

The Berkeley Institute "Weekly Times"

Week of September 13th, 2021

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

Breaking Bread Before Business



Principal's Corner:

Good day Parents and Guardians, thank you for being patient as we waited to officially update you with regards to whether or not we would be returning to campus on **Monday, September 13, 2021**, or engaging in Remote Learning. It has been decided that all Government Preschools, Dame Marjorie Bean Hope Academy and Success Academy will open for in-person learning. **All other public schools, including The Berkeley Institute, will continue with Remote Learning until further notice.** As of **Monday, September 13, 2021**, all classes will be held via ZOOM

commencing **8:30 a.m.** until further notice. Teachers will send an email directly to all of their classes outlining their ZOOM codes/passwords, the days/times of the classes and any other specific expectations for students, if they already haven't done so. All correspondence to students with reference to expectations for their classes will be sent to their Berkeley email accounts. Students **MUST** check their Berkeley email accounts every day for any updates. If any student is unable to Zoom

due to sickness or otherwise during Remote Learning, please be sure to adhere to proper protocol by alerting our Attendance Clerk, Ms. Miranda Ming, (**292-4752 ext. 3357** and miming@berkeley.bm). Please also include a member of the student's Year-level team in any correspondence due to absence from Remote Learning so that support can be provided.

The Berkeley Institute's New Staff Members

We are delighted to introduce the following new staff of The Berkeley Institute:

- ❖ Mr. Dennis Ball Jr. – Mathematics Department
- ❖ Ms. Dee-Ah Iris – Mathematics Department
- ❖ Mrs. Trevell Bell-Lindo – Science Department
- ❖ Ms. Jaget Gordon – Science Department
- ❖ Ms. T'Neil Dickinson – Student Services Department
- ❖ Ms. De'Shae Edness – Student Services Department
- ❖ Mrs. Sharon Hou – Learning Support Department
- ❖ Mr. Linton Miller – Social Studies Department
- ❖ Ms. Quin-sae Smith – English Department
- ❖ Ms. Mesha Walker – English Department



- ❖ Mrs. Roberta Talbot – Office Manager

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#SittingOnTheDockOfTheBay



#OverseasConnection



On Tuesday, September 7th, 2021, the entire staff of The Berkeley Institute was treated to breakfast at the White Horse Pub & Restaurant in St. Georges. The administrative team welcomed staff at the door as teachers, counselors, support staff, and facilities members poured into the restaurant to fellowship after a long summer. Principal Douglas officially welcomed everyone before Deputy Paynter blessed the food. Teachers absolutely loved the feeling of arriving back to business with a thoughtful breakfast treat. Encouragement sweetens labor. The staff appreciation breakfast was a token of gratitude to our extraordinary educators at The Berkeley Institute who work tirelessly with students and families to keep things moving forward despite such an unpredictable year. Our staff change the lives of hundreds of children every day. In a year where instruction could be virtual, in person, or a mix of both, their immense work and impact have provided a much-needed sense of community and connection. Despite the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, the staff at The Berkeley Institute are working hard to ensure that every student has the tools they need to reach their full potential. The breakfast was a festive way of honoring staff and recognizing the lasting contributions they make to our lives. Our staff play a critical role of shaping our children, the future leaders of our country. On behalf of The Berkeley Institute family, I wish to thank Dennie O'Connor and his staff at White Horse Pub & Restaurant for facilitating a memorable breakfast.



#JustWhatTheDoctorOrdered



#KingsCourt



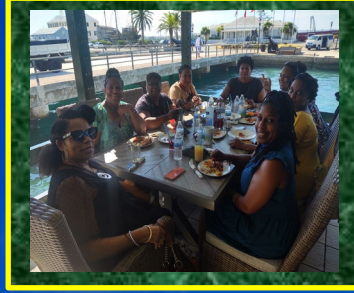
Staff Appreciation: White Horse Pub & Restaurant



#Food&Fellowship



#GreysonsAngels



#SuperSupportStaff



#StaffAppreciation



#ServiceWithASmile



#RecognizingContributions



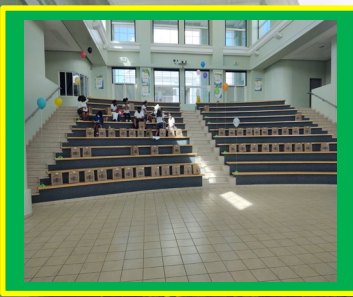
#HonoringStaff



#Camara&Frederick



The Berkeley Institute Welcomes the Class of 2025



On Monday, August 30th, 2021, Principal Douglas and her S1 team facilitated an orientation for incoming S1 students. Students of the Class of 2025 were registered in the Lower Atrium then introduced to their new S1 Year Head, Ms. Tenisha Dill, and advisors. Provisional Prefects were on hand to assist with the initiative. The incoming S1 students participated in a number of advisory activities including a scavenger hunt. The Class of 2025 collected school supplies like: school ties, crests, gym uniforms, and year level tee shirts. The Berkeley Institute's provisional Prefects took S1 advisory groups on tours of the school facility. The students visited all of their classes after collecting and reviewing their class schedules in advisory. The incoming S1 students had a break for lunch whereupon they had an opportunity to fraternize with peers from different advisory groups. Kudos to the S1 Team for facilitating a welcoming orientation! It was a long day, but a great day was had by all!



#SchoolReady

#AdvisoryActivity



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.

School Telephone Number: (441) 292-4752
Attendance Clerk's Direct Number: (441) 294-0357
Fax Number: (441) 295-5646

Athletics: Concacaf Women's U-20 Championship Qualifying



The Week at a Glance

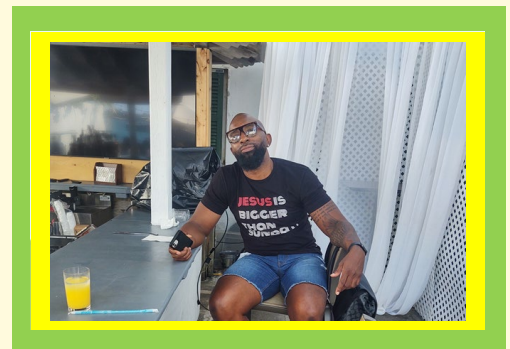
- ❖ Monday, 13th September, 2021
 - **First Day of Remote Zoom Lessons**
– no students on campus
- ❖ Monday, 20th September, 2021
 - **Student Council Campaign Week**

Saliva Screening Programme

Parents/guardians are encouraged to give consent for their child/ren to participate in the Saliva Screening Programme as another safety measure for schools. We sincerely thank those parents who have signed up. Moreover, we encourage those who haven't signed up yet to do so.

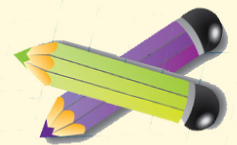
Bermuda's Women's U-20 National Football Team crushed the US Virgin Islands by a score of 5-0 in their opening match of the Women's Concacaf Qualifying Tournament at the Ergilio Stadium in Curacao. Berkeley's own Jahni Simmons grabbed a brace while fellow Berkeleyites and teammates, Jahde Simmons, Sarai Richardson, Terrinae Trott and K'Xiyae Gibbons looked on. Congratulations to our Lady Gombey Warriors!

Berkeley Pictures of the Week



From left to right:

1. Mathematical Minds: Mr. Greaves and Mr. Ball Jr. have a conversation in the shade.
2. Provisional Prefect Break: potential Prefects take a break in a conference room of the administrative office for lunch.
3. Musical Mind: Mr. Washington catches a moment to himself at White Horse.



Respite Finem! Keep the End In View!

Quincy Paynter
Deputy Principal
Editor