



BALMACEWEN
INTERMEDIATE

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WELCOME

Welcome back! We are all set to embark on another school year. A special welcome to all new students and families to Balmacewen Intermediate. We have one staffing change this year and welcome Miss Penny Oliver who will teach a Year 8 class.

The start of the year is always an exciting time when students renew friendships and settle back into school life. Our early focus is to get everyone settled and feeling comfortable in their new environment.

We're here to help! It's important that communication between home and school starts early and I invite you to our '**Meet the Teacher**' evening on **Wednesday 9th February from 6.30 -7.30 p.m.** It's a great chance to meet your child's teacher and other parents.

I encourage all parents and caregivers to take an active role in our school and look forward to working with you throughout the year.

Kind Regards

Andrew Hunter

MEET THE TEACHER EVENING

You are warmly invited to a 'Meet the Teacher Evening', Wednesday 9th February 6.30 - 7.30 p.m. (meet in the Hall) this will provide you with an opportunity to discuss learning programmes, and to ask questions.

A Year 8 Camp Meeting for all parents will follow at 8pm in the school hall.

SCHOOL STATIONERY

This year we have organised a stationery pack for both Year 7 (\$35.00) and Year 8 (\$32.00) students.

P.E. T shirts are also available for \$35.00. Due to manufacturing of the T Shirts there has been a delay. We will take orders with payment and distribute T shirts when they arrive. We apologise for the inconvenience.

Canterbury shorts are available for \$30.00 in smaller sizes.

Balmacewen Jackets are available for \$80.00 from the school office.

Stationery purchases can be made throughout the year from the canteen.

Please complete the slip on the following page and return with your payment.

SCHOOL DONATION

A donation of **\$80.00** is sought to contribute to the payment of materials for technology, and for resources associated with class learning activities. The Resource Donation can be paid in full or by instalments (\$20.00 per term). Please send payment to the school

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office. A receipt for tax purposes will be issued later.

SWIMMING

Swimming starts soon and you should have received a separate newsletter. The cost for this is \$13.20 and can be paid with the other start of year costs.

Alternatively it can be paid individually at \$3.30 per session. The school swimming sports is on Friday 11th March.

UP COMING EVENTS

Feb 3 - Stationery issued
Feb 9 - Meet the Teacher evening
Feb 21 - Room 6 at Art Gallery
Feb 22 - Room 23 at Art Gallery
Feb 22 - Room 9 at Art Gallery
Feb 23 - Room 14 at Art Gallery
Feb 23 - Room 4 at Art Gallery
Feb 28 - Room 25 at Art Gallery
Mar 1 - Room 2 at Art Gallery
Mar 2 - Room 13 at Art Gallery
Mar 2 - Room 8 at Art Gallery
Feb 21-23 - Room 10 and 11 at camp
Feb 23-25 - Room 1 and 7 at camp
Feb 28-2 Mar - Room 5 and 26 at camp
Mar 2- 4 - Room 3 and 24 at camp

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SINFONIA ACADEMY

Sinfonia Academy provides an orchestral experience for children who play their instrument at a grade 3 - 6 level. The academy has a string section and a

woodwind & brass section. The sections play both together and separately. It will meet on Thursday evenings between 7 and 8.30pm for school terms 2 and 3, with an initial meeting on Thursday 7th April. For further information, or to book a place, contact sandy@garner.net.nz or phone 4822 764 (Anthony Ritchie and Sandy Garner).

SOUTHERN CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Southern Children's Choir for young people aged 8 to 18 who love to sing (boys with unbroken voices). The choir will be directed initially by Anthony Ritchie and meets at Marama Hall, University of Otago, on Wednesday evenings from 7pm until 8.15pm. Auditions for new members will be held on February 9th. For further information, or to book an audition, contact sandy@garner.net.nz or phone 4822 764 (Anthony Ritchie and Sandy Garner).

NEWSLETTERS

In an effort to save money and the environment Balmacewen Intermediate would encourage all parents to receive the monthly newsletter via email.

An email was sent to all parents on Friday the 28th of January. If you didn't receive this email and would prefer to get newsletters and other important information via email then please fill out the form on the next page and return to your class teacher.

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RETURN SLIPS

Name _____

Room _____

Email address. _____

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	Year Seven	Year Eight
Stationery	\$35	\$32
PE T Shirt	\$35	\$35
Resource Donation	\$80	\$80
Swimming	\$13.20	\$13.20
Total	\$ _____	\$ _____

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