



# Bruce McLaren Intermediate School

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## NEWSLETTER #8

## 2 June 2021

*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,

Since the last newsletter, over the fortnight, much has taken place at Bruce McLaren Intermediate School – as does it every day and every week!

Celebrations and mahi are taking shape for NZ Music Month, Kapa Haka hosted a parent/whanau information evening– thank you to parents/whanau for your support, WZ Soccer teams for both boys and girls competed to a high standard at their respective competitions – it was great to have parents cheering our students, Year 8 Folauga commenced – a comprehensive, tailor-made transition programme for Yr8-Yr9, ARL Game Changers continues to mentor through fitness, Navi8 workshops are providing a fantastic 'growing' programme of which is being extremely well received by our students, iHubWest mentoring continues, Activ8 for classes is in full thrust, Te Ao Manaawa is expanding te reo and tikanga for all students, Netball at Te Pai is exceeding expectation, WaterPolo is developing exponentially, and teaching and learning of the core curriculum and key competencies continue to be our primary focus!

Our Week 4 concluded with one of our three corporate school events – Cross Country. The students were encouraged to 'better themselves' and give 100%. Congratulations to all students who did this. The weather held, the students cheered each other on, and their respective school whanau. The BMIS PE uniform looked amazing – worn with pride. Thank you to our parents and whanau who supported the event. Next year I am looking forward to seeing the parent/whanau Cross Country team! The elite Cross Country runners will represent BMIS at the upcoming WZ Cross Country competition.

This week, Week 5, marks the middle of the term and **NO SCHOOL ON FRIDAY 4th June, for students**. It also acknowledges Samoan Language week. On Monday, 31st May, BMIS students were invited to the Flag Raising Ceremony, treated to panikeke and cocorice as well as a host of songs, phrases and learning

resources provided to each class by our Samoan ILC class. The ceremony was a significant event for all of our Samoan teachers and students. It was fabulous to see them in action. Our Samoan ILC class is also involved in a so'otaga at Kowhai Intermediate School and Fale Lalaga at the Art Centre in Onehunga this week.

On Tuesday, 1st June, our teachers were involved in Mahi Ngatahi – a Kahui Ako initiative where all teachers from our seven schools (ODS, PPS, SPS, HSPS, HVPS, BMIS & HHS) upskill and connect over a raft of topics concerning education from Year 1 – 13. This is a powerful project that benefits everyone in our environments.

As the weather becomes inclement (often completely unpredictable in Auckland), please ensure that your child/ren is in our Term 2/3 Winter uniform – school shoes and socks, not sandals. Unisex school trousers are on sale at The Uniform Shop for our students, as are school fleecies and school jackets. Skin coloured tights maybe worn under culottes and the boiler has been fixed so heating is not an issue inside the classrooms. A raincoat, navy beanie, navy gloves and navy scarf tucked into the school bag is a great idea – worn to and from school; not at school.

Year 8 students should now know what secondary school they will be attending for 2022. If you have not already, please have this conversation and get your child enrolled ASAP. Waitakere College is visiting our Year 8 students on Tuesday, 8th June – as will other secondary schools over the course of the term.

While we are still in Alert Level 1 and wait for Covid vaccinations to roll out across the country, it is important to continue to maintain a high standard of hygiene – always. Please ensure that your child/ren is regularly washing hands, coughing and sneezing into elbows, staying at home if unwell and has an ingrained awareness and habit of keeping themselves safe. At BMIS we continue to sanitise, sanitise, sanitise and scan!

Important dates are outlined in the newsletter – please make sure that you have made a note of these and we look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events/meetings.

Have a safe and enjoyable Queen's Birthday Weekend.

Nga mihi

Liz Wood – Principal

## WZ GIRLS FOOTBALL:

On Tuesday, 25 May, 12 Year 7 and Year 8 girls respectively represented BMIS in the WZ Soccer tournament held at Parrs Park. All students braved the cold and windy day out and played their best, with a great show of resilience, positive energy and sportsmanship. A massive thanks as well to all students' whānau who were able to be present, encouraging and cheering on the girls through each round.



## WATERPOLO:

Last week BMIS played GEIS and won 10-3. Students all played exceptionally well for their second game together. Congratulations to all involved.

## NETBALL RESULTS:

### Wednesday, 19 May:

8A - Won both matches

8B - Lost their one match

7A - Lost their first game, won their second game

### Players of the Match:

8A - Petilisa Fisifau & Rosa Kelemete

8B - Losa Teauli

7A - Shakhya Aumoe & Loryannah Fautaga

### Wednesday, 26 May:

8A - Won 41-8 against Kelston Intermediate

8B - Won 12-9 against St Dominic's College

7A - Won 13-8 against Marina View

### Players of the Match:

8A - Malisi Ala Faio

8B - Paenuu Tepapauoatua

7A - Valencia Mafilao-Schaaf

Congratulations to all involved.



## SKOOL LOOP – BUS GROUP:

We have now set up a 'Bus' group on Skool Loop. If your child catches a Richies school bus to and/or from school, please subscribe to this group, so we are able to keep you updated quickly if there are any delays or issues with the buses.

## SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY:

Our school cross country was held last Friday, 28 May. Well done to our top runners!

### Year 7 Girls

**1st Place:** Maddie Walsh

**2nd Place:** Ruby Becroft

**3rd Place:** Monique Dehar-Webster

### Year 7 Boys

**1st Place:** Milo O'Brien

**2nd Place:** Zeke Pragert

**3rd Place:** Caleb Boyce

### Year 8 Girls

**1st Place:** Kyra Wallis

**2nd Place:** Naiah-Lee Whitefield

**3rd Place:** Saqqara Jones

### Year 8 Boys

**1st Place:** Fonteyne Dehar-Webster

**2nd Place:** Noah Officer

**3rd Place:** Maceo Thompson

## REPORT EVENING:

**Tuesday, 6 July from 3.30pm - 8.00pm and Thursday, 8 July from 1.30pm - 6.00pm**, BMIS will be hosting our Report Evening. This is a discussion with parents/caregivers, students and teachers as to how your child is progressing with their learning thus far in 2021.

**BOOKING INTERVIEWS:** Booking your interviews is easy! Just jump onto the SkoolLoop App and into the 'Interviews' option. From here you can enter your child's teacher and select your interview time.

**EARLY CLOSE:** To accommodate these 15 minute slots, **school will close at 1:00pm on Thursday, 8 July.** Tuesday, 6 July will be normal 3.00pm closing time.

**BUSES:** There will be NO school buses running on Thursday at 1.00pm. Only 'bus students' may be supervised in the Library until 3:00pm - please just let the office know if you need this to happen. Please have a safety plan for your child after 1:00pm on Thursday, 8 July.

We look forward to seeing as many parents/caregivers and students as possible.

## SECOND HAND UNIFORM:

BMIS has a small supply of assorted second hand uniform available. Students can try for size and then pay at the office or the item can be put aside to be paid online within two school days.

Boys socks & hats	\$5
Polo Shirt	\$10
Fleeces, culottes, shorts	\$20
Soft Shell Jackets	\$40

## WANTED – FLAT TINS:

If you eat these products in your family or any other product in a flat tin, students could make good use of the empty tins in our STEM programme. Please deliver clean to the office.



## BEST ATTENDANCE:

Well done to Room 6 for best attendance for Week 3 and Week 4. Well done to our new teacher, Mr Reed!

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS:

Well done to the following students who received a Principal's Award at assembly recently. Great work!

**Maddison (R1); Amber (R1); Stacey (R2); Chloe (R2); Laila (R3), Milo (R7); Zeke (R7); Charlotte (R9); Sang Sang (R9); Aalyiah (R10); Benedicta (R10); Austin (R11); Saqqara (R11), Rongoa (R13); Levi (R13); Daniel (R10); Paenuu (R3); Nathan (R9); Steven (R8); Elijah (R10); Faaolaina (R11), Leonidas (R11).**

## McLAREN AWARD:

Well done to the following students who received a McLaren Award at assembly recently. Great work!

**Niko (R8); Mercy (R7); Laila (R3); Melton (R12); Naz (R13), Luella (R9); Sorayah (R10); Leah (R8).**

## ROAD SAFETY WEEK:

Well done to the winners of the Road Safety Week Poster competition:

**1st Place:** Jordan Prebble

**2nd Place:** Daniorah Suisala

**3rd Place:** Ava-Leigh Brown

## • Y7 CAMP/Y8 OFFSITE EXPERIENCE:

Year 7 Camp permission forms and Parent Helper Forms can be found on our school website. Year 8 Experience info will be sent out shortly.

The cost for Year 7 Camp is \$300 per student, and the cost for the Year 8 Experience is \$270 (plus \$30 for Beach Ed).

We are again offering a '2 FOR 1' deal. If you have two siblings living in the same house, you will only need to pay \$300 for both to attend.

These costs can be paid in full, paid weekly, fortnightly, term by term - however is easiest for you! Full payment is due by Friday, 20 August.

Our bank account details are: Bruce McLaren Intermediate School, **12-3051-0471762-00** if you would like to start making payments towards any of these costs. Please use your child's name and what you are paying for as references.

## DIARY DATES FOR TERM 2:

4 June	Staff Only Day - no school for students
7 June	Queen's Birthday - no school
9 June	Folauga Meeting
10 June	Western Zone Cross Country
10 June	NetSafe Information Evening
14 June	Big Foot programme starts for Year 8s
17 June	Year 6 Information Evening
22 June	Western Zone Netball
23 June	Matariki Celebrations
24 June	BOT Meeting
6 July	Report Evening (3.30pm - 8.00pm)
8 July	Report Evening (1.30pm - 6.00pm)
8 July	Early School Close - 1.00pm
9 July	Term 2 Ends

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Your child can start a business in just three days this school holiday!** This is a call out for young Kiwis aged 7 to 15 years who want to make a positive change in the world through business and entrepreneurship!

In just 72 hours, your child will experience the highs, lows, love, and pressure that make up the ever changing world of business. They will meet the most amazing friends and mentors, along the way starting a business or social change movement.

View the Camp Schedule:  
[businesscamp.com.au/schedule/](https://businesscamp.com.au/schedule/)

In addition to 3 full days, your child will also get:

- A SUPER COOL "I started a business this week. What did you do?" Business Camp Tee
- One-on-one mentoring session BEFORE Business Camp to discuss their goals and aspirations
- An EXCLUSIVE invitation to our Young Entrepreneurs Community Pizza Party on Day 3 of the Business Camp

### Event Details:

Dates: 12 to 14 July 2021

Times: 9:00am to 4:00pm each day

Location: Cox's Bay Pavilion Hall

# Managing Online Safety Parent and Whanau Session Run by Netsafe

Thursday, 10 June 2021 6:30pm – 7:30pm  
Held in the Bruce McLaren Intermediate School Hall

## 1 Hour Presentation Including Q & A



### This session would look at:

- Harmful Digital Communications – what is it?  
How to recognise it as parents and as a young person?
- What practical steps can one take to reduce, prevent,  
and respond to online harm?
- Important conversation starters to have with your children about  
their technology use and how these can help reduce the risk.
  - Understanding the digital landscape  
– latest statistics on young people’s experiences online.
- Supporting families to understand that not all screen time is equal.  
Distinguishing between active and passive use.
- Community connections – how our interactions between young people,  
parents, teachers, and other professionals can provide guidance and support.

 [www.netsafe.org.nz](http://www.netsafe.org.nz)

### RSVP: MANAGING ONLINE SAFETY – PARENT & WHANAU SESSION

\_\_\_\_\_ We will be attending the Parent & Whanau Session \_\_\_\_\_ Number Attending

Student’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student’s School: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Caregiver Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please complete and return by Tuesday, 8th June 2021)*