

Bruce McLaren Intermediate School

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NEWSLETTER # 9

26 June 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

Here we are – having celebrated Matariki Bruce McLaren Intermediate School style. This signifies that we have only one full week left of the term and semester.

MATARIKI

Our celebration of Matariki was held at 6am on Tuesday, 25th June with students, whanau and staff. Karakia, star gazing, planting of Kumara, using poi, trying interactive games, speaking te reo, weaving with harakeke, making music, designing symbolic transfers, and jewellery making were all part of the morning before sharing in kai. Thank you to Ms Kempster for her organisation and Mrs Burgess and team of staff for making this a memorable event for all who participated in it.

MID YEAR REPORT EVENINGS

To reflect on the term that has been, has seen an array of learning opportunities - with the academic, sporting, social and emotional growth of our students. These learnings will be reflected in your child's Mid Year Report which has been posted home to you. Please bring along the report to the Mid Year Report Events and bring along your child. We look forward to seeing as many people at these events as possible. Bookings are done online or by phoning the school office. More information is in the newsletter.

TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

As we look ahead to term 3, and our Inquiry concept being Globalisation, it is worthy to note that much work has been completed by our teachers in the areas of curriculum professional development with PE & Health; GROWTH Coaching; Mathematics; Writing; and Digital Design using SeeSaw. Larger schools often opt for one or two areas of PLD but with a dynamic bunch at BMIS we have embraced it all. This will pay dividends and seriously benefit our students!

Thank you to parents and whanau and wider community who have supported our school thus far. The school is a richer place for all the parent/whanau input with transportation, providing opportunities on our Opportunity Day as well as supporting your child and your child's teacher.

With so much that has taken place and so much more to come, I wish everyone a safe and happy term break where we can all recharge for the term ahead.

Happy Holiday!

Nga mihi nui

Liz Wood - Principal

EARLY SCHOOL CLOSE:

Just a reminder that school will close early at 1.00pm on Thursday, 4th July to allow for our Mid Year Three Way Learning Conversations. Have you booked your interview yet? (Details on how to book on Page 3).

SCHOOL UNIFORM:

The School Uniform Centre have moved! They have relocated just across the road from where they were - the new address is: 588 Remuera Road, Remuera. Their website address is: <u>http://</u> schooluniformcentre.co.nz/catalogue/school/brucemclaren-intermediate/

It's the actual shop of the old "McLaren Motors'.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS:

Well done to the following students, who received Principal's Awards at assembly during Week 9:

Naailah Riaz (R5), Koha Mitchell (R5), Laythan Amos (R5), Maddison Williams (R5).

NEWSLETTERS:

Newsletters are emailed out to all of the email addresses for parents/caregivers on file. If you do not receive our emails, but would like to, you can subscribe on our school website: http://www.brucemclaren. school.nz/newsletters/ then 'Subscribe'.

MID YEAR REPORTS: Mid Year Reports have now been POSTED home.

NETBALL RESULTS:

<u>12th June:</u>

BMIS 7A vs St Dominic's	8-10
BMIS 7B vs Henderson Int.	5-6
BMIS 8A vs St Dominic's	35-13
BMIS 8B vs Hobsonville Point	24-7
Great playing teams - well done!	

OFF AT THE GATE:

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.

IMPORTANT INFO Y7 CAMP & Y8 EOTC:

Only 11 weeks to go!

We encourage families to start making payments towards Y7 Camp and Y8 EOTC now. These can be made at the school office (cash or EFTPOS) or via online banking: Bruce McLaren Intermediate School: **12-3051-0471762-00**

Please use your child's name and what you are paying for as references. It is expected that all students attend, unless there is a medical reason, in which case we require a doctors certificate.

MOBILE DENTAL CLINIC AT BMIS

The mobile dental clinic will be on our school grounds for Term 3. The clinic will be open and you are welcome to enrol your pre-school children.

Make a great connection with KidsLink

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The Auckland LEGO* User Group Presents

The Pomaria Primary School



Sunday June 30th, 10am to 4pm Pomaria School Hall, 33 Pomaria Rd, Henderson

Entry \$2 per person Eftpos available

See a huge range of displays by the Auckland LEGO User Group, including Star Wars, Friends, Castles, Thunderbirds, Space, Trains, & amazing original creations!

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Mid Year Three Way Learning Conversation

Wednesday, 3 July: 3:30 PM to 8:15 PM Thursday, 4 July: 1:15 PM to 5:45 PM

Each interview is 15 minutes long. Please ensure you arrive on time to each interview.

Booking your interviews:

The booking website is now open and will close Thursday, 4 July at 12:45 PM.

- 1. Go to <u>www.parentinterviews.co.nz</u>, enter the event code **QYU3ZMLJ** and click Go.
- 2. Enter your name, email address and the names of the students you wish to make bookings for.
- 3. Select the teachers you'd like to book by ticking the checkbox beside their name, and then click the Book Interviews button at the bottom of the page.
- 4. Using the timetable, click the Book button beside the time slot you'd like to book for the teacher. You'll be asked to confirm your booking.
- 5. Continue until you've booked all teachers.

Once you're finished, you can view your timetable by clicking My Interviews at the top of the page. You can also print a PDF timetable to take to your interviews.

Before your interviews, you'll receive an email reminder containing your timetable. If you need to cancel any interviews, you can do so by following the link in the email you received when you first signed up.

If you are unable to book online, call the school office on 836-3175 and we can book for you.

PLEASE NOTE THAT SCHOOL WILL CLOSE EARLY AT 1:00pm ON THURSDAY, 4th JULY 2019 TO ALLOW FOR THE MEETING.

RETURN SLIP - EARLY SCHOOL CLOSE

School will be closing at 1.00pm on Thursday, 4 July. The buses will run at usual time after school. If your child needs to wait for a school bus, they can be supervised in the Library until 3.00pm. Please complete the slip below and return it to school no later than Tuesday, 2 July 2019.

My child,, from Rm will b	pe remaining at school until 3.00pm on Thursday, 4 July 2019.
Parent/Caregiver's Name:	
Signed:	
Contact #:	
NEWSLETTER #9, 2019	Please complete & return slip to the office.
I have read the newsletter and discussed it with my chi	ld.
Child's Name:	Room:
Parent/Caregiver's Name:	Signed:

SAFETY AROUND SCHOOL

TRAVELWISE

As a TravelWise school, BMIS takes safety of its students seriously.

This morning, over 60 vehicles (they were counted) used the school Bus Bay for drop off. The weather was perfect - not wet, clear visibility. We encourage our parents/ whanau to drop your child 400m or more from school to then, if required, cross at the Pedestrian Crossing that is operated twice daily from 8:10am - 8:30am and 3:00pm - 3:15pm to ensure the safety of your child/ren - our students.

PARKING

The Bus Bay is not for parking in.

Use the few carparks provided or meet your child 400m or more away from the school. Devise a Safety Plan with your child as to where they can meet you. If you must pick them up in a private vehicle please consider the safety of your child and the children of others and **DO NOT PARK IN THE BUS BAY - AT ANY TIME**.

AUCKLAND TRANSPORT:

The following information comes from AUCKLAND TRANSPORT.

SCHOOL SPEED ZONES:

Speed around schools is a major public health and road safety issue. The faster you go the less time you have to react and the longer it takes to stop.

Children are most at risk, especially in the morning and afternoon when they're walking and cycling to and from school.

Pedestrian casualties (deaths, serious and minor injuries) occur the most at school peak times (7am - 9am and 2pm - 4pm).

Source – New Zealand Transport Agency Crash Analysis System (CAS)

A school speed zone is selected using NZ Transport Agency criteria.

A school speed zone slows traffic and increases driver awareness of the presence of children. This helps to reduce the risk of crashes around schools.

School speed zones are in force throughout Auckland with a 40km/h speed limit in operation on school days. The operate at least 35 minutes before the start of school and 20 minutes at the end of the school day. They begin no earlier than 5 minutes before the end of the school day.

The speed limit will also apply for 10 minutes at any other time when at least 50

children cross the road, or enter or leave vehicles at the roadside. Appropriate signs mark the beginning and end of the area where the speed limit operates.

SCHOOL CROSSING PATROLS:

Pedestrian Crossings:

- School patrols operate twice daily to ensure that school children get to and from school safely.
- As motorists you must stop if one or both signs are extended onto the road.
- As pedestrians you should obey the commands of the patrols.

SAFETY AT THE SCHOOL GATE:

We understand that the traffic congestion outside schools in the morning and afternoon peak times is very frustrating. Not only that, but illegal parking puts our children at risk.

Auckland Transport runs a Safety at the School Gate programme with individual schools in Auckland.

The Safety at the School Gate programme aims to support a safer environment for students, staff and parents traveling to and from school. This programme provides dedicated parking enforcement that occurs randomly during the school term.

SAFETY AROUND TRAINS, STATIONS & TRACKS:

Every year people are injured in preventable incidents. Here are some tips to keep you safe around trains, stations, level crossings and tracks. Stay alert, to stay safe.

Remove your headphones, remove your risk:

- Every time you're near railway tracks, be alert. Trains can come at any time, from any direction.
- Remove your headphones and always look both ways for trains before crossing the tracks.
- Electric trains are operating on Auckland's rail network. Watch our video for some quick safety tips around the electric trains:

SAFETY - AT CROSSINGS:

- Always use formed pedestrian crossings or keep on the footpath at road level crossings.
- Wait for alarm bells and flashing lights to stop before crossing. There may be more than one train. Kids at a level crossing waiting for the train to pass
- Always stop and look both ways, up and down the track.
- If a train has passed, always check that a train is not coming in the opposite direction. Two tracks means there might be a second train.
- Never walk down the tracks it is dangerous and illegal with a maximum fine of \$10,000.
- Never walk on railway bridges or in railway tunnels there is only enough space for trains.
- Not all trains (eg, freight and trains not in service) stop at every station. A fast train creates a vacuum which can suck you in if you are too close. Stand 5 metres back from the tracks.

With modern technology it may be hard to hear trains approaching:

Always remove headphones playing music from your iPod, mp3 player or mobile phone when crossing railway tracks. Never talk or text on a mobile phone while around railway tracks.

SAFETY - AT STATION:

- Stay behind the marked yellow/white platform edge lines whilst waiting on the platforms.
- Avoid running at stations, especially in wet weather.
- Keep your belongings with you at all times.

Catching the Train:

- Always use paths, overpasses and official pedestrian crossings to enter and leave a station or changing from one platform to another.
- Only step over the yellow safety line when the train has stopped.
- Never try to catch a moving train.
- Allow passengers to disembark first before boarding the train.
- When boarding the train, mind the gap between the train and the platform.
- When the warning signal sounds to alert that the doors will be closing, ensure you keep clear and do not obstruct the doors.