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NEWSLETTER #13 19th October 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.

Week 2 of Term 4 has learning and teaching continuing to accelerate at Bruce McLaren Intermediate School.

As you will have been updated in the Community Update on the SkoolLoop app, there will be a newsletter every even week of Term 4 and a Community Update on SkoolLoop every odd week of this term. At intermediate school Term 4 events, activities, celebrations, meetings, community evenings, learnings and undertakings are locked and loaded into the calendar with very little room for change; especially with half the school being transitioned to secondary schools and half the school being new enrolments for 2024.

So with much to do and the end of the school year in sight, please keep checking in with your child about what they are learning, what they are involved in and that they are able to discuss their learning with you. Teachers at BMIS are available to chat to parents/whānau about S P E A K™ - your child's social, physical & health, emotional, academic, knowledge of learning. You are more than welcome to contact your child's teacher through email (on the school website) or by making an appointment through the office.

End Of Year Reports will be sent home with students on Friday, Week 9 of Term 4. The EOY Report will house a great deal of information about your child's learning, progress and achievement. Teachers take a great deal of time and mahi to ensure that you are kept up to date.

Not only is the EOY Report a comprehensive source of information, SeeSaw is a 'real time' method of keeping informed. Thank you to the many parents/whānau who take the time to comment on your child's learning. Ākonga and teachers alike, love seeing these comments.

Last Friday, 13th October the school was a sea of black in support of the All Blacks for the Mahi Tahī fundraiser. Wow! That was a game and a half against the Irish. There is a real buzz about the upcoming games as the tournament draws to a close.

Fingers are crossed for a positive outcome!

Over the weekend our nation saw a wave of voted change in politics, of which will no doubt have some impact on education. We watch this space and have hope that the nation's teacher drought, lack of funding for all ākonga especially those with specific needs, the level of operational funding for schools, and the myriad of areas principals have desperately requested more support in – are addressed.

This week is Niuean Language Week/Faahi Tapu he Vagahau Niue. It is always intriguing that as a Pacific nation, ākonga of Aotearoa/New Zealand have little idea of other nations in our vicinity. Hence the importance of celebrating Language Weeks. Next week is Te Gagana Tokelau/Tokelau Language Week.

On Tuesday, Mahi Tahī headed to MOTAT. What a brilliant educational extra-curricular activity this visit was. Students learnt so much and experienced learning in a different environment. Thank you to the parents who assisted on the day.

Also on Tuesday, our WZ Basketball team competed at Synergy Sports Centre. It was a positive learning experience with each of the players contributing to the collective performance. Well done to the team and thank you Ms Cuthbert.

Manaaki will be holding a bake sale on Friday, to support with their extra-curricular end of year activity.

Next week Friday, 27 October, BMIS is at Athletics Day. The school will be transported to Douglas Track and Field for an amazing day of events. All students should achieve a Participation Certificate (3 field events and 1 track) while our athletic students will strive for an Athlete Certificate (a podium finish in any 3+ finals).

Students know that they come to school in their PE uniform, with a school fleecy/jacket, trainers, school hat, with lunch and a full water bottle. No lollies or fizzy drink is acceptable – this is a school day out - over and above core learning. Sunblock and a towel are a great idea also.

Fiafia is looming fast. This is a wonderful evening culminating students who have committed to a performing opportunity. More information is included in the newsletter. This evening is always sold out so please ensure that you get your tickets!

Thank you again to the many parents/whānau who actively attend trips and/or support in the numerous ways available.

Next up date will be next week – make sure that your SkoolLoop app is refreshed.

Ngā mihi

Liz Wood

Principal – Tumuaki.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS T4, W2

Elna R7

McLAREN AWARDS T4, W2

Troy R2, Spye R6, Eman R9, Lincoln R11, Lele R12, Zephaniah R12



ATHLETICS DAY
FRIDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2020
WHOLE SCHOOL RELOCATING
TO DOUGLAS TRACK AND FIELD

On Friday, 27 October, Bruce McLaren Intermediate School will be relocating to Douglas Track and Field Centre/Trust Stadium for our annual Athletics Day.

THIS IS A NORMAL SCHOOL DAY
- ALL STUDENTS ARE TO ATTEND.

If your child/ren is sick or away on this day, please email the school by 8.30am.

Students will need to bring:

- Morning tea
- Lunch
- Juice / water bottle (bring lots) No fizzy drinks allowed.
- Snacks - chocolate, bars, ...
- Track shoes, trainers ... all students will participate in at least one track event so **MUST** have shoes to run in)
- School hat
- School jacket / raincoat
- Carry bag
- Towel
- Any meds - Inhaler/s, ...
- Sunblock - and apply it
- PE uniform

Students will be transported to and from Douglas Track and Field Centre by bus. Buses will leave at 9:00 and return from the park at 2:30 pm.

The Bruce McLaren Intermediate Athletics Day commences with the first event at 9:00am and finishes at 2:15pm.

You are more than welcome to come to our Athletics Day and cheer our students on. Should you wish to assist on the day your support would be gratefully appreciated. If you can help, please call the school or email: admin@bruceclaren.school.nz

Students unable to compete for medical reasons (plaster-casts...) will be of assistance on the day.

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



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



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.
 Android: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=au.com.parentteachercalendar&hl=en_NZ&gl=US
 Apple: <https://apps.apple.com/nz/app/skool-loop/id1043396607>

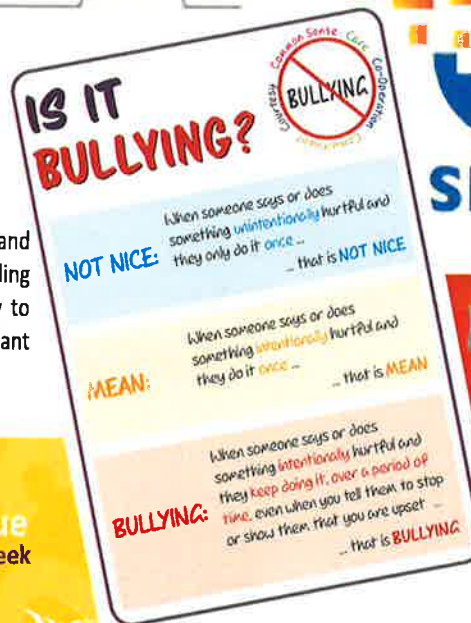
BOT MEETINGS:

5pm Thursday 27th October 2023

5pm Thursday 30th November 2023

EBULLY EMAIL ADDRESS:

We have an e-bullying email address ebully@bruceclarenschool.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".



The Village Collective - Navig8
 Information Evening for Whānau
 Tuesday 24th October 2023 from
 6.00pm - 7.00pm
 School hall



ERO REVIEW 2023: COMMENTS FROM THE ERO REVIEW TEAM THAT WERE (AND ARE) EVIDENT FOR ALL TO SEE.

The school can draw from the following strengths to support the school in its goal to develop a strong pedagogical teaching team to support student learning to foster critical thinking.

- Teacher agency continues to grow as teachers realise their potential, explore new solutions, recognise the success of leaders in the school, and the redefining of expected behaviours and outcomes
- An organic school culture based on values that is shifting the focus from management to leadership and continues to build capability of teachers practice and curriculum pedagogy
- Well developed student assessment data collection systems, accurately supplying information that critically informs the decision making process
- The developing physical environment impacts on student and staff wellbeing and performance
- Local, national and global networks are enhancing student learning and opportunities.



BRUCE McLAREN INTERMEDIATE

FIAFIA ***NIGHT 23***

9 November

STARTS 6 - 8PM

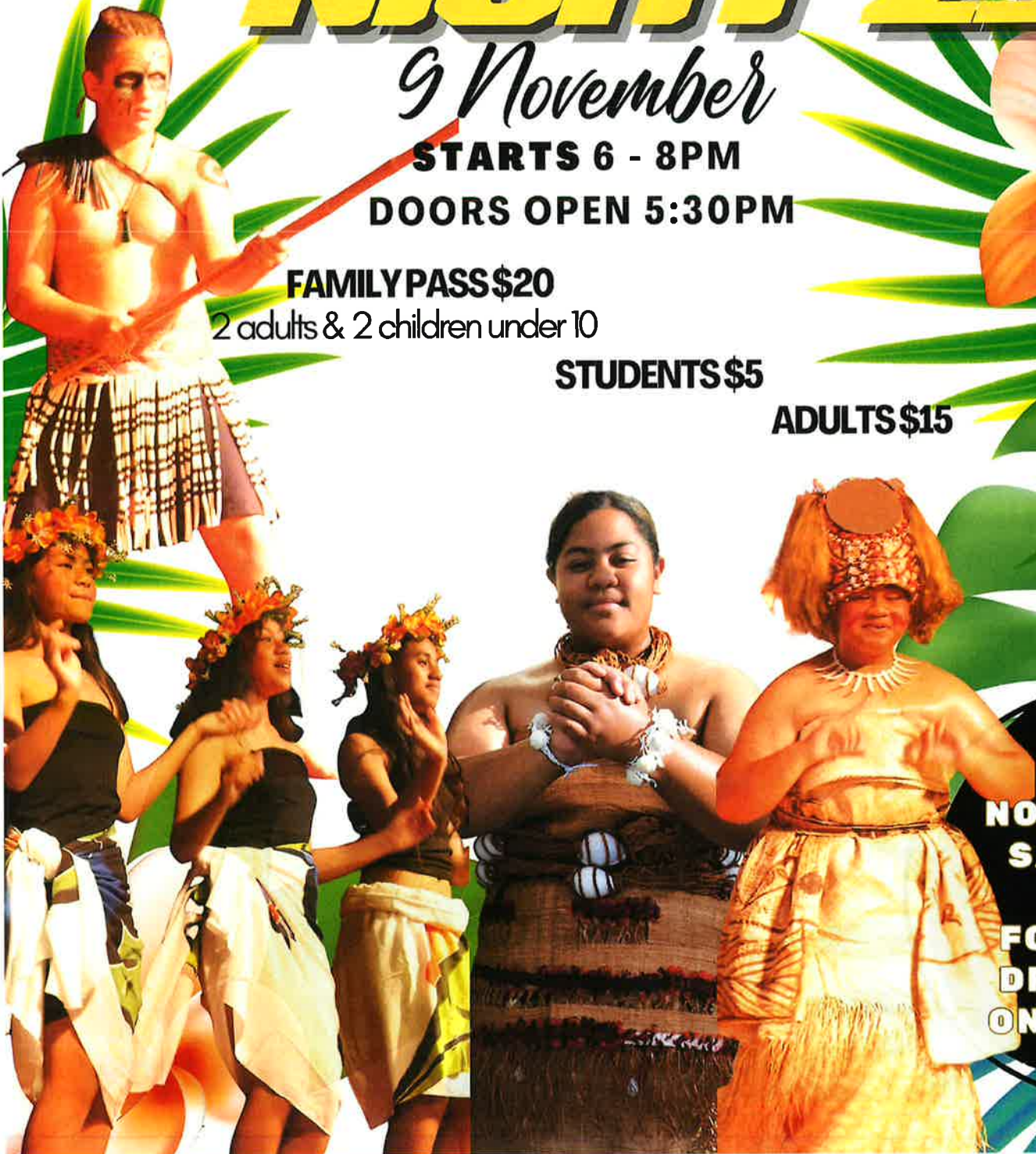
DOORS OPEN 5:30PM

FAMILY PASS \$20

2 adults & 2 children under 10

STUDENTS \$5

ADULTS \$15



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SALES**

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DRINKS
ON SALE**