



BC PRIMARY NEWSLETTER



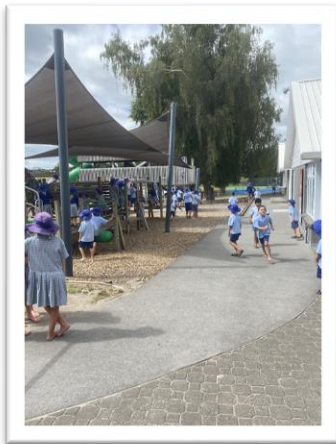
TERM 1 2021 NEWSLETTER 1

Kia ora Parents/Caregivers,

A very warm welcome to our 2021 school year, what a joy to see the wonderful smiles of the children excited to be back. An extra special welcome to all our new students to the Bethlehem College Primary whanau. We have had a smooth start and as routines are established your child(ren) are becoming more and more familiar with their class expectations. Thank you for the way you are already supporting your child's teachers as they begin to get to know your child by providing helpful information and most of all praying for them.



The playground was busy on Day 1



TERM 1 KEY DATES

SPORTS INFO AFTERNOON
Tuesday 16th Feb – Events Centre
3.15pm – 5.30pm

PHOTOLIFE CLASS PHOTOS
Monday 22nd Feb

GOAL SETTING INTERVIEWS
Wednesday 3 Mar & Thursday 4 Mar

PARENT COFFEE MORNING
Friday 5th Mar – Staffroom L block
9.45am

SWIMMING SPORTS (Y5-6)
Monday 8th Mar – Greerton Pool

HOUSE TABLOIDS
Friday 12th Mar

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



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COMMUNITY PICNIC/MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT

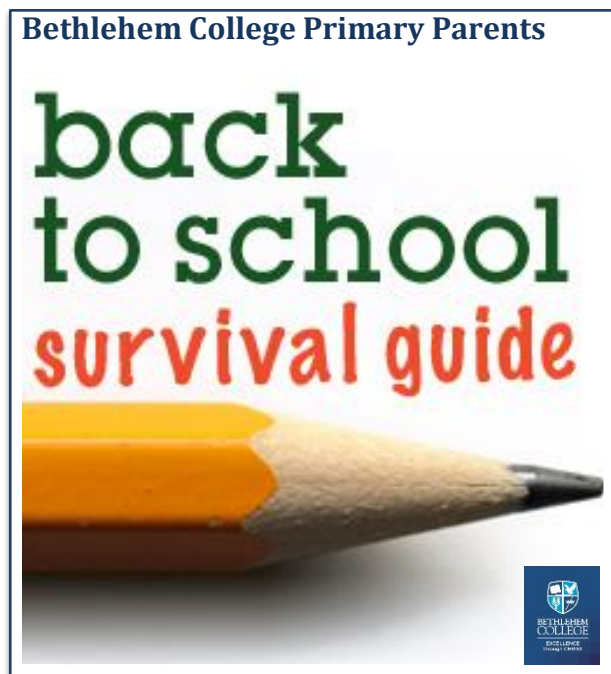
We were sorry our picnic had to be called off, as it is a very special community time that is great to have this term, especially to welcome our new families.

Thank you to those who were able to come out for the meet the teacher opportunity we are hopeful that this was helpful for you both in terms of seeing your child's teacher in the class and meeting other parents of the children your child will be journeying with this year.

A big thanks to our PTA and staff who assisted in cooking and serving up the delicious BBQ and dumplings.

We are now planning as part of our upcoming Primary Tabloids Day on Friday 12th March a picnic lunch for all families to join - more details to come.

If you have not received this, please let your teacher know so we can send one home.



There is a lot of information in the guide, however, please do ask if you are not sure about something.



Today at assembly we looked at the 4 Be-Principles as a means of showing the children how to live like Jesus.



A FEW REMINDERS

UNIFORM

Please check the back page of the Back to School Survival Guide regarding uniforms. Having all items clearly named is really helpful, thank you.

Please note that socks need to be white or black not multi coloured if wearing school shoes and for PE shoes.

BIRTHDAYS

These are wonderful occasions we like to celebrate with your child in school. We would ask that food (cakes, sweets etc.) or gifts are not sent to school if your child is having their birthday. Your child's teacher will inform you of how they will celebrate class birthdays, thank you.



LENT is a time of reflection as we start leading up to Easter. If you would like to engage in some activities supporting this time with your children, you might like to try some ideas from this site.

[LENT](#)





HELPING APANUI

I am sure you are all aware of the tragic news about Apanui Primary school in Whakatane and their recent fire.

As a school we are reaching out to support during a time that will be very difficult for them.

If you would like to support it there is a Give a little page [Apanui School](#) that you can access here.



TO OUR BETHLEHEM COLLEGE PTA

Already this year they have supported our community by sponsoring the coffee cart on our first day back and the BBQ for our meet the teacher evening. They are a wonderful group of parents who are happy to serve our BC community where they can. The PTA welcomes your interest. Please do check out their Facebook page and contact them for more information.

We look forward to the upcoming goal setting conferences in the first week of March when you and your child meet to look at the learning ahead for the year. You will be receiving information about signing up for your meeting on Wednesday 17th February.

We are encouraging the children to prayerfully consider and show respect to one another and the following verse is a wonderful reminder of how we can do this "So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you" Matt 7:12a.

Have a wonderful weekend as we look forward to our first 5 day week in school next week 😊.

Ngā mihi

Karen



SPORT

Welcome to Sport for 2021 everyone!

We warmly welcome you to the Sports afternoon on Tuesday 16th February. It will be held in the Events Centre from 3.15 – 5.30pm. You will have the opportunity to sign up to winter sports and learn about all the exciting activities we have for your child both now and in the future. I will also have information about the many exciting sporting opportunities that we run within the school year.

Jane Wilson-Fouracre will be your Primary point of contact for sport and looks forward to connecting with you all throughout the year.

We have some awesome events coming up!

Over and above the weekly sports leagues we have the following events this term where details for each will follow closer to the time:

March 8th Year 5 + 6 Swimming sports at Greerton Pool

March 12th Full primary tabloid sports day

March 17th North Cluster Swimming sports (swimmers qualify from our school event)

March 19th Top School event

April 7th WBEET event

April 14th WBOP swimming championships (swimmers qualify from the North Cluster event)

Below you will find links to all the sports available to primary students at Bethlehem College. Click a sport you are interested in to find out more about the program and register for sports with open registration.

<https://www.beth.school.nz/primary/physical>



CHOIR

Primary Choir is starting back up again this year on Thursday lunchtimes! We have already had our first rehearsal this week in the Primary Music Classroom. All Year 4-6 students who like to sing are welcome to come along.



MUSIC TUITION

If you are interested in your child receiving tuition, please sign up by [clicking this link](#). Please be aware that spaces are limited but we endeavour to do our best to accommodate any request. Tuition is currently available in Piano, Ukulele/Guitar, Drumming, Violin and Cello.

Co-Curricular Opportunities for Primary

Primary Choir – Thursday lunchtimes in the Primary Music Room
School Orchestra (Year 4-13) - Wednesday 7:30am: Band Room
Primary String Group starting in Term 2: TBC

Get In Touch

For more info please e-mail music.admin@beth.school.nz





First Credit Union School Banking 2021

Happy New Year!

We hope 2021 has started well for you and the children at your school!

We are excited to see you all and want to let you know that our school banking team will be back at your schools the week starting **Monday 15th February 2021** and we would really appreciate if you could let your school community know.

We have some exciting things planned for our school banking programme this year (more to come on this) - including a chance for our school banking kids to **WIN 1 of 3 bikes** in Term 1.

We hope you all have an awesome Term 1 and look forward to seeing you. If there is anything you need from us don't hesitate to contact us!

WIN 1 OF 3 BIKES...

We want to start the school banking year off with an awesome giveaway, so we are giving the kids the chance to **WIN 1 of 3 bikes!**

Every deposit made through our school banking programme between 16th February and 9th April 2021 puts them in the draw! We will put a flyer in the children's passbook each deposit so they know about the competition but we would love it if you could let your school community know about the competition through your newsletter!



The prizes will be drawn on Monday 12th April - The winner's school will be notified by telephone to advise them of their prize winnings and the bike will be presented to them by one of our School Banking Team at a school assembly (where possible).

