

# Bethlehem College CHAPMAN



## Newsletter

### From the Head of School

#### Psalm 103 V 14-18

For he knows how we are formed,  
he remembers that we are dust.

<sup>15</sup>The life of mortals is like grass,  
they flourish like a flower of the field;

<sup>16</sup>the wind blows over it and it is gone,  
and its place remembers it no more.

<sup>17</sup>But from everlasting to everlasting  
the LORD's love is with those who fear him,  
and his righteousness with their children's children—

<sup>18</sup>with those who keep his covenant  
and remember to obey his precepts.

The first of September, a glorious sun drenched day dramatically announced the official dawning of Spring....the promise of Daylight Saving, longer days, Rotorua Streets with spectacular tulip displays and blossom laden branches! These are ALL signs of a change of season which heralds the promise of yet another change, namely Summer's arrival. With these changes in Season, comes the realization that our school year is passing by rapidly. A number of our children have recently been plagued with sicknesses of one type or other, namely stomach viruses, sore throats, nagging coughs and heavy colds. No doubt, we will all be glad to see some warmer

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### Calendar 2018

#### September

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Act justly, love mercy, walk humbly Micah 6:8

## Mrs Stevenson



Just a quick update re our wonderful Mrs Stevenson.

Thank you for the love you have expressed to and for her. Angie is at home and recuperating really well as she rests and takes things easy. Her husband Mark and daughter Laura and son in law Jono are keeping a watchful eye on her and ensuring that she is well looked after. We miss her bright smile, hugs, prayers and her loving presence however we know that having her back to full health and strength is what we most desire. We are thankful for Mrs Shebin Sam and Mrs Anelda Venter who are standing in for Mrs Stevenson. They are sharing the BCC Office role and are doing a wonderful job keeping track of the different tasks and keeping Mrs Warnes in line!

## SPRING FAIR – 16<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

Keep an eye on both our Newsletters, emails and of course our BCC Facebook for updates re what is going to be happening for our Spring Fair on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November. Pencil in the date and spread the word because this is going to be a FANTASTIC community event. Start saving your dollars as you will be able to buy your Christmas presents in advance. These are SURE to be a hit with your family and friends.

Please send in your favourite family recipes as our Cookbook is going to be in hot demand! Eat your heart out Gordon Ramsay and Master Chef Australia....you have NOTHING on our BCC whanau and their culinary skills! This BCC Cookbook will become an heirloom to pass on to future generations and will guarantee none of those family favourites disappear.

Mrs Shrimpton and her PTA team are on the lookout for additional inspirational, creative ideas, novel activities for children to participate in and will happily receive endless offers of assistance. Let's make this yet another Spring Fair to remember because of the love experienced, the sense of welcome and belonging and the blessing and encouragement offered. This promises to be another BCC event which makes a difference to all who attend.

Please Park and Walk when  
delivering/collecting your child.  
Vehicles need to be driven SLOWLY at  
ALL times as we need to take the utmost  
care with the safety of our children.

## Principal's Awards

We are now gathering momentum as more of our young people receive their Principal's Awards. Gaining this award is a significant achievement and deserves special acknowledgement and celebration both at home and at school. It is the direct result of faithfulness in ALL things, in godly character, service, sporting and cultural involvement as well as academic achievement. Please celebrate with your son or daughter. If you would like to attend the School Assembly at which it is to be presented, then please let your child's teacher know, as we would love you to attend if you would like to.

The letters the children write to me are both priceless and precious. Nothing gives me greater joy than to have our amazing young people enter my office with beaming smiles carrying their letter! While I was happy to let Mr Crosbie present the Awards, I begged him to allow me to write their letters. I simply couldn't give that privilege away! Being the gracious man that he is, he agreed to my request.

## Students leaving

Those students who are leaving next year need to give us notice in writing, a term in advance, that they are leaving the school, and which school they are transferring to. (email [registrar@beth.school.nz](mailto:registrar@beth.school.nz)) This is normal for any student leaving.

## The Amazing Race

For the first time an Amazing race event was held here in Rotorua and schools across Rotorua sent teams of 6 young people 3 girls and 3 boys. We entered 2 teams of Year 7 and 8 students and Mr Philip Brown and Mr Dan Peden accompanied the teams as they worked out the clues and ran from one place to the next. Mr Brown's team took Second Place! Congratulations to Nadia Cooper, Tara Isaacs, Seinileva Faletau and Shem Watson who formed that team! Go BCC!





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Our Blokes 'n Kids breakfast was a real highlight last Friday with over 150 in attendance. It is so good to be able to honour these men who make such a difference in our young people's lives. We, as women are thankful for the investment these blokes make, the commitment they show and for the ways they love, protect, have endless fun with and teach them to journey life. Hash browns, scrambled eggs, bacon, toast, coffee, tea and delicious freshly baked cinnamon rolls went down a treat! Special thanks to Mrs Venter for those 'melt in your mouth' cinnamon rolls, and to Mrs Shrimpton, Mrs Belworthy, Mrs Coughy, Mrs Edwin, Mrs Ryan and Mrs Goodchild who were up before sunrise and made the morning happen so smoothly. What a community we have here at BCC! Yes, BCC whanau, you are SIMPLY THE BEST!!!

With love always

Mrs Warnes

## Speeches

Our year 4 to 8 young people have been busily writing their speeches and are now in the throes of practising these so that they are ready to deliver them in the next 2 weeks. The Speech Final which is always a memorable annual event will be held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September, starting at 7pm sharp. Our Junior and Senior School finalists will present their speeches for us on that evening. We will also be blessed with a number of Musical items which include our BCC School Choir and some of our musicians.

This is a BCC school community event and we expect all our students to attend. This is where true community kicks in and the support of our entire school provides the audience these finalists deserve. It is also inspiring for those who listen and provides excellent models of what they too can aspire to, in future years. We look forward to having Mr Tom Jarrett (Deputy Principal of Bethlehem College) and Mrs Madeleine Lambert (Assistant Head of Junior Secondary Year 7-9, Academic) join us as our judges for the evening.

## From the School Office

- Payments for school fees can now be taken by EFTPOS at the Chapman School office.
- Payments for uniforms are on a cash only or EFTPOS basis and can not be put on your school account.
- If your son/daughter needs to leave school during the day for an appointment etc. please sign them out in the book outside the school office (and back in again when they return if applicable).
- Absences at BC Chapman – Rotorua Campus. Please phone the school office 07 346 1492 and leave a message on the answerphone if your child will be absent from school. Please give the reason for the absence as this must be recorded accurately for the Ministry of Education. Alternatively, you can email our school office email address

[office.chapman@beth.school.nz](mailto:office.chapman@beth.school.nz)

Thank you for calling in absences, it saves us a lot of time chasing up children in the morning.

## Weekend Sport Involvement

We would like to acknowledge the participation, dedication and achievement of so many of our BCC student in various Sports teams and Sporting domains across the city. Gymnastics, Swimming, Hockey, Snow Skiing, Rugby and Soccer.....we have BCC students and their families who faithfully attend weekly practices, play and compete in various inter-club events and competitions locally and far afield and who have developed and used their talents significantly.

For you as parents who relentlessly transport your child to and from practices, training and various competitions and who stand on the sideline shivering with cold, braving the unpredictable elements, your children are indeed blessed! Thank you for being committed to keeping your child active and involved within our local community. Sporting involvement is a wonderful way to maintain health and well-being and develop lifelong resilience along the way. I have enjoyed watching some of our students in action and look forward to hearing more of their accomplishments in the future.



## ‘Praying for the empty chairs’

We currently have spaces for just over 20 more students. If you know people who are considering sending their young people to BCC please encourage them to enroll as soon as possible – spaces are filling fast. Please pray for God to send the families He wants to add to our community.

Sponsorship: If you or someone you know is in a position to offer sponsorship for an extra child to attend BCC, please get in touch with Mrs Warnes.



## Uniform

With only 4 weeks of Term 3 left, it is time to be thinking about your son or daughter's Summer Uniform needs as we move into Summer uniform at the beginning of Term 4. Mrs. Trish Copeland is available each Tuesday during Term time between 9.00am and 3.30pm if you need to buy any uniform item. The Uniform Shop will be open on Staff Only Day Monday 15th October between 9am and 2pm. We would encourage you to check what you may require over the coming weeks.

### SUMMER UNIFORM - TERM 1 & TERM 4



SENIOR BOYS



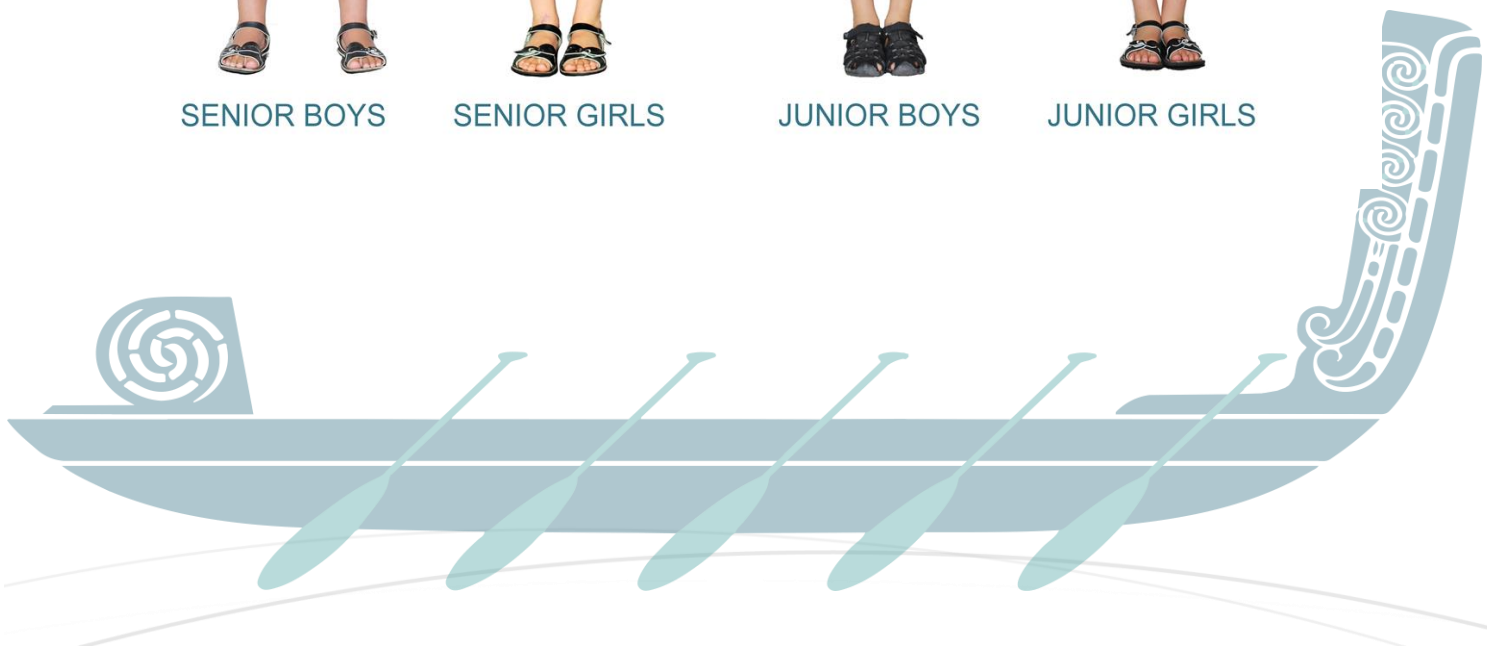
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## Around the school....

A new mural in the hallway by some of our Year 8 artists, coding club with Mr Shrimpton and spelling practice with chalk on the playground....




THAT'S THE RECOMMENDED DAILY MINIMUM FOR A HEALTHY ACTIVE PERSON



If you notice BCC staff members pacing madly back and forward, unable to sit still through the month of September – don't be alarmed!

We are participating in STEPTEMBER along with Bethlehem College, to raise funds for Cerebral Palsy research. We are all looking for sponsors, so if you are inspired to make a small donation to Cerebral Palsy research please speak to your child's teacher.



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