

## FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Kia ora wonderful Bethlehem College Chapman whanau,

Welcome Back to Term 2. A special welcome to Kirsty and Rio Maxwell-Crawford and their tamariki, Miria (5), Kaea (7) and Te Rangi (9). It is a joy to receive Felix Chu who has just turned 5. In the coming months we will have several other 5 year olds beginning at BC Chapman and we are looking forward to having more of these precious little ones in our whanau.

We really do pray that you had a fantastic couple of weeks in this glorious Autumn weather enjoying being together. It is wonderful to have our young people looking so smart in their Winter Uniform. The rich turquoise colour suits everyone. This Term is action packed with learning and events which we are all looking forward to. Believe it or not, we are already into training for our BC Chapman Cross Country.

This Term we have chosen a Scripture passage from Isaiah 40 which fits in beautifully with our Big Picture Theme of Hope/Tumanako. There have been yet further tragic events across our world which reflect on-going terrorist activity against innocent people. As Christian teachers, we feel that it is important to teach our children who God is, what HE is like and where our hope is able to be securely placed. While our circumstances can change in a heartbeat, God remains true to His character and we can be strong in our faith in Him.

Isaiah 40:18-31

18 With whom, then, will you compare God? To what image will you liken him?

19 As for an idol, a metalworker casts it, and a goldsmith overlays it with gold and fashions silver chains for it.

20 A person too poor to present such an offering selects wood that will not rot; they look for a skilled worker to set up an idol that will not topple.

21 Do you not know? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood since the earth was founded?

22 He sits enthroned above the circle of the earth, and its people are like grasshoppers. He stretches out the heavens like a canopy, and spreads them out like a tent to live in.





While away last week, I took this photo early one morning as I was walking on the beach. In many ways it was a graphic picture within Creation as it relates to 'Hope'. The clouds were thick, heavy and grey, shrouding the sky like a blanket above the still water. There were distinct shafts of light permeating through, lighting the sky with beams of hope which could neither be hidden nor denied. I stood and watched, reminded of the eternal hope we have as Christians, knowing God IS never changing, HE IS faithful and HIS Word, the Bible, IS true for all time. May you too, be encouraged as you teach your children about our almighty God and the hope we have in Him. We are blessed indeed.

Me te aroha tonu With love always



#### **MULTICULTURAL DINNER**

Last year, we held a multicultural dinner in which we learned of the rich cultural heritage of our various school families. It is amazing to consider that we have over 14 ethnicities represented at BC Chapman. We have a slice of our world right here in the centre of Rotorua. God has drawn us from many different nations and we have so much which we can learn from one another as we build connection. Dr Margriet Theron, has been instrumental in encouraging us to celebrate the rich diversity and heritage we have and to this end, the Multicultural Association have granted us financial support to hold this event. Our PTA will be organising this evening so please mark it in your diaries. We want to have as many families as possible attend and enable our children to explore the joy of sharing with and learning from each other in the process. As you can see, the theme is culture, cuisine and celebration. Exciting!!!! More details will follow soon. The evening will showcase cultural treasures/taonga, music, dances and delectable foods. This is definitely NOT to be missed!!!!





# WHOLE SCHOOL PRODUCTION-THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE

It is hard to believe that not quite two years ago we did our first ever School Production, Antshillvania. Now, we are ready to launch into one of the world's classic and deeply loved CS Lewis stories, The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe. This gives us a unique opportunity to present a message of genuine hope to all who come to see our production at the end of Term 3. There is the usual list of endless tasks from making costumes, to hair, make-up, backdrops, sound, lighting, props, promotion, baking for Mrs. Beaver's café and the rest. So, if you are keen to be involved (and we are praying you will be), then please let Mrs Warnes, Mrs Shrimpton or Mrs Stevenson know exactly what you would be keen to assist us with, over these coming weeks.

Auditions will be held for the main character parts in the next week or so. Please encourage your son/daughter to audition for a speaking part if they are keen and the Performing Arts is their gift.

Be assured every single young person WILL be in our Production because being BC Chapman whanau means NO ONE is left out! Momentum and enthusiasm is rising as we share what we are planning to do and you will certainly see evidence and hear the sounds of Production mania in the near future.

## **BCC CROSS COUNTRY**

Training has begun at least four days per week and we are aiming to ensure our young people are well prepared for our BC Chapman Cross Country at Waipa on Friday 14th June (Week 7) with the postponement date Friday 21st June (Week 8). Please ensure that clearly named School PE gear is placed in your son/daughter's bag every day as it is needed for Cross Country training. Please remind your child that PE gear is not to be worn underneath their school uniform. There will be more details around our actual BC Chapman Cross Country closer to the time as we will be needing a great deal of parent support for that event.

## **MEASLES**

Please note there is a total of 14 confirmed cases of measles across the Bay of Plenty and Lakes District. Please ensure that your child's immunisations are up to date. If you suspect your child may have measles, please take them to the doctor immediately, notify the school office and keep them quarantined at home.

## WINTER UNIFORM - TERM 2 & TERM 3



As mentioned we have now changed to Winter Uniform. Can we please ask that your ensure your son/daughter is wearing our uniform properly. This includes the wearing of correct footwear, black polish-able shoes, NOT canvas shoes as these keep their feet dry and present better because they can be polished. Jackets may be worn to and from school in wet weather or for warmth. They will **not** be worn in class however, our rooms are heated and our BC Chapman jersey provides necessary warmth. Uniform Shop Opening hours are 9.00am to 3.30pm on Tuesdays. We are now in a position in which we can process purchases which involve accepting Credit Card details by phone. Should you wish to send your child to Mrs Trish Copeland to purchase an item on Tuesdays (due to being unable to come in personally) you can phone through your Credit Card details to her at school instead.

#### PICK UP AND DROP OFF -HEALTH & SAFETY

We would just like to remind you to please remember to park your car and walk your son/daughter over to the cones from where they can safely walk down into school. In the afternoons, several of us will be on duty and we will seek to ensure your son/daughter is well looked after and quickly brought to you. Children are not permitted to wander off to your car by themselves as their health, safety and well-being is of crucial concern.

In wet weather, our young people are taken down to the Living Well Church Café from where they can be collected. This is a real blessing as our children stay warm, dry and close to the carpark.

Please ensure that children are correctly restrained in a car seat or seatbelt as is age appropriate. We recently had a member of the public phone to tell us they observed two cars leaving the carpark after school with no seatbelts on any of the children. They even took the time to note down the number plates of the vehicles. We want to be 'above reproach' and represent the Lord with excellence in ALL areas of our school.

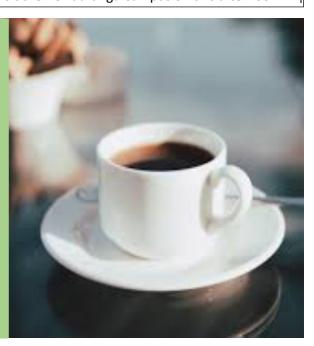


Families of our Year 8 students moving into Year 9 in 2020 may like to visit the BC Tauranga Campus on this afternoon

## PARENTS PRAYER & COFFEE GROUP

Every Wednesday morning at 8.45 - meet in the staffroom to pray for the school. EVERYONE is welcome, please feel free to join in, even if it's only occasionally!

See Anelda Venter 021 0870 2332 or Tanya Taljaard if you need more info.



## **OUR RELIEVING TEACHERS**

We are blessed to have teachers who can stand in for us if we are sick and or attending a Course. Ruth Lickfold; Wendy Leong; Michelle Wynne; Leanne Joyce and John Mudge. These teachers are integral to our BC Chapman whanau. Please connect with them if you are dropping off or collecting your children so they get to know you better as they faithfully serve us.





## Building Awesome Whānau

## A six session course for parents of 0 -12 year olds

Tiaki Tamariki Maia

Building Awesome Whānau draws on the wisdom of mātauranga Māori and the best of Toolbox to offer you and your family a kaupapa that is uniquely Aotearoa. Designed for whānau raising children aged 0–12, this course can be delivered over a number of weeks, or as a wānanga (facilitator dependent).

Some familiar faces have helped us to create this resource so it's packed full of great ideas, positive stories from parents still on the journey with their own tamariki and practical ideas to help you. Your facilitator will draw on the wealth of wisdom and experiences present in the group, and weave that together with all that is Building Awesome Whānau, so that you are supported and encouraged as you awhi (nurture) and build your awesome whānau.

#### Session one

Laying the foundations - Building your family on aroha

#### Session two

Parents are the roof - Protecting your whānau

#### Session three

The walls of the whare – Boundaries to keep the good stuff in and the bad stuff out

#### Session four

Keeping it sweet - Atmosphere is everything!

#### Session five

Cool korero - Communication

#### Session six

Outside the whare - Living in the big wide world

Harvest Centre, 324 Malfroy Road, Westbrook WEDNESDAY 8 MAY 2019 TO WEDNESDAY 12 JUNE 2019 Day course - 9.30 am to 11.30 am Contact: DEE HORNE, Rotorua Parenting Place Coordinator Email: rotorua@parentingplace.nz Mobile: 0276139067





#### **TEENAGE YEARS 13-18**

12.30pm to 2.30pm

Start Date: Tuesday 14 May 2019 Finish Date: Wednesday 18 June 2019 Children's Library Hub Community Room

Haupapa Street, Central Rotorua

CONTACT: Dee Horne Rotorua@parentingplace.nz

Phone: 0276139067

Cost \$75.00 per single \$110.00 per couple Subsidies are available

Need a subsidy? Just ask.

#### What to expect

6 sessions per course. Run in small groups by a trained facilitator. Tailored to your needs. Fun, practical and inspirational.

#### **Topics include**

The importance of love and connection. Different parenting styles. Understanding your child and their big feelings. Discipline and boundaries, and lots more!



### **DONATION FOR SPONSORSHIP**

Our local Flight Centre Travel Broker, Natalie Osborn donates a portion of any travel booked by Chapman Staff or parents for sponsorship of children. Please indicate to Natalie if/when you book your travel that you belong to the BC Chapman whanau.

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Please call me: Natalie or Nat

Years in the industry: 21

Countries visited: 18

Favourite city: Athens

Next trip: undecided as yet - so many wonderful places

to choose from :-)

My business hours are: Monday-Friday 10am-4pm

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

Multi-cultural Dinner: Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 5.30pm -7.30pm.

Queens birthday holiday: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Chess Power Competition: Friday 7th June held at BC Chapman 9am-3pm

BC Chapman Cross Country: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June (postponement date Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June).

Rhapsody Concert: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2019 LWC Auditorium 1.30pm.

Last day Term 2: Wednesday 3rd July 2019

Music Festival Te Awamutu-awaiting date confirmation

**School Production: End of Term 3**