	1.1m	13:51	2.8m	19:49	1.1m
Fri 17	02:19	2.9m	08:33	1.1m	14:46	2.7m	20:48	1.2m
Sat 18	03:11	2.9m	09:24	1.1m	15:42	2.7m	21:45	1.2m
Sun 19	04:01	2.9m	10:14	1.1m	16:37	2.8m	22:36	1.1m
Mon 20	04:48	2.9m	11:00	1.0m	17:27	2.9m	23:22	1.1m
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Mon 27	-	-	03:39	0.9m	09:58	3.1m	15:56	0.7m
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Wed 29	-	-	05:20	0.9m	11:36	3.1m	17:32	0.8m
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Source: MetOcean Solutions

Campbell Glade Reserve Habitat Restoration

Two years ago, the *Friends of Campbell Glade* was formed to bring together people willing to help restore the Glade. Like so many areas, the *Campbell Glade Reserve*, in Waiake, was being overrun with invasive pest plants – Bamboo, Woolly Nightshade, Jasmine, Honeysuckle, Moth Plant, Madeira vine and many more. Rats and possums were also a problem.

The ecosystem of the area is scientifically classified as a *Warm Forest 11*, that is, Kauri Podocarp Broadleaf. To restore the reserve so that native plants and birds can flourish, the *Friends* remove invasive weeds, run several rat stations and they are setting up possum traps.

“It is thrilling to see our earliest plantings sprouting metres up. Many natives are now able to seed naturally and the ancient Ponga are free of Jasmine. We have planted many



common natives and some unusual ones such as *Kōtukutuku* (tree Fuschia) and *Kohekohe* (NZ mahogany tree).”

CAN YOU HELP?

The *Friends of Campbell Glade* are supported by *Restore Hibiscus and Bays* – with advice and materials – but they would love to have more helpers on the ground. The invasive weeds spread so easily. After the cyclone, the *Friends* found hundreds of banana plants (the invasive variety) sprouted near the stream. They have 350 plants arriving soon and could definitely do with some help, at least on their upcoming planting day.



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Reducing Waste with Babies and Toddlers



**By Michelle Beard,
Pumpkins in Trees**

Hello Pumpkins!

We recently had a friend stay with her 2 and 3-year-old. It certainly took me back to a

time when I was battling sleep deprivation and just beginning my journey into reducing my waste.

Young children can produce so much waste and it was looking at our landfill bins going out each week when we started to try and reduce it and approached waste reduction with babies in a more minimalistic way.

BUYING SECOND-HAND, BORROW OR HIRE – Consider buying second-hand first or borrowing from friends or family. Places to find a bargain include charity shops, markets, and *Plunket's Nearly New Sale*. Free items can be found on the *Pay it Forward Facebook* groups. To hire items, check out toy libraries or places like *Baby on the Move* in Albany.

GO REUSABLE – Consider reducing plastic waste by using reusable nappies, wipes or breast pads and making baby food from in-season ingredients instead of buying single-use squeezable baby food.

DO YOU NEED IT? – Before buying disposable items, ask yourself the simple question, “Do we need it?” You may already have an item at home you could re-purpose or you may be able to buy second hand or borrow that item.

WHEN MAKING NEW PURCHASES – Opt for wooden toys rather than plastic ones, and choose clothing made from natural fibres over synthetic materials. Instead of physical gifts, consider giving experiences.

WHEN OUT AND ABOUT – Reducing the need for single-use items when out and about with kids can be as simple as adding a couple of items to your bag when heading out the door. A wet bag for wet clothes or cloth nappies, a cutlery kit with straws and spoons, plus bring snacks, preferably in reusable containers, from home.



Plunket's Nearly New Sale



Organising for our very popular annual Nearly New Sale, to be held on Saturday 14th September, is underway. The Plunket Nearly New Sale is the best place to buy good quality, preloved baby and children's clothes, toys, and nursery items.

If you would like to clear out those unwanted baby and children's items, and make some money at the same time, then selling at the Nearly New Sale is a great way to do this. We are now taking bookings for sellers – to book a table please contact sales@aucklandmamamarket.co.nz.

If you don't want to have your own table, we'd be grateful for any good quality items we can sell to raise funds for Plunket. All money raised goes directly to supporting families in the Torbay and Long Bay community.

If you would like to help the *Torbay Plunket* volunteer group as they plan and prepare for this great event, or if you're interested in helping on the day, we'd love to hear from you. Just drop us a line at Torbayplunket@gmail.com.



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Term 2 @ Raft Studio

The clocks have gone back, and the nights are getting longer. But summer held on and we had some warm, blue-sky days into late April. Don't they make you feel good?

Wellbeing has been widely studied. It's about what makes us happy? What provides purpose and meaning in our lives? Who do we have positive connections with, and what are we grateful for? These are just some of the themes that have been introduced and explored in our *Art for Wellbeing* sessions at Raft. Making art in all forms is therapeutic and provides the opportunity to connect meaningfully with others. Using a visual journal and looking at wellbeing through a creative lens opens our hearts and minds. Journaling has been described as a transformative process, an inner journey of self-reflection and personal growth.

At Raft, there are no expectations that you need to be good at art. The sessions are about the process of exploring different themes rather than creating a product. We also supply journals and art materials from our wide range of resources. The *Art for Wellbeing* sessions are offered in a safe, confidential, small-group setting. It has been heartening to see future friendships form within these groups, and group members returning each new term to continue with their journals.

Art for Wellbeing is just one of our regular sessions. You can find the times for all of them in the *What's On Where* section (page 28).

WHAT IS DESTASH?

Destash means disposing of things that you no longer have a use for. When Raft was formed two years ago, a small group of like-minded people pooled their art and craft knowledge, materials, and tools to begin classes. We asked the local community to donate anything that they were no longer using, and the response was absolutely amazing. People who were downsizing, going abroad, no longer able, or no longer interested in their art and craft collections gave and carried on giving. We are now in a position to DESTASH some of those resources that we are unable to use ourselves. We are sure that others will be pleased to have them and all at very reasonable prices. All proceeds from the *Raft Destash* will go towards funding tools and materials that we have to buy to run our classes. So do come along on 25th May to our *Destash & Craft Market*. You will find amazing bargains of fabrics, trims, patterns, yarn, all kinds of craft items, kit sets, artwork, and handmade crafts.

May is going to be a busy month at Raft. In addition to our regular classes and the *Destash & Craft Market*, we have planned several weekend workshops, and we are starting an evening sewing group called *Sew Cool*.

Destash Market

Saturday 25 May @ 10am – 2pm

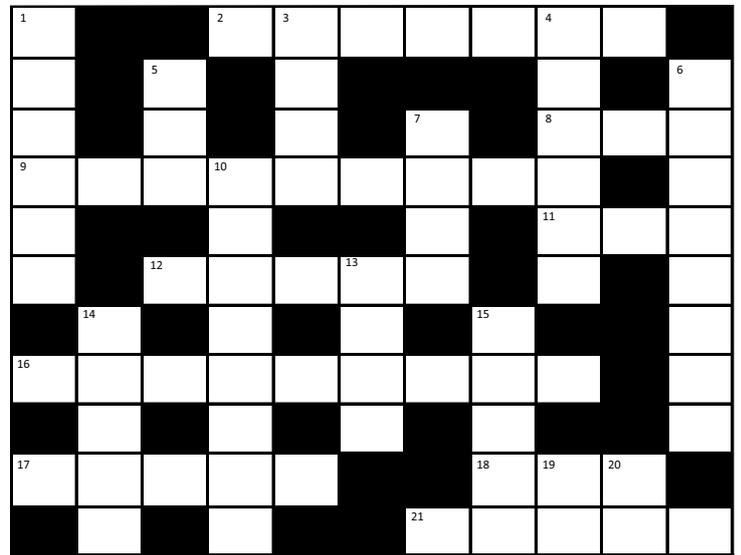
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5		9	6			8	4	

Crossword



Answers on page 30

Answers to clues marked * can be found in this months magazine

ACROSS

- 2 *Māori slang for the Beehive
- 8 Also known as (Abbrev.)
- 9 *New addition to Long Bay
- 11 Common type of welding
- 12 *A hidden gem north of Auckland
- 16 *Torbay Butcher has the goods for a great ____
- 17 *Fastest way to paint brickwork
- 18 Siblings often __ for attention
- 21 *Competition at Long Bay Residents' Assoc event

DOWN

- 1 Not so long ago we were told to stay in our what?
- 3 DOC has lots of them all over the country
- 4 *Restaurant with a great Wednesday deal
- 5 Not no
- 6 *What is said to drive winter from the human face?
- 7 Before Rideshare you called a what?
- 10*Late night at Black & Gold
- 13 If its not theirs, it must be ____
- 14 Stingy summer pests
- 15 Classic cooking oil
- 19 Not out
- 20 For example



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Ensure our Future – For the Next 40 Years

At the *East Coast Bays Community Crèche*, we are committed to providing a quality early childhood service. We have strived to achieve this for forty years despite many setbacks and challenges. For *tamariki* to have the best start in life they need great foundations and the best possible beginning to their education journey. There is a robust body of research that strongly supports the notion that the first thousand days from conception, is the most crucial period in the development of the human brain. Therefore, it is essential that teachers working with young children have the necessary qualifications and commitment to the teaching profession and are provided with the incentives to stay in this profession ensuring quality outcomes for children in Early Childhood Education (ECE). That's why, along with other centres, teachers, parents, *whānau* and communities we have fought hard for two decades to win respect, recognition and pay parity for certificated teachers in the early childhood sector.

Recently there have been some gains made towards this. Unfortunately, these are currently being threatened, and community-based ECE is facing huge challenges to survive and thrive – particularly stand-alone services such as ours.

To promote awareness of this, and gain your support, we are hosting a public meeting centred on ECE. This gathering, co-hosted by dedicated teachers/*kaiako*, support staff/*kaiāwhina*, parents, and *whānau*, aims to address the pressing issue of stable funding, and advocate for the necessary improvements in the sphere of ECE. Please join us to hear from ECE *kaiako* and support our call.



Public Meeting

Highlighting the need for stable, fair and equitable funding for ECE

Friday 24th May 2024 @ 4pm–5.30pm

Phoenix Plaza, Brown's Bay

*Alternative venue if the weather is bad:
Rothesay Rm, Heart of the Bays (near the CAB)*



Meet Muddy Kids NZ

Locally based *Muddy Kids NZ* offer year-round nature-based programmes for *tamariki* and *rangatahi*. Their programmes give young children, and school-age youngsters, the chance to experience free play. Their philosophy is that play is not just a pastime but a fundamental right of children.

Muddy Kids prioritizes the emotional and physical safety of every child and create an environment in which kids can express themselves without the constraints of adult direction. The day starts with the children collectively shaping the programme for their day outdoors. That could be exploring hidden corners of Long Bay Regional Park, venturing to the beach, or embarking on a nature walk. Independence and self-reliance are encouraged. The Educators serve as guides, offering support and encouragement without overshadowing the child's journey. From conquering climbing trees to navigating new friendships, each milestone boosts kids' confidence and self-esteem.

Engaging all their senses in a natural environment, children at *Muddy Kids* experience the benefits of unstructured play, such as reduced stress and improved overall well-being. In a society where play is often overshadowed by structured activities, *Muddy Kids* stands as a beacon of light, championing the transformative power of free play in childhood development.

To learn more, email muddykidsnz@gmail.com or visit their website: www.muddykidsnz.co.nz



Torbay School's 'Tuakana/Teina Programme'

At Torbay School, we run a successful transition programme for our new students. One aspect of this programme is our 'Tuakana/Teina Programme'. *Tuakana/Teina* is a Māori term that refers to the relationship between an older (*tuakana*) person and a younger (*teina*) person, which supports our new learner in a mentoring situation. Our older students take on the role of supporting and guiding new students to Torbay School. This programme nurtures a sense of belonging and well-being among our families/*whānau* and children as they integrate into the Torbay School community.

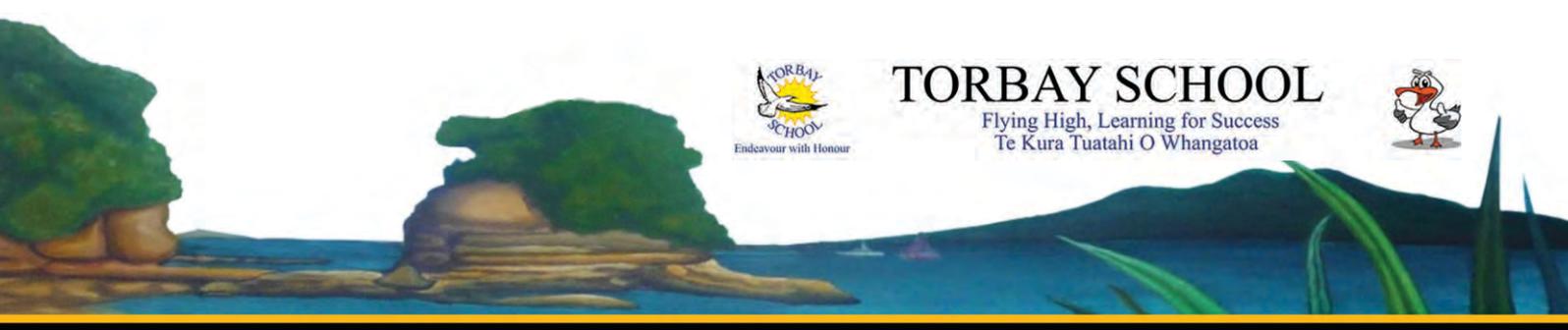
Our *Tuakana/Teina Programme* was launched at Torbay School by one of our staff members, Sarah Kilkolly. Sarah is an *Across School Lead* for the *Oneroa Kāhui Ako*. She works with teachers from our Early Childhood Centres (ECE) and Primary Schools supporting transitions to school.

Within Torbay School, Sarah takes the older (*tuakana*) buddies through a series of workshops to prepare them for working with their (*teina*) buddy. These workshops allow our students to develop key competencies such as leadership, participation, and communication skills. Students also work collaboratively to share ideas when working with their buddy to ensure the transition to school is smooth and happy.

Once a fortnight, a group of older student (*tuākana*) buddies, along with our New Entrant teacher Kylie Wilson, visit Early Childhood Centres to connect with their younger (*tēina*) buddies. These interactions establish *whanaungatanga* (relationships) and build strong connections. By familiarising

themselves with the younger child in a comfortable setting, our big buddies successfully help to alleviate any apprehensions that their younger buddy may have, while creating a sense of excitement about the upcoming transition. Our older students read our Torbay picture book, share stories, and play together. Our older (*tuākana*) students become role models for our new students and there is an opportunity to learn from each other within a safe environment. When they come for their first school visit, the big buddies take them on a tour with their family/*whānau* and spend time with them in their classroom. Once they have started school, our students are encouraged to support them in the playground and within the classroom to build friendships with their peers and to foster social skills.

As a school we value the benefit of this very special programme. Our *whānau* have also seen the benefits, acknowledging that their child is happy because there is a familiar face and this forms a foundation for relationships, helping develop smoother transitions to school. We would like to thank Sarah Kilkolly for all the work she has done for our transition programme. We also would like to acknowledge Kylie Wilson for her continuous work building relationships with our local ECE and making sure our new entrant students and their *whānau* are welcomed and settling into school life.



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BROWNS BAY RACQUETS CLUB—Would love to have more players 55yrs plus. We play mixed doubles. **Friday** 9am. We have lots of fun and fees are low, in fact nil at first. Ph: Angela Verry 021 121 158 or 479 5094

CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU—479 2222

CREATIVE KEYBOARD CLUB—Who have Members in Torbay. We meet at The Community Hall, (behind St Cuthberts Church) 45 Anzac Road, Browns Bay 2.00pm every 2nd **Sunday** of the month and enjoy music from members and guest artists. Includes afternoon tea. Small admission fee. Ph: Marlene 478 3166.

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EAST COAST BAYS LIONS—022 047 3266

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LONG BAY OKURA GREAT PARKS SOCIETY—021 424 617

LONG BAY RESIDENT'S ASSOCIATION—Longbayra@gmail.com

LONG BAY VILLAGE MARKET—4th **Sunday** of every month 9am-2pm, Michelle 021 119 8796, Leanne 027 432 3317 (txt is best); longbayvillagemarket@gmail.com

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Tuesdays

9.30am-12.30pm *Papercraft*
1.30pm-4pm *Sew Cool*
7pm-9pm *Sew Cool* (second and fourth **Tuesday** of the month)

Wednesdays

10am-1pm *Abstract Acrylics*

Thursdays

9.30am-12.30pm *Mixed Media*
1.30pm-4.30pm *Casual Art Group*

Fridays

9.30am-11.30am *Art for Wellbeing*
12.30pm-2.30pm *Art for Wellbeing*
3.30pm-5.30pm *Youth@Raft*

Workshops & Events

15th May—*Tiny Wooden Houses Workshop*
25th May—*Destash & Craft Market*
26th May—*Creative Writing Workshop with Kathy Servian*
For more information see RAFT page 22 or phone: 021 145 2865

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www.rotarybrownsbay.org.nz

RUMMIKUB GROUP—Join our friendly group on **Wednesday** mornings 10am-12 noon in the Council Building in Glen Road, Browns Bay. Ph: Annette 021 061 2199 or just come along.

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TORBAY WALKERS—A group of friendly women meet every **Wednesday** afternoon at 4pm and walk for 1 hour. Please come along and join us at the bus stop in Torbay Village. Ph: Irene 473 1159 or Diane 473 1761.

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Type of unaddressed mail	Letterbox sign stating words to similar effect as –			
	'addressed mail only', 'no newspapers or circulars'	'addressed mail and newspapers only'	'no circulars', 'no junk mail', 'no advertising material'	no non-delivery sign displayed
• public notices ¹ • election material	✓	✓	✓	✓
• free print media ²	✗	✓	✓	✓
• local community or charitable material ³	✗	✗	✓	✓
• advertising material ⁴	✗	✗	✗	✓

¹ for example public notices from government bodies, local authorities or New Zealand Post.
² for example a free community newspaper, newsletter or magazine.
³ for example fund raising letters.
⁴ for example circulars, business cards, samples or clothing donations bags.

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Puzzle Answers

Sudoku

2	8	7	4	9	5	1	3	6
6	9	1	8	2	3	7	5	4
4	5	3	7	6	1	9	2	8
7	3	2	5	8	6	4	1	9
9	1	4	3	7	2	6	8	5
8	6	5	1	4	9	3	7	2
1	7	8	9	5	4	2	6	3
3	4	6	2	1	8	5	9	7
5	2	9	6	3	7	8	4	1

Crossword

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