



Bruce McLaren Intermediate School

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NEWSLETTER # 12

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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:

Kia ora koutou katoa

Week 5 is a milestone in any term and extremely important in Term 3 as we are half way through the term. This is a time when all Camp & EOTC forms need to be with us so that we can work through the planning of these amazing events and activities for our students. It is a time when Year 8 students need to be organized with Year 9 enrolments for 2020. It is a time when we are deep in the learning of our Globalization Inquiry Unit, exploring and questioning with impact and looking for the social action to better our world. It is a time when 20 minutes of Reading, 20 minutes of Mx Buddy and 20 minutes of inquiry learning are expected for homework – to support the day to day learning of your child. It is a time to be solutions and future focused, while we backward map the rest of our school year.

BMIS SUCCESSES:

Successes are abundant at Bruce McLaren Intermediate School. A success to note is the BMIS WZ Table Tennis Team. The students who represented our school were amazing ambassadors for our school as well as fantastic athletes. We were present on every podium for every event at this outing. Congratulations to each of our students and to Whaea Tracey for her organization.

BMIS COMMUNITY SURVEY:

Thank you to the 100 randomly chosen parents/whanau with an email address, who completed the Community Survey. Your voice is valued.

ADOLESCENT CHANGING BODY & MIND:

The Adolescent Changing Body and Changing Mind unit of work is about to commence. Notices have been sent home with your child of all relevant information. Our students know that our personal space is usually an arm's length and that our private personal space is exactly that – private. Please talk openly with your child about what they are learning – in all areas of the curriculum.

YEAR 7 CAMP INFORMATION EVENING:

Next Tuesday, 27 August, at 6pm, a Year 7 CAMP

information evening will be held for any parents/whanau.

MUFTI DAY:

On Wednesday, 28th August, the School Council are running a 'mufti day' – the theme is Favourite Book Character or Movie Idol. The cost is \$2. This is not compulsory. Students can wear uniform.

WELCOME TO MR BEAU:

It is with much pleasure that we welcome Mr Beau Cordtz to our Teacher Aide team. Mr Beau has come from playing with the Rabbitohs to join BMIS. (He knows a great school when he sees one!).

DIARY DATES:

It is important to make note of dates that are listed in the newsletter so that you are able to stay well informed about what is going on at BMIS.

NEWSLETTER RETURN SLIP:

Your child will get you to complete the slip at the back of the newsletter, so that they can go into the Newsletter Draw for a prize.

Here is to a busy, eventful fortnight.

Nga mihi

Liz Wood – Principal

BEST ATTENDANCE:

Well done to Room 4, who had the best attendance for Week 4 - well done!

MERIT AWARDS:

Well done to the following students who received Merit Awards at assembly:

Milah (R6); Lily (R8); Paige (R6); Skylah (R5); Logan (R7); Max (R7); Laythan (R5); Jessie-Marie (R2)

PRINCIPALS AWARDS:

Well done to the following students who received a Principal's Award at assembly:

**Jessie-Marie (R2); Liba (R8); McCahon (R8);
Trinity (R8); Sam (R8); Taryh-Mae (R3); Ashlie (R3);
Thayd (R3); Mila (R3); Makalita (R3); Naailah (R5);
Tiayana (R5); Jacqui Lynn (R5); Ryan (R3);
Arthur (R3); McHalyne (R3); Sonny (R3); Indiana (R3)**

IMPORTANT INFO CAMP & EOTC:

Only 2 weeks to go!

PAYMENT: Just a reminder that Camp/EOTC needs to be paid for in full by Friday, 30th August. Payments can be made at the school office (cash or EFTPOS) or via online banking: Bruce McLaren Intermediate School: **12-3051-0471762-00** (please use your child's name and what you are paying for as references).

'2 FOR 1' DEAL: A reminder that we offer a '2 for 1' deal. If you have two siblings living in the same house, you only need to pay for one and the other can attend for free!

ATTENDANCE: It is expected that all students attend, unless there is a medical reason, in which case we require a doctor's certificate.

YEAR 7 CAMP:

Each student will receive an information booklet with a Gear List in it before the week's end. It is also important to note that at Finlay Park Camp there are to be NO DEVICES brought by any student. This is a rule of this camp. A camera (as we know them) may be brought with "all care, no responsibility". Staff will be taking photos of activities for the Year Book and for our school website and blogspot. Students will be experiencing great stuff "in the present - in the moment" and not through a screen on a device. To safeguard your child, other children and staff, and to ensure that you are not requested to collect your child from camp, please make sure that NO DEVICE is on them for this amazing experience.

WZ CROSS COUNTRY:

On Tuesday, 13 August at Crum Park, 30 runners from BMIS represented the school in the annual Western Zone Cross Country competition. The students all represented the school exceedingly well showing great respect to those round them and to their fellow competitors.

Four students qualified for the Auckland Inter Zone competition to be held at Pukekohe on Tuesday, 3

September. Those students were **Abi Whitehouse** (Y8 Girl), **Nash Philps** (Y8 Boy), **Finnley Cannon** and **Liam Clarke** (Y7 Boys).

Bruce McLaren Intermediate achieved an overall team result (first six runners across the finish line) of 5th place in both the Y7 Boys and Y8 Girls categories. 10 schools competed at the Western Zone Competition this year. A big thank you to all the parents who turned up to support their children.

NETBALL RESULTS:

7 August:

BMIS 7A vs Henderson Int.	5 - 9
BMIS 7B vs Glen Eden Int.	17 - 7
BMIS 8A vs Rangeview Int.	24 - 32
BMIS 8B vs St Dominics	20 - 13

14 August:

BMIS 7A vs Te Atatu Int.	16 - 15
BMIS 7B vs Blockhouse Bay Int.	16 - 15
BMIS 8A vs Blockhouse Bay Int.	10 - 24
BMIS 8B vs Holy Cross	17 - 15

Great playing teams - well done!

WZ TABLE TENNIS:

We stood on all winning podiums! Bruce McLaren participated in the Western Zone Table Tennis Tournament on Wednesday, 14 August. There was lots of excitement, anxiety and energy played out as we secured our places on the winning podium.

Congratulations are in order for the following students.

Boys Singles:

3rd - **Jodeci** (R2)

Semi Finalist - **James** (R2)

Girls Singles:

2nd - **Toni** (R6)

Boys Doubles:

3rd - **Alex** (R3) and **Sonny** (R3)

Semi Finalists - **Genesis** (R1) and **Daniel** (R6)

Girls Doubles Round Robin:

4th - **Skylah** (R5) - mixed team of Kelston and BMIS

6 A-SIDE BASKETBALL:

Congratulations to the winners of the 6 a-side Basketball Competition run by the School Council Events Group. Each student in the winning team has won a \$10 WestCity Voucher for their efforts. The winning team players were: **Kelepi** (R4), **Kortex** (R4), **Anzac** (R4), **Montel** (R9), **Luke** (R5), **Okusi** (R6).

TEACHER ONLY DAY:

A reminder that **school will be closed on Friday, 6th September** for a Teacher Only Day.

OFF AT THE GATE:

Interestingly enough - many schools have recently adopted this stance of which we have had running for some years.

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. Devices are stored in a class valuables box until the end of the day. 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.

COLLECTING YOUR CHILD EARLY FROM SCHOOL:

Please ring ahead should you need to pick up your child during school time, as this ensures that you will not have to wait for your child to be released from learning without disturbing the learning of others, head back to their homeroom, collect their belongings, organize homework, check out with their class teacher and make their way to the front office.

It is also important to ring ahead if you are needing to collect your child at a break-time as we encourage our students to be active in and on our school grounds. They maybe in a team, involved in an activity and/or working with a staff member.

TERM 3 DATES:

28 August	Non-Uniform Day
27 August	Year 7 Camp Meeting @ 6pm
29 August	BOT Meeting @ 6.30pm
30 August	Payment for Camp/EOTC must be made in full by today
3 September	Inter Zone Cross Country
6 September	Teacher Only Day - NO SCHOOL
10 - 13 September	Year 7 Camp and Year 8 EOTC
24 September	WZ Basketball
27 September	Term 3 Ends

DEVICES AT SCHOOL:

To ensure the safety of any device or valuables brought to school, students are to hand these to their class teacher. These devices and valuables are placed into a class container and locked away in the office and returned to students at 3pm. We will do everything to ensure devices are kept safe, but we cannot be responsible for any accidental damage.

OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEEDS YOU!

Our school is culturally diverse and we would love for our Board of Trustees to reflect this in the best possible way. To help us be a more culturally responsive school, we would like representation at board meetings from other cultural groups within our school whanau. Please contact Nicki Packer (admin@brucemclaren.school.nz) if you would be interested in coming along to meetings and providing input. All parents are welcome to attend Board of Trustee meetings which are held monthly - dates are notified in the newsletter. Thank you.

Mātua mo le tou silafia, matou te mana'omia ni mātua aemaise mai isi atumotu o le Pasifika e auai i fonotaga fa'alemasina mo le Komiti Tausi Mavaega (Board of Trustees). E tāua tele le tou leo i totonu o nei fonotaga ae e le gata i lea, e tāua tele fo'i le auai e fa'alologologo ma fa'asoa ni ou manatu i matāupu o lo'o talanoaina. Afai e te fia auai i nei fonotaga tāua fa'alemasina fa'afeso'ota'i Nicki Packer i le imeli admin@brucemclaren.school.nz. O nei fonotaga o mo matua uma. Siaki ifo folafolaga po'o newsletter o le aoga o lo'o iai aso o lenei fonotaga.

Fa'afetai tele lava

He rereke te ahurea o ta matou kura, me te hiahia maatau ki te Poari Kaitiaki o taatau Poari kia whakaata tenei i nga mea tino pai. Hei awhina i a maatau ki te maatauranga o te kura, e hiahia ana maatau ki nga hui i nga huihuinga o nga poari mai i etahi atu waahanga ahurea i roto i o taatau whanau kura. Tena koa whakapā atu ki a Nicki Packer (admin@brucemclaren.school.nz) mena kei te hiahia koe ki te haere ki nga hui me te tuku urunga mai. He maioha mai nga matua ki te haere ki nga hui a te Poari Kaitiaki e whakahaeretia ana i ia marama - ka whakamaramahia nga ra i roto i te panui.

Kei te pai!

COMMUNITY NOTICES

NATHAN WALLIS: TEEN BRAIN

Thursday, 29 August 2019, 7:30pm - 9:00pm

Waitakere College, Rathgar Road, Henderson

Waitakere College are proud to announce that the host of the documentary "All in the Mind", and co-host of the TVSeries "The Secret Life of Girls", NathanWallis, Aotearoa's renowned neuroscience educator, is coming to our community with his talk - TeenBrain. There are 6000-year-old hieroglyphics carved into the pyramids depicting the teenagers of the time as being self-obsessed, defiant and unmotivated - that's sounding pretty familiar don't you think? During adolescence (which is a lot longer than you think by the way!) part of your teenage brain "shuts for renovations". This is the part of the brain responsible for controlling your teenager's moods, for understanding consequences and for thinking about the well-being of others. So, whilst you can't expect lots of those behaviours during adolescence, there are ways that you can enhance and maximise the times when they can. Understanding the changes that are taking place for your teen will help you to navigate successfully these important and formative years. Join Nathan for an in-depth look into the teen brain and get a summary of the latest research and everything a parent, grandparent or whānau needs to know.

Tickets are available at www.eventfinda.co.nz Get in quick as tickets will sell out.



OPEN DAY

WAITAKERE BMX

**Sat. 11-2pm
28.09.2019**

TRY BMX FOR FREE

TIMETABLE

11:00	Sign-in, Gear Up, Ride
12:15	Racing Demo
12:30	Jumping Demo
1:30	Lolly Scramble

EVENTS ON THE DAY
Demos, Prizes, Raffles, Sausage Sizzle, 2nd Hand Gear Market, Canteen, Lolly Scramble

WHAT TO BRING
A Bike: BMX, Balance, Mountain, they are all welcome. Some Protection: Long Pants, Long Top, Shoes, Gloves & Helmet. Limited Race Bikes & Full Face Helmets are available for use on the day.

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Have a Go Day

www.roosterssoftball.co.nz

Junior Muster Day

When: 25th August 2019
Where: Te Atatu Roosters Club
Jack Colvin Park
42 Titoki Street
Te Atatu Peninsula
Time: 11.30am til 1pm

We cater to all players of all skills levels and abilities, with friendly supportive coaches

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YOUTH HOLIDAY HANG-OUT

At Avondale Intermediate.

FREE
Thanks to:
Break-Away
School Holiday Programmes

9.30am - 4pm, Tuesdays to Fridays
First week : 1st - 4th Oct
Second week : 8th - 11th Oct

Please come prepared for a day of indoor/outdoor activities. Bring a packed lunch.

BOOK NOW

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Please complete & return slip to the office.

I have read the newsletter and discussed it with my child.

Child's Name: _____

Room: _____

Parent/Caregiver's Name: _____

Signed: _____