

Bruce McLaren Intermediate School

Principal's Update: 3 September 2021

For Bruce McLaren Intermediate School Parents and Caregivers

Kia ora koutou katoa

Another week in Alert Level 4 for Auckland. Another successful week for BMIS students and their learning, whether online or hardcopy. And it is SPRING!

Student engagement levels are improving daily as are the levels of commitment to the learning platforms students are expected to be using e.g., MathsBuddy, Education Perfect, SeeSaw. Thank you to our parents/whanau who are ensuring that your child/ren are focused on their learning journey. Many students have shared incredible pieces of their schoolwork with me. It is heartening to see happy, engaged kids having fun with their learning. **Attendance = Engagement = Achievement.**

By now you will have received your child's Personal Best Learner Profile (Term 3 'check in' report) through SeeSaw. Please take the opportunity to discuss this with your child and touch base with your child's teacher if you have any questions. The PBLP provides a time of reflection for our learners and a window of opportunity to set goals for the rest of the school year.

Thank you for your support when I ask my staff to sign off after 1pm each school day and for the weekend while in Alert Level 4. Please don't be offended if you send them a message after 1pm or on a day starting with "S" and they do not respond until 8:30am the next school day. Ensuring our team is able to adapt and support your child/ren to thrive in this unusual time means they too, need to switch off and unplug and attend to their bubbles. Hauora MUST be a priority for all of us - BMIS staff included.

If your child is a Year 8, please get them enrolled in a secondary school. If you have a child in Year 6 who is yet to be enrolled at BMIS, please get them enrolled. All BMIS enrolment information is on our website. Our school is still operating - just not on site.

Should you know of anyone in need, please [click here](#) to see the list of support agencies and avenues available. He waka eke noa - we are all in this together.

Again, I would like to send a big SHOUT OUT to our Essential Workers who are keeping our country functioning. Their mahi is invaluable in this crazy COVID-19 time.

F1 is on this weekend. Go Team McLaren!

Kia haumaruru te noho. E noho i tō mirumiru.

Stay safe and stay in your bubble.

We've got a Race Plan. We've got this!

Ngā mihi

Liz Wood – Principal