

## TERM 1 2021 NEWSLETTER 4

Kia ora Parents/Caregivers,

Thank you to those who were able to join us for our Easter service this past week.

I trust the extra holiday time has provided some rest and recreation time for families.



### TERM KEY DATES

#### ART GALLERY & LIBRARY TRIP (Y1)

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> April & Wed 14<sup>th</sup> April

#### WBOP SWIMMING SPORTS (Y5&6)

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April

#### EPRO 8

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April

#### MUFTI DAY-SPORTS THEME

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Gold coin donation for Noh Boh charity in Myanmar

#### LAST DAY FOR TERM 1

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April

#### FIRST DAY FOR TERM 2

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May

#### Our Vision

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



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## C4 EASTER STORY

In C4 we have been learning about the Easter Story and the important details throughout. Using the different versions of the Bible in our classroom, we each chose a part in the Easter Story to summarise adding in key words and important details.

We then created a design of our chosen part using lego. We made sure to include the important details of our part in the Easter story using our plan.

We spent a few afternoons creating our master pieces. After we had finished, we were able to not only share our learning through Seesaw, but with other classes and teachers in the school.



## A3 - AUTUMN IS OUT JUMP IN IT!!





## MARAE TRIPS

Our Year 2, 4 and 6 students had their annual trip to Wairoa marae last week. The hospitality of the Wairoa marae is wonderful as is the opportunity for our children to grow in their understanding of Tikanga and Te Reo.



## C3 TITANIC

Year 3 have wrapped up this terms swimming with a titanic swim.

This is a fun way to learn the water safety reasons behind NOT wearing clothing in the water.

Here is C3 learning just how heavy and tricky wet clothing is!



## DEMI COOMBE E4 – A WONDERFUL EXAMPLE OF SERVING OTHERS!

### Demi and Dads Everest 2021 - Givealittle

Demi's amped to participate again in the 2021 Mt Everest challenge after lockdown interrupted last years. Demi is dragging her old man along and together they're going to smash out 38 climbs in 50 days the equivalent height as climbing Mount Everest!



This year's fundraising is for St John Ambulance BOP. If you wish to support Demi by donating please click on the link below.

<https://givealittle.co.nz/fundraiser/demi-and-dads-everest-2021>



## LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT TERM

### Winter uniform



Please do take time to check the website information for winter uniform [BC uniform](#). The naming of ALL items is very important - thank you for ensuring you do this. If your child loses an item that is named it usually will come back. Please note that we ask children to wear their jackets outdoors not indoors - our classrooms have heating.

### Counsellor

The counselling department here at Bethlehem College has been actively seeking a new counsellor and we are delighted to introduce Mrs Marli de Klerk.

*Kia Ora Bethlehem College parents!*

*It is with great enthusiasm that I join the counselling team at BC. As a former pupil, I am very excited to be back on campus and to contribute towards students' growth, learning, development. As a registered Child & Adolescent Psychotherapist, (through Auckland University of Technology), my husband and I have recently moved back to Tauranga from Auckland, where we have been living for the past few years. I am originally from South Africa and immigrated to NZ with my family when I was seven. I had a great experience at Bethlehem College, which is why it gives me great joy to return and serve in this community. I am passionate about connecting with children and helping them to flourish in life, and I look forward to supporting you or your family with any concerns or difficulties that may arise.*

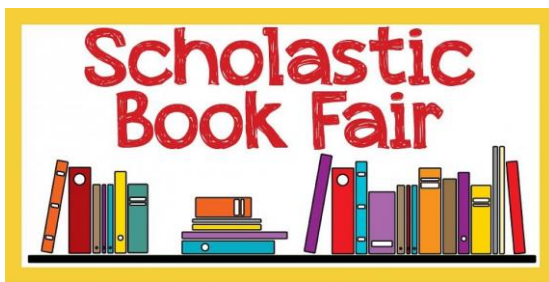
*Warmly,*

*Marli de Klerk*





## Scholastic Book Fair - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May



We are excited to have the Scholastic Book Fair onsite in the BC library in Week 3 next term. This is a great way to build on your home 'book collections', while also encouraging your children to read. The library will be open each day between 8am and 4pm for students and families to visit, view books and purchase if they choose to. Our school receives literacy benefits from all purchases.

Elize Bertram, our library manager, would welcome help from parents who are available at any stage during the 3 days 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> May.

Please email Elize directly if you think you might be able to assist.

[Elizabeth.bertram@beth.school.nz](mailto:Elizabeth.bertram@beth.school.nz)

## Parent helper training

Thank you so much to the many parents who already volunteer in our classes. Your help is invaluable as you provide support to the teachers and children.

I have over time received feedback from parents that they would like to help more but are not always sure how.

## Parent Helpers



Next term we are planning to provide some parent help training for specific areas in the hope that we can have teams of parents who can then serve as needed across our Primary.

The areas we are looking at will include, but are not limited to, specific junior literacy/numeracy testing, handwriting practice, assisting with Seesaw recording of learning, listening to readers, creating resources and such. If this is something you would like to be involved in, either to share your expertise or learn please complete the brief form here. [Form](#)

## SENCO (Special Education Needs Coordinator)

We farewell Mrs Miriama Smith next week as she is moving on from her role here as our SENCO to take up an RTLB position.

Miriama has served in the SENCO role for just over 3 years and has made a significant positive impact in the lives of students, teachers and families. She has truly exhibited a Godly influence through the way she has graciously worked with so many people. The BC whanau are very thankful to have worked with Miriama and wish her all the best in her new endeavours.

We are currently seeking a replacement for Miriama. In the interim the PLT (Primary Leadership Team) will be continuing the work to ensure our students are taken care of.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to email any of the PLT -

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With just a week to go before we break, I want to take the opportunity to thank you for the many ways you support your child's teacher(s) and our school whanau. We truly appreciate the partnership we have with each of you as we walk the learning journey with your children.

I pray God's peace and grace on each family and for a holiday that provides opportunities for memory making family time.

Ngā mihi nui  
Karen

## MUFTI DAY

**When:** Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April

**Theme:** Sports Dress – come dressed in your favourite sports themed clothing.

The charity we are supporting is Noh Boh, Noh Boh is located in Myanmar where they train teachers and run a school for refugees, please bring a **Gold Coin** donation.



## PTA ENTERTAINMENT 'BOOK'

The PTA is running the entertainment book this year, after a year off due to Covid.

Actually, it is not a book but an app now that you can carry on your phone in your pocket, so it's much more convenient! As usual, part of your purchase of the app will go back to the PTA to help support our children at Bethlehem College with extra resources.

If you get the app now, you've got the opportunity to use it in the upcoming school holidays to support local businesses while you are on holiday.

Please click on the [link](#) here and pass it on to family, friends and work colleagues.

We really appreciate your support!



17 April 2021



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*Children's Holiday Fun program*

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Bethlehem*

*What time? 11:00 to 13:00*

*Why? Hear about our Holiday programme!*

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*Hear her tell her story and read others...*

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