

The Berkeley Institute "Weekly Times"

Week of 11th December, 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



Berkeley Pride:
Our footballers (over-16) defeated Mount Saint Agnes in Saturday's game!

Principal's Corner:

Good day Berkeley Family,

Happy last week of school for the first term! It is so unbelievable how fast time has gone by...

As we approach the final stretch before the much-awaited holiday break, let's wrap up this term on a high note! It has been a journey filled with hard work, challenges, growth and wonderful memories, and we are nearing the season to relax and recharge.

To our Students: Overall, you have shown incredible resilience and dedication in your studies and activities. Finish strong, tie up loose ends, and take pride in all you have accomplished. Your efforts are commendable as seen in our recent Honour Roll celebrations and on the field!

To our Faculty & Staff: Your guidance, support, and unwavering commitment continue to shape an inspiring and stimulating learning environment. Thank you for your tireless efforts in guiding and nurturing our students.

To our Parents and Guardians: Your support and partnership are invaluable. Thank you for entrusting us with your children's education. Your involvement and support enrich our school community immensely.

Staff and students, let's cherish this last week together here on campus. Embrace the festive spirit around us, participate in all activities, share warmth, kindness, and laughter with one another. Let's continue to create memories that will linger long after our hallowed halls are quiet.

Looking Ahead: See activities for this week- S4 Quarter 1 Honour Roll (**Tues.12th @ 11:45 a.m.**), Mid-Quarter 2 Grades are Due (**Wed.13th**), Winter Concert- \$10 (**Wed. 13th@ 6:00 p.m.**), Free Pajama Grub Day coupled with Movies, Cocoa & Advisory Activities (**Thurs.14th**), all confiscated items returned to students (**Thurs.14th after 1:00 p.m.**) and End of Term Charity Walk (**Fri.15th**).

January 2024- Students and staff return to school on **Tuesday, January 2, 2024.**

Save the Date: Our next **PTSA Meeting** is scheduled for **Monday, January 8, 2024** at **5:30 p.m.** in the Cafetorium.

Wishing everyone a joyous and rejuvenating holiday season ahead, as well as a wonderful week! May this break bring you moments of peace, happiness, and cherished time with loved ones.

Holiday Events and Activities

HOLIDAY DOOR DECORATING
Competition

MUST INCLUDE:
-ADVISORY NAME
-NAMES OF ADVISEES
-A HOLIDAY THEME

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 11TH
JUDGING: DEC 12TH

HOLIDAY RAP COMPETITION

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

SUBMISSIONS DUE: DEC 11TH

- Holiday Themed
- Any Song/Beat
- Must Record a Video

VOTING: DEC 14TH

THE BERKELEY INSTITUTE
ARTS DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

HOLIDAY CONCERT

THE BERKELEY INSTITUTE CAFETERIUM
TICKETS: \$10
AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

13 DECEMBER
6:00 PM

HOLIDAY PJS GRUB DAY *ALL GRUB DAY RULES APPLY*

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2023

P4 (8:30 a.m. - 10:01 a.m.)
P2 (10:04 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.)
P1 (11:38 a.m. - 1:09 p.m.)
LUNCH (1:09 p.m. - 1:56 p.m.)
P3 (ADVISORY) 1:59 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

END THE TERM
SIPPING HOT COCOA. IN COZY PAJAMAS. WATCHING MOVIES. NO DRAMA

ADVISORIES CAN BEGIN CELEBRATIONS DURING LUNCH! (OPTIONAL)

ANNUAL CHARITY WALK 2023

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 2023

LEAVING FROM

WEST END:
WARWICK POST OFFICE @ 9:00 A.M.

EAST END:
BAMZ PARKING LOT @ 9:00 A.M.

'Tis The Season...



Deputies Douglas and Symonds showcasing their festive attire



Student Council Representatives, Tamara Dean and Isabella Swan, collecting cans for charity



S4 Prefects spreading some holiday cheer



S3 student, Nadhira Durham, cheerfully giving to charity



Students dressed in their festive attire for last week's Holiday Grub Day

The Battle Begins!

MEET THE GOLD TEAM



Jonah Trott – House Captain



Arianna Stoneham – House Captain



Isaiah Francis
Vice-Captain



Anisa Seon
Vice-Captain



Miguel Falcao
Vice-Captain



Breynia Darrell
Vice-Captain

MEET THE GREEN TEAM



Seer Carey – House Captain



I'Aura Golding – House Captain



Jadon Simmons
Vice-Captain



A'Maya DeRosa
Vice-Captain



Isaiah Fraser
Vice-Captain



Chiaje Rudo
Vice-Captain

The Berkeley Institute

Hours of Operation

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The Week at a Glance

- ❖ **Monday, 11th December, 2023**
 - S2/S3 Combined Assembly- 10:04 a.m. (**Cafetorium**)
 - S1 Assembly- 10:25 a.m. (**Cafetorium**)
 - ITL Team Meeting- 3:45 p.m. (**Staff Lounge**)
- ❖ **Tuesday, 12th December, 2023**
 - S4 Honour Roll Assembly-11:45 a.m. (**Cafetorium**)
 - Leadership Training (Prefects)- 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.-**Library**
 - Year Head Meeting- 3:45 p.m. (**C337**)
- ❖ **Wednesday, 13th December, 2023**
 - 'Tea with the Principal'- Student Council- 8:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m.
 - Leadership Training (Year Level Prefects)- 1:20 p.m.-**Library**
 - Mid-Quarter 2- Grading Deadline
 - Holiday Door Decorating Competition- **Judging Day**
 - Winter Concert- 6:00 p.m. \$10 (**Cafetorium**)
- ❖ **Thursday, 14th December, 2023**
 - Advisory Day (pajamas, cocoa and movies)- Adjusted Schedule
- ❖ **Friday, 15th December, 2023**
 - Berkeley End of Term Charity Walk
 - **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!** 😊

Looking Ahead

- ❖ **Tuesday, 02nd January, 2024**
 - Students and Staff return to school



Boys Who Read!

S2 boys, who read daily in the library, were in attendance at last Friday's Tea 'N' Tales event with presenters, Hon. Wayne Caines and Mr. Dwayne

Around Campus: Berkeley Pictures of the Week



From left to right:

1. Welcome and Introduction- Mrs. Brown-Dixon introducing the guest presenters, Hon. Wayne Caines and Mr. Dwayne Caines, at last Friday's Tea 'n' Tales event
2. Sponsorship Secured- Math ITL and Facilitator of Young Coders Engineering Club, Troy King, has secured funding from Ark Bermuda for the Club- <https://www.royalgazette.com/education/news/article/20231208/ark-bermuda-sponsors-coding->
3. College Bound – S4 Prefects and Peer Forward Leaders received early acceptance letters from Nazareth University

Respite Finem! Keep the End In View!

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(Acting Deputy Principal)
Editor