

BC PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 1 FEBRUARY, 2019

Kia ora Parents & Caregivers,

Welcome back to Bethlehem College Primary for 2019. No doubt you've had an action-packed summer with children at home - but may be well and truly ready for the school year to get underway! We loved seeing all those smiley faces arriving at school on Thursday and would like to extend a special welcome to those new to school. Bethlehem College is a special place and one that we pray would be a real blessing to your children and family.



COMMUNITY PICNIC

Date: Wednesday 13th February
Time: 5:00pm till 7:00pm
BYO Picnic Dinner
(BC is an alcohol free campus)

We would like to begin the year by inviting you to join us for a community picnic dinner. This is an opportunity to gather as a community, to meet other parents and get to know the BC teachers in a relaxed environment.

Our wonderful PTA are supporting the event by running a free sausage sizzle and providing a bouncy castle for the kids! There will also be a coffee cart where you can purchase hot drinks and milkshakes! We would love to see you there.

Our prayer for 2019 is that you and your children will have a blessed year, filled with fun, adventure and learning.

Blessings,

Marcus Norrish
Head of Primary



TERM 1 KEY DATES

Waitangi Day
Wednesday 6th February
School Closed

Community Picnic
Wednesday 13th February

Class Photos
Tuesday 19th February

Parent Conferences
Day 1 - Tuesday 12th March
Day 2 - Thursday 14th March

Teacher Only Day
Friday 22nd March
(School Closed)

House Challenge Day
Thursday 4th April

Mufti Day
Friday 5th April

Primary Easter Service
Wednesday 10th April

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Our Vision

To be a Christian learning community of excellence where lives are transformed.



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THE BC LEARNER

This year we are introducing to our children the BC Learner model. This model aims to articulate the attributes and characteristics of an effective learner at Bethlehem College. Over this term we will be spending time at school exploring how the different aspects of the model help us as learners and as people.



ATTENDANCE

There are many reasons why a child can be away from school. Some reasons, we have little control over, while others are due to choices we make. However, there is certainly a strong link between consistent attendance at school and student success. Inconsistent attendance and regular late arrival to school both make the learning process more difficult for children. While 100% attendance is ideal, anything over 90% is considered normal. However if attendance drops towards 85% it does become a concern.

When your child is going to be away, please let us know by emailing absences@beth.school.nz or leave a message at (07) 579 1827.

SPORTS NEWS

Playing sport and being part of a team is an important part of our learning and development. We would love to see as many students playing sport as possible. At Bethlehem College we have many opportunities. During term one, children can get involved in Badminton, Athletics, Cricket, Flippaball, Futsal, Gymnastics, Rippa Rugby and Volleyball. If you would like to register for any of these, or get more information, please visit the primary sports section of the school website.

[CLICK HERE](#)
for a quick link

KEY SPORTING DATES

Y5/6 Swimming Sports
Wednesday 13th March

Summer Sports Photos
Thursday 14th March

North Cluster Swimming (Y5/6)
Wednesday 20th March

Top Schools Competition
Thursday 21st March

House Challenge Day
Thursday 4th April

WBOP Swimming Sports (Y5/6)
Wednesday 10th April

TOP SCHOOLS CHEERLEADING TEAM

Coming up this term is the Top Schools Competition at Gate Pa Primary. This is always an exciting event to be part of. This year we are sending a Top Schools Team, but would also like to send a cheerleading team. The cheerleading teams are judged on their presentations during the event. If you are a parent with a passion for dance and would be keen to be part of training a team, we would love to hear from you. Please contact marcus.norrish@beth.school.nz

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FINANCE OFFICE UPDATE

Dear Parents and Caregivers
Welcome back to a new school year. The finance office is moving location on Tuesday 5th February. The finance team will now be in the CET building at 7 Elder Lane (The first building on your left when you turn off Moffat Road). The carpark out the front of the building will be kept free for visitors so please feel free to drop in if you need assistance from any of our staff. Our phone numbers will remain the same. For emails enquiries please email debtors@beth.school.nz

Thank You

CET Finance Team

TRIATHLON FUN

This coming Sunday we have a number of children taking part in the Weetbix Triathlon. This event was postponed last year due to poor weather.

Coming up on Sunday 24th February is another Triathlon Opportunity. The **Pahoia Triathlon** has been running in the Omokoroa Domain for 10 years and is a fun-filled family event. Suitable for ages 5-13, this event is fun to participate in and set up for parents to enjoy watching.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

RISE DANCE

HIP HOP DANCE CLASSES AT BETHLEHEM COLLEGE 2019!

WHO:

EVERYONE YEARS 3-6

COST:

9 WEEK TERMS ONLY \$88

WHEN:

Fridays, 12:45-1:25pm



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