



Bruce McLaren Intermediate School

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NEWSLETTER # 7

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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

Term 2 has commenced with great weather, brilliant students and fabulous staff!

Our Kapa Haka group led our school in a whakatau to formally welcome new teachers to our school. Mrs Woof (HMT), Mrs Tuilaepa (R2), Mr Ganda (acting Assistant Principal) along with Lesley Cook (TA) and Stacie Agraval (teacher trainee). It was a moving affair, led by students. Bruce McLaren Intermediate School has proud learners who are the rich tangata whenua of the school. The students made everyone on site proud and as parents and caregivers, you can be very proud of them also.

BMIS has just purchased and received FOUR incredible 55" mobile touchscreens for the classrooms. These will prove invaluable for teaching and learning and students will be able to use them for real time learning along with the wealth of chromebooks, iPads, video cameras and still cameras we already have for students to use on a daily basis.

A busy term lies ahead for us.

Cycle Safety is underway. This is a free programme that provides each class with a day with an awareness of the environment around cyclists, how to use cycle skills to the best of the cyclists' abilities, knowing the safety rules and regulations around cyclists, developing a sense of road safety and having fun while being safe. This programme is timely as it is also Road Safety Week and we are a TravelWise School.

Our 4 netball teams are training hard as are our football and turbo touch teams. Best wishes to our netball teams as they embark on their first round of games at Te Pai Court this afternoon.

Pit Stop is our amazing student dining room. Pit Stop is generously run by Chris and Pauline Beck volunteering their time and overseen by Lee Sutton. Pit Stop will be open from 8 – 8:20am and 1 – 1:30pm commencing Week 3 Monday. At Pit

Stop (am) students will be able to have breakfast and collect fruit and a snack bar for interval breaks. Pit Stop (pm) provides lunches. However, students must eat in Pit Stop and there is a high expectation of manners and etiquette when students enter this room. Our 5Cs are to be implemented at all times at school.

The Auckland Theatre Production Company are performing The Eel and Sina for our students on Thursday at 2pm. This is another free opportunity that our students will be able to experience.

Please check the Term calendar on the back page of the newsletter for dates. SKOOL LOOP is an app that everyone should download to their device/s so that you are always up to date with what is going on at BMIS.

Enclosed with this newsletter is the Whanau Kotahi/Whanau Toa Learning Outline for this term. Learning is never to be a mystery – Learning is always to be engaging.

Our BMIS kids are extremely fortunate with the opportunities that are provided for them and the depth of experiences they are involved in.

It is with much regret that I inform students, parents, caregivers and community that Mr John Hosker, BMIS' Caretaker for the last five and a half years, is moving to live in Hahei. John's last day is Thursday, 17th May. John has been my right hand man and fabulous support since my arrival in 2016. He is a huge advocate for the school and has worked tirelessly with me to create an amazing environment for our students and staff. Staff cannot speak highly enough of the time and energy John has gifted to our school.

We all wish John the very best for his future endeavours. You are a major part of the Bruce McLaren Intermediate School journey. Go well.

BMIS is a great place to be!

Nga mihi

Liz Wood
Principal

OPEN EVENINGS FOR Y6

On Tuesday, 19th June and Wednesday, 20th June, BMIS will be holding OPEN EVENINGS for families of Year 6 children. Prospective students and families for 2019 are invited to attend. These commence at 6:30pm and run for approximately one hour. Staff are available for discussion over supper. More information will be coming through Year 6 students at our COL primary schools.

UNIFORM

Students enrolled at BMIS have had a parent/caregiver sign, in agreement, to uphold and accept our school standards. Please check how your child is wearing the BMIS uniform to ensure that he/she is meeting the required BMIS expectation.

With Winter upon us, it is important that our students are warm. Uniform, including school trousers and the amazing new school jacket which can be worn in the classroom, is available online at <http://schooluniformcentre.co.nz> or through ordering at the School Office.

Being Term 2 - there should be NO uniform issues.

Our uniform is smart, versatile, of quality, cost effective and designed for learning with Health and Safety in mind. Hence, no additional jewellery is acceptable apart from a watch, Medic alert and one gold/silver stud in each ear. School shoes are to be worn in Winter rather than school sandals. Just plain black leather lace-ups! School shoes are available at the School Office.

For more uniform information, head to our school website: www.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.

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.

Our next BOT meeting is at 6.00pm on Thursday, 24th May.

A POEM FROM ROOM 7

I SEE ...

I see:

A parade of horses
marching down a rocky road;
A kingdom demolished by a last resort.

I see:

A brown sea once luscious
but crushed by a fiery rage;
A waterfall of broken dreams and hopes.

I see:

A compound of men wishing
for the destruction of one's hatred
which should have never happened;
A barricade holding back
the memories of war and deception.

Tristan Hudson - Room 7

ICAS TESTS

Should you wish for your child to participate in the ICAS Tests please complete the slip attached. Entries and money must be in by Friday 11th May.

The tests and costs are:

| | |
|----------|------------------|
| Writing | \$20 per student |
| Spelling | \$12 |
| English | \$10 |
| Maths | \$10 |

BMIS covers the \$5 admin fee for every test entered from the school.

PERMISSION SLIP (return to the school office)

My child would like to enter the following ICAS exams:

- _____ Writing (\$20)
- _____ Spelling (\$12)
- _____ English (\$10)
- _____ Maths (\$10)

I enclose \$ _____

Signed: _____
(Parent/Caregiver)

GREAT KIWI COMPETITIONS

Please check out the application form below to participate in these competitions. Another great opportunity. All slips to Tuilaepa in Room 2 by Friday, 18th May.

University of Canterbury
Private Bag 4800
Christchurch 8140, New Zealand
Tel: +64 3 364 2588
Fax: +64 3 364 2641
Email: cem@canterbury.ac.nz
www.canterbury.ac.nz/cem



2018 Great Kiwi English, Science, and Mathematics Competitions



Dear Parents and Caregivers

The University of Canterbury is offering your child the opportunity to participate in the Great KIWI English, Mathematics and Science competitions. These competitions take place annually and are designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students based on the New Zealand curriculum.

The competitions are administered by the Centre for Evaluation and Monitoring (CEM) at the University of Canterbury. The competitions are open to all Year 5–10 students in English, Mathematics and Science. Students can enter in one or more subjects. The competition provides teachers, parents and students with an independent, comprehensive record of a student's performance in key school subjects. The supervised online tests will take place in the last 3 weeks of Term 2.

Certificates will be sent to all participating students and prizes will be awarded to top students.

Entries are administered by the school. For further information, please consult the CEM website www.canterbury.ac.nz/cem



Please return THIS section to the school office by _____. No late entries will be accepted.

I give permission for my child _____

DOB _____ Class _____

to participate in the 2018 KIWI competitions.

Please select the subjects you would like your child to enter.

| Subject | Year Level | Entry (Inc GST) | Fees enclosed |
|-------------|------------|-----------------|---------------|
| English | | \$8.50 | |
| Mathematics | | \$8.50 | |
| Science | | \$8.50 | |
| | | Total | \$ |

Name of parent /caregiver _____

Signature _____

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messages

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*Newsletters

* Permission Slips



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2018 Calendar Planner

TERM 2

| WEEK | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|----------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| Week 1 | 30 APRIL TERM 2 STARTS | 1 MAY | 2 MAY | 3 MAY Whakatau | 4 MAY Rm 2 Cycling Skills |
| Week 2 | 7 MAY | 8 MAY | 9 MAY Newsletter Home Today | 10 MAY The Eel & Sina free performance | 11 MAY Rm 3 Cycling Skills |
| Week 3 | 14 MAY | 15 MAY Rm 7 Cycling Skills | 16 MAY | 17 MAY | 18 MAY |
| Week 4 | 21 MAY | 22 MAY | 23 MAY Newsletter Home Today | 24 MAY BOT Meeting @ 6pm School X Country | 25 MAY |
| | Year 6 Students in for Spec Experience | | | | |
| Week 5 | 28 MAY | 29 MAY Rm 8 Cycling Skills Girls Football | 30 MAY Boys Football | 31 MAY | 1 JUNE Rm 1 Cycling Skills |
| Week 6 | 4 JUNE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY - no school | 5 JUNE Rm 4 Cycling Skills | 6 JUNE Newsletter Home Today WZ X Country | 7 JUNE WZ Turbo Touch | 8 JUNE |
| Week 7 | 11 JUNE School Speeches | 12 JUNE Rm 5 Cycling Skills | 13 JUNE Overnight stay at Marae | 14 JUNE | 15 JUNE |
| Week 8 | 18 JUNE | 19 JUNE WZ Hockey Y6 Open Evening @ 6.30pm | 20 JUNE Newsletter Home Today WZ Rugby 7's Y6 Open Evening @ 6.30pm | 21 JUNE | 22 JUNE |
| Week 9 | 25 JUNE | 26 JUNE | 27 JUNE | 28 JUNE BOT Meeting @ 6pm | 29 JUNE Mid Year Reports sent home with students |
| Week 10 | 2 JULY | 3 JULY | 4 JULY Newsletter Home Today 3 Way Learning Meetings from 3.15pm - 7.15pm | 5 JULY 3 Way Learning Meetings from 1.15pm - 5.45pm | 6 JULY TERM 2 ENDS |