

# BC PRIMARY

# NEWSLETTER



# **TERM 1 2022 - NEWSLETTER #2**

Kia ora parents/Caregivers,

After 2 shorter weeks to start the term I have to say how impressed we have been here at school at the way the children have settled into a new school year.

The children are learning routines and familiarizing themselves with the class and school expectations so well. I encourage you to talk with your child(ren) about what they have been learning to reinforce this.

A visit to A block this week showed some great learning happening.





PHOTOLIFE CLASS PHOTOS Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb

**PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES** Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Mar & Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> Mar Link for bookings will be available from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb

**MUFTI DAY** Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Mar Theme & Charity TBC

**EASTER SERVICE**Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Apr
Details to be confirmed

#### **Our Vision**

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

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## **BACK TO SCHOOL**

Our normal planning each year includes an opportunity to have a back to school night where whanau come to a picnic tea and teachers and parents have a meeting.



Due to the current group restrictions we are changing the way we do this. Next Thursday teachers will be sending out a presentation to you via Seesaw to share with you the class expectations, information about the learning this term and any other helpful information.

I encourage you to make sure you watch the presentation and message through Seesaw if you have any questions. It is very important for us to know you are well informed so that the learning journey with your child(ren) goes smoothly.

#### **NEW STAFF**

We are delighted to welcome some new teachers into our BC Primary team this term. Mrs Rachel Williams in B2 Year 2, Mrs Kelly Sanders in C2 Year 3, Mrs Trish Valois in D4 Year 6 and Mrs Elyse Mockett Year 1 Art.



Rachel and her husband Ryan have settled in Tauranga after living outside Rotorua. Having taught at BC Chapman Rachel is thankful to be continuing in Christian education here at BCP.

Kelly has been teaching in Papamoa. Having trained at BTI some years ago, she is delighted to not only have her 4 lovely children all attending BC, but to be able to be teaching herself in a Christian environment.

Trish has been part of the BCP whanau as her 2 daughters are part of Primary. Having taught in several schools in Tauranga, she is looking forward to working in a Christian school.

Elyse Mockett is an alumni who is returning to teaching having spent time bringing up her 3 children who are in BCP and and BC Kindy. Elyse is looking forward to working with our youngest children creating Art.









# **LUNCH ORDERS**

Thank you for your patience and understanding as the school has been securing a new provider for school lunches. We are expecting the final details to be set soon and you will be sent directions as to how orders may be made and of course the menu.



## **PARENT HELPERS**

We have in the past been absolutely blessed by so many of you as you have helped in school in numerous ways to support our learning programmes. This of course has had to be on hold for some time now as we continue to navigate through times that change sometimes daily especially with the traffic light system.

Our intention is to have parents come back in and we will keep you updated on progress as to how we can work this - thank you!

In the meantime, there may be other ways to support teachers. For example, making resources at home and sending them back in when completed.



We are currently looking for a volunteer or volunteers to help with sewing some art aprons. We are wanting to have new wipeable aprons made, if this is something you would be interested in helping with please email the Primary office, <a href="mailto:primaryoffice@beth.school.nz">primaryoffice@beth.school.nz</a> thank you.



# A REMINDER ABOUT ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

#### **Arrival time**

Between 8:10 - 8:30 am is the ideal time to be dropping your child(ren) off at school. Prior to this, teachers are busy preparing for the day. We understand that some children are arriving earlier if parents are on route to work. If this is the case the child may drop their bags in their cloak bay and may go to the Library which is open after 7:30 am or if nearer to 8:00am play outside.



As I mentioned in last week's communication, we expect that there may be a few new entrant parents perhaps still supporting their child(ren), however the remaining children we expect can manage coming into school themselves.

Please do contact your child's teacher if you have any concerns and we will support you.

The welcoming team will continue to be at the Chapel each morning from 8:15 am and are happy to assist with any children who may need help.

#### **Dismissal**

At the end of each day for those who are walkers/picked up please have your meeting place down by or on the field established. Our teachers will continue to bring the younger children down to meet parents. Thank you for helping this run so smoothly.









# PRIMARY ASSEMBLIES

We will be continuing to record our assemblies every 2nd week beginning next Friday 18th February. These will be posted on Seesaw for you to view.



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Reading grows learning and we encourage all families to be avid promoters of reading. Scholastic Book Club is available at BCP and can be a great way to purchase books at reasonable prices.

Catalogues are advertised each term and will be available both in class and at the Primary Office. Parents are required to order online and if ordered by the advertised date, purchases will be delivered to students through school. Please be aware that Scholastic is not affiliated with our school and that we have no control over book quality or their values. We encourage you to use discernment when selecting books. While we endorse reading - we also remain mindful that

we want our students to be reading wholesome material.



# **WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATIONS ARE OPENING SOON!**

Winter sports registrations for Term 2, 2022 are opening soon for Y3-6 and will close Friday, 4th March 2022. No registrations will be accepted after this date. Teams for Y3-6 are put together by the Sports Office. Sports include Basketball, Football, Hockey and Netball.

Please see the respective sports pages on the BC Sports website for information and registration. For Y3-6 click here to go to the Primary Sports webpage.

# HAPPY PARENTING



While children are generally very happy to be back at school it is not unusual heading into the 3rd and 4th week for the reality to set in that this is how it will be now that holidays are over. This can often be seen on the home front with reluctance to go to school, a sore tummy or something similar. This can make life a challenge for parents and while pushing through with patience and prayer is the ideal it can be hard.

This link on the back to school blues is a great 15 min chat that may be encouraging for you if this is your story right now.

Our BCP scripture theme this term is Love which aligns so well with us learning about being in community together. The verse the children have been learning about is 1 Cor 13 v 4 "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud."

I hope and pray as the children continue to learn and share their scripture learning with you that you too will be encouraged.

Thank you for taking the time to read through a lot of information. Please do feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Ngā mihi, Karen.











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