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Intermediate**

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## NEWSLETTER #12 20 September 2023

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. Nihao.

Term 3 is rapidly drawing to a close. Last day of the term is Friday, 22nd September at 3pm.

However, so much has happened since the last newsletter to you all.

Year 7 Camp was a huge success. Students were really challenged and encouraged to risk take in a controlled and safe environment at Finlay Park, Karapiro. Thank you to the many parents who gave of their time to support BMIS staff who went over and beyond to ensure our ākonga had the best experience, making memories and having fun while learning.

Year 8 Offsite Experience had our Year 8 ākonga pushing their limits and challenging themselves in the many activities they were immersed in. They certainly have seen the expanse of our city limits. It is with much appreciation for our many parent/whānau helpers, that BMIS staff has been able to provide the opportunity for our Year 8 students to make history and have joy while learning.

Samoa malaga was 3 weekends & 2 school weeks of immersement, written reflections, budgeting, protocols, performances, pushing personal limits and making new friends. Thank you to the parents & helpers for making this an unique experience – never forgotten.

They say a picture paints a thousand words so check out the pictures included in the newsletter.

Celebrations for Te wiki o te Reo Māori were evident at BMIS with poi making, rakau, waiata, haka, storytelling through myths and legends, weaving, learning new kupu, phrases and karakia to name a few, along with seafood chowder and fry bread for all.

This week is Chinese Language Week and Mental Health Awareness Week.

BigFoot continues to provide Road Safety and Cycle Safety at BMIS. Every class will have experienced important life skills and safety elements when out and about on bicycles. The road is a safer place when we know what we need to look for and watch out for.

By now your child will have shared with you their Personal Best Learner Profile – our BMIS Term 3 check in report. This is posted on SeeSaw. Should you wish for a hardcopy, please contact your child's teacher directly by email. Chat with your child and compare this to the Personal Best Learner Profile posted in Term 1.

Our BMIS Has Got Science winners have been named. Thank you to Mrs Lovegrove and Mr Emmitt for judging these projects – not an easy task. The calibre of the projects this year has grown exponentially. Congratulations to everyone who entered and especially to our 'scientists'. They are: First Place Fan Fizzy Geyser with Eden K, Quinn R, Lincoln J. Second Place: Sea Bubbles with Aislinn H, Aeris N, Lydia N, Krisha P. Third Place: Ice Ice Baby with Yumi S, Ollie BC, Jade P, Yashna T.

All Year 8 students are now to be enrolled at a secondary school for 2024.

All Year 6 students are now to be enrolled at an intermediate school for 2024.

Term 3 certainly has certainly been jammed packed for all of us. The events, activities, opportunities and learnings at BMIS have not been hindered by the unpredictable weather. At BMIS it is about how we manage ourselves in conditions rather than have conditions manage us! Building resilience, strengthening self-management, ensuring that we participate and contribute is up to each and everyone of us on site at BMIS – students and staff alike. He waka eke noa.

BMIS is fortunate to have the support of amazing parents, whānau and community.

May we all feel the sun shine upon us over the school break.

School starts on Monday, 9th October, in class at 8:30am.

Be safe, well and warm.

Kia kaha, kia maia, kia manawanui.

Ngā mihi

Liz Wood  
Principal – Tumuaki.

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS T3, W 9 & 10

Mason R7, Parker R7, Olive R8, Keren R8, Archer R11, Kitty R11, Jahaziel R11, Amiel R11, Lucas R13, Reeco R13, Isla R13, Shakira R13

## McLAREN AWARDS T3, W10

Eloise R2, Leanne R5, Finlay R6, Jonziel R6, Weichao R8, Hannah R8, Preston R8, Yumi R9, Tyler R10, Elijah R12

### Photos of Science Fair winners Fizzy Geyser, Sea Bubbles and Ice Ice baby



## GENERAL

- Black sandals are to be worn in Term 4.
- 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, fizzy and sports 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, let's have a class get over 95% attendance for every week.





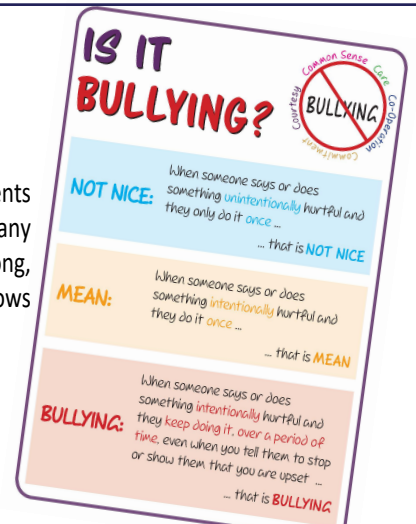
## FREE SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC



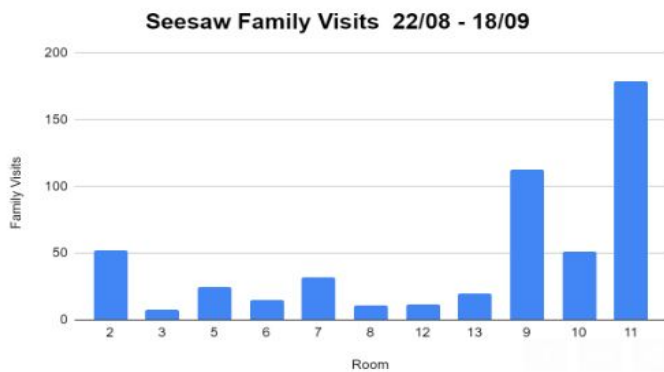
**Monday - Thursday 8am - 4pm**  
**Direct dial: 021409579 Free phone:**  
**0800 TALK TEETH**

## EBULLY EMAIL ADDRESS:

We have an e-bullying email address [ebully@brucemclaren.school.nz](mailto: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".



## SEESAW SEPTEMBER 2023:



**465**

New Items



**182**

Likes



**96**

Comments



**220**

Family Visits

## OLA FINAFINAU MALAGA TRIP TO SAMOA





## OUR PUBLIC 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



## BOT MEETINGS:

Thursday 26th October 2023

Thursday 30th November 2023

## IMPORTANT DATES:

Term 4 commences	Monday 9th October
BOT Meeting	Thursday 26th October
Athletics Day	Friday 27th October
Staff Only Day: Accord Day	Friday 24th November
Fiafia evening	Thursday 9th November
Formal Prize Giving	Thursday 14th December
Last day of term	Thursday 14th December

Please ensure you download our school app - Skool Loop.  
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