



BC PRIMARY NEWSLETTER



TERM 4 2021 NEWSLETTER #12

Kia ora Parents/Caregivers,

Last week as the children returned to school after 3 weeks of lockdown there was a very real sense of thankfulness as they reconnected with their friends and teachers face to face. Thank you for all you are doing in supporting your child(ren) in their return to school especially at drop off and pick up. This has been going smoothly and, as we have seen in the past, there are already many children who have shown courage in making their way in without mum or dad and coping really well. There is a great opportunity for this to be their normal ahead as it builds resilience and independence. Staff will continue to be in and around the Chapel and on The Way to welcome, encourage and support the children.

A COUPLE OF REMINDERS

School arrival time - by 8:30 am is recommended to allow the children to come in and settle. Please note if you are dropping your child off before 8 am there is no supervision in class as teachers are preparing for the day or in meetings. The Library is usually open from 7:30 - 8:00 am and children may go there to read quietly, however this next week is closed due to HS exams using it.

Car access beyond the gate - this is only for Kindergarten parents using the carpark and for parents who have made arrangements with the Primary office to pick up their child from the office or sickbay. The campus is closed to non-staff vehicles before and after school also.



TERM KEY DATES

WINTER SPORTS PRIZEGIVING
Wednesday 22nd Sept 12.30pm – 1.15pm

MUFTI DAY
Friday 1st Oct – “S” Theme
Gold coin donation for Arapuni School Whakatane

Y3-4 ORAL PRESENTATIONS
Friday 1st Oct 11am – 12.30pm

LAST DAY OF TERM
Friday 1st Oct

FIRST DAY OF TERM 4
Tuesday 19th Oct

DENTAL VAN
19th Oct – 12th Nov

YO PHOTOLIFE PHOTOS
Wednesday 20th Oct

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



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TE WIKI O TE REO MāORI

The children across our classes have been enjoying learning more Te Reo and Tikanga as we celebrate Maori Language week. Māori Language Week has been celebrated in Aotearoa since 1975. This special week is an opportunity for the concentrated celebration and promotion of Te Reo Maori.



PRACTICING WAIATA



STRING GAMES

A BLOCK TE REO ACTIVITIES



WET DAY LUNCH HOUR FUN

The A block children enjoy opportunities to create and play on a wet day.



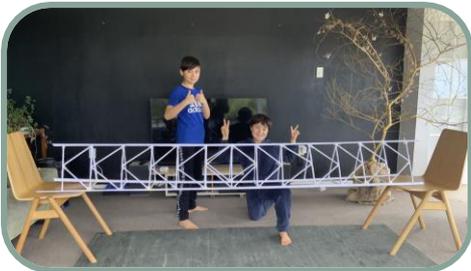
JUMP JAM FOR STARJAM

Thank you to all those who donated a gold coin for this very worthy cause, we really appreciate your wonderful support. The total amount raised was \$600.20!

Thank you!

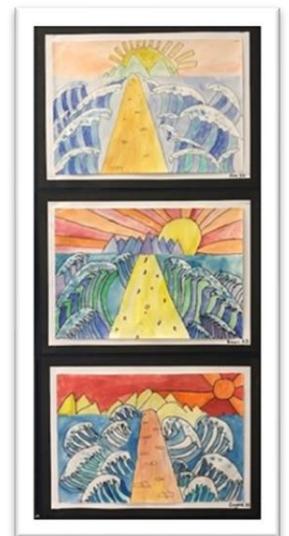
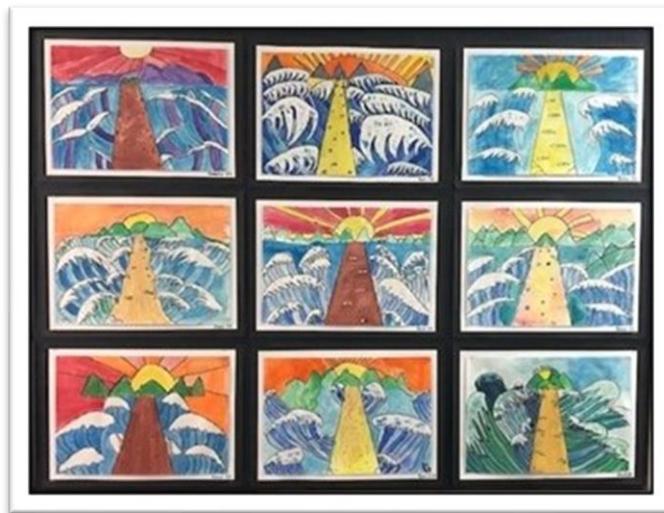
FAMILY EPRO 8 LOCKDOWN COMPETITION

Congratulations to Eli and Monty Adolph who entered the Family Epro8 competition during Lockdown and got through to the second round!



PARTING THE RED SEA

We have some wonderful new art work on our L Block walls opposite the Primary office from our Year 5 students depicting the parting of the Red Sea.



With just a few weeks left before we head into holidays we are wanting to make the most of having the children in school enjoying learning together. We will be having our Friday assemblies on Sept 24th & Oct 1st with C1 & C2 and then A3 & A4 hosting.

Under the current level 2 arrangements we are unfortunately not able to have parents attend so we will ensure we have the assembly recorded to send out online.

Over lockdown Mrs Jo West shared with our BCP whanau Romans 15:13:

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

This verse reminds us of where it is best to be focused, I pray it continues to encourage you also.

Ngā mihi,

Karen



SUMMER SPORTS REGISTRATIONS

Summer sports registrations are closing soon for Rippa Rugby (Y1-Y6), Flippa Ball (Y3-6), Futsal (Y3-Y6) and Volleyball (Y3-6). Sign up **today**.

Here's the link to sign your child up

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



[Sports • Physical • Bethlehem College Primary](#)

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

www.beth.school.nz

FUN FIRST FOOTBALL

Our friends at Fun First Football will be back every Friday in Term 4 on the back school field of our college with their inflatable field and fun programme for any kids aged 4 – 9 years old.

This popular programme will fill up fast so simply go to <https://funfirstfootball.co.nz/> to book your spot for Term 4.





It is time for the Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes again!!!



What is Operation Christmas Child?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zEfsBiEx2Pc&t=15s>

Operation Christmas Child is a hands-on way for you to bless children in need across the world by filling shoeboxes with toys, hygiene items, school supplies, and fun gifts. They collect the boxes and distribute them in the name of Jesus Christ to children living in vulnerable situations. If you like to Learn about it more, please click [here](#).

Samaritan's Purse-Operation Christmas Child continues to share the eternal hope of the Gospel in Jesus' name, despite the interruptions experienced due to COVID-19. Shoeboxes will be collected this year and continue to impact boys and girls worldwide, sharing the love and hope of Jesus.

This is the 3rd year that we are reaching out to all the families at Bethlehem College from Primary to Secondary department. Each of the years we managed to make up 300 -350 boxes which I only found out at the OCC meeting not long ago that Bethlehem College had the most boxes from all the schools of the North Island. That is truly Amazing!

Make one shoebox as a BC Family and bring it to school by **Tuesday 19th October (first week back at school after the holidays)**. There is probably more need than ever with the pandemic situation we are facing around the world.

Please have a look the criteria carefully what can or cannot go to the boxes, [here](#).



Thank you to you all in advance who contribute shoeboxes or gifts. You are very welcome to bring more than one box or if you are not able to provide any but still like to be part of the BC OCC shoebox project just bring one present or a drawing with a message for a child and find the special **OCC Contribution Box** at the Primary Office to place the item there. We did not have the special contribution box in previous years this is the first time we are operating it, to give an opportunity to anyone who likes to contribute or be part of the OCC project. **Anything can make a difference! Make sure you pray over the box of gifts and for the child who will receive it.**

Also please remember to pay [online](#) or include the \$10 to help with the shipping cost. Thank you to you all to be part of this amazing Great Journey with us. Looking forward to seeing as many Bethlehem College Students as possible and Staff members with their shoeboxes. [KEVIN'S STORY: THE GIFT OF NEW LIFE](#)

The empty Boxes will be distributed on the last week of the school, week 10. May Our Heavenly Father Bless You All

Shalom,

Reka Nemedi
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SOCIAL MEDIA

Like our Operation Christmas Child Facebook page and join a community of our supporters.

/OCCanz

Follow our Pinterest page for creative ideas on what to pack in your shoebox.

/occsheobox

Or keep up to date with the latest OCC news on Instagram and Twitter.

@occ_anz @occ_anz

Remember to use our hashtag: #OCCanz #myOCCshoebox

IDEAS FOR YOUR SHOEBOX GIFTS

SOMETHING TO WEAR
T-shirt, polo shirt, shorts, skirt, cap, beanie, sandals, etc.

SOMETHING TO LOVE
Teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.

SOMETHING SPECIAL
Carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, stickers, craft kits, wind-up torch, a personal note, a photo of yourself, etc.

SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL
Exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.

SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH
Tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets, etc.

SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE
Soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, scrunchies, hair-clips, etc.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

ITEMS THAT LEAK OR MELT (these can spoil boxes)
including toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles, crayons and plasticine/play dough

FOOD OR LOLLIES OF ANY KIND (due to customs regulations)
including medicines and vitamins

USED OR DAMAGED ITEMS (due to customs regulations)
including worn clothing and old toys

BREAKABLE ITEMS including glass, porcelain and mirrors

ITEMS THAT CAN SCARE OR HARM A CHILD
including halloween, war or pirate-related items such as toy guns, knives, military figures or skull and crossbones

GAMBLING-RELATED ITEMS including play money, playing cards and dominoes

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE including tracts and Bibles (every child is given an Operation Christmas Child evangelistic book at an outreach event)

NATIONAL COLLECTION MONTH

OCCTOBER



These items are prohibited to protect children or to comply with overseas government and customs restraints.





Only 3 weeks until the school holidays... eek! Do you know what your kids will be doing? Fear not - Gobsmacked Holiday programme to the rescue!

Join us October 4 - 6 (first week of school holidays) from 9 - 3pm at the Graham Young Theatre for a musical theatre extravaganza. Limited spaces so get in on the act today! Go to http://gobsmacked.nz/holiday_signup to sign up!

[Advertisement for Holiday Programme 2021.mp4](#)



OTUMOETAI PRIMARY
HOLIDAY Programme
4 - 15 October 2021

play-time.co.nz
WINZ APPROVED
Long Day 7.30am - 6pm \$50
School Day 7.30am - 3pm \$40
Full week 7.30am - 6pm \$240

Suitable for children 5-13 yrs with "B-ZONE" activities for children age 9 & over
Children from all schools welcome

Tues 5 Oct	Wed 6 Oct	Thur 7 Oct	Fri 8 Oct	
<p>Rainbow Art Party</p> <p>Start the holidays with a splash of colour! And what can be more colourful than The Dye (bring something white to dye - eg. a shirt, pillowcase, socker). We'll also have heaps of colourful crafts, games (and bubble!) to keep you busy all day! Plus make Rainbow cupcakes and will you be brave enough to play Balloon Pop?</p> <p>B-Zone Make a gorgeous Stained Glass Lantern</p>	<p>ULTIMATE SCAVENGER HUNT</p> <p>Bring your best thinking cap and sleuth skills today for the ULTIMATE Scavenger Hunt Day! There'll be heaps of scavenger hunts plus we'll have crafts, games and kitchen creations to keep you busy!</p> <p>B-Zone Escape Room! Unravel the riddles and unlock the lock!</p>	<p>WHEELS</p> <p>Say no more than "WHEELS!" This is always such an awesome day! Roll up with your scooter, bike, roller skates AND MUST HAVE HELMET! Bring your driving skills to roll, race, ride and do jumps around the school! Then visit our drive-thru Sundae Bar! As always, there'll be cool crafts and favourite games too!</p> <p>B-Zone Sundae</p>	<p>Spooky Day</p> <p>Join us for Spooky Fun! Dress up if you want to! Brave the F-Fear Factor challenges we have in store! Plus play spooky games, make creepy cookies and crafts (is a Pom-pom Spider creepy though?) Plus slippery slime and a spooky scavenger hunt!</p> <p>B-Zone \$10 Tenpin Bowling</p>	<p>SciFun</p> <p>BOUNCY CASTLE</p> <p>Gravity Fun! Today is all about having fun with Science and gravity - and seeing how high you can Bounce! Make Lava in a cup, Fizzy volcanoes, a Magnus Effect Glider, Hovercraft and more! SciFun - Bouncy Castle - a fantasy Friday!</p>
Mon 11 Oct	Tues 12 Oct	Wed 13 Oct	Thur 14 Oct	
<p>Adventure</p> <p>Let's go on a camping adventures today! Build your best camp or bring a tent and pitch it! Play camping games and challenges, make kits and go on a scavenger hunt! Create Campfire cupcakes and a flower petal sandwich! Plus Feed the Bear - but not with the cupcakes!</p> <p>B-Zone Roast marshmallows and tell funny stories around the "campfire" - prize for the best-told story!</p>	<p>PLAY TIME MARKET</p> <p>This is a kids favourite day-packed full of fun and games, food, crafts, role-playing, face painting and so much more! How Many Letters? go to be won! Create your stalls and products to 'sell' to friends and leaders with Playtime money!</p> <p>B-Zone There's so much to do today! No money is required today, we're not using real money!</p>	<p>Around the World</p> <p>Take a trip around the world to experience different cultures! Make, create, discover, play and learn! Hanna, Poi, Hand Fans, Chorus and Jump Jam - do you know where in the world these all come from?</p> <p>B-Zone Make Sushi & Llama Weaving!</p>	<p>Dinosaurs & Unicorns</p> <p>Let's go on a mystical journey, a day full of Dinosaurs & Unicorns! Make unicorn sugar scrub and a cool playdough dinosaur that you'll love! Plus soapmaking and make mystical slime. And will you dare to eat Unicorn poop?</p> <p>B-Zone \$10 Rocktopia (and Verices) Slide and Leap of Faith! Must wear CLOSED SHOES & LONG HAIR TIED BACK</p>	<p>Pancakes & Pajama Party</p> <p>The best parties have pancakes and PJ's so we're having one with you today! Wear your PJ's or onesie today if you want to, and bring a pillow or teddy if you want to! Join us for a day of party games and crafts and creative pancake making! Plus a nail, hair and tattoo 'salon'!</p>

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

All the current COVID-19 protocols will be in place in Play Time Holiday Programmes.
Payment prior to attendance. Late WINZ bookings need to be paid in full before attending.
B-ZONE: 5+ age children may book and attend the general daily activity if they prefer, but B-ZONE activities are ONLY for children aged 9+. Although an outside provider may have children under 9yrs, this age limit has been set by PlayTime.
Some activities are weather dependent.
Activities listed are Entertainment Activities - we try to offer a variety to suit all interests. Children are not required to join in, there will usually be other activities to choose from.
Please name all belongings (clothes, bags, toys etc). If they become lost or soiled, they can be returned to Play Time. COVID being so responsible for responsible return items.
Between Sept-April, please **sunblock** children before arriving. We'll apply additional sunblock during the day. If special sunblock is required, please send (labelled) with your child.
Minimum numbers are required for some activities to go ahead as planned.
For those whose disease attend PlayTime, please get our closed Facebook page (ask the Lead Supervisor). We try post updates if the day and last priority etc.

VENUE NUMBER 020 4196 0663

Payment to due prior to starting. WINZ forms to be submitted at least 5 wks before starting. Late WINZ bookings need to be paid in full prior to attendance. Holiday Programme cancellations/switching days policy strictly done in writing for credit! This includes last minute bookings once confirmed.

Please read T&C's before booking (these are agreed to prior to booking). Available on our app Plus and also available on www.play-time.co.nz

Please bring every day: large packed lunch & snacks - refillable water bottle (not change of clothes / appropriate clothes / appropriate shoes)

To BOOK, go to www.play-time.co.nz Hit any ENROL/BOOK button. Questions? Call Taura 021 1919 222 or email admin@play-time.co.nz

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