

FRIDAY 6 SEPTEMBER, 2019

Kia ora Parents & Caregivers,

Over the next couple of weeks our winter sports teams start to wrap up for 2019. We certainly love to see children out playing sport and teams competing, developing physical skills and growing personal characteristics through the experience. There is no doubt that these opportunities could not happen without the commitment of parent managers, coaches and volunteers. I would like to express a sincere thanks to everyone who has volunteered in order to see our tamariki have the opportunity play sport this year.

Last week we re-opened B Block. It is exciting to finally see our precious group of Year 2 children settled into this fantastic space. It has been quite a journey to get to this point, with every effort being put in to ensure the classrooms will support highly effective teaching and learning. We really feel blessed that the CET are so committed that they have even put a concrete floor into an existing building to ensure the best for the children! I wish to thank the teachers involved for the huge amount of work they have put into this. Mrs Sue Martin is the team leader, and has been so committed to working with Mrs Nelson and Mrs Bayliss to prepare. They along with support staff have already made the space feel like a home.

There are always so many different things happening around the school. I love coming across fun and creative things that teachers are doing with their classes. Recently E2 have been working together to create a 'Wings Collage'. I couldn't help but get my photo taken! Great work E2.

Kind regards,

Marcus Norrish Head of Primary



Production 11th & 12th September

HAVE YOU GOT TICKETS YET?

Go to <u>www.beth.school.nz</u> tor tickets

Junior Showcase Thursday 19th September 11:00am, PAC

North Cluster Have-a-go Sports Event Thursday 26th September

LAST Day Term 3 Friday 27th September

FIRST Day Term 4 TUESDAY 15th October

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CHALLENGING THE INTELLECTUAL

EXERCISING THE PHYSICAL

AROUND THE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL PRIMARY CHOIR FESTIVAL

Hi BC, I'm **Sam Lewis.** I love all sport, particularly basketball, football and swimming. I



play Rep basketball for Tauranga City and play football for the AllStars Football Academy. I recently played for the AllStars in the Christchurch International Cup which was such a great experience as I got to go with all my friends. I'm also part of the Liz van Welie swimming squad and regularly compete in swimming competitions.

When I'm not playing sport, I love to draw and read and listen to music to relax. I have a younger sister in Year 4 who also loves sport as well as dancing and gymnastics. At home I have 2 rabbits and 2 cats. I like being a Student Leader because I like helping the school and the responsibility. Most lunchtimes you'll see me playing basketball or on the field playing football so come over and join in!

Anyounghasaeyo. My name is **Sebin Park**. I am in the class E4 and in Aylward house.

I have played the piano for nearly five years now and I really enjoy entering competitions and being part of a concert experience. I also enjoy reading, playing hockey (I play for the BC Top sticks) and singing. This year I am on the Student Council and am looking forward to helping other



students. I think what really inspired me to help our community was the National Young Leaders Day in May this year. I really encourage you to go next year! Our primary choir recently join the Tauranga Primary Combined Choir to perform at Baycourt Theatre. It was a wonderful night that was a culmination of months of preparation. Well done to all our BC Learners who represented us all so well. A special thanks to Mrs Borrows and Mrs West for training and supporting the choir.



SCHOOL HOURS

We love having our wonderful children at school - they're awesome. But in some ways, we're a little like grandparents - we like to give them back at the end of the day! It is often the case that children are left waiting for parents in the

playground well beyond 3:15pm. This is a concern to us as after



3:15pm responsibility for children shifts from teachers back to parents. Difficulties arise when there is conflict between unsupervised children, where an accident happens and particularly when staff go to leave later in the

evening to find children still waiting to be collected. Please ensure that you arrange to collect children on time, and if they are playing late at school that you supervise them.



AROUND THE SCHOOL

MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK

Last week was Maori Language at Bethlehem College. We celebrated this separate to the national dates due to a clash with secondary exam requirements.

It was wonderful to see a range of opportunities happening around the school for children to engage in Te Reo, Kapa Haka, traditional Maori games and fun actives like our tiki treasure hunt! E1 were fantastic ambassadors for tikanga Maori by visiting all the classes in primary and sharing waiata (songs) and haka with the students.

We have a wonderful group of teachers who lead our Maori curriculum at BC Primary. Jane Phelps heads up the team with Corine Marsden and Matua Hamuera supporting with the knowledge, skills and passion for things Maori.



On a 'Tiki Hunt'



E1 Eating Rewena Bread



E1 Haka Presentation



