



# Bruce McLaren Intermediate School

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## NEWSLETTER # 17

## 27 November 2019

*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

Wow! A sell out Fiafia! It was fantastic to see so many of our parents and whanau as well as wider school community come and support our students. Thank you for supporting our Kai, Culture and Community event. The food was delicious, the performances were diverse and our students learnt so much from the experience. Nothing beats learning through fun.

It is incredible to think that this newsletter is the second to last newsletter for this year and in fact this decade! So much for referring to the 21st Century – we are 20 years into it already!



A quick building up date: thank you to Leon at the Mussel Factory for supporting us in bringing our new classrooms on to site via his property. This process has commenced and we look forward to the brand new classrooms. The ILE development is progressing at a rapid pace and students will be in these redesigned, reconfigured and decorated rooms before the end of the year.



Staffing is on track for 2020 and we look forward to having a cutting edge team to take BMIS further and faster on its teaching and learning journey.

We farewell Mrs Sophia Woof, FoodSci Teacher, to a passion of hers – a learning support co-ordinator role. We thank her for her efforts and enthusiasm, her adaptability with being in Hard Materials and transferring through to FoodSci as well as taking on a raft of responsibilities in our school. Best wishes.

We welcome Mrs Stephanie Pye to the Hospitality and Food Technology position for 2020. Mrs Pye has a raft of experience in hospitality and teaching.

There are many dates and times that parents and whanau need to be aware of for the end of school year. These are included in the newsletter which involve the Year 8 Grad, EOY reports for each student – of which teachers have put much time and energy into, so that you can reflect on your child's effort applied to learning and achievement over the course of the half year; and Formal Prize Giving – you will be notified if your child is receiving an award.

Year 8 students who have enrolled at Henderson High School, were taken to the first Orientation Morning. This signifies a huge time in your child's life. This transition is important to eliminate 'the fear factor' just as we do at BMIS with our Year 6 students who will be visiting us on Thursday 5th December from 9 – 10am.

**EVERY STUDENT AT BMIS MUST BE ENROLLED IN A SCHOOL FOR 2020.** Whether that be here with us for Year 7 to Year 8, or in a secondary school.

As of Friday, there are only 10 more school sleeps until we conclude for the year at 12:30pm, Friday, 13th December. Students must know how they are getting home from school at the end of the term as there will be NO school buses running at this time. Any Year 8 students wishing to donate their uniform can do this at 11:30am on Friday 13th December and only these students will be in mufti to leave the school grounds at 12:30pm.

Thank you to our parents and whanau who have supported us in a variety of ways this year – cooking, baking, fundraising, sewing uniforms for groups, transporting, attending camps, tramps, EOTC, buying raffle tickets, tutoring groups, volunteering time and having fun with us.

Here is to a fabulous end of the year.

Nga mihi

Liz Wood – Principal

## SKOOL LOOP:

Please ensure that you are aware of the dates for our end of year activities. SkoolLoop is our primary source of information for updates; information is on our parent info FaceBook page as well as in the newsletter.

## SUNHATS & SUNBLOCK:

As it is Term 4, students are expected to have their school hats on and to apply sunblock to ensure they are sunsafe. Hydration is also important so a water bottle is encouraged.

## PRINCIPALS AWARDS:

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

**Aaditya Patel (R4); Hazel Powell (R4);  
Natasha Penjueli (R4); Ardan Hanley (R4);  
Abigail Whitehouse (R6); Faizal Farook (R6);  
Lily Coales (R8); Rylee Moir (R8);  
Shannon McClennan (R9); Deziah Kamoe (R2);  
Bronson Anderson (R3); Paige Dornan (R3);  
Shayden Griffith (R3); Riley Frost (R3);  
Lyrical Tiatia Tatai (R3); Merenaite Murphy Ueil (R8);  
Vei Tuipulotu (R8); Montel Hall (R9);  
Finnley Cannon (R9); Jyzal Manuel (R9);  
Liam Clarke (R9); Welfare Farani (R6)**

## BEST ATTENDANCE:

Congratulations to **Room 8**, who had the best attendance for Week 6, Term 4 - well done!

## MCLAREN AWARD PRIZES:

Well done to the following students who received a McLaren Award prize at assembly:

**Reiani (R7); Matthew (R2); Moses (R3); Tori (R9);  
Mustafa (R7); Deziah (R2); Heleah (R6);  
Nacasia (R9); Grace (R5); Koha (R5); Shannon (R9);  
Allie (R5); Yolando (R8); Elisala (R6); Michael (R7);  
Natasha (R4); Maria (R6); Sonny (R3)**

## UNIFORM:

There are no surprises with uniform now that we are in Term 4. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform. Non-uniform items will be removed.



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

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Caregiver's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## 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.**

## 2019 YEAR BOOKS - ORDER NOW!

The Year Book team have been hard at work all year to make this book amazing! This is such a great keepsake for students to look back on and remember their intermediate school years at Bruce McLaren.

Books are \$10 each and can be ordered from the school office. Year books will be distributed on the last day of school - Friday, 13th December.

## YEAR 8 GRADUATION

**Tuesday, 10 December, 5.30pm - 8.30pm**

Information/permission slips were sent home last week. Copies are available from the school office if you have not received one.

**All Year 8 students attending the graduation will need a ticket to attend.**

Tickets are to be purchased from the school office, with permission slip and payment of \$10, **no later than Wednesday, 4 December**, so final arrangements can be made. We will not be accepting money/slips after this date. Don't miss out!

## TERM 4 DIARY DATES:

28 Nov	Inter Zone Athletics
28 Nov	BOT Meeting (6.30pm)
29 Nov	End of Year Reports posted home
5 Dec	Room 4 - Bigfoot Cycling Skills
5 Dec	Year 6 Orientation Morning
9 Dec	Room 2 - Bigfoot Cycling Skills
10 Dec	Room 8 - Bigfoot Cycling Skills
10 Dec	Year 8 Graduation (5.30pm - 8.30pm)
13 Dec	Formal Prize Giving (9.30am)
13 Dec	Term 4 Ends (12.30pm)

*Please complete & return slip to the office.*

Room: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_