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COLLEGE

EXCELLENCE  
through CHRIST

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# FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

*'Man looks at the outward appearance but the Lord looks at the Heart'. 1 Samuel 16:7*

This verse is set in the context where Samuel is looking for someone to replace King Saul. Saul was handsome and strong and Samuel thought God would choose a similar replacement, but instead He chose David, the same shepherd boy who would shortly kill Goliath. When we judge by outward appearance, we may overlook quality individuals who lack the physical qualities that are the current trend. Appearance doesn't reveal what people are really like or what their true value is. Fortunately, God judges by faith and character, and because He can see on the inside, we should focus on what our heart is really like.

Our draft of the new Strategic Plan for 2019-2022 focusses on the 4Hs... Heart, Head, Hands and Habits. It doesn't talk about literacy and numeracy as such (these become annual plan priorities) but rather is aspirational around attitudes, thinking, actions and practices. Please go on line and look at the 4H document, [click here](#). We would value your feedback as we continue to refine this 4H document to sit overarching our planning and reporting requirements as our Strategic Map. You can feedback by completing

a short form here, [Feedback form for 4H Document](#), Shalom.

Two years ago, we were looking at concept drawings for changes to the A and B Block classrooms in the Primary School. Last month we opened a renovated A block! Many of the faithful people who journeyed with Graham Preston in the first build 30 years ago were there to witness this event. The new spaces are amazing. Thank you to the CET for providing this change and to the teachers Lorraine Ransley, Amanda Aandewiel, Tarryn Pratt and Christy Drake for their hard work in repeatedly shifting rooms. The YO/1 students in A Block are enjoying this new provision of learning. We plan to move onto B Block as soon as possible but are awaiting planning permission because the CET have decided to replace the wooden floor with a concrete one. This could take the project into 2019 rather than keep to the previous timeline of 2018.

My appreciation goes to the many coaches, managers, TICs and parents who have supported our students throughout the winter sports season. This is an example of service within our College community. Many have just spent a week away at either winter tournament or AIMS. I honour you







*George Hyauiason and  
Madison McGregor.*

all for investing in our young people like this. Thank you. The College has achieved some firsts this year in national cultural awards. Animoso, conducted by Catherine Graham, recently competed in the Big Sing in Wellington achieving a bronze medal. Only the best choirs in NZ compete at this level and the competition is extremely tough. Further, a senior performing arts group lead by the cultural captains, Madison McGregor and George Hyauiason has won the overall NZ Stage Art Champions trophy. We thank God for these two wonderful achievements that exhibit our young people pushing themselves to the limits of their talents.

Sometimes we farewell people who have served at BC for many years. Mr Phil Russell is one of these staff. He retired at the close of term 3 this year



*Mr Phil Russell*

after teaching and leading here for 25 years. Phil has been Acting Principal on a number of occasions and has been instrumental in developing Missions over many years. His servant hearted attitude drove him to establish and staff a BBQ each Saturday and the Farmers' Market. This was to raise funds to help many of our students travel to Tonga, Kenya and the Solomons on life changing Mission Trips. He is a wonderful servant of God who has served faithfully. I honour and thank Phil for consistently modelling Christ to us, both in attitude and deed. He has influenced many for good and for God. This community wishes Phil God's richest provision and blessing in this next season

*Eoin Crosbie  
Principal*

# BETHLEHEM COLLEGE PTA

Well, here we are approaching the close of another busy year of Bethlehem College events!

The PTA has had a wonderful year with some highlights of fundraising including two successful Noel Leeming / Torpedo 7 promotions (May and October), the Entertainment book, Calendar Art at the end of Term 3 and of course the big one – the Quiz/Auction night.

We are proud to have raised a significant amount of funds to go towards various school events. These included the coffee van on the first day of term, which was very popular with parents as it seemed to make that first early morning start that little bit easier and the Primary School BBQ at the beginning of the year which was a great way for new and existing parents to connect and get to know each other. Strengths Finders testing and coaching for Year 7 students and the extremely popular Lego Club were other examples of assistance. Thank you to Mr Nathan Martin for helping to get this established.

We have other areas of funding support that are continuing for the remainder of 2018: for example, portable BBQ's for the school to use at various school/sports events and other potential items are currently under consideration.

Planning for 2019 is well underway, and we have already locked in some events for the 2019 calendar. We will still keep some of the favourite activities, so watch out for news of these.

As always, we appreciate the dedicated team of volunteers who have worked tirelessly through this year to bring these events and promotions to you, the parents. We would warmly welcome any new parents who want to get on board and join the fun!

You can follow us on Facebook (Bethlehem College PTA) or contact us at [PTA@beth.school.nz](mailto:PTA@beth.school.nz)

Thanks,

*Graeme Barnes*  
PTA President 2018

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## BC ALUMNI

Past BC students serving in South Sudan

An interesting reunion of 3 past students took place in a remote village called Tonj, in the north of South Sudan. Travis Nilson and Matt Baronian had spent the last 3 months building a new ward at a small mission hospital whilst Sam Johnson, the Mission Aviation Fellowship pilot had brought the South Sudanese Minister of Health and various other officials for the official opening.



# UNIFORM SHOP TRADING DATES 2018

OCTOBER 2018					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Closed	9	10	Closed	12	13*
15	16	17	Closed	19	Closed
Closed	23	24	Closed	26	Closed
Closed	30	31			

NOVEMBER 2018					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Closed	2	Closed
Closed	6	7	Closed	9	Closed
Closed	13	14	Closed	16	Closed
Closed	20	21	Closed	23	Closed
Closed	27	28	Closed	30	

DECEMBER 2018					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Closed	4	5	Closed	7	Closed
Closed	11	12	Closed	14	Closed
17	18	19	Closed	Closed	Closed
Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Closed	Closed				

Trading Hours: 10.00am to 4.00pm

**Last Day of Term 4 - Wednesday 19 December 2018**

**\*Saturday Trading Hours: 10.00 am to 1.00pm**

*Please note students wear the summer uniform for Term 1 and Term 4  
Please note students wear the winter uniform for Term 2 and Term 3*

# INTERNATIONAL



There is never a dull moment in the International Department. This week, I arrived in my office to find it had been transformed into a pink 'paradise' in honour of my birthday. A highlight were the pink paper cranes created by some of our Japanese students.

One of the truly 'New Zealand' experiences students can have when they arrive on our shores is watching an All Black game. In August, a keen group of international supporters travelled to Eden Park in Auckland to watch the All Blacks defeat the Wallabies. Even better, the students met the players after the game and took some selfies to capture the moment.

Bethlehem College has some long-standing relationships with schools from other countries. In August, we

welcomed Doshisha High School from Japan onto our campus. As always, firm friendships were made between visiting and BC students. One of the special things that happens when we welcome groups is the formal powhiri made possible by our kapahaka students at the Whare Manaaki. It is such a unique and welcoming experience for visiting students. At the end of term, we





welcomed another visiting group from To-o Gijuku.

Every year, one of the winter highlights for our senior students is the Winter Ski Camp. It usually consists of three days of fun in the snow. This year, the weather only obliged for one day, but it did give students the chance to do some hiking, climbing and lugging in addition to a glorious day on the slopes.

There are many other aspects of school life where international students are fully involved. These include practical experiences in Early Childhood Centres, participation in Winter Tournament Week, AIMS Games, volunteering at Homes of Hope, participating in the



Talent Quest competitions, Practice Exam Week and, of course, working hard in the classroom. Here are some photos of our primary ESOL students hard at work at their new child friendly desks with Ms. Tong and her assistant Ms. Moore.

Therefore, as we hurtle towards the final part of the year, we can reflect on a busy, fun and productive few months. It would seem that the school holidays are upon us just in time to catch our breath and gear up for Term 4!

*Ilati Vukona*  
*Director of International*



# BETHLEHEM COLLEGE CHAPMAN

We have travelled Term 3 with the usual sense of excitement and anticipation as we headed towards two of our major BCC School calendar highlights, our annual BCC School Speech Competition and our House Soccer Tournament. We may be small in numbers, however House allegiance is fierce and these events are filled with definite passion and rivalry. The Soccer Tournament has three special trophies which are awarded for outstanding sportsmanship and play. The Golden Ball is awarded to the player with the most impressive defence skills, the Golden Glove is given to the most effective goalkeeper, the Golden



Boot is presented to the player with the strongest attack skills, and all are tagged with sportsmanship.

The Speech Competition is an opportunity to develop and present God-given gifting in the realm of Public Speaking. Our Year 3-8 young people plan, prepare and present a Speech to their fellow classmates, and for this, they each deserved high commendation. For some, this took them beyond their comfort zone, while for others it was their dream occasion. Persuasive speeches were written in our Senior School around the theme of 'Change' while our Primary School students focused on informative speeches on a range of topics of interest to them. Convincing arguments were put forward supporting past or present people who have caused major changes in the lives of individuals, communities, nations or the world. At the same time, challenges were boldly given, as to the positive impact a young person could bring about in their own lives. We can genuinely bring the changes God desires and intends for us, as we allow Him to guide and speak in and through us.

Mr. Tony Shrimpton, one of our extremely talented parents started a Robotics and Coding club, which has captured the interest of a number





of our Year 8 students before school on Wednesday mornings. There is an eagerness to engage with this learning and heightened interest in what can be created, using such technology. These young people are loving the challenge of creating games, and operating robots, as well as the joy of collaborating together, as they make all kinds of interesting discoveries in the process through discussion and problem solving. We are so blessed to have parents, like Tony, whose expertise opens other learning opportunities for our students.

Our Year 8 students enjoyed several consecutive Monday afternoons of Squash coaching at the local club, where Dame Susan Devoy was once a member. Our students have been offered further coaching opportunities on Friday afternoons after school. We may well have some stars in the making! We were gifted \$1,000 worth of brand new squash gear several weeks ago and yet again, we recognized God's amazing provision for us at BCC. We have so much to be thankful for!

Our PTA held our annual Blokes 'n Kids breakfast on the Friday prior to Father's Day. We honoured the men identified by

our children, who are significant to them and in their world. These men included their dads, grandads, uncles, neighbours, big brothers, youth leaders, sports coaches, music teachers ....men who tirelessly invest their time and energy in mentoring and growing our children in a myriad of different ways. These relationships are crucial to a young person's well-being. This celebratory breakfast was a time when the children invited, brought along and honoured those significant 'blokes' who were served a delicious breakfast of sizzling bacon, hash browns, sausages, scrambled eggs and golden toast. A treat too good to miss! We already have super ideas for next year's event!

Our PTA and wider community are now also beginning to prepare for our Spring Fair on the Friday 16th of November. This is an entire community event in which we seek to share our gifts and talents and allow creativity to flow. The ideas for stalls and activities are piling in and we expect it to be a blessing right across our Rotorua community. Definitely worth a trip to Rotorua, to enjoy the fun! Please come and join us....you are in for a treat!

*Hazel and the BCC whanau*





1. using inside voices.
2. no talking while moving to a new space.
3. be respectful of our furniture and gear.

Whiteboards

# PRIMARY REPORT

“ IT IS GOING TO BE ANOTHER EXCITING YEAR AT BC PRIMARY WITH MANY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES PLANNED. ”





On Monday 3rd September we opened the refurbished A Block. The ceremony itself was a wonderful celebration, making connections between the original foundation of the College and the beginning of a new journey. The morning started at 7:00am when a small group of representatives from Bethlehem College, the CET and Ngati Kahu gathered to bless the building. This was followed by a formal opening ceremony at 9:45am where the primary school gathered with representatives from the BC community, parents and family. It was wonderful to pause and reflect on the history of A Block and all that it represents as the first classroom block built 30 years ago in 1988.

It was a pleasure to have the Hon. Jan Tinetti (MP) join with Victoria Blandford from D3 and Ngaronoa Reweti-Ngata from the Wairoa Marae, to cut the ribbon and formally open the new learning spaces.

The teaching team, led by Lorraine Ransley, worked extremely hard over the two weeks leading up to the opening and did a stunning job preparing the space for our students to begin learning in. The time, care and detail that the team put into setting up the learning spaces was outstanding. The building was not only ready for learning, but also was set up so that as children entered the space, they felt like they immediately belonged. Since the opening, we have had lots of positive feedback from



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teachers, support staff, parents and students, articulating a real appreciation for the space and the positive feel that it has.

We are very thankful to Don Ackland and the property team for all the effort that has gone into seeing this project completed so well.



## Choir

It was wonderful to see our Primary and Intermediate Choirs taking part in the Good Neighbour Event this term. It was a fantastic opportunity for our young people to contribute to our wider community. Good Neighbour continues to grow in importance in our community, being an organisation that reflects Christ's love in a practical way. It is wonderful for us to be able to support them. Thank you to Amy Borrows and Catherine Graham for leading these choirs and bringing the two groups together for this special event.



## Foodbank Appeal

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Foodbank Appeal. As a Primary School, we had a fantastic response and our Student Council felt proud and privileged to be able to hand over the large collection of groceries to the Tauranga Community Foodbank.

## Garden Club

The Garden Club have had a very productive term learning how to grow organic vegetables sustainably. Many beautiful winter greens have been grown and served to the homeless at 'Under the Stars'. The children also made some delicious kai to share together with food freshly picked from the garden.

## Welcome Mrs Gilchrist

This term we started a new Year 0 class and welcomed Mrs. Pip Gilchrist to the Primary team. Mrs. Gilchrist is an experienced teacher who has most recently spent time teaching at Bellevue School.





## ***Energizing Science!***

Our curriculum focus for Term 3 has been centered on Science, with a particular emphasis on the 'physical and material world'. We made a deliberate attempt to explore scientific concepts alongside Exodus 14: 19-22. This passage looks at the story of Moses leading the Israelites out of Egypt and describes a pillar of cloud and the parting of the Red Sea. This story is full of examples of God's faithfulness and includes ways in which God used elements of the physical world to provide for His people and to demonstrate His power.

Our Year 3 and 4 team kicked off the term with a fun ignition, giving children the opportunity to explore the power of wind. Classes have added to their vocabulary the term 'katabatic wind', after the teachers set up a small wind tunnel with the use of a blowing machine. There was certainly plenty of excitement and discussion with children crawling through the windy tunnel. Classes worked through a series of scientific experiences exploring the physical and material world following this.

On Tuesday 4th September, the Year 3 & 4 team went to Te Puia in Rotorua as part of our Science learning. They had been focussing on 'Energy' and the students had already learnt a lot about different types of energy. This was strongly connected to the story of Moses and the Israelites and how God used energy (in the form of a pillar of fire) to guide the Israelites as







they escaped from Egypt. At Te Puia, students not only learnt more about geothermal energy from the guides, but they also saw the amazing Pōhutu geyser, which erupted in spectacular form while they were there. They saw bubbling mud pools, native kiwi and the amazing Arts and Crafts centre. At the Arts Centre, the students were able to handle the carvings and speak to the artists themselves, who were very happy to share their knowledge. They also visited the marae whilst at Te Puia, and learnt about the different buildings on the marae. It was a very successful trip with some of the students saying it was the best trip they had ever experienced! They learnt so much and were well looked after by the staff at Te Puia.



# Maori Language Week

We had an action-packed Maori Language week at BC Primary, with plenty of learning and activities happening around the school. Classrooms extended their knowledge and use of Te Reo with children engaged in a colouring-in competition. We also had a 'tiki hunt' where hidden tiki were scattered throughout the school with QR codes on the back giving them clues! Classes also experienced cultural games and were treated to a wonderful performance by the Kapa Haka group at our assembly.



# Talent Quest 2018

This term we held our Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 Talent Quests. It was a celebration of the talents amongst the students at Bethlehem College. Those who attended really enjoyed both shows and commented on the level of ability and range of talents displayed. Congratulations to all those who performed. Whilst our Year 3/4 event was not judged, the Year 5/6 event had winners for each category. A special thanks to Mrs Amy Borrows who works hard to organise this event.

Category	Winner
Variety	E2 Class Item
Drama	Ava Gaddum & Juliet Guy
Instrumental	Noah Stuart
Vocal	Emily Todd
Dance Solo	Tyra Heng
Dance Group	Katie Farac & Valentina Hill
Sing and Play	Lillie Nesbitt
Audience Appeal	Angelina Cook
Judges Choice	May Yuning Zhang





# Winter Sports

Throughout Term 3, we have seen plenty of sports activity around the primary school. A large number of primary students have been involved in sporting teams. These have included football, basketball, badminton, netball, hockey, gymnastics and even motocross! While there is plenty of competitive activity, we also know that just taking part in a range of sports through these early years is an important part of our personal growth. We love seeing children develop physically and socially as they push their own boundaries, work in teams, follow instructions, take knocks and enjoy success. Congratulations to all those who have been involved.

A huge thank you to all those amazing coaches, managers, sports committees and parents who make it all happen.



## Cricket Year 1 & 2

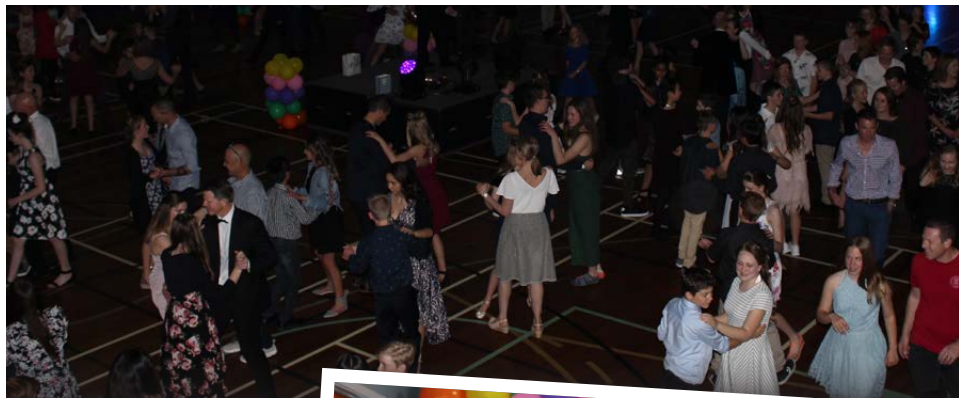






## SECONDARY REPORT

“ THE IMPERATIVE IS TO MAKE DISCIPLES. IN EVERY WAY WE SERVE, WE INTENTIONALLY MAKE DISCIPLES BOTH IN CLASS AND OUT OF CLASS IN EVERY ASPECT OF OUR GOD-GIFTED MINISTRY. ”



# *Year 8 Social*







# CHALLENGING *the* INTELLECTUAL

## *Year 10 Enterprise Market Day*

Semester B's 58 students from Year 10 Enterprise flooded into the School Quad with excitement. Each student participated in a small group that decided on a suitable product, manufactured and packaged it, and then marketed it to their peers. Students learnt about teamwork, communication, marketing, merchandising and financial reporting. Profit was taxed at 10% and the \$217 tax raised was gifted to Tear Fund Micro-Enterprise projects.



### Student comments:

*"The process of making the cupcakes was pretty cool considering that I had not made cupcakes before. So for this market day, I experienced new challenges and I got to do things I have not done before."* Julie Kim

*"For me, the best thing about our business was that all of our products were homemade and were made with unique recipes"* Penelope Reid

*"I would say that the best aspect of our business was the quality of the products we produced. Our team invested a large amount of time and energy into small but vital aspects of our products (i.e. packaging, sprinkles and cream for the milkshakes,) allowing us to give the best possible customer experience."* James McNeil



## Year 8 Market Day

Year 8 was set a challenge to plan a Market Day. Market Day is all about having a finished and well-advertised product. We all worked hard throughout the week to come up with an idea of what product we wanted to develop including using our creativity to design a logo. We learnt about consumer rights and much more. We had to work through four stages. First, we had to figure out our concept and research it. Secondly, we had to design four logo ideas for our product, and, after surveying the class, select a logo that was most suitable. For stage three, we had to write what this product was about, what it stands for, the benefits or selling point of the product, the cost and availability of the product and much more. For the final stage, we had to make a prototype of our product. At the end of the week, the results were phenomenal cakes, bath bombs, cookies, edible lip gloss and so much more, which were all displayed around the classes and even better we got to patrol around the classes taking samples, meeting new people, seeing



amazing new items. In conclusion, it was a fabulous day. The whole syndicate will never forget this memorable experience.

*By Amy Bezuidenhout*

## Craft group

At the start of Term 2, all the Year 8 Craft Group have been meeting regularly every week this term to create crafts of all types, including soap swans, covered tissue boxes, emoji bookmarks and fabric iPhone covers.

During wet days, it has been fun to work on crafts and to make new friends.

*By Paige Arkwright - Year 8.*





The three finalists in the School Streetwear section, with winning designer Te Rina Coffin, of Bethlehem College, on left.

## Hokonui Fashion Awards

Te Rina Coffin entered the Hokonui Fashion Awards held in Gore, New Zealand. The Hokonui Fashion Awards are proudly the longest running fashion awards, established 30 years ago. The judging was completed over a month, with the garments due at the end of June and the awards nights a month later.

Te Rina travelled to Gore as the sole representative of Bethlehem College

after having her garments chosen to be shown on both nights, as a finalist for the Secondary School Streetwear section. This was one of the biggest sections encompassing over 30 entries. Of these 30 entries, which were selected by judges from World, Massey University and the Fashion Museum NZ, Te Rina was awarded first place winning The Thomas Green Streetwear Award.

## Māori Language Week

Kia kaha, kia māia, kia manawanui ki te whakanui i tō tātou nei reo Māori.

This year Bethlehem College celebrated Te Reo Māori across two weeks and it has been the most successful yet.

During the first week, an art competition was introduced across the Primary, Junior Secondary and Senior Secondary schools where students had to create an artistic depiction of “Kia haka te reo Māori - Make the Māori language strong”. The first week was mainly focused towards the Primary students, where they took part in a treasure hunt, looking for tiki with hidden Māori riddles and questions. A more advanced version of this took place in the Secondary

school during week two. There were tongue twister challenges, a Ki-o-rahi sports competition and a sausage sizzle where students had to ask in Māori for a sausage. Over the two weeks, students won Māori language week drink bottles, movie tickets and Bayfair vouchers. We have taken a big step forward in celebrating Te Reo Māori and we will aim to continue the momentum next year. Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou e hāpai ana i tēnei kaupapa, ā, kia kaha te reo Māori

## ***Year 13 Tourism and Hospitality***

On Thursday 9 August, the Year 13 Tourism and Hospitality students visited Wairoa Marae. Sophie Pahl represented our group as the kaikaranga when we were welcomed during the Pōwhiri. Matua Hamuera represented us during the kōrero in the Wharehenui. The students were very respectful of this occasion. The Tourism students had all been learning Māori greetings and farewells and they were able to perform the hongi well. They were also confident in greeting the Kaumatua at the Marae.

Once the formalities were complete, we went to the Wharekai for a delicious morning tea that had been prepared for us.

Later, we returned to the Wharehenui where we listened to the story of Mauao, and the importance and significance of Tourism. The classes then split and the Tourism students started their assessments for the Māori greetings and farewells, and the Hospitality students went to the kitchen and prepared an amazing lunch of roast pumpkin and kumara soup, with Māori fried bread, and delicious chocolate brownies.

Matua Hamuera introduced a number of the students to some fun-filled Māori games.

Before we knew it, it was time to say our farewells. We did this in the Wharehenui, where we discussed the day, reflected on what we heard and learnt, and gave thanks for the wonderful experience provided for us.

A big thank you to all those who made this day possible. It was a great learning environment and the students greatly enjoyed the experience.

Kia ora







# DEVELOPING *the* CULTURAL

## *'Found by the Light'*

'Found by the Light' was the Junior Secondary production for 2018. The production told a story that related to people and their relationship with God. It also gave us examples of how people become lost when they lose that relationship. TIG, (The Invisible God) will always come for us if we get lost along the way and he will always love us.

The production was a culmination of a lot of hard work and commitment from all the students and staff involved. We had actors, singers, dancers, a band, stagehands, costumers, prop makers, staging, sound, lighting, catering, scaffolders, photographers and more.

Some student comments about their involvement in the production:

*"It was an enjoyable, challenging experience."*

*"I cannot put the experience into words."*


*"Since I want to be an actor, it was like the start of accomplishing my dream."*

*"Fun and enjoyable."*

*"It was exciting and fun and I enjoyed it. I learned how to improvise."*

A big thank you to all the parents who came to help on the night and staff, including senior students who helped us along the way and made the production a huge success.





## ***Term 3 Music Department activities.***

A big congratulations to Animoso, Mrs Graham and Mrs Hay for representing Bethlehem College so well in the Big Sing National Finale. It was a wonderful festival of the most accomplished choirs in New Zealand schools. Over 10,000 students nationwide were reduced to just 24 Choirs in the Finale. You can view the televised Animoso performances here. [www.nzcf.org.nz](http://www.nzcf.org.nz)

Our Animoso choir was impressive with great song choices performed with style and detail. The programme was varied and interesting. Watching other schools perform was also a valuable experience in gaining repertoire and style ideas to include with our groups here. The team really appreciated Mr and Mrs Crosbie making the trip to be at the finale gala concert. The choir was awarded a Bronze medal at the finale, a great result for our regions first representation with a well-earned place in the Final.

On a beautiful early spring day, all of our school choirs took part in a Spring Sing Concert. This was held at the Wesley church. It was a wonderful way to send off Animoso and show the great singing of the other school choirs. Thank you to the families and staff for supporting this concert so well. Taking part were the Primary and Intermediate choir, BC Lads, Cantare and Animoso. Thank you to all the music teaching staff, Mrs Hay and Glenese Blake for her specialist

vocal involvement in the college.

The Waikato Band and Orchestra Festival was another very successful festival. The Concert Band and the Jazz Band both received Gold awards and gained merit awards for outstanding performances which is fantastic. The Orchestra also played well picking up a silver award and the strings picked up the merit award for most promising group and a bronze award. Thank you again to Mrs Prince, Ms Ahlers and Mr. Brady who are working with these groups.

School Rock Bands have been performing in live concerts at the Station. This is called Vinyl Destination and concerts are broadcast live and on FM 105.4. While we were in Wellington 'The Good Stuff' received an encore after performing many original songs. They have been selected to headline an





upcoming gig at the Station, which will be on the September 30th at 4pm.

The Rock Quest regional final was held at the end of Term 2. This was a fantastic night. Bethlehem College bands 'Three Quarters Late' won the people's choice award and 'The Good Stuff' was placed 3rd overall. 'The Good Stuff' also collected the most outstanding Musician award with Jack Hendy on guitar and best original lyrics award for Isaac Chadwick for the song 'Man on the Moon'. Paras Spiropoulos also performed a stunning original song. A big thank you to Mr Horner for mentoring and encouraging these bands to help them get to such a high standard.

Music Department Gala Concert is being held early next term highlighting all the music groups in the college. This is a great opportunity for younger students to see what they can work towards as they go through school and is the only opportunity for the parents to see all of the different groups perform. This is a concert for the public. Tickets will be available at the door and from music students. Everybody is welcome. The details are 7pm Thursday October 25th in the PAC – please note this in your diaries!

*Kind regards,*

*Mal Brady*





# ***Bethlehem College Wins the National Title in the DanceNZ Made National Finals.***

## ***The Best in New Zealand.***

Bethlehem College Performing Arts Wins Gold.

Cultural Captains : George Hyauiaison(left) and Madison McGregor(right).

It has been an incredible journey for the Cultural Captains at Bethlehem College this year.

It all started in August when their performance titled: An Artist's Struggle: Vincent Van Gogh were placed First in the Tauranga Regional Yr 11-13 Stage Art Performance. The judges were 'blown away' by the cast of 60 students, and scored the performance 189/200 on Dance Art (choreography and performance), Dramatic Art (direction and portrayal), Design Art (concept and effect) and Overall Performance.

Head of Drama, Linda Anderson said " the Cultural Captains and Cast on some days endured 6 and 7 hour rehearsals, and were rewarded with a score of 47/50 for Concept and effect. The commitment was outstanding and the passion for success very evident".

The National Dance NZ Made Finals were held in Palmerston North on the 21 and 22 September. The venue was the beautiful Regency on Broadway Theatre.

Bethlehem College's Performing Arts struck Gold in the National Finals of the Dance NZ Stage Art Competition. Eight judges, two days of competition and exceptional dancing saw Bethlehem College awarded with two National Trophies: The National Winners for the 11-



13 Stage Art Category and then the Overall New Zealand Stage Art trophy. Madison McGregor and George Hyauiaison must be commended on their leadership and vision, and for their determination in highlighting mental health issues.

Vincent van Gogh struggled with mental illness and rejection, as well as psychotic episodes. He was considered a madman during his life time as he would display delusional thoughts. Madison and George wanted to highlight mental health through the eyes of Vincent van Gogh, and how he existed in the public imagination as the quintessential misunderstood genius. He attained widespread success over the ensuing decades, and is remembered as an important but tragic painter.

'This success is wonderful for Tauranga and the Bay of Plenty as we, the community, continue to promote the performing arts in Tauranga' said Linda Anderson. The performing arts is very active and strong in the Bay and we so excited to be apart of this community".



# EXERCISING *the* PHYSICAL

## ***Winter Tournament 3-7 September***

The Secondary Schools winter sports tournament, which is the highlight of the season, was held in the first week of September in numerous locations around the North Island. Bethlehem College fielded eight teams in the Winter Tournament across Netball, Basketball, Football and Hockey.

### **Hockey**

***1st XI Girls' Hockey:*** The team were drawn in a really tough pool this year, at the top tier National Secondary Schools tournament, with two of the top four Auckland teams and last year's third place team St Margaret's College from Christchurch. The girls played a fantastic game against Westlake Girls winning 4-0 (goals scored by Martha Ressinger, James Eades and Meila Eades 2) which put them in a strong position to make the top two in the pool and qualify for the Federation Cup competition. After a 4-1 (Maddie Flemming) loss on day two against St Margaret's College there was everything to play for against Orewa College. The girls battled well in a physical game to come out on top 2-1 (Meila Eades, Meg Wooler) and so came second in their pool.

Our top 16 cross over was against the local team Whangarei Girls College. The girls poured their hearts out and were very unlucky to lose 3-2 (Meila Eades and Maddie Flemming). The team worked really hard right until the final whistle and came very close to snatching what would have been a deserved draw in the

match. Now playing for positions 9 to 16, the girls were next played local rivals Hamilton Girls and put on a convincing performance beating them 4-0 (Katie, Clarke, Meila Eades, Meg Wooler and Maddie Mangoes). It was the girl's best performance of the season and showed a lot of character after having been knocked out of the top tier tournament the day before.

The girls next played Kings College and got off to a flying start and were up 3-0 after 20 minutes. A short period of nervous play saw Kings come back to 3-2. The second half was tight until we finally managed to score to lead 4-2 lead. Kings then pulled their keeper off to try to level the score. They managed to score one goal to set up a very tense finish. BC held their nerve and Georgia Browne managed to score a breakaway goal to put the game safe with us winning an exciting encounter 5-3 (Meg Wooler, Maddie Flemming, Meila Eades, Amarni Greenway, Georgia Browne). The final game was for 9th and 10th place and unfortunately, we struggled against a strong and very physical Auckland Diocesan side losing 4-1 (Maddie Fleming). However, the team achieved its best finish at this prestigious tournament.

***1st XI Boys' Hockey:*** The team competed in the Mayhill Cup Tournament which was held in Rotorua. A total of 18 teams from around the country were competing. Our aim was to make the top four, and although we found ourselves in a relatively tough pool, we performed very well. In our first game against ACG



Strathallan we played strongly and won 3-1. We drew our next game against Kapiti 3-3, which was a disappointing result considering we were ahead 3-1 with just 5min to play. Mount Albert Grammar was always going to be our toughest pool game and we came away with a 2-2 draw. This was a great result considering how dominant Mt Albert had been in their other pool games. We then had a 4-2 win against Otumoetai and our final pool game was against Kingsway where we secured a 7-0 win. For our final pool game, we needed to win by 9 goals or more to ensure a semi-final spot. Achieving a win by 9 goals in any game of hockey is a massive task, so to come away with 7 goals was a great effort, but sadly it was not quite enough. Therefore, at the end of pool play, we finished 1st equal on points, but second based on goal difference. Our first playoff game was against Havelock North High and we secured another great result winning 6-1 and demonstrated to all what an exciting blend of hockey we were playing. Our final game was against Sacred Heart College where we came away with a hard fought 3-2 win to finish the tournament in 5th place.

In conclusion, The Boys' 1st XI was one of only two teams to be unbeaten at the tournament and we were also the 3rd highest goal scoring team with 28 goals scored through the tournament. The Girls' 1st XI achieved the highest placed team of all the Tauranga schools. Overall, 10th place was a fantastic result for the girls who finished close behind some well-known NZ hockey schools. BC were

the highest placed co-ed school in the country. A great week for the girls with as much fun happening off the field as there was on it.

### **Netball**

*The Premier One Girls Netball team* won seven of their ten games during tournament week, held in Mount Maunganui. They achieved 73rd place out of 120 teams from across the upper North Island. The girls played with skill, determination and displayed an excellent level of fitness across the week. Playing in Division 3, they achieved second place in their first pool play and then missed going into the top 8 of their grade by one goal after finishing third in their second pool play. In their final round of games, the girls dominated their opponents and won every game comfortably. The teams off court behaviour was exemplary! The girls supported each other both on and off the court and remained a tight unit who worked well together to achieve success and enjoy their time together as a team.

### **Football**

*1st XI Girls' Football:* The team stepped up to the challenge that was presented to them at the Whanganui Tournament. In pool play, they fought hard against some tough competition from Havelock North and Kurinui (they would play off for 3rd place at the end of tournament). The team's strong defence anchored them throughout the knock out stages. Creative plays by the midfield and attack helped us to a final 13th place. The entire



team showed strength and improved from game to game to finish off with a great win against Wellington College.

***1st XI Boys' Football:*** The team travelled to Napier full of hope and expectation. The boys started the tournament in fantastic fashion on the Monday beating a strong Rongotai side 4-1 in the morning and Hamilton Christian School 6-0 in the afternoon. Confidence was soaring and the boys attacked the Tuesday morning game against Gisborne Boys, winning 5-0. Tiredness and a strong opposition defence resulted in a 0-0 draw against Ormiston in the afternoon. Despite the result, the boys finished Tuesday top of their group with one game to play. Being in a strong position saw rotation in the squad but no change in performance as the boys ran out 5-0 winners against Glenfield on Wednesday. The remainder of Wednesday was filled with a 'competitive' team outing to the bowling alleys and a delicious meal at a local restaurant.

Feeling refreshed, the boys approached their quarter-final against Northcote with a determination to progress. Despite some horrible weather and poor pitch conditions, the boys prevailed with a comfortable 2-0 win and moved into the semi-final against Whangerei Boys that afternoon. Weather conditions continued to deteriorate, but the boys didn't let it affect their approach and mindset leading into an important game. Whangerei Boys started the game well and dominated possession. However, the BC boys defended extremely well to deny any opportunities in the first half. BC regained focus for the second half, but an unfortunate decision allowed Whangerei to score from a penalty. BC huffed and puffed for the remainder of the game, creating several opportunities, but just could not get that elusive equaliser, leaving the boys to contest for 3rd -4th place. The final game was against Rongotai, who the boys played in the very first game of the tournament. A few tired bodies and bit of complacency saw the boys fall to a 3-2 defeat,

resulting in them finishing 4th overall. Despite the result, and horrible weather all week, the boys had a great time and created plenty of memories. We will not forget the Napier tournament in a hurry!

***The Junior Boys' Football team*** competed in a national tournament in Otumoetai during tournament week with many of the players having their first experience at playing football at this competitive level. The boys were determined and committed to improve each game and won 2 games against Hasting Boys and Mahurangi Schools.

## **Basketball**

***The Senior A Boys Basketball team*** had a great 3 days in Rotorua. Our first game resulted in a hard fought win against Hauraki Plains. Unfortunately, we picked up a couple of key injuries during the first day, which limited game time for a couple of our starting 5 players. However, we fought on with perseverance, and the boys showed great team spirit. Fortunately for us, the injuries seemed to heal before our last game (which was against Otumoetai), and the boys played their best game of the season to secure a great win. The Year 13 boys in the team were great leaders, and inspired the others with their determination. We will miss them all next year! Our awesome coach, Jace, was a great mentor for the boys and ensured they played to the best of their ability throughout the

***The Junior Boys' Basketball team*** competed in the second tier 3 day regional tournament at the ASB stadium. Unfortunately, a serious injury to one of the team early on in the tournament saw them playing the rest of the tournament with only 2 substitute players! The boys acquitted themselves well and showed a significant amount of grit and determination to finish the tournament 7th out of 13 teams.

## ***Aims Tournament***

Bethlehem College competed in AIMS Games, during the second week of September with 150 athletes taking part. We competed in 13 different sports which included Badminton, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Futsal, Gymnastics, Hockey, Multisport, Netball, Rock Climbing, Swimming, Table Tennis and Waterpolo. This elite competition draws 10,500 competitors to the event from across New Zealand and from as far away as Australia, Samoa and Thailand. Some impressive results were

achieved in the Girls Football where they came 8th out of 35 teams, Boys Basketball who were 32nd out of 72 teams and the Boys Futsal team who stayed in the top half of the results table achieving 31st place out of 64 teams. A huge amount of gratitude is extended to all the parent coaches and managers of all the teams for their time and expertise in training and organising all our athletes. We really do appreciate everything you have done to make AIMS Games such a highlight for BC students.



## ***New Zealand Sports Representatives***

Nine outstanding Bethlehem College athletes were presented with their New Zealand Athlete Profiles in assembly. The athletes came from a wide range of sports and included Open Water Swimming, Running, Volleyball,

Synchronised Swimming, Tae Kwon Do and Shooting. The drive, determination and remarkable achievements the group have attained are an inspiration to all the Bethlehem College community.

**Daniel Cossey** – Tae Kwon Do

**Mia Pugh** – Open Water Swimming

**Jessica Riddle** – Shooting

**Emily Spear** – Open Water Swimming

**Eric Stratton** – Volleyball

**Rachel Stratton** – Beach Volleyball and Volleyball

**Sarah Stratton** – Volleyball

**Sam Tanner** – Athletics

**Eden Worsley** – Synchronised Swimming

# JESSICA RIDDLE

## NZ SHOOTING REPRESENTATIVE



Jessica is a Year 11 student in Scott House, who was named Best All Round Sportsperson at last years Sports Prizegiving. She was part of the Senior A Netball Team, Senior A Volleyball Team and represents New Zealand in Air Rifle Shooting.

Jessica's list of Shooting achievements are long and distinguished; She is a member of the Ladies Smallbore Rifle Shooting team, part of the New Zealand Junior Smallbore Shooting Team and was the North Island ladies Air Rifle champion last year. Jessica represented New Zealand in 2017 at a tournament in Australia as part of the Youth Olympic Qualification match.

She was also part of the Open Ladies New Zealand Air Rifle Team who competed in the Oceania shooting competition against Australia last year.

Jessica hopes to compete in another international Air Rifle competition and make the Youth Olympics team for Air Rifle. Her favourite sporting experience was competing internationally and being competitive despite being one of the youngest shooters there.

To relax, Jessica watches her favourite movie; 10 things I hate about you and makes sure she doesn't eat anything with sugar in it prior to a competition.

Jessica is a promising athlete who has a calm, positive and competitive attitude towards her sport. She is eager to learn and takes advice well from both her peers and adults. She works effectively in a team and is willing to work hard to achieve success.



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# DANIEL COSSEY

## TAEKWON-DO



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Daniel is in his last year at Bethlehem College and is a Black Belt in his chosen sport of Taekwon Do. It has taken a lot of hard work and dedication to his sport to achieve this significant milestone. Daniel's favourite sporting experience was attending the World Championships in Ireland last year. He mentioned that the atmosphere was incredible with a huge amount of athletes there who performed to such a high standard and he thought it had been a real honour to be there.

Some of Daniel's notable sporting achievements include having a 1st dan blackbelt. He has also received a Silver at Nationals in breaking special technique

and sparring and made the NZ team. He won a Gold medal at the World Championships along with a six person team in special technique and fifth place in individual special technique.

Daniel belongs to Hudson Taylor house. He loves watching the marvel movies, his favourite bible verse is Matthew 10:28 and his favourite subject at school is Christian Studies.

His 2018 goals include getting a medal in an individual event at the 2018 World Cup and getting his 2nd dan blackbelt.

Daniel has achieved a great deal in a short time with his chosen sport. His work ethic

to train and fight is admirable and he continues to perform on both the National and World stage.



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# EDEN WORSLEY

## SYNCHRONISED SWIMMING



Eden is in Year 12 and is a proud Scott house member whose achievements in Synchronised Swimming are long and distinguished. Her favourite sporting experience has been competing in overseas competitions as the atmosphere is just so different and challenging. Being in a different country adds to the pressure but also the excitement.

Her recent sporting achievements include winning Gold at Nationals for three events and Silver for one event. Taking a New Zealand team to the Oceania competition in 2016 and placing third in two events was a real highlight for her. For the past two to three years, Eden's club,

Tauranga Synchro has been the top club at nationals. She has represented New Zealand at the 2017 Singapore National Championships where she came first in the U18 duet and second in the team combination.

Her favourite subjects are Drama and English and if she could pick her favourite colours, they would be lime green and purple! Eden loves to sit down and watch comedy movies when she has the chance. Her favourite quote is,

"All the strength you need to achieve anything is within you." and

"Live a life that is a story worth telling".

Her 2018 goals for include taking a team to Argentina in November to compete at the Argentina Open for New Zealand.



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# EMILY SPEAR

## SWIMMING AND BC ATHLETICS



Emily is in Year 10 and she has excelled in Long Course Swimming for some time. Her favourite sporting experience was representing the Central AquaKnights Swimming Club in an international competition in Australia. The chance to swim with a great team, make new friends in a fantastic city with superb facilities was a memory she treasures.

Emily's long list of prominent achievements started when she was in Year 7. She won the 200m freestyle in the very competitive AIMS Games. A year later she became the New Zealand National 400m champion for her age group. In 2017 she became the National

U15 Open Water 10km Champion and came 3rd in the 5km discipline. This year she has retained her U 15 10km Open Water Champion title and is also the Hinemoa 2km Open Water Female Champion.

Emily loves eating pasta and meatballs before a race and her workout song is; Whatever it Takes. Her favourite movies are Mamma Mia and Guardians of the Galaxy, her favourite subject is PE and her favourite quote is

"When I feel tired, I just think about how great I will feel once I finally reach my goal" - Michael Phelps.

Her big goal for 2018 goals to is place in the top 3 in the Fiji Ocean Swim Series.

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# ERIC STRATTON

## NEW ZEALAND VOLLEYBALL REP AND BAY OF PLENTY BASKETBALL REPRESENTATIVE



Eric is in Year 13 and is a talented Basketball and Volleyball Player whose favourite sporting experience was attending the interclub National Volleyball Championships in Wellington last year. The aspect that he really appreciated was the positive team culture. This great team culture allowed him to learn a great deal on and off the court. He found the elite level really challenging, especially because everyone he played with and against was older and more experienced than he was.

He describes his greatest sporting achievements as gaining 3rd place in the U19 New Zealand Beach Volleyball tour in California and 2nd place in the

U17 National Interprovincial Volleyball Championships for the Bay of Plenty. He is also part of the Representative Bay of Plenty Basketball team.

Eric's favourite pre-match meal is eggs on toast and the song that helps to motivate him and get him ready for a game is OG by Troyboi. He loves the movie Men in Black III, his favourite subject is Economics and he belongs to Aylward House.

His goals for 2018 include being part of the Junior Men's National Indoor Volleyball Team and finding a scholarship to play College Basketball in America.

Eric is a committed sports person who possesses the skills and aptitude to excel in sport both in his age group and at a senior Level in Basketball and Volleyball.

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# MIA PUGH

## NEW ZEALAND OPEN WATER SWIMMING CHAMPION



Mia is the Bethlehem College Head Girl for 2018 and is an accomplished athlete and swimmer. She specialises in the gruelling sport of Open Water Swimming and already has some impressive titles and placings to her name. She has recently been selected in the New Zealand team to compete in the Oceania Championships in Papa New Guinea.

Her favourite sporting experience was competing in the New Zealand Open Water Championships this year because it was her first attempt at swimming in an open field and she learnt a lot from it. She loved meeting some really inspiring people and enjoyed racing. The perfect

conditions also added significantly to her enjoyment of the race.

Mia's 2018 goal is to be competitive at the Oceania champs in both the 5km and 10km and hopefully place in the top 10.

Her impressive list of achievements include being named NZ Open Water 5km Champion in her age group for both 2017 + 2018. She also got 2nd in the 10km category open women's race this year and was overall champion for the 5km race in the Open Women category!

Mia's favourite pre-race meal is pasta, her favourite colour is blue and History is a subject she really enjoys!

The bible verse that resonates most with her is;

2 Corinthians 12:9:

'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.'



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# RACHEL STRATTON

*NEW ZEALAND BEACH VOLLEYBALL  
REPRESENTATIVE  
NEW ZEALAND VOLLEYBALL  
REPRESENTATIVE*



Rachel has made her mark in both Beach and Indoor Volleyball over the last three years. She has been a member of several national teams in both codes. Her favourite sporting experience was when she was playing in the Australian National Championships. Her North Island representative team had been given the underdog label and she said the fact that they took the defending champions to a final set and beat other teams they were not expected to beat, made the victories sweet, and it was a real highlight of her career so far.

Rachel has represented New Zealand in the USA, Thailand and Australia and her 2018 goal is to make the New Zealand U19 Indoor team who will travel to Vietnam and to make the U19 team to compete in the Beach World Championships.

Rachel's accomplishments include representing New Zealand in Australia with the North Island U17 team where they won gold in 2015 and achieved a silver medal as captain in 2016. She has represented New Zealand as a member of the NZ Under-17 Beach Volleyball squad at the U17 Asian Championships in Thailand in May 2016, and was a part of the Under-19 squad who travelled to the United States last year. She and her partner also won silver at the NZ age groups in the U19 beach volleyball champs in 2017.

Rachel's favourite colour is blue and her favourite subject is Biology.

The most meaningful bible verse to Rachel is;

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Rachel is our Senior Sports Captain this year and also spends some of her spare time coaching volleyball and working so that she can save for her future tournaments. She is a focused, humble and talented athlete.



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# SAMUEL TANNER

## NEW ZEALAND CROSS COUNTRY REPRESENTATIVE



Samuel Tanner is an outstanding athlete who is one of New Zealand's most talented middle distance and Cross Country runners. He works really hard at his craft and understands how important training, nutrition, recovery and discipline are.

Sam's favourite sporting experience was winning the National Cross Country race because he came across the line knowing he was the underdog and he had proved a worthy and talented competitor. He said a lot of those feelings were related to the satisfaction of knowing that all of his hard work had paid off and that he had remained healthy and achieved a long held goal.

Sam's times for various races stand as follows:

800m - 1minute 52 seconds, 1500m - 3minutes 48.7 seconds, 3000m - 8minutes 22 seconds.

Sam's achievements are impressive and include being the New Zealand U18 6km road race champion, National Secondary School Cross Country Champion and the U20 Road Race national champion. He recently added the U20 men's 1500m to his list of achievements and has been selected to race for New Zealand in Paris and to compete as part of the New Zealand team in Finland later on in the year.

Sam loves to eat Subway and baby food as part of his pre - race diet and his favourite subjects are Music and Sports Science.

Sam's favourite bible verse is;

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13

Sam's bright and positive can do attitude and his continual willingness to not only strive hard for his own success but also to encourage others is admirable. He is quick to congratulate others and offers advice if they seek it.

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# SARAH STRATTON

## NEW ZEALAND VOLLEYBALL REPRESENTATIVE



Sarah is a Year 12 student who is dedicated to whatever she does. She is Head Student of Aylward House and has excelled in Volleyball, Netball, Gymnsport and Athletics.

Sarah's list of achievements across sport are a real credit to her and are a result of her diligent attitude and willingness to work hard to achieve success. She was National Gymnsport Aerobics Champion in 2012 and specialises in High Jump at Athletics where she was third in the North Island in 2016 and was Bay of Plenty Champion five years in a row. Sarah is an excellent defender in Netball and was selected as a talented player in the National Secondary Schools Netball Program in 2017. She is also an accomplished Netball Umpire who

received her Zone theory umpiring award last year. In 2016- 2017 Sarah was selected for the Interprovincial Volleyball representative team where they achieved third place at Nationals in Division 2 last year. Sarah has recently been selected in the New Zealand Youth Women's team to compete in Thailand in May. Sarah and her partner achieved third place in the Senior Girls Division 2 New Zealand Secondary Schools Beach Volleyball Championships during January this year.

Sarah doesn't have any particular goal for this year but is a strong believer that accolades and opportunities will present themselves as long as she continues to work hard!

Sarah's favourite sporting experience was being named in the New Zealand Youth

Team because she felt a huge sense of achievement and was pleased her hard work was being acknowledged.

Sarah's favoured pre game meal is a smoothie and her favourite colour is purple. She really enjoys studying Chemistry and Biology and her favourite Bible verse is;

1 Peter 4:10

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."



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# 2018 TERM DATES

TERM START	TERM FINISH	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
TERM FOUR - 9 weeks		
Tuesday 16 October	Monday 17 December (90 half-days)	Tuesday 18 December
2018 STATUTORY HOLIDAYS COMING UP		
Monday 22 October	Labour Day	

## END OF YEAR KEY DATES FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Please refer to the school website calendar for additional information and any changes prior to the event.

Thursday 1 November	Y11 - Y13 Top House 2pm
Friday 2 November	Y11 - Y13 Last day of classes Leavers Assembly 2pm (all students Y1-Y13 attend) Honour guard - Leavers walk down The Way 3pm
Monday 5 November - Tuesday 6 November	Y9 - Y10 Exams
Tuesday 6 November	Y11 - Y13 Senior Prize giving
Wednesday 7 November	Y11 - Y13 NCEA Exams start
Monday 26 November - Saturday 15 December	Y9 BMAC camps - log in to calendar to view dates for each class
Friday 30 November	NCEA Exams finish
Wednesday 5 December	Leavers Dinner
Friday 7 December	Y10 Last day of classes Y10 Prize giving
Sunday 9 December - Sunday 16 December	Y10 camps - log in to calendar to view dates for each group. As Y10 classes have finished, students not at camp do not attend school
Wednesday 12 December	Y6 Graduation assembly
Friday 14 December	Y1 - Y6 Prize giving
Monday 17 December	Y7 - Y9 Junior Secondary Prize giving
Monday 17 December	Y1 - Y9 Last day of school



# 2019 TERM DATES

TERM START	TERM FINISH	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
TERM ONE - 11 weeks		
Wednesday 30 January Year 13 only	Friday 12 April (102* half-days)	Monday 15 April to Friday 26 April
TERM TWO - 10 weeks		
Monday 29 April	Wednesday 3 July (94 half-days)	<i>NB: Thursday 4th, Friday 5th - July Staff only Days</i> Monday 8 July to Friday 19 July
TERM THREE - 10 weeks		
Monday 22 July	Friday 27 September (100 half-days)	Monday 30 September to Monday 14 October
TERM FOUR - 9 weeks		
Tuesday 15 October	Thursday 12 December (84 half-days)	Friday 13 December

\*NB: This allows for one additional Staff only Day in Term 1 for Professional Development - date to be confirmed These term dates comply with Ministry of Education requirements - open for instruction 380 (half) days in 2019.

Please refer to the BC Signpost and our Web Calendar for all Staff Professional Development days or any other important dates that will have an impact on the school term for students.

## 2019 STATUTORY HOLIDAYS

Monday 28 January	Auckland Anniversary
Tuesday 6 February	Waitangi Day
Friday 19 April	Good Friday
Monday 22 April	Easter Monday
Tuesday 23 April	Easter Tuesday
Wednesday 25 April	ANZAC Day (during holidays)
Monday 3 June	Queen's Birthday
Monday 28 October	Labour Day

## 2019 START OF YEAR COMMENCEMENT DATES FOR STUDENTS

Wednesday 30 January	Yr 13 Course Confirmation only Yr 13 Camp Commences pm
Thursday 31 January	All Years 1 – 9, including BC Chapman (No Yr 10) Yr 11 - 12 Course Confirmation only. Y13 at Camp
Friday 1 February	All Years 1 – 9 (No Yrs 10, 11 & 12) Yr 13 at Camp
Monday 4 February	All Primary and Secondary Students





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