

HEAD OF SCHOOL LETTER 08 JULY 2022

Dear wonderful BC Chapman whānau,

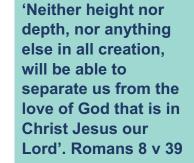
This is our last week of Term and it's hard to fathom that we are half-way through 2022. We've been thinking about and artistically presenting words of life and encouragement because words, as Scripture teaches, carry phenomenal power. 'Aroha' is usually spoken using words and it was timely for us to pause and consider which words we can and do use at home. These are beautiful pieces of Art and strong visual reminders of the words we are committed to use around our kura.

We can be built up and need to be reminded of the power of the words we use each day. They do have an impact and we pray across our kura, that our words are uplifting and affirming! Surrounding ourselves with such language is a reminder of focusing on 'whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things'. (Philippians 4 v 8). Our prayer is that such words become engraved on our hearts and minds, and that all those who come into contact with us will be blessed, first at home with our whānau, extended whānau and friends.

May you enjoy a precious holiday together and may you know our Lord's loving hand of protection over these coming weeks. We will be looking forward to the return of your precious tamariki on Tuesday 26th July!



Me te aroha tonu With love always





REPORTS

Our Reports are edited, proof-read and ready to print! Unless your son/daughter started this Term, your child's Report will be given out on Friday afternoon, 8th July. Many thanks to our kaiako who have been diligently writing these for the past four to six weeks. May you be encouraged as you read of your child/children's progress this year. Special thanks to Mrs Stevenson, Mrs Burge and Mrs Copeland, who have worked behind the scenes, to ensure the 'hard copy' arrives safely in your hands with a digital copy through email on Friday.

CIRCUIT TRAINING

If we thought Cross Country training was hard work, welcome to Circuit Training! Investment in a range of different PE equipment suited to age levels and heights, has arrived at our kura and we are learning exactly where our tummy, femur, core, and arm muscles are located. There are a few moans and groans along the way.... sit ups, push ups and planks draw the most pain it appears. Whoever thought that one minute was such a long time! Ask your young person to demonstrate a range of these exercises, and perhaps even challenge them to see who can do the most in a one minute time slot, or who can hold the position longest. You might want to go into training first before you give your son or daughter the challenge.







Miss Michelle Wynne and our talented Choir deserve special commendation for the beautiful concert we were all treated to on Tuesday this week. We were delighted by the repertoire of Songs chosen from contemporary through to more traditional. This allowed for trips down Memory Lane and for different vocalists to star. With a full and appreciative audience made up of parents, grandparents, friends, neighbours, and of course the remainder of our BC Chapman kura, our Choir members came alive, and their excitement was hard to contain. We honour and thank Miss Wynne for her expertise, and consistent effort. Our Choir tamariki have been faithful in learning their lines and practising between practices. Without a doubt, we have Performing Arts stars in our midst, bright and shining ones!











INTER-SCHOOL & REGIONAL CROSS COUNTRY

We sent a team of 20 Cross Country athletes who did exceptionally well, managing to take many top placings with ten of them qualifying for Regionals. We subsequently joined ten Bethlehem College Tauranga 'seaside' athletes, for the Regional Cross Country and managed to take out some excellent placings.

How proud are we of these young athletes! They are faithfully developing their long, distance running gifts. You can be assured we will be back at Inter-School and Regional levels in 2023, to run with our God-given talents.



INTER-SCHOOL RESULTS __KAHAROA

Jemima Venter 2nd place 8 Years
Jonah Goodgame 3rd place 9 Years
Markus Venter 2nd Place 10 Years
Malachi Cowlishaw Place 10 Years
Francis Naera. 6th Place 10 Years
Aria Parker 2nd Place 11 Years
Jessica Christensen 5th Place 11

Jude Goodgame 1st Place 11 Years

Years

REGIONAL RESULTS KAHAROA

Rowan Cook 29th place 8 years

Markus Venter 2nd Place 10 years

Samuel Venter 3rd Place 12+ Years

Aria Parker 11th Place 11 Years

Malachi Cowlishaw 27th Place
10 Years

Jessica Christensen 16th Place 11 Years

PICK UP AFTER SCHOOL

Our 'pick up' time after school is as follows. *Children in Rooms 3 & 4 can be collected at 3pm while the Room 2, 5 & 6 children will be ready at 3.15pm for collection.* This means that if you have an older child in Rooms 5 or 6, they will not be moving out to join your younger child/children until 3.15pm. Our older young people serve by doing a whole array of end of day jobs which are an important part of their character growth and service, and the final 15 minutes of the day 3.00-3.15pm allow for this to happen. If there is any issue with this, can you please contact your son/daughter's teacher directly.

Our students must be accompanied by an adult to go to their car as there are so many cars in the carpark. We need to be vigilant regarding the safety of all concerned. We realize that several children have either Sports practices or Dance, Music lessons after school. Please make your child's teacher aware of these practices so we can support them and you. On such days, we try to ensure that children are changed and ready to go straight after school when picked up.

We appreciate your support at after school pick up time.

WRITTEN LANGUAGE SAMPLES

As you know, we have been engaging with Professional Learning centred on Writing across our kura. As kaiako/teachers, we have loved the programme as it really builds lifelong foundational learning for all Curriculum subjects. We wanted to share some of the superb writing being done across our kura to allow you to see the progression yourselves.

I ran in the forest with my friends on Friday. (Yr 1-Raine)

When Sam looked inside the box on the table, he could not believe his eyes! Curled up in a ball was a tiny ginger kitten. Lovingly, Sam picked her up in a hug. He showed her to his parents and slept with her all night. (Talia – Year 2)

Gliding past most of the twelve people in the race, Max went faster down the huge slope. (Fiona- Yr 3)

Building up speed, she could feel the freezing air splitting, as it hit her face. (Malachi H-Yr 4)

Building up speed, I slid down the white, fluffy slopes fast. I nearly crashed into a boulder. (Caleb K-Yr 4)

Earthworm, who often feels gloomy and depressed, refused to help centipede. (Morgan-Y5)

Aunt Spiker-withered, bony, slender-had a wretched soul that thrived on the teardrops of helpless, puny children. (Joshua H-Yr 6)

Aunt Spiker-tall, skinny, bony-pulled her head closer to James until her pointed nose touched his. She screeched as her thin, flabby lips released large amounts of saliva. (Kaea-Yr 6)

The kitten with a thick grey coat covering its small bony back, stared at the thin brown figure, with an inquisitive look, in its misty green eyes. (Aria-Yr 7)

All of a sudden, a loud, echoing and disrupting cry rang out across the Supermarket. A cat was rapidly dashing across the hall; a dog was hot on its heels. (Manu-Yr 8)

PRAYER FOR BC CHAPMAN

Some of our parents get together on Wednesday mornings at 8:45am, to pray for our school for an hour. Please contact Anelda Venter on 021 087 02332 for details

Bird Banding

Years 5-8 inclusive, were treated to an outstanding learning experience about NZ Native Bird Banding. Michelle Bradshaw ran an incredible workshop for our Year 5-8 tamariki, and we all learned a great deal about the purpose and benefits of bird banding.

Please ask your son/daughter about what they gained from Michelle's presentation and do have a look at the Website ww.doc.govt.nz Banding Office as there is both information and resources available through it.







NOMINATIONS FOR BOT ELECTIONS

Every three years, parent and staff board member elections are held. The Principal is the Board's CEO and is responsible for the management of the school and the Board provides strategic governance. The Board includes the Principal, one elected staff member, five elected parent members, one elected student member and up to four members who are appointed by the school's Proprietor. Board meetings are held once a month and follow a set agenda that is finalised by the Principal and Chairperson, with committee meetings held separately. Board members are required to read any reports/discussion papers sent to them prior to the meeting so that they are well informed and able to participate in decision-making. We ask that those who have prayerfully considered the role of Board Member consider being nominated for election here. https://myschoolelection.nz/mynomination/ Select your school... Bethlehem College

For more information, the NZ School Trustees' Association has produced an informative booklet which outlines the responsibilities, role and make-up of school Boards (Download NZSTA booklet) and the role of the board is defined in its governance manual.

Timeline: 08 Jul: Nominations Announced > 03 Aug: Nominations Close > 07 Sep: Board Election > 14 Sep: Board Election Results

FREE MEDIA APP FOR BC/BCC FAMILIES

Just in time for the school holidays, Wayne Fraser Head of Biblical Foundations at Bethlehem College, has organised free access for BC/BCC students and families to a fantastic resource called RightNow MEDIA. It is packed with topics ranging from studies on marriage, parenting, youth, finance and technology; as well as videos and a tab just for kids with wholesome series and movies. All you need to do is use this link to access the site:

https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/bethstudents



IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 8th July

- Last day of Term 2
- Mufti Day (Gold Coin donation to Limapela Cedrics School Africa)
- School Reports issued in the afternoon

Monday 25th July – Staff Only Day

Tuesday 26th July - Start of Term 3

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