



Bruce McLaren Intermediate School

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NEWSLETTER #4

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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 The Principal's Desk:

Kia ora koutou katoa

Week 8 of Term 1 is about to conclude. It does feel a wee bit like Week 3 of Term 1, with learning, routines, events and activities being embedded and underway after a topsy turvy start to the school year.

SOFTBALL:

Thursday, 18 March, saw a well-tuned Softball team of Year 8 girls compete at the Western Zone Softball Sports Competition. They played with passion, skill and determination. And came 1st! Congratulations to Valencia Mafileo-Schaaf, Kyra Wallis, Marie Thompson, Ribbon Mariner, Rosa Kelemete, Naiah-Lee Whitefield, Rosemary Ueli, Malisi Alefaio, Alieta Temuna and coaches. A fabulous outcome!

SWIMMING:

Friday, 19 March saw a keen BMIS swimming squad head to West Wave to compete in our School Swimming Sports Day. There was much success, and ample fun had.

On Tuesday, 23 March, seven of our swimmers (Noah Officer, Maceo Thompson, Charlotte McClennan, Laila Wright, Jessica Botica, Carter McCallum and Cole Tomlin) competed in the Western Zone Swimming Sports Competition with great commitment. BMIS was competitive and can celebrate much success.

To note, from the results at the WZ Swimming Sports Competition, Jessica Botica will head to the Auckland Intermediate and Middle Schools Interzone Swimming Competition where she will compete in the 50m Freestyle. We wish Jessica well.

WATERPOLO:

Water Polo had its first training last night. What a fantastic turn out for the initial start to the season. Congratulations to the students who gave it their all. We look forward to many wet and wonderful games.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Other sports, events and activities that are currently underway are Tag Rugby and Orienteering, ePro8, ICAS Challenge groups, Kiwi Reading & Mathematics Competitions, Otago Problem-solving Challenge,

Enviro Class Challenge, Beach Ed for Year 8s, Blake Virtual Reality, Opportunities Day, Activ8, Jammers, Mentoring for Boys, Whanau Hakinakina, EduPerfect Learners Challenge, MathsBuddy Learners Challenge, leadership for BMIS badge sheets... to name a few!

EASTER BREAK:

There is so much to be involved in at BMIS and only Weeks 9, 10 & 11 of this term left. Next Friday 2nd April, is Easter Friday – school is closed. Easter Monday, 5th April – school is closed. Easter Tuesday, 6th April – school is closed.

STUDENT LEARNER PROFILES & MEETING:

On Thursday, 1 April your child will bring home, in a sealed envelope, their Learner Profile for Term 1. The Learner Profile is an indication of where your child is at currently, aligned to the Key Competencies. All information is on the Learner Profile. The Learner Profile is not a report to compare your child with others, it is specific to your child. Your child's Learner Profile will also be on SeeSaw along with their Goal Setting.

On **Thursday, 8 April, school will close at 12:30pm** to host the Learner Profile Conversations in the hall. Please bring along your child and touch base with your child's teacher. You will need to make a booking.

BUS STUDENTS ONLY: No buses will be running on Thursday, 8 April from BMIS at 12:30pm. Should you wish your child to remain at school to catch the bus at 3pm, PLEASE NOTIFY THE OFFICE and indicate which bus your child will catch, by Wednesday, 7 April so that we can allocate staff to monitor these students. No student will be on site without a parent/whanau member for a Learner Profile Conversation after 12:30pm. Please ensure that you have discussed a safety plan for your child to get home safely on Thursday.

TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Not only are our students immersed in learning, so are our teachers and staff. Professional development teachers are involved in: High Performing Leadership Team, Enhancing Pedagogy for Accelerated

Achievement, Poutama Pounamu, Noho Marae, AP/DP group, Professional Growth Cycles, Te Ara Reo Maori, Mahi Ngatahi – Kahui Ako, school visits across Auckland, as well as the many personal, professional development opportunities on offer.

So, there you have it, a quick wrap up of what we are achieving at BMIS. Please ask your child what they have learnt today, what their Intended Learning Outcome was for a lesson, who their 5 Safe Adults are, how they have upheld the 3Rs (right place, right time, right thing) and what activities they are involving themselves in outside of the classroom. And more importantly – what was their ‘big win’ with their learning.

Thank you to our amazing community for all your support. Your comments (and compliments) are gratefully received. Your children – our students are up and racing!

Nga mihi

Liz Wood – Principal

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS:

Well done to the following students who received a Principal's Award at assembly recently. Keep up the great work!

Tanaka Chivasa (R2); Isla Parsons (R2);
Lina Teauli (R3); Ayush Dutta (R3);
Milton Buxton (R7); Kyra Wallis (R7);
Devince Peni (R9); Carlo Ashwell-Busby (R10);
Mei Pou (R10); Austin Harold (R11);
Kayla Richards (R11); Melton Rounds (R12);
George Greenwood (R12); Amber Lorigan (R1);
Rex Stopford (R1); Maddison Walsh (R1);
Malakai Havea (R2); Stacey Clifton (R2);
Tristan Cleverdon (R6); Gloriel Iona (R6);
Malvis Falemoe (R7); Stephen Mitchell (R7);
Jane Holloway (R8); Naiah-Lee Whitefield (R8);
Kalita Tautaiolevao (R8); Ethan Williams (R8);
Fred Luff (R9); Phaye-Skye Rogers (R9);
Zoljaye Ah Van Pullan (R10); Sorayah Lefau (R10);
Daniorah Suisala (R11);
Amritendu Unnikrishnan (R11); Daniel Barlow (R13);
Charlotte McClennan (R13)

BEST ATTENDANCE:

Well done to Room 8 for best attendance for Week 6 and to Room 10 for best attendance in Week 7.

REMINDERS:

• LEARNER PROFILE MEETINGS:

Thursday, 8 April from 1.00pm - 8.00pm, BMIS will be hosting the Personal Best Learner Profile Conversations. This is a discussion with parents/caregivers, students

and teachers as to how your child is progressing with their learning thus far in 2021 - despite interruptions.

BOOKING INTERVIEWS: Booking your interviews is easy! Just jump onto the SkoolLoop App and into the ‘Interviews’ option. From here you can enter your child’s teacher and select your interview time.

• YEAR 7 CAMP / YEAR 8 EXPERIENCE:

The cost for Year 7 Camp is \$300 per student, and the cost for the Year 8 Experience is \$270 (plus \$30 for Beach Ed). These costs can be paid in full, paid weekly, fortnightly, term by term - however is easiest for you! Full payment is due by Friday, 20 August. Our bank account details are: Bruce McLaren Intermediate School, **12-3051-0471762-00** if you would like to start making payments towards any of these costs. Please use your child’s name and what you are paying for as references.

• NEW BEACH ED DATES:

Friday, 9th April: Manawanui (Rooms 1, 2, 3)
Tuesday, 13th April: Atawhai (Rooms 8, 12 and 13)
Wednesday, 14th April: Manaaki (Rooms 9, 10 and 11)
Friday, 16th April: Maha Tahi (Rooms 5, 6 and 7)

We are still waiting on quite a few forms - if you have already returned the consent and medical forms, please complete and sign the permission slip below, giving permission for your child to attend on the new dates. All other details of the trip remain the same.

This is such an amazing experience for our students – we are so pleased that we are still able to go ahead.

• IMMUNISATION FORMS:

All Year 8 students have received an HPV immunisation form. Please complete and return to school if you haven’t already done so. We still need the form completed even if you do not wish your child to have the immunisation - just complete the purple section.

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. 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.

eBULLY EMAIL ADDRESS:

ebully@brucemclaren.school.nz

E = ELIMINATE and ELECTRONIC

As you know Bruce McLaren Intermediate takes ‘bullying’ very seriously. We have an e-bullying email address. Students and parents are able to access this

by simply emailing from any email server. The email goes directly to Mrs Wood. She will action any ebully emails as soon as she receives them. Contact will also be made with the sender of the email. Often issues are discussed within the family home and out of school hours so this gives parents and students alike, an opportunity to deal with issues immediately.

BULLYING-FREE NZ WEEK:

Every day is a day where 'bully-free' is expected at BMIS. With the raft of support, strategies and events to assist emerging adolescents through this/with this at our school, it is important that your children/our students are aware of the national week dedicated to this also:

Bullying-Free New Zealand Week

Empower students to take the lead, to help prevent bullying behaviour. Bullying-Free New Zealand Week is coming up from **17 to 21 May 2021**. This year's theme is He Kōtuinga mahi iti, he hua pai-ā rau - Small ripples create big waves.

IS IT BULLYING?

NOT NICE: When someone says or does something *unintentionally* hurtful and they only do it *once* ...
... that is **NOT NICE**

MEAN: When someone says or does something *intentionally* hurtful and they do it *once* ...
... that is **MEAN**

BULLYING: When someone says or does something *intentionally* hurtful and they *keep doing it, over a period of time*, even when you tell them to stop or show them that you are upset ...
... that is **BULLYING**

COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE:

Minister for COVID-19 Response, Hon Chris Hipkins recently announced further details on phasing the vaccination programme for Aotearoa New Zealand that prioritises those people most at risk.

Listed are the four main groups:

Group 1	50,000 border and MIQ workers and close contacts	From February to March
Group 2	480,000 frontline workers and people living in high-risk settings	February to May
Group 3	1.7 million people at higher risk if they catch COVID-19	Starts in May
Group 4	2 million people, remainder of the population	Starts from July

Note: approximate population numbers and roll-out dates

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Te Puna Market: Held every Saturday from 8.30am to 1pm, at Falls carpark (next to the Falls Hotel). Te Puna Market is a weekly market run in the heart of Henderson, Auckland. An assortment of fresh fruits & vegetables other produce and natural made products are available. They also have occasional workshops and activities centred around kai. To stay update check out their FB page - <https://www.facebook.com/TePunaMarketHenderson>

The Pumptrack: The Panuku pop up Pump Track is back on the Falls carpark in Henderson. It is free for all ages and accessible 7 days a week. Bring your bikes, scooters, skateboards and helmets and show off your skills. down to have a go. Don't have a bike? Pop down on a Saturday to the Ecomatters Bike Hub container and they will loan you one. And while you are there on Saturdays, connect with the neighborhood and check the @TePunaMarketHenderson. Here is the FB link to the pump track <https://www.facebook.com/events/431154488337081>

Pump Track Rules: We want to make sure that everyone is safe while riding the Pump Track so we have a few rules, but really we just ask that you all look after each other. You can find out more here: <https://www.panuku.co.nz/pumptrack>

Freshwater Frenzy is a free, family-friendly event celebrating freshwater! It will be held in Fall's Park (22 Alderman Drive) on Saturday the 27th March from 10am – 2pm (rain date April 10th). Learn all about, and have a look at, some of the weird and wonderful creatures that live in our stream including our beautiful native fish inanga, tuna (eel) and stream insects! We've got a community mosaic you can help out with, drawing workshops, storytime sessions, free guided bike rides (bikes provided) and yummy food and drinks from The Fall's bistro. Why not make a day of it and check out the Te Puna markets next door, and Heart of Te Atatū's Country Fair at the Te Atatū South Community Centre.

Massey Cross Country Running is the best way to keep fit during winter!! Fun runs, relays, and races are on Saturdays at 3:00pm at Moire Park Massey and interclub events held at other venues around Auckland. The season starts at the end of March and continues to the end of September. Cross Country is for kids aged 7-16 years old. Distances start at 2km for U8's and U10s, 3km for U12 and U14 and 4km for U16. Adults can run too. There will be a 2km time trial at Moire Park on Saturday's 27th March and 10th April at 3.00pm starting at the Massey Athletics Club on Granville drive Massey. For more information, check out the website: www.masseyathletics.org.nz look for Cross Country and/or e-mail masseycrosscountry@gmail.com.



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FREE FAMILY FUN DAY!

ANNUAL COMMUNITY EVENT

SATURDAY 10TH APRIL, 1-4PM HUB WEST, 27 CORBAN AVE, HENDERSON

Come along to a whānau friendly event, bring a picnic and enjoy the free entertainment and good vibes.

- Climbing wall bungee and tramp combo
- Candyland and Dino bouncy castles
- Mamas Donuts, Lulu's dairy-free ice creams and more...
- Face painting
- Smoothie bike
- Mini jeeps
- BBQ

Alcohol and smoke free event.



Event organised by: MPHS Community Trust • 09 838 4820 • info@mphs.org.nz
www.mphscommunity.org • @mphscommunity

FOR YOUTH 11-17 YRS OLD

FREE APRIL 21

YOUTH HOLIDAY PROGRAM

10AM - 3PM . DAY EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

PROGRAM WILL NOT BE OPERATING ON MON 26 APRIL (ANZAC DAY)

MON 19 APRIL	Back Yard Olympics	TUE 20 APRIL	Silo Park Egg Hunt	WED 21 APRIL	Gamers Guild	THU 22 APRIL	Seef Defense	FRI 23 APRIL	Mission Bay
MON 26 APRIL	Observing Anzac Day	TUE 27 APRIL	Laser Tag	WED 28 APRIL	Western Springs	THU 29 APRIL	Master Chef	FRI 30 APRIL	Amazing Race

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