

Bruce McLaren Intermediate School

Principal's Community Update: 23 January 2022

For Bruce McLaren Intermediate School Parents and Caregivers

Kia ora koutou katoa

Welcome to 2022 at Bruce McLaren Intermediate School.

This Community Update is to keep you up to date as to where and how schooling at the beginning of the 2022 year is for BMIS.

We are awaiting word from the MOE & MOH regarding the commencement of the school year while in Covid-19 **RED**.

As you will have heard, the Prime Minister announced that the whole of the motu will move to the **RED** setting of the COVID-19 Protection Framework tonight - Sunday, 23 January at 11:59pm.

Schools will remain open under the RED traffic light setting. A reminder that BMIS students and staff must wear a face covering at school.

To date, the MOE has advised schools NOT to hold assemblies in the Red or Orange settings. This means that to start our school year (Year 7s on Wednesday, 2 February and Year 7s and Year 8s on Thursday, 3 February), our students for 2022 will come to the school hall, **without** parents/caregivers coming beyond the school gate or onto our school site.

This is certainly not our Bruce McLaren way. As much as we would love to have us altogether in the hall like we would normally do, this will not happen. However, it is important now, as we have for the last two years, to play our part to beat the global pandemic and keep ourselves, our students, our staff and our community as safe as possible. Your support with this is imperative.

The MOH & MOE will be providing more information to principals on the RED setting and any revisions to the setting as it comes to hand. I will keep you updated.

SKOOL LOOP:

For instant BMIS updates, please have the SKOOL LOOP app on your device, with the push notifications on.

UNIFORM SALES:

New school uniform can be purchased online or in-store from School Uniform Centre:

(<https://schooluniformcentre.co.nz/bruce-mclaren-intermediate/>).

School Uniform Centre will have a pop-up store in the school hall on the following days:

Monday, 24 January from 10am - 1pm
Wednesday, 26 January from 10am - 1pm
Friday, 28 January from 10am - 1pm
Wednesday, 2 February from 8am - 10am

We do have a limited amount of **second hand school uniform**. This will be available to purchase from the school hall on the following days:

Tuesday, 25 January from 9am - 2pm
Thursday, 27 January from 9am - 2pm

Please ensure that you wear a face covering and SCAN in.

STATIONERY SALES:

Stationery packs are available from Warehouse Stationery in Henderson (111-115 Lincoln Road, Henderson). Just let them know you need a pack for Bruce McLaren Intermediate School. The packs are the same for Year 7 and 8.

SCHOOL OFFICE:

The school office will reopen for 2022 at 8.30am on Friday, 28 January.

Knowing that schools are open, be assured that BMIS staff are prepped and prepared and looking forward to receiving your child/ren for a brilliant 2022.

As mentioned above, the MOH and MOE will be providing more information to principals on the RED setting and any revisions to the setting for schooling as it comes to hand. I will keep you updated.

So as you can see, BMIS is ready for 2022, BMIS has a race plan.

Together we're better - we're up and racing.

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Liz Wood – Principal