



Bruce McLaren Intermediate School

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NEWSLETTER # 6

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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

As we race to the end of term 1, the chequered flag is in sight.

SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 3pm ON FRIDAY, 13th APRIL.

Just casting an eye over the term that has been, a great deal has been achieved! Here are a few of the highlights in no particular order:

- Whakatau for Year 7 students and new staff
- Celebrated Waitangi Day
- Meet the Teacher evening
- HPV talk
- ID photos
- Year 8 Beach Ed at Piha North
- WZ softball for girls and boys
- Applied/Everyday theatre working with all students
- Effort Reports home
- Random Attendance Day – won by R7 & 8
- Effort Report days where parents and whanau came along – won by R5 students who had whanau attend
- Life Ed for Year 7s
- Financial Literacy for all students
- Chinese students in our school
- STEAM lessons
- Mandarin lessons
- Me and My School Survey
- New teachers arrive
- Easter break
- WZ Swimming
- School councillors selected
- Opportunities Day underway
- Writing competitions entered
- MindPlus, Pit Stop, Literacy Support Rooms in action

- Learning programmes, including Specialist Subjects, underway with CITIZENSHIP being our Semester 1 concept
- Being part of our Community of Learning. HVPS; HSPS; Sunnyvale, Oratia, Prospect and HHS with BMIS.

School Councillors for 2018 are:

Pierre Dehar-Webster

Kian Shea

Lily Cannon

Keira Binns

Gabriella Wrightson-Beresford

Imogen Donnelly

Millie Brown

Eunice Taivai

J'daleah Mauga

Nathan Ah Fook

Sitaua Vaitofiga Tupou

These students have been working diligently behind the scenes to ensure that BMIS is the best place it can be for students.

There are three School Council sub-groups – Transformers, Strategic Thinkers and Citizenship.

The Citizenship group are running a NO UNIFORM DAY where school rules still apply and learning continues, on **Friday, 13th April**. This mufti day is to celebrate the end of term, end of Summer, end of Daylight Savings, ANZAC DAY and support our Commonwealth Games Team. **BLACK OUT DAY is a day to wear black clothes to school. The cost is \$2.** BLACK OUT DAY is not a compulsory mufti day. Students will either be in mufti (preferably black) or in full school uniform. This is our first mufti day in two years. Our uniform is now at such a standard that the teachers agree it is time to celebrate! BLACK OUT DAY – this Friday!

With Term 2 approaching rapidly, our Netball season is underway. Ms Atua Asafo is our school liaison for the 2018 Netball season. We are looking for parents who are keen to coach and/or manage a team. Netball practices take place from

3:15 – 4:15pm on Monday afternoons at school. Games take place at Te Pai Courts on Wednesday afternoons. Netball umpires are supplied so there is no need to ref a game. If you are able to COACH or MANAGE a team, please contact Ms Atua Asafo at: atua@brucemclaren.school.nz or contact the Office on 836 3175. We need you!

Students wishing to play Netball for the season, need to draw on our 5Cs and commit to the duration of the season and attend practices. The cost for each player is \$85, of which is paid to our school and passed onto Waitakere Netball. A notice will be sent to parents/caregivers and whanau of the students wishing to play. This is a great competition and a brilliant way to maintain fitness during the Winter months. We encourage students to get involved. Yes, boys can play too!

Cycle Safety Grade 1 & 2 has been secured, free, for all students for Term 2. Each student will be bringing an information sheet and permission slip home to be completed. This is part of our CITIZENSHIP Inquiry. Bikes and helmets can be supplied by BigFoot. Please complete the necessary form and return it to the Office ASAP. Regardless of whether our students become life long cyclists, they will probably become drivers at some stage (scary thought I know!) and to have an awareness of cyclists is an imperative part of our collective responsibility with Road Safety. Another great opportunity for our students!

Thank you to the many parents/whanau who continue to pop in to see me, provide feedback (of which is extremely positive) and get involved in supporting our school.

If there is an emergency, or weather like we are experiencing now, please check the 'Skool Loop NZ' app for updates.

Hui - Wednesday, 30 May at 6.00pm. Next term a hui is being held for our Maori whanau and whanau of students in our Kapa Haka group. More information to come. Please lock in this date.

BMIS is about a CULTURE of continuous quality improvement with everyone involved. There is 'no standing still'.

TERM 1 ENDS: Friday, 13th April at 3:00pm

TERM 2 BEGINS: Monday, 30th April at 8:30am

Have a safe and enjoyable term break.

Nga mihi

Liz Wood
Principal

OUR B.O.T. NEEDS YOU!

Being a member of the Board of Trustees of our school is an incredibly rewarding position. If you would like to inquire into becoming a member of the BOT, please contact Nicki at the front office or email: admin@brucemclaren.school.nz.

BOTTLE TOPS

We are collecting coloured bottle tops to create a Bruce McLaren car mural. Please bring your rinsed tops to the office each morning and place them in the container.

DRESSMAKER DUMMY

Do you have one laying around? Mrs Mills, our Soft Materials teacher would love to take it off your hands. Thank you!



COMMUNITY NOTICES:

WHAT NOW! FILMING

Kids (5-12yrs), families (including Mum & Dad), school classes, sports teams or groups... you're all invited to be part of our awesome live audience...& it's FREE!! Here is your chance to try something new, maybe play games, get FOAMED or even GUNGED!!

There are two easy ways to register ...

Forward this link to your families to register online at www.whatnow.tv/bonus/audience

Or for class/group bookings please email with approximate numbers to:

audience@whitebaitmedia.com

Space is limited, don't miss out! We look forward to having you join us!

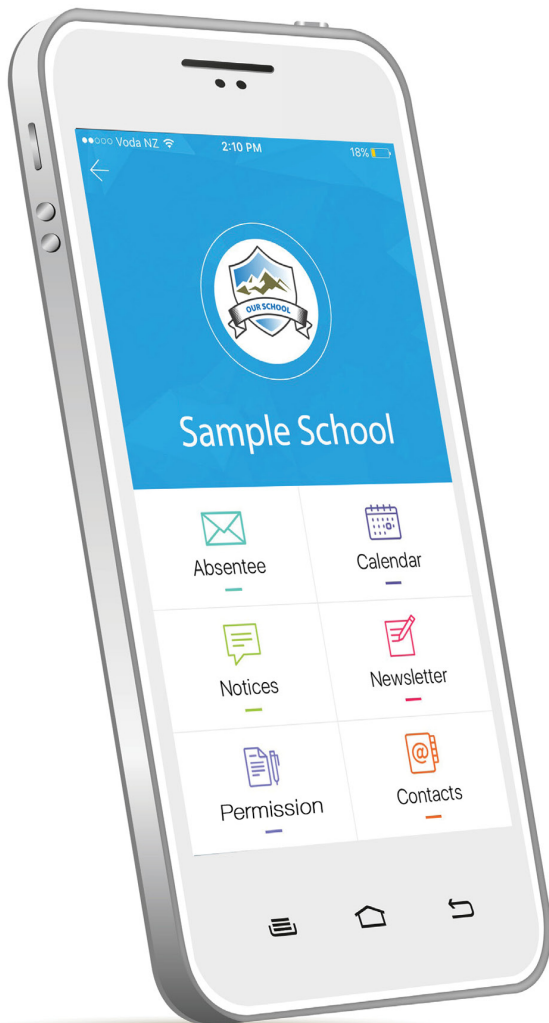
PLAYHOUSE THEATRE: *Beauty & The Beast JR*

Come and check out the Playhouse Theatres season of Disney's Beauty and the Beast Jr. Come and meet your favourite fairy tale characters and get immersed in the school holiday show not to miss! On 21-28 April this is great school holiday entertainment.

Info and tickets from www.iticket.co.nz

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