

The Berkeley Institute "Weekly Times"

Week of 13th November, 2023

Our Mission Statement

"The mission of The Berkeley Institute, a diverse senior school with a rich heritage and tradition of excellence, is to ensure a stimulating learning environment that prepares all of its students to lead full and purposeful lives and to assume leadership roles in both the local and global communities." Revised April, 2019



Life-long Learners:
Teachers during PD on Friday, 10th November, 2023

Principal's Corner:

Good day Berkeley Family,

Welcome back to campus after a long holiday weekend. I trust you enjoyed the time away to rest and fellowship with family and friends. We also paid tribute to our veterans as they were honored, remembered and celebrated on Veterans Day.

As you are aware, effective last week, as explained at PTSA Meeting last Monday evening and sent in writing on Tuesday, students are not allowed to bring any candies, gummies or baked goods, including homemade popcorn on campus. As discussed with parents, if they send their child to school with baked goods, we will simply make a call to confirm. There has been no wastage or taking of items other than candy, gummies and a few bags of popcorn to date. Also, some students returned after school to collect their candy, which can no longer be eaten at school. We thank our students for adhering to the new policy and further, for self-reporting irregularities on campus since this matter was brought to light.

Acting Leadership Positions

We continue to keep Deputy Paynter in our thoughts and prayers during his extended medical leave. The following persons will now be assisting the Admin Team in Deputy Paynter's absence:

- Ms. Tanya Parris- Acting Deputy Principal (S3) (email- tparris@berkeley.bm)
- Mr. Locksley Myers- Acting S3 Year Head (lmyers@berkeley.bm)
- Principal Douglas will now be attached to the S4 Year group

Principal Leave

Principal Douglas will be on Personal Leave from Friday, December 1, 2023 until Friday, December 8, 2023. As such, the following Deputy Principals will be Acting Principal and should be contacted accordingly in Principal Douglas' absence:

- Friday, Monday & Tuesday, Dec. 1st, 4th and 5th- Deputy Tiannia Symonds (tsymonds@berkeley.bm)
- Wednesday, Thursday & Friday Dec. 6th, 7th and 8th- Deputy Kali Douglas(douglas.kali@berkeley.bm)

Please be mindful that Quarter 1 grades are DUE tomorrow! Have a great day and a wonderful short week ahead.

The Berkeley Institute

Hours of Operation

Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Student Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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The Week at a Glance

❖ Tuesday, 14th November, 2023

- S2 Principal-Led Assembly- 11:38 a.m. Cafetorium
- S3/S4 Principal-Led Assembly- 12:25 p.m. Cafetorium
- 2023 BUEI Youth Climate Summit Virtual Sessions- 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Library
- Distribution of prize-giving invitations (**recipients are required to wear FULL winter uniform, blazer and crest included, for the ceremony**)
- Year Head Meeting- 3:45 p.m.
- Expressions of Interest Submissions- End of day **TODAY**

❖ Wednesday, 15th November, 2023

- 'Tea with the Principal'- Year Level Prefects- 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
- 2023 BUEI Youth Climate Summit Virtual Sessions- 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Library
- Year Level Prefects- Leadership Training- 1:20 p.m. Cafetorium
- Quarter 1 Grading Deadline- 4:00 p.m.

❖ Thursday, 16th November, 2023

- Tech Day 2023 (selected students)- Pier 6
- Sister Act Auditions- Drama room (Advisory)

❖ Friday, 17th November, 2023

- \$3 School Grub Day (No theme) ALL Grub Day rules apply
- Sister Act Auditions- Cafetorium (Lunch)



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Do you want to be a part of Redesigning Public Education in Bermuda?

We are looking for enthusiastic, committed and ambitious educators and community members to be part of a talented School Transformation Team (STT)

The team will be responsible for supporting the unique Bermudian-led process for redesigning signature schools and parish primary schools that will form Bermuda's transformed public school system.

Want to get involved?

Complete an expression of interest form:
Educator EOI http://bit.ly/Educator_EOI_2023
Non-educator EOI https://bit.ly/Non_Educator_EOI
ALL SUBMISSIONS ARE DUE BY NOV. 10th

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Around Campus: Berkeley Pictures of the Week



From left to right:

1. Berkeley Girls' Football Team- High School Girls Six-a-Side Champions!
2. Tayla Bean (S3 Champion) - Selected by Youth Parliament to represent Bermuda locally and overseas!
3. Leadership Training- S2 potential year level prefects discussing their answers during last Wednesday's training session.

Respite Finem! Keep the End In View!

Tanya V. Parris
Acting Deputy Principal
Editor