

**Bruce McLaren
Intermediate**

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NEWSLETTER #7 - 25 MAY 2022

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

Another great week of learning is taking place at Bruce McLaren Intermediate School in Week 4, Term 2; CPF – ORANGE.

It is with much good luck and ongoing good management that our school has been able to remain open to learning - on site. Our staff and students take heed to being 'strongly encouraged' to wear masks in their learning spaces, sanitizing when entering and exiting leaning spaces and Pit Stop. We are hopeful to remain open, even when staff and students are required to self-isolate for their hauora and for the sake of their families and friends.

UNWELL STUDENTS:

Thank you to our parents and caregivers who have shown an amazing amount of support for our school by collecting your children if they are not faring well.

We are being overly cautious in our approach which keeps our community as safe as can be. The school is also happy to assist with RATs should you need to collect your child.

THANK YOU so much to parents and caregivers for keeping your child home if they are feeling unwell – you are awesome!

Should you be keeping your child home, please email the school or ring the school absence line so that we know your child is safe with you.

PINK SHIRT DAY:

Last week was certainly a week to remember with our first non-school uniform day – **PINK SHIRT DAY**. Thank you to everyone who took part in this event. Eliminating bullying is something we take very seriously at BMIS.

It was also **TechWeek22**, **Science Week** and continues to be **NZ Music Month**.

TERM 2 AT BMIS:

There is a feeling of an intermediate schooling rhythm returning after so much disruption with COVID-19 with so much happening.

Our **WZ Rugby Teams** have ventured off to Avondale Racecourse, **Water Polo** is underway, **Netball** at Te Pai is in full swing along, with other teams training for their events.

Our BMIS upcoming **Cross Country** event on Friday, 27 May at 12:00pm is seeing our students training. Parents/caregivers are welcome to come along and support – fingers are crossed for fine weather! This is one of the three whole school sporting fixtures.

Please ensure your child has a towel and bag for muddy shoes & PE uniform – just incase it rains.

Opportunities Days are proving to be an exciting focus while 'learning through fun'.

Next week is **Samoan Language Week**. Ola Finafinau (Room 10) will be hosting a So'otaga and leading us through may learning activities.

Week 5 is also time for **Boostrix immunizations** (Year 7) and **HPV1 immunizations** (Year 8). No student at BMIS will ever be vaccinated without parental consent. Thank you for completing the necessary forms for the WDHB.

STAFF ONLY DAY – REMINDER:

Please be reminded that on **Friday, 3 June, BMIS is CLOSED** to students. The school is implementing a Staff Only Day. Staff will be hard at work – this is part of the Primary Teachers Collective Agreement. Monday, 6 June is Queen's Birthday – national holiday. School is open on Tuesday, 7 June after the long weekend.

MID YEAR ASSESSMENTS:

Mid Year assessments are underway and the Mid Year data will support your child's Mid Year Report, which means it is that time of year again for Year 8 students to commence enrolments to secondary schools and Year 6 students being enrolled in an intermediate school.

BMIS looks forward to receiving the Year 6 – Year 7 enrolments for 2023 and supporting families with the transitions of Year 6 students to BMIS and our Year 8 students to their respective secondary schools.

Gosh, thinking about 2023 already! Time races by when you are having fun and that is our focus at BMIS – 'learning through fun'.

I hope that our school community has a positive fortnight ahead.

The weather is changeable – stay warm and dry.

Ngā mihi

Liz Wood
Principal – Tumuaki

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

• STAFF ONLY DAYS:

REMINDER: On Friday, 3 June BMIS will be closed for a Staff Only Day. The school will be closed to students. The school will also be closed on Monday, 6 June for Queen's Birthday (national public holiday).

NEXT: On Friday, 26 August, all staff will be attending a First Aid Course. This is a Staff Only Day as part of the Primary Teachers Collective Agreement. The school will be closed to students.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 SCHOOL COUNCILLORS!

Dexter Luatutu

Jordan Prebble

Austin Harold

Adrienne Sutton

Stella Fry

Austin Wheeler

Fred Luff

Penny Pamment

Gloriel Tona

Elijah Ah Mai

Mei Pou

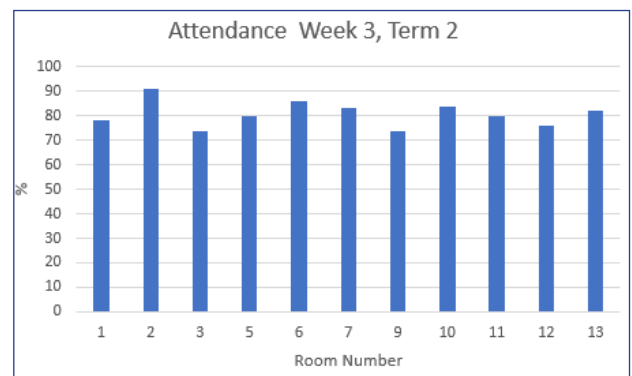
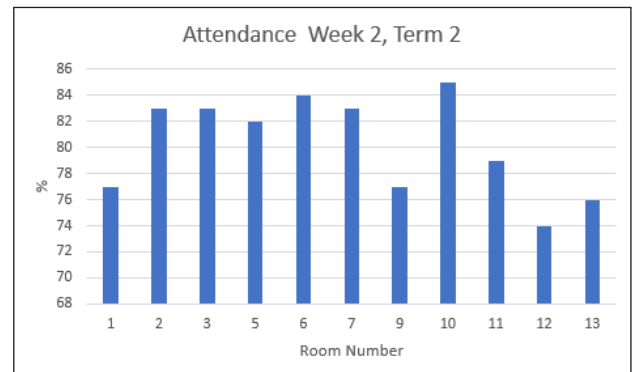
Charlotte McClennan

• MCLAREN AWARD WINNERS:

WEEK 3 AWARDS:

Shaan (Rm 3); **Zaurigh** (Rm 5); **Valerie** (Rm 13); **Henry** (Rm 7); **Jeremiah** (Rm 1); **Chelsea** (Rm 6)

• WEEK 3 ATTENDANCE



• EBULLYING EMAIL ADDRESS:

ebully@brucemclaren.school.nz

E = ELIMINATE and ELECTRONIC

As you know Bruce McLaren Intermediate takes 'bullying' very seriously. We have an e-bullying email address. Students and parents are able to access this by simply emailing from any email server. The email goes directly to Ms Ah Chong, Assistant Principal. She will action any ebully emails as soon as she receives them. Contact will also be made with the sender of the email. Often issues are discussed within the family home and out of school hours so this gives parents and students alike, an opportunity to deal with issues immediately.

• NEW ELECTRONIC SIGN:

The BMIS electronic sign is being upgraded after decades of use! There may be a period of time when this is not operational during the upgrade. Apologies for any inconvenience. Our website and Skool Loop house all information.

- ✓ Events
- ✓ Notices
- ✓ Instant school messages
- ✓ Book interviews
- ✓ Absentee
- ✓ Newsletters
- ✓ Permission Slips

Simple free download: In Google play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.