

Bruce McLaren Intermediate

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NEWSLETTER #616 May 2024

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...

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Bruce McLaren Intermediate School

Noa'ia



Gasav Ne Fäeag Rotuam Ta -The Rotuman Language Week 2024 theme for Rotuman Language Week is 'Vetakia 'os Fäega ma Ag fak hanua Sustaining our Language and Culture.'

Identity, Culture and Language are hugely important to us here at BMIS. These elements combined centres one on who they are, generating the confidence and self assurance to be successful in all that one does.

So we kick off our 2024 celebration of language weeks with the island of Rotuman. Each class or whānau will be completing tasks that help bring the theme of this week alive. Room 13's assembly on Wednesday was a celebration of the Rotuman language and culture. I challenge you to try to say a few words or phrases and test your child/children to see how much they have learnt. Here is a link if you want to know more as it is a language that has been listed as vulnerable - endangered: https://youtu.be/4o5KoXCBv0I? si=LwsBmTrXSOZkl_WI

This week has also seen Blake VR onsite offering our ākonga the opportunity to use virtual reality headsets to experience a number of underwater experiences through 360° videos that compare and contrast different marine environments. Student conversations that have come about by what they have seen has been incredible, sparking their curiosity evident in the questions that have been asked.

It is also Science Week and the focus for all our ākonga is the Physical World - Forces and Their challenge this Motion. week is to take a photo of the science they have been doing in their classrooms then share this with Mrs Few. I have seen students flying paper planes, students with balloons moving when let go on a piece of string, a balloon hovercraft and a popsicle catapult to name a few. It is so exciting to see the minds of our ākonga being challenged and the perseverance to continue to test, test, test to form a conclusion.

though weather Even the temperature has dropped, the learning here at BMIS has not. We continue to keep our foot firmly pressed on that accelerator as we speed past our competitors. Continue to read on and feel inspired to see some of the other amazing things our ākonga have been doing in our kura.

Have a wonderful weekend together with whānau.

Nāu te rourou, nāku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi

Faiakse'ea

Ngā mihi nui

Marietta Ah Chong

Principal - Tumuaki (Acting)

McLAREN AWARDS T2 W2 Sharliz R3, Cairos R11, Gianni R13, PRINCIPAL AWARDS T2, W2

Tony R1, Kalolo R2, Robin R2, Orlo R2, Jan R2, Ella R2, Connor R3, Coco R3, Pirihina R3, Kiro R3, Ella-Rose R4, Lance R5, Hannah R6, Jordan R6, Gurnoor R6, Joseph R6, Elijah R11, Philladelphia R11, Benjamin R12, Jazmine R12, Mezziah R12, Bridget R12, Yumi R13, Yashna R13, Vetty R13, Billie Art, Frida Art, Leanne Art

KEY DATES

• 13 - 17 May, 2024 Rotuman Language Week - Fäeag Rotuam

• 20 May, 2024 Road Safety Week

• 21 May, 2024

• 21 May, 2024 WZ Girls Football

• 23 May, 2024 WZ Boys Football

27 - 31 May, 2024
Samoan Language
Week - Gagana Samoa

• 28 May, 2024 WZ Rugby

• 30 May, 2024 BOT Meeting

• 30 May, 2024 So'otaga

• 31 May, 2024 Staff Only Day

• 3 June, 2024 Kings Birthday Monday

• 5 June, 2024 Māori & Pasifika Hui

• 10 June, 2024 Financial Literacy

• 10 - 14 June, 2024 International Language Week

• 18 June, 2024 Little People, Big Feelings

• 19 June, 2024 Open Evening

• 24 - 25th, June, 2024 Spoken Word

• 24 - 28 June, 2024

• 2 - 3 July, 2024 3 Way Conferences

• 5 July, 2024



WEDNESDAY NIGHT NETBALL UPDATE









Our two netball teams started off the regular season with big wins. The Year 7 won 41 - 2 against Green Bay School and the Year 8s won 29 - 2 against Henderson Intermediate.

Well done to both teams.

Thank you to parents, whānau and teachers who are down at Te Pai courts supporting. Lauren Southgate - BMIS Netball Coordinator

YEAR 8 GIRLS NETBALL GRADING RESULTS



Grading rounds went really well for the Year 8 team last Wednesday. We saw some great defensive plays and almost perfect shooting! They won all 3 games!

Game 1: BMIS 18 vs Blockhouse Bay 1 Game 2: BMIS 9 vs Te Atatu 8 Game 3: BMIS 11 vs ACG Sunderland 0

Both Year 7 & 8 netball teams will be playing every Wednesday down at the Te Pai Courts. Come out to support them/. We are so proud of them!

Lauren Southgate - BMIS Netball Coordinator





BMIS WATERPOLO

Water polo is off to a great start this season. With a mix of experienced and new players in our team, we are learning lots of new skills and improving swimming fitness by the week. Our games are played each Friday afternoon at West Wave.



PINK SHIRT DAY ACROSTIC POEM AWARDS 1st Equal: Hannah R6 & Dion R12 2nd place: Asolelei R12



Friday 3rd May

GEIS Spartans-2 vs BMIS 8 Friday 10th May GEIS Gladiators 18 BMIS - 2

BMIS Waterpolo Coach











GENERAL

•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.

• 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 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:

•We would encourage that devices be left at home, that your child is away from their device for the day. If there is a need to have their device, a discussion with your child about OFF AT THE GATE is imperative. When entering school, students 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:

•If a student misses one day of school every two weeks, they miss a whole year of school by 16 years of age. Together we play a key role in building strong habits of regular school attendance. That our ākonga, your child or children attend school every day and engage in learning as every school day matters.

You must let us know if your child or children are going to be absent for a day or intends to be absent for a portion of the school term for whatever reason, like a tangi or medical procedure.

Family holidays or taking time off for extracurricular activities (not organised by school) are not acceptable reasons for being absent.

Let's work together to see if we can get 1 or more of our classes over the 95% mark so that we can have Mr Whippy onsite.



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The class that achieves greater than 95% weekly attendance, on any given week this term will win a visit to their class from Mr Whippy





E BULLY EMAIL

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Students, parents and whanau are able to access this by simply emailing from any email server. The email goes directly to Ms Ah Chong. She will action any e bully emails as soon as she receives them.

Contact will also be made with the sender of the email.

Is it bullying? Check the poster



Please ensure you download our school app - Skool Loop.

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