The Warrior Times

Bishop Michael Eldon School's Newsletter

"Getting the word out about the school of choice in the north."

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Bishop Michael Eldon March 1st marked the beginning of Lent with the Ash Wednesday Service. This year, warriors were honored to have Bishop Gilbert Thompson in attendance. He reminded warriors young and old, that taking time out during this somber time to treat others with respect is paramount. He also

encouraged persons to check themselves before giving advice to others. He did this by referencing Matthew 7 vs 5: First remove the beam out of your own eye, and then you can see clearly to remove the speck out of your brother's eye. Bishop Gilbert was joined by Reverend Marie Roach-Hepburn of Christ the King. Lent is a season of the Christian Year when Christians focus on simple living, prayer, and fasting in order to grow closer to God. We recognize life as a precious gift from God, and return our lives towards Jesus Christ. We may make resolutions and commit to change our lives over the next forty days so that we might be more like Christ.

Lenten Season Begins at Bishop Michael

For Life

Warriors

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Bishop Michael Eldon Students Honored for Excellent



BGCSE Standouts: Amor Ferguson, D'Ajonae Jayawardana, and Kiara Williams

External Exams Results

Several students were honored for their superior BGCSE and BJC results from the 2015-2016 school year. Amor Ferguson received the subject award for Art and Design, D'Ajonae Jayawardana received the award for the highest BGCSE results on the island of Grand Bahama, and Kiara Williams received the subject award for Accounts. Congratulations to not only them for their great accomplishment but to their teachers Mr. Randy Bentinck, art teacher, and Ms. Karen Dyall, accounts teacher, and Religion teachers Mr. Adrian Bethel and Mr. Cory Adderley.



BJC Standouts: Jaiden Outten, Kristen Martin, Chavette Harvey, Savana Gibson, Ebony Kelly, and Serena Seymour

"Live the life of your dreams. When you start living the life of your dreams, there will always be obstacles, doubters, mistakes and setbacks along the way. But with hard work, perseverance and self-belief there is no limit to what you can achieve."

– <u>Roy T. Bennett</u>

KEEP CALM your school COUNSELOR CAN HELP

The Importance of a Good Work Ethic in School and Life

Your good work ethic tells future employers what they might expect from you on the job. But did you know it can also set you up for success? A good work ethic can be the determining factor in just how well you'll do in school –and in life.

Here are five components to a good work ethic and just why they're so important to you and your future:

- <u>Attendance and punctuality</u>: Whether in school or work, you learn and accomplish most when you show up, on time and prepared. You can't learn if you're not there! And when you come late, it's unlikely that you're really ready to do your best work. Good attendance and punctuality are two important pieces of a good work ethic –and they're easily addressed and accomplished.
- **Goal Setting**: Before you can accomplish your goals, you need to know what they are. People with good work ethics are goal-oriented and dedicated to achieving the success they envision. They understand that there are many steps to success and they're willing to take them all.
- **Hard work**: At the foundation of a good work ethic is a whole lot of hard work. In school, it may mean staying after for extra help from your instructor or fine-tuning your assignments to reach perfection. At work, you may want to come in a little early or stay late so you do the best job you can.
- **Positive Attitude**: Your positive attitude can set you apart from your peers –and it can be infectious, spilling over to other employees and making you welcome on any work project. Approaching every task—big and small—with a good attitude shows that you're a team player dedicated to not just your own success, but also to the success of your company.
- <u>Accomplishment</u>: The more you accomplish, the more likely you will be the person chosen for further advancement. Your good work ethic is likely to be recognized, acknowledged and rewarded and can serve as a building block to you future success.



"...If you work hard enough and assert yourself, and use your mind and imagination, you can shape the world to your desires.

– <u>Malcolm Gladwell</u>

Water facts for kids

When we are born water makes up about 75% of our body weight. Water makes up about 60% of the body weight of older children and adults. Water is constantly being lost from our body (when we go to the toilet, when we breathe, when we sweat, so if we don't drink enough we become dehydrated.

Water helps our body in many ways:

- It carries nutrients to cells;
- It helps to remove waste products from our major organs;
- It helps us to control our body temperature.

Water is found in all drinks and also in food. For example water is in orange juice and milk; it is also in fruits and vegetables. It is even in cheese! People can survive for up to 50 days without food but only a few days without drinking water.

Top tips for keeping kids healthily hydrated

Children should aim to hydrate with plain, natural drinks that are unsweetened and free from additives. Starting in the morning with their breakfast, kids should aim to have 6-8 drinks per day, which should ideally be water, milk, fruit juice/vegetable juices. Children taking part in sports or exposed to warm weather need to replenish the lost fluids by drinking more water. Research suggests adequately hydrated children may perform better in school. Repeated tastings of water may help kids to develop a taste for water. To make it more fun you could add ice, a slice of lemon or a curly straw.





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Warriors Celebrate a Day of Love With a Picnic



It was a sea of love this past Valentine's Day. Parents, grand parents, uncles, aunts, godparents and the like had lunch with their children. The Valentine's Day Picnic is an annual event, where families bond and show how much they really love one another. The occasion is not only anticipated by the students, but more so by the parents. Love is a beautiful thing and warriors know just how to do it right!

Warriors Love to Read!

For the entire month of February, every class in the primary school were able to visit the Sir Charles Hayward Library and experience the joy of books. Students were encouraged to join the library and were reminded that learning takes place through books. All the classes had a wonderful time and checked out a

lot of books. Congratulations Mrs. Knowles. You are doing a wonderful job as the school's librarian.





March Calendar of Events

March 01 Ash Wednesday- Full Mass March 02-03 Science for Everyone @BMES Mar 2-4 Northern Bahamas Basketball March 07 PTA Meeting March 07 National Arts Festival Begins March 09 1S Assembly March 09-11 National Track Championships March 10 End of Term 2 March 11 SAT March 12 Daylight Savings Time March 13 Commonwealth Day March 14 Staff Meeting March 15 Exports Grades for Term 2 March 16 1B Assembly March 17-18 World Relays Test Event March 17 St Patrick Day Dress Up PD March 22 Grades 1 & 2 Coffee Hour March 22 - 24 Grade 6 Nassau & Cat Is. Trip March 27 - 28 Grade 4 Abaco Trip March 29 - 31 Grade 5 Exuma Trip

BMES' Eco Code:

Becoming more environmentally sound so Warrior Land could be the best school in town.



Bringing Awareness to Plastic Pollution



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Are we protecting our beaches so that both tourists and future generations can enjoy? No. Too much plastic and other trash end up in the ocean! Let's all do our part and save the environment for all to enjoy. Help Tippy the Sea Turtle Fight Plastic Pollution.

All participants must be residents of The Bahamas.

Contest Guidelines

- The competition is open to the youth (up to 25 years).
- Content must be inspired by the Bahamian environment to raise awareness of plastic pollution.
- Choose any format that can be shared on social media to express yourself and inspire change.
- Videos are limited to 60 seconds.
- Entries must include Tippy the Sea Turtle.
- Entries are limited to one per person.
- Entries must be the original work of the entrant.

• Content must be family friendly. Email submissions to breef@breef.org by April 28, 2017. Include your name, age, school name (if applicable), telephone contacts.

All entries become the property of the Bahamas Reef Environment Educational Foundation (BREEF).

Evo Morales

Sooner or later, we will have to recognize that the Earth has rights, too, to live without pollution. What mankind must know is that human beings cannot live without Mother Earth, but the planet can live without humans.



The Business Department outdid itself this year. The month started with an entire newscast production spearheaded by the business students and presented to the staff and students of BMES during the Monday assembly. During another assembly, the business department invited Kerel Pinder, a motivational speaker to talk with warriors. She encouraged everyone to be creatives and to never give up on a dream no matter the navsavers. The highlight of the month was when students were able to sell or promote their creations. This included items from cupcakes to airplane drones. The theme for this year's Business Month was ENTREPRENEURSHIP.

There is no innovation and creativity without failure. Period. Brene Brown

The Sports Page

Whatever sport you're looking at, it's usually the team that makes the least mistakes that has the most success. Joe Torre



Junior Girls Win the Geneva Rutherford Hoytes Classic Basketball Tournament

The junior girls were among several teams participating in this year's Geneva Rutherford Hoytes Championship. Teams from New Providence and Grand Bahama battled it out for bragging rights, but there could only be one winner. At the end of it all, Bishop Michael Eldon lady warriors reigned supreme. They played tirelessly for many nights and persevered. Their outstanding rebounding prowess, sensational shooting, and outstanding defensive capabilities made it all possible. Congratulations lady warriors and congratulations to your coaches Wayne Smith and

BMES Makes a Strong Showing at Island Sports

At this year's Island Sports, Bishop Michael Eldon warriors again displayed their many talents



on the field and on the track. Like always, the mighty warriors showed grit and determination while representing their school to the best of their abilities. There were several standouts such as Latevia Adderley, Quanisha Marshall, Ebony Kelly, DaJonae Jayawardana, Travis Joseph, and Israel Williamson. Congratulations to the Senior Girls who won their division and the intermediate girls who were runnersup. Awesome job warriors! You are truly one of a kind.

Little Warrior Gymnasts Take Over Orlando

More than 10 warriors traveled to compete at the Presidential Classic



al Classic Gymnastics Competition in Orlando, Florida this past month. They all performed well and placed high in the competition. Keep on flying high warriors. The

future is yours for the taking. Maybe there is an Olympic gymnast in the making or even better several.

Primary School Girls' Softball Team Scoring Big

This year's squad is doing an awesome job on the field. Their coach Ms. Oembler has them hitting, fielding, and running the bases well. The way they look, they are definitely headed or the playoffs. So far, they have only one loss.



Supporting Red Nose Day

Warriors showed their support to Caden Levae Smith, student of Saint Anne's School in New Providence, and founder of the Red Nose Day in Bahamas. After seeing a man take food out of the garbage, she realized that something had to be done to address the poor in the Bahamas, and came up with the idea after seeing it done in the UK. Each red nose costs \$2 and all proceeds would be donated to help feed the poor of this country especially children.



National Ozone Unit Primary Poster Competition

The National Ozone Unit of the Department of Environmental Health Services will be conducting a primary school poster competition. The theme of this year's competition is "Ozone and Climates Restored by a World United." The



competition is limited to grades 4-6. Prizes will be awarded during World Environment Day June 2017.

- Poster should measure between 18-24" high and 30" wide
- Prizes will be awarded to the winner in each island and to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place nationally
- \Rightarrow 1st Place-10" Tablet + \$100 + Gift Certificate
- \Rightarrow 2nd Place—\$200 + Gift Certificate
- \Rightarrow 3rd Place—\$150 + Gift Certificate

Entries must be submitted by May 15th, 2017



^{con}Warrior Headed to the ^{ma}asNational Spelling Bee

Gianna Malabannan is headed off to the capital for the National Spelling Bee Competition. She was the runner-up in the Grand Bahama Spelling Bee, but she looks to take it all in New Providence. She has been working tirelessly for months to not only learn how to spell the words but to know their definitions. Gianna' coaches are Mrs. Simone Hutson and Ms. Andrea Najman. Gianna you are a fierce warrior and know that on the day of competition, we in Warrior Land will be glued to the television screen cheering you on. Good Luck!!!!!!!!!!!

Brother-Sister Combo Win Speech and Elocution



Malachi Russell and Shakada Hutson, both from Abaco House, won their individual categories in this year's Inter-House Speech and Elocution Competition. Shakada was victorious in the Juniors and Malachi won for the Seniors. Shakada also won the Junior's Poetry Competition. Malachi and Shakada are the children of Theodore and Simone Hutson. Sage Smith, from Inagua House, was the winner of the Primary School section. Overall. Abaco was declared the winner. Congratulations

Abaco House!!!!!!!!!



to help your body adjust to daylight saving time
1. Don't change your schedule
Stick to regular waking, eating, sleeping and exercise times.
2. Have a nighttime routine
Prepare your body for sleep by engaging in a few relaxing activities before hitting the hay.
3. Avoid long naps
Keep naps short (between 20-30 minutes) to avoid disrupting your sleep schedule.
4. Get some natural sunlight
Sunlight helps regulate your body's internal clock.

A Great Time at Walkathon



The day was absolutely perfect for a walkathon. The weather was not too hot and it wasn't too cold. In fact it was just right. The walkathon started off with a pep rally then everyone was off for a brisk walk to Taino Beach. The Grade 11's led the way and the grade 12's brought up the rear. The Grade 6 students were amazing. They walked all the way to the beach. The rest of the primary school was bussed most of the way. When everyone arrived at the beach, it was time to relax. The activity that most of the students enjoyed the most it seems was flying a kite. For some it was the first time that they had every done so. There was lots of food to eat too. All proceeds collected from the walkathon will be distributed to charitable organizations. The walkathon was delayed because of Hurricane Matthew . It usually takes place in October.



BMES Students Achieve Silver Medal

After a long trek on foot out East, 15 students from BMES were able to complete the GGYA challenge of survival and would have earned the silver award. The expedition lasted two days and the students were required to cook their own

food and sleep in the elements. The organization focuses on learning through experience, observation, teamwork, and self-discipline. Next year, many of the same students, will strive to obtain the GGYA gold award. The expedition for this will take place in Exuma. If they earn the gold award, they will receive their medals fro none other than Prince Edward himself. Congratulations to all you warriors.

March Birthday Celebrants

Camren Outten Ashia King Aidan K-Tener Waydera Babb **Raegan Daniels** Avani Smith Shakia Bethel Lakiesa Saunders Chantavia Newton Rocky Woodside Kenneth Leung Ma'tavia Dean Branae Roberts Javon Basden Rayanne Morley Adon Bethel **Jonathan Szeto** David Sealy Scorpio Robinson Logan Graham Alaina Moxey Caanan Albury Seth Thompson Tyler Cartwright Izarra Nesbitt Tramez Cooper **Fiorella Long** Glenville Hanna Takeo Stubbs Tavares Moss Nathan Allen Devin Henderson Kanye Johnson Walter Parker Tia Williams **Timothy Quant Quinton Saunders** Jadeh Rolle

Rhia Rolle Te'ya Stuart Roy'janae Brown Javano Bridgewater Aidah Musgrove Amari Wilson Jaleah Knowles Reagan Charlton Malik Rolle Tyrek Bridgewater **Stephen Saunders** Isaiah Bowe **Chase Simmons** Dominick King Rachel Thompson **Dwayne Gardiner** Cahlin Bannister **Denzel Harris Trey Dawkins** Tatiana Buzzi Ian Rolle Gardeko Ewing Kimberly Low Arriel Quant

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