

Bruce McLaren Intermediate



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Greetings, Kia Ora, Fakalofa lahi atu, Malo e lelei, Talofa lava, Taloha, Kia Orana, Ni hao, Buenos dias, Ciao, Malo no habari, Dobar dan, Bula vinaka, Anyeonghaseyo, Nameste, Sawatdi

FROM OUR PRINCIPAL - LIZ WOOD

Kia ora koutou katoa

Last week was another amazing week at Bruce McLaren Intermediate School – the hub of great learning and opportunities.

Students and staff learned much about the Cook Islands last week as it was Te Reo Maori Kuki Airani. Learnings included that it is a nation in the South Pacific, with political links to New Zealand. Its 15 islands are scattered over a vast area. The largest island, Rarotonga, is home to rugged mountains and Avarua, the national capital. To the north, Aitutaki Island has a vast lagoon encircled by coral reefs and small, sandy islets. Dance, stories, food and songs were a part of the learnings also.

During the week, our school MathEx competition was held in the school hall. It was great to see each class give it everything they had, leaving nothing to chance. Congratulations goes to our class winners: Room 6 = 3rd, Room 13 = 2nd, Room 2 = 1st. There needed to be a playoff for 3rd place which was super exciting and had everyone on their feet cheering. Well done to all class MathEx teams and a huge thank you to Mrs Philippa Durkins of Henderson High School for being the adjudicator (not an easy gig with teams performing so well). Thank you to Ms Clydesdale and Mr McKenzie for preparing and hosting the event.

It was fabulous to see many parents and whānau attend the Year 7 Camp Information Evening. I know that you left feeling well informed and comfortable about how BMIS operates at Finlay Camp. Should you have any questions around support with information, permission slips or finances please do not hesitate to contact Ms Ah Chong at ahchong@brucecmlaren.school.nz

The ePro8 school competition was another thrilling event where our student teams were given a challenge to complete within a set timeframe. Wow! It got down to the wire. The last 5 minutes was intense to say the least. Each team did incredibly well.

To ensure that our teams are super competitive for the national event, we have teamed with Henderson High School and have students mentoring our BMIS teams – this is a wonderful collaboration.

Opportunities for the Thursday Opportunities Day programme have been selected for Semester 2. With over 45+ opportunities for BMIS students to choose from and having gained student and staff voice, our staff know that our students are engaged in more learning than other offered elsewhere! Please ask your child/ren what they are involved in on Thursdays.

On Thursday, our BMIS Cross Country teams will be heading out to compete in the WZ Cross Country event. We wish them well and have our fingers crossed for fine weather.

Water Polo successes and Netball triumphs keep coming. A huge thank you to our commited players, coaches, managers, parents and whānau for your support, energy and efforts over the season. It is now at the 'business' end of the season for everyone. Good luck and best wishes.

Next week sees the arrival of BigFoot on site. Students need to have their permission slips returned to be part of this important safety programme. This is certainly providing 'learning through fun'!

It is with best wishes and all of our BMIS support to Saralei of R12 - Ola finafinau, who is heading to Christchurch on Thursday to compete in the national Samoan Speech Competition, having been a winner of the Auckland competition. Rug up and travel safely!

Year 8 students should now be enrolled in a secondary school. This is important for the smooth transition from intermediate school to secondary school. Thank you to the many parents/whānau who have ensured that their child/ren is already enrolled for 2024.

SeeSaw is a great way to view the 'real time' learning of your child. Jump online and check our what your child has been up to. Our students and staff are rapt when they see you have taken the time to engage with your child's learning.

With so many activities and events taking shape, we need ALL the PERMISSION SLIPS COMPLETED & RETURNED as soon as they are brought home by your child or made available to access AND COMPLETE online. Please, please complete these so that your child does not miss out on any learning and fun.

BMIS communication is available online through BMIS School Website, FB, SkoolLoop, email, electronic sign and your child. Keep asking questions about what is being learnt.

Thank you for your continued support.

Stay warm, well and out of the wet!

Ngā mihi

Liz Wood Tumuaki – Principal

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS T3, W4

Rosewell R2, Manu R2, Amarleya R2, Eunica R6, John R6,

Believer R8, Hope R8, Jaydan R8, Presten R8, Zephaniah R12, Ve'a R12, Tau R12, Sunnyva R12

MCLAREN AWARD WINNERS:

Troy R2, Rylie R2, Leanne R5, Carissa R7, Believer R8, Keira R9

STUDENTS REPRESENTING BMIS AT WAITAKERE ZONE CROSS COUNTRY!

Vaar O Dava

Year 7 Boys		rear 8 Boys	
Orlo Eden Robin Zac Eman Archie	Connon Kent Ceran Barnes Kimi Lataben	Jahaziel Raven Troy Amiel Finlay Dante	Tesimale Tait Barlow Dehar-Webster Craill Cameron
Year 7 Gi Frankie Eden Hasenat Shakira Skyla Umaima Sam		Year 8 Gi Dali Jade Isla Baylee Eloise Leighla Vera Suma	rls Horgan Page Hopkins Croll Dwyer Filoa Rosandich Saidi

NETBALL RESULTS AND NOTICE BELOW:

Results 02 August 2023

Year 7 Team: Win against St. Dominics White 10 - 7

Year 8 Team:

Win against Green Bay School GB Ngahere 15 - 3

This week both teams play in the Semi Finals, hoping to secure their place in next week's Final playoffs. Everyone is welcome to come down to Te Pai Courts to cheer and support our teams. Game times remain the same for the entire season:

Year 7's play at 4:10pm Year 8's play at 5:10pm

GENERAL

- Closed shoes must be worn in Term 2 and 3.
- SHOPS: (Opposite School) Due to the volume of traffic in the shop carpark, trucks with supplies for the shops coming and going, the entrance and exit being the same driveway for all shops, we STRONGLY ENCOURAGE parents to find another space to collect your children from. For the safety of our students, they are only to enter the shops with an adult. No adult - no entry. Safety first - always. Thank you for your support with this.
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- Lollies, sweets chewing gum and fizzy drinks are not part of our BMIS ethos.
- BMIS prides itself on the standard of school uniform worn by our students along with appropriate language and expected behaviour. Nothing less is acceptable.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSING:

Students only cross the road ONCE to come to school and ONCE going home from school. This is to be at the PEDESTRIAN CROSSING.

PARKING AT SCHOOL:

Just a reminder that there is to be NO PARKING IN THE BUS BAY - this is for buses only. If you are picking your child up from school, please park in one of the side streets and arrange for your child to walk the short distance to meet you. The shops' carpark opposite the school is not ideal due to traffic congestion, pedestrian traffic and delivery of vehicles.

OFF AT THE GATE:

Discussion with your child about OFF AT THE GATE is imperative. Students, when entering school, are to turn devices off as they enter the school gates and turn them on again as they leave the school gates at the end of the day. All home devices are placed in a class box at 8.30am and returned by 3.00pm. Students, when entering school, are to get off bicycles, scooters, skateboards and skates at the school gate for everyone's safety. No helmet - no ride. Please support the school in safeguarding everyone.

ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE:

Which class will win the Mr Whippy attendance prize? The class that successfully achieves >95% weekly attendance, on any given week for Term will win a visit to their class by Mr Whippy.

Attendance = Engagement = Achievement.

Which class or classes will this be? Watch this space.

Come on students, lets have a class get over 95% attendance for every week.

Mr.Whippy

EBULLY EMAIL ADDRESS:

We have an e-bulling email address ebully@brucemclaren.school.nz. Students and parents are able to access this by simply emailing from any email server. The email goes directly to Ms Ah Chong, Assistant Principal. It is important that everyone knows the definition of bullying".

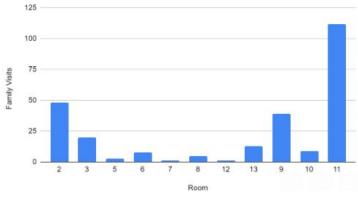
CAMP & OE PERMISSION

Every student needs to return their Year 7 Camp and Year 8 OE permission form/s ASAP. This is necessary to continue with finalising requirements and planning. Thank you to the parents/whānau who have completed the permission form/s. We require these back urgently.



SEESAW AUGUST 2023:

Seesaw Family Visits 11/07 - 07/08



30 New Items Likes







Comments

WEEK 3, TERM 3 ATTENDANCE BY CLASS:



FREE SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC

Monday - Thursday 8am - 4pm Direct dial: 021409579

Free phone: 0800 TALK TEETH



MISS SOUTHGATE ENJOYING SOME **DELICIOUS HĀNGI COOKED BY FOOD & HOSPITALITY STUDENTS**



INTRODUCING OURPUBLIC HEALTH NURSE:

Kia ora tatou, my name is Arielle, and I am the public health nurse for Bruce McLaren Intermediate.

I will be starting a drop in nurse clinic for whanau every second Friday, starting on Friday 4th August from 9am – 11am.

If you are concerned about your child's health and would like support from me, you can either phone me on 021 1994571, or come along to the drop in clinic.

Some of the health needs I can help with include skin and ear infections, asthma, eczema, bedwetting, hearing and vision concerns, nutrition and diet, and general health assessments (to name a few). I can also help link you with other health services as needed. I am happy to visit tamariki and whānau at school or in their homes.

I look forward to working with your school community.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Arielle

IMPORTANT DATES:

Samoan Speech Competition	10th August 2023	
Conservation Week	14th - 20th August 2023	
Board Meeting	31st August 2023	
Staff only day	1st September 2023	
Year 8 OE, Year 7 Camp, Malaga	4th - 8th September 2023	
End of Term	22nd September 2023	

Please ensure you download our school app - Skool Loop.
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id=au.com.parentteachercalendar&hl=
en_NZ&gl=US Apple: https://apps.apple.com/
nz/app/skool-loop/id1043396607

BOT MEETINGS:

Thursday 31st August 2023 Thursday 26th October 2023 Thursday 30th November 2023



