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## NEWSLETTER #4 - 23 MARCH 2022

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 greeted us with wild weather in the West and we are glad to see it settle. BMIS students have certainly enjoyed a day of mufti while their formal uniforms were able to dry out from the deluge on Monday.

#### **AWAITING UPDATE:**

Like you, I am waiting for the Prime Minister's announcement today to hear of any movement out of the Covid Protection Framework – RED.

It will be uplifting to be able to have our school operate as a school and not four sub-schools, to open our doors to our parents and whanau and host events and activities on site again.

#### **SEESAW:**

It is reassuring to know that as parents/caregivers, you can check in your child's learning and mahi through their BMIS SeeSaw platform.

SeeSaw is the equivalent to a 'portfolio' of work showing the progression of learning. SeeSaw increases student and family engagement with your child's learning as well as giving you real-time insights into your child's learning. It houses your child's exemplars, extracts from their workbooks, recordings, pictures of their development and so much more.

Please make time to check out your child's BMIS SeeSaw platform with their Goal Setting and Personal Best Learning Profile – these are standardized school documents that reflect and project where your child is at and their next steps. Commenting on your child's SeeSaw mahi is encouraged. Your child and your child's teacher look forward to seeing your comments.

#### **PROFESSIONAL LEARNING:**

Currently, teachers are continuing with

their professional learning – Culturally Responsive Pedagogical Change. As part of our evidence-based data gathering, the school has gathered student voice and would like as much community voice as possible. If you have not completed the survey as yet, please would you take the time to complete it – every voice counts. We look forward to hearing from you – anonymously.

[Click here to complete the BMIS Whānau Survey 2022](#)

#### **MASKS & SANITISING:**

Thank you for ensuring your child has a mask BEFORE they get to school in the mornings. Should a mask break, replacements are at the school office for our ākongā. As you can appreciate, we are also sanitising, sanitising, sanitising, wiping, cleaning, encouraging social distancing, along with ventilating our learning spaces.

#### **BMIS UNIFORM FOR WINTER:**

With the weather becoming cooler and with windows and doors open to ensure ventilation, please ensure your child has their school fleecy and school jacket for warmth. BMIS has limited secondhand stock and sizes of fleecies and jackets. Fleecy = \$20, Soft Shell Jacket = \$40.

#### **FAREWELL ANSA:**

It is with much appreciation of her incredible work, and congratulations on her new position that BMIS farewells our amazing SWiS, Ansa Hammond. Ansa has become an integral part of the BMIS team and has made herself available to many students and students' whanau.

Having a Social Worker in School is certainly a bonus for our emerging adolescents – an ear and a voice of reason (that is not a parent or a teacher) for our youth.

We wish Ansa all the best with her new role at Oranga Tamariki, where we know that she will definitely make a difference.

### LOOKING AHEAD:

Next week our teachers will be working alongside Waikato University, modelling their teaching. We are always looking for continual improvement as reflective practitioners and to be at the cutting edge of new initiatives.

### STAFF ONLY DAY – 14 APRIL 2022:

With Easter on the horizon, school will be closed to students on Thursday, 14 April for a Staff Only Day.

Well done to our school community for your resilience in this uncertain time. It is wonderful that we have been able to continue teaching and learning ON SITE during the Omicron outbreak – so far.

BMIS is up and racing.

Have a fabulous fortnight.

He waka eke noa. We are in this together.

Ngā mihi

Liz Wood

Principal – Tumuaki

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

### YEAR 7 & YEAR 8 SCHOOL-BASED IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME 2022:

- It is important to keep up with schedule vaccines despite the challenges COVID-19 presents.
- The Public Health Nurse team are scheduled to visit Bruce McLaren 31 May 2022.
- **Year 7 students** will be offered Boostrix vaccine (Tdap) in school. This vaccine is a booster of tetanus, diphtheria, and whooping cough (pertussis). Most children received these immunisations as pre-schoolers.
- **Year 8 students** will be offered human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine in school. This is a New Zealand schedule vaccine that is recommended to be given at 12 years of age. Students need two doses with a 6-month gap between dose 1 and 2.
- Information on the vaccine and a consent form have been sent home. Please complete the form (fill either section A for yes or section B for no) and return to the school. **We will not vaccinate your child without a signed consent form.**

- If you would like more information on this important immunisation programme, please go to WDH School Immunisations (<https://www.healthpoint.co.nz/public/paediatrics/waitemata-dhb-child-family-services/im:1049907/>)

### CONTACTING THE SCHOOL OFFICE:

**Phone:** (09) 836-3175 or 021 192 0907

**General Emails:** admin@brucemclaren.school.nz

#### Reporting Absences:

**App:** Skool Loop (preferred)

**Email:** absences@brucemclaren.school.nz

**Text:** 021 192 0907

**Website:** [www.brucemclaren.school.nz/contact/](http://www.brucemclaren.school.nz/contact/)

### STUDENT PICK UP & DROP OFF:

- All students leave the school at 3.00pm. A staggered release operates in RED (reminder of times on the next page).
- Any students waiting for parents/whanau are required to sit by the school hall. No student is to wait outside the school gate.
- It is wise to discuss a pick up point away from the school gate (by The Hub, along Corban Ave, Heremai Road, Hulme Place, Silverstone Place, ... not loitering at the shops, waiting!).
- **THE BUS BAY IS FOR BUSES ONLY - DO NOT PARK HERE.**
- The car parks are for staff. Should you be wanting to access the School Office, use the car park by the big palm tree. Please do not park on grassed areas.

We aim to keep all of our students and staff safe. Thank you for helping us do this.

### EBULLYING 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.

### 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 can 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.

## END OF DAY – REMINDER:

In CPF RED our students are staggered when leaving school to reduce congestion at the gate.

### Departing times are:

Bus students to the hall at 2:45pm

Atawhai: 2:45pm

Mahi Tahi: 2:50pm

Manawanui: 2:55pm

Manaaki: 3:00pm

No student is to wait outside the school gates. The Bus Bay is for buses only - there are many spots around the school that make for safe pick up areas. Please ensure you discuss this with your child so that no student is left waiting at school after 3:10pm.

## 2022 TERM DATES:

### TERM 1:

**Year 7: Wednesday, 2 February - Thursday, 14 April**

**Year 8: Thursday, 3 February - Thursday, 14 April**

Thursday, 14 April: Staff Only Day (no school)

Friday, 15 April: Good Friday (falls during holidays)

Monday, 18 April: Easter Monday (falls during holidays)

Monday, 25 April: ANZAC Day (falls during holidays)

### TERM 2:

**Monday, 2 May - Friday, 8 July**

Friday, 3 June: Staff Only Day (no school)

Monday, 6 June: Queen's Birthday (no school)

### TERM 3:

**Monday, 25 July - Friday, 30 September**

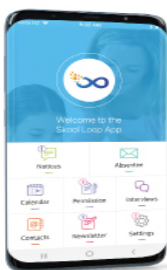
Friday, 9 September: Staff Only Day (no school)



### TERM 4:


**Monday, 17 October - Wednesday, 14 December**

Monday, 24 October: Labour Day (no school)

- ✓ Events
- ✓ Notices
- ✓ Instant school messages
- ✓ Book interviews
- ✓ Absentee
- ✓ Newsletters
- ✓ Permission Slips





**Simple free download:** In Google play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

## MCLAREN AWARD WINNERS:

Congratulations to the following students who won awards at assembly - keep up the great work!



### WEEK 6 AWARDS:

**Cooper** (Rm 6); **Adrienne** (Rm 5); **Journey** (Rm 5); **Elisabeth** (Rm 1); **Stella C.** (Rm 2); **Charlotte** (Rm 6); **Talopua** (Rm 7); **Gloriel** (Rm 7); **Cohen** (Rm 1); **Mengchao** (Rm 2); **Valentina** (Rm 1).

### WEEK 7 AWARDS:

**Vera-Lee** (Rm 5); **Anrieta** (Rm 7); **Chloe** (Rm 13); **Tidus** (Rm 13); **Stella F.** (Rm 2); **Austin** (Rm 2); **Adrianna** (Rm 7); **Ariel** (Rm 1); **Suma** (Rm 1); **Eloise** (Rm 5); **Cooper** (Rm 6); **Jeff** (Rm 6).

## EDUCATION PERFECT AWARDS:

Last week, our BMIS students competed in the Education Perfect Languages Championship 2022.

They did extremely well placing 32nd overall in New Zealand out of 741 schools, 189th overall globally out of 2,824 schools. We are super proud of their efforts.

Congratulations to the following students:

**Emerald Award:** Nathan Tuula (Rm 11)

**Gold Awards:** Nevaeh Bassett (Rm 12)  
Jade Page (Rm 12)  
Leighla Filoa (Rm 6)

**Bronze Awards:** Olivia Beckett-Cormack (Rm 12)  
Mataaniu Avantele (Rm 10)  
Sani Taeiloa (Rm 10)  
Jeff Vaeono (Rm 6)  
Latreviah Faalaga (Rm 12)  
Juanita Faofua (Rm 13)

**Credit Awards:** Mei Pou (Rm 10)  
Elijah Rayla (Rm 11)  
Benjamin McMurray (Rm 12)  
Yinlon Tolovaa (Rm 10)  
Lucinda Hazeldine (Rm 1)  
Cairo Hughes (Rm 12)  
Izrael Sutton (Rm 12)  
Chase Baker (Rm 6)  
Charlotte McClennan (Rm 12)  
Evidence Fa'amoe (Rm 2)  
Dali Horgan (Rm 9)

Also a massive pakipaki to **Room 12** who placed 1st overall in our school.

Each student has an Edu Perfect BMIS account. Edu Perfect is a curriculum aligned teaching and learning platform covering all NZ Curriculum learning areas.

**EASTER EGG HUNT**  
3.30-4PM, 4.30-5PM & 5.30-6PM

**ICE SKATING RINK**  
KIDS 5 YEARS + 3-7PM

**FREE Easter OUTDOOR EVENT**

**THE EASTER BUNNY**  
3-4PM, 4.30-5.30PM & 6-7PM

**FRIDAY 8TH APRIL 2022**  
3PM - 7PM

**HUBWEST, 27 CORBAN AVE, HENDERSON**

**TIE DYE WORKSHOP & EASTER EGG BASKET MAKING 3 - 7PM**  
**EASTER FAIRY 3.30 - 5.30PM**

**DUE TO COVID RED LIGHT SETTING- VACCINE PASS AND MASKS ESSENTIAL LIMITED NUMBERS**

**MPHS COMMUNITY TRUST**

**Henderson-Massey Local Board**  
Auckland Council

Event organised by MPHS Community Trust  
09 838 4820 | programmes@mphs.org.nz  
mphscommunity.org | @MPHScommunity

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## Run For Fun

Proudly affiliated to Athletics NZ  
Winter Cross Country & Summer Athletic Track Events  
All ages & fitness levels welcome

Join in our various training evenings throughout the weekdays held locally  
Test your fitness level on a longer scenic run on a Sunday morning most likely running out in the Waitakere Rangers with a bunch of other enthusiastic likeminded families

New 2022/2023 season starts April 2022

Its free to try  
If you or your child would like to have a go, please check out our Facebook page to see where trainings will be for the week  
Send us a message or just turn up & find Mark

<https://www.facebook.com/OratiaRunning> [oratiarunning@gmail.com](mailto:oratiarunning@gmail.com)

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## FREE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Youthtown in partnership with New Zealand Football Foundation are running a FREE 3 day Holiday programme from 26th-28th of April 2022 for ages 10-12 year olds. The club host will be located at West Auckland AFC (Brains Park).

This is an opportunity to allow our Tamariki to get involved in the beautiful game of soccer/football, Coached by some of our greatest New Zealand Football Ferns and All Whites.

This programme is FREE and eventually we will be running a 10 week training programme on a weekly basis where your Tamariki will be registered in a Saturday competition and training on a weekly basis all for FREE.

West Auckland AFC will be the club our participants are registered into, fees paid, along with uniforms and vouchers for those in need of Football gear such as boots and shin pads.

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# AUDITIONS

Cast Members & Dancer Troupe

**Sunday 03 & 10 April**  
Contact [ptiauditions@gmail.com](mailto:ptiauditions@gmail.com) for more information