



BC PRIMARY NEWSLETTER



TERM 4 WEEK 6

Kia ora Parents/Caregivers,

With the term end quickly approaching there have been and continue to be numerous exciting things happening across our Primary.

Our Year 6's will be having mixed feelings as they are so close to finishing up their time in Primary. We are excited for them as they prepare for their graduation ceremony, evening social and trip to Waimarino next week.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING...

MONDAY MORNING WORSHIP

We have been blessed over the past two weeks to hear from Mrs Gilchrist and Mr Edmeades.

Mrs Gilchrist reminded us about Ps 139:40 where God tells us we are all fearfully and wonderfully made and how we can rely on Him for all things.



Mr Edmeades challenged us to see how we measure God's love? The examples of a cup (Ps 23), a tape measure (Ps 108) and a watch showed we can't measure His everlasting love but we can know and experience it every day through His Word, prayer and each other.



TERM 4 KEY DATES

**MOE ACCORD DAY
NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**
Monday 23rd Nov

ATHLETICS DAY (Y3&4)
Tuesday 24th Nov

**GRADUATION & SOCIAL
(YEAR 6)**
Thursday 26th Nov

WAIMARINO TRIP (Y6)
Friday 27th Nov

EOY EVENT (Y5)
Monday 30th Nov

EOY EVENT (Y3&4)
Tuesday 1st Dec

TRIATHALON (YO-2)
Thursday 3rd Dec

CELEBRATION SERVICE
Wednesday 9th December

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
Friday 11th December

Our Vision

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



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ASSEMBLY

Thank you to our newest friends from A5 & A6 for treating the Primary to some wonderful singing and sharing about God's creation this past week.



We have just one more Primary assembly on Friday 4 December before our final celebration assembly on Wednesday 9th December.

KAPA HAKA

On Friday last week our Kapa haka team hosted 3 local schools Kapa haka groups. A powhiri for Bethlehem Primary, Seventh Day Adventist school and Whare Kura was followed by lunch and then a wonderful sharing time where each school performed waiata, haka and poi. Our Kapa haka group led by Mr Tamihana and Mrs Marsden performed wonderfully. Thanks to Mrs Phelps and the many parents who volunteered to help the day a success.



FUNKY FUN DAY

Our Year 1 & 2 classes had a fabulous time at Trustpower arena last Wednesday for their Funky fun day. All were thankful to be able to have this event which has previously been upset by Covid. Thanks to Jane Wilson-Fouracre and staff for helping with getting this day up and running, the children loved it!



NORTHERN CLUSTER ATHLETICS

On Tuesday this week we had 45 Year 5 & 6 students represent BC Primary at the cluster athletics. They performed really well giving their best efforts in the many events. Several of our children are now going on to represent the cluster at the WBOP athletics competition next Wednesday.



★ Congratulations! ★

PIANO EXAM ACHIEVERS



Congratulations to Victoria Padfield (E2) who has passed Grade 1 with a merit and Esha Xu (B1) who has passed Grade 3 with a Distinction. Excellent effort!



PARENT COFFEE CHAT FEEDBACK

Last Friday was our first coffee chat, an opportunity for folks to come along and share. Thank you to those parents who came along and shared some constructive feedback. As we look ahead to next year I am aiming to have a midterm coffee chat each term.



FULL STAFF & PLACEMENT LIST

Staff have been busy working on plans for next year along with the finishing up of 2020. This includes writing your child's end of year report which will be sent home following our Celebration service on Wednesday 9 December.

The children will have the opportunity to spend some time with their new teacher for 2021 on this day also.

Staff placements have also now been decided. We do want to acknowledge some who are leaving our BC Primary whanau this year too.

Mrs Maria Kapa will be leaving us having served us tremendously for nearly 5 years teaching our younger Primary children.

Mrs Tarryn Pratt has been a valued team member working part time this year in A2 while studying and is now moving on to new ventures.

Mrs Ruth Sutcliffe has been doing a great job working with classes in Year 4 - 6 and as she is expecting her 3rd child in January will be leaving.

We are very blessed here at Bethlehem College to have wonderful staff who are committed to the best for the children. God's Word reminds us in 1Peter 4:10 *'Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others'*.

As these teachers begin their journeys in different places and or roles we know they will continue to be a blessing.

Have a blessed weekend.

Ngā mihi
Karen.



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Primary Leadership Team (PLT)	Role
Karen Whenuaroa	HoP
Nathan Martin	AHoP
Jo West	AHoP

Team Te Kari (Year 1)	Class
Lorraine Ransley	A1
Jane Phelps	A2
Sue Martin (M-Th) Jo Ball (F)	A3
Fay Dickie (TL)	A4

Team Te Aka (Year 2)	Class
Pip Gilchrist	B1
Katesha Allis (TL)	B2
Vicky Nelson	B3



Team Te Awa (Year 3 & 4)	Class/Level
Jonathan Silby	C2 3
Shelley Barnard	C3 3
Brittany Wong	C4 3
Stef Hendra (TL)	C1 4
Jan Billings	D1 4
Maureen Giles	D2 4

Team Te Maunga (Year 5 & 6)	Class/Level
Amanda Aandewiel	D3 5
Corine Marsden	E1 5
Cristy Drake	E3 5
Laura Jackson	D4 6
Leonie Manson	E2 6
Carol Simms-Cook (TL)	E4 6

Support teachers	Role
Miriama Smith	SENCO
Josie Bennett	Reading recovery
Amy Borrows (Y2-6) Jo West (Y0/1)	CRT release/Music
Rona Wilcox	CRT release/Art
Sarah Vukona	ESOL



REMINDERS AND OTHER INFORMATION:



Reminder:
No School!

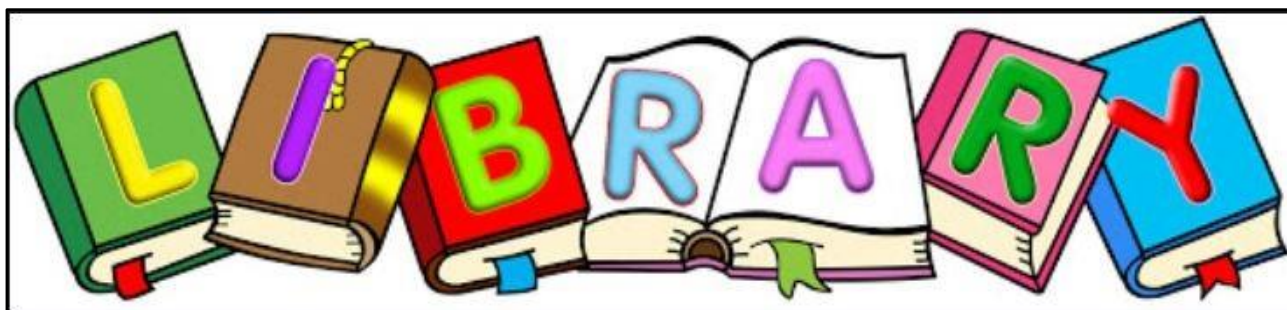
NO SCHOOL MONDAY 23 NOVEMBER FOR STUDENTS

Please remember there are no classes this coming Monday due to MOE Accord day for teachers.

LIBRARY

Wk 7: Monday 23rd Nov - **last week** of issues to Primary.

Wk 8: Wednesday 2nd Dec - all Primary books need to be returned.



PHOTOLIFE CLASS PHOTOS A5 & A6 + CATCH UP PHOTO'S

Photo access keys have been given out to children in A5 & A6 as well as children that had catch up photos taken. Photo's are now available to order online please note that FREE DELIVERY expires at midnight on 29th November 2020.

YEAR 5 I-PAD INFORMATION



For parents who weren't able to make it to our information evening last week please go to [BC Digital Learning](#) for information regarding the purchase of I-Pads for next year.

If you have any questions please contact:

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

At the end of this year we will run our popular BC Summer Reading Club again. We have had a lot of positive feedback from parents, students and teachers about the program. We want to encourage students to keep on reading during the holidays and all year 3 to 12 students can join and take out up to 25 books of their choice for the summer holidays.

In 2017 we extended our invitation to BC parents or caregivers, too, and we are doing it again this year. You are welcome to come and choose up to 5 extra books (on top of the 25 issued to students) from our secondary and adult collections for yourself on your child's name.

Students will be provided with a list of what they have chosen to make it easier to keep track of their books.

If you are happy for your child to participate (or if you want to come, too), please sign the permission slip below, with your child, and return it to the library as soon as possible. **Books can be selected on Tuesday 8, Wednesday 9 and Thursday 10 December, before school from 7:30, during morning tea and lunch times and after school until 3:45.**

Your child may borrow up to 25 books (plus 5 books for parents) for the holidays as long as:

- he/she is returning to our school next year
- He/she has no outstanding books when coming to choose Summer Reading books
- you agree to pay for any lost or damaged books.



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I, _____ give permission to _____ (child's name) in _____ (class) to take out a maximum of 25 (30) books and undertake to ensure that all books will be returned to school during week 1 of the first term in 2021.

Signed (parent/caregiver) _____

I, _____ (student) undertake to take good care of my library books and will return all books during the first week of term 1 in 2020.

Regards

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REMEMBRANCE TREE APPEAL

— 2020 —

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Can you spare time this Christmas to help at our **Bethlehem Countdown** Remembrance Tree site from **4th December - 10th December** (or know someone who can)?

Contact the site coordinator - Carol Wade
cawade25@gmail.com or text 021 178 21 21

or

Please apply online at
www.waipunahospice.org.nz/trees/
or contact Ella for more information
on 07 552 6892.



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