



BC PRIMARY NEWSLETTER



TERM 3 2022 – NEWSLETTER #13

Kia ora Parents/Caregivers,

There have been numerous wonderful learning opportunities that I'm sure your children will have been sharing about with you. Bike week for Te Maunga, Maths week for the whole Primary, Speech finals for year 5 & 6, along with our continuing God is the great designer focus, have kept us all very busy.

MONDAY WORSHIP



Last week we had Ariella Werahiko, one of our student leaders, share with us about her uncle's amazing life experience that has been instrumental in the faith walk of her family. Hearing about how God works in amazing ways is a great encouragement, thank you Ariella.

This week I spoke with the children about the importance of words we use as they come from where our heart is at so keeping our hearts in tune with Jesus is so important.

The good person brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart. Luke 6:45a

A FAREWELL AND A WELCOME

This week we farewell our D4 teacher Mrs Trish Valois as she leaves to take up a new teaching position. We have appreciated Trish's expertise and care for children and families and pray God's blessings on her as she leaves.



We welcome Mrs Alison Settle into D4. Alison has been relieving in BCP over the past 2 years and will be teaching Monday through to Thursday. Mrs Katesha Allis will be D4's teacher on Fridays.



TERM 3 KEY DATES

MEET THE CANDIDATE

Wednesday 24th Aug
BC Staffroom 6pm-7.30pm

ACCORD DAY – STAFF ONLY

Thursday 25th Aug

YO-Y1 – VISIT TO BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY GARDENS

Wed 31 Aug – A3/A4,
Thurs 1 Sept – A5/A6,
Wed 7 Sept – A1/A2

PRIMARY CHOIR REHEARSAL

Thurs 1st Sept – Baycourt

MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK

Mon 12th Sept – Fri 16th Sept

Y3&4 ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Friday 23rd Sept – Primary Hall

MUFTI DAY

Thursday 29th Sept – Theme/Charity TBC

GRANDPARENTS DAY

Friday 30th Sept

Our Vision

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



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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING??



Bike week gave our Year 5 & 6 students the opportunity to learn new skills and important safety knowledge when riding their bikes.



MATHS WEEK!

Maths week has been great. Many students have commented on how much they loved it and wish it could continue. The daily challenges and friendly competition has sparked many students in their problem solving and applying mathematical thinking to everyday situations. Seeing both hands on activities within the classroom and use of varied strategies to work within a group is part of what the 'BC learner' is all about – being an active learner, a courageous thinker and a team player. *Perhaps next year, we need to have some parent or family challenges as well?*

Special thanks to Mrs. Sanders for all her behind the scenes planning and organisation to make this week such a success, and fun for students as they grow in their numeracy understandings.



WRITING

One of our major focuses in our Primary this year is growing our children as writers. Communicating through writing is such an important skill and we have been encouraged to see the growth as we have been engaging the Writers Toolbox sentence types.

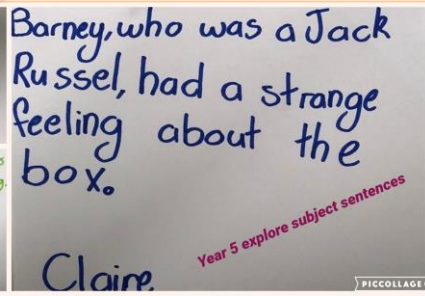
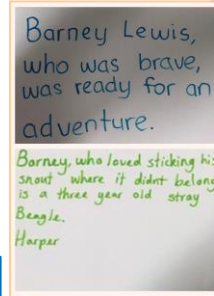
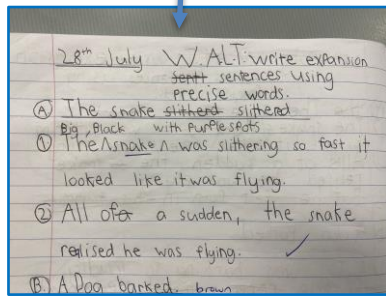
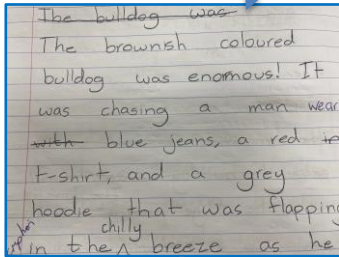
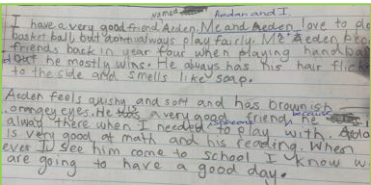
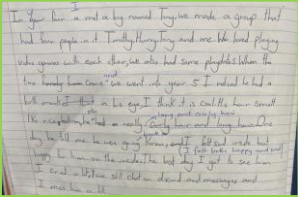
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Adverb start

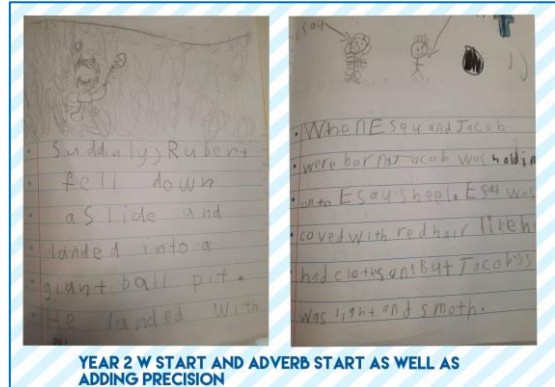
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Explore subject

Character Portraits



Year 5 explore subject sentences



YEAR 2 W START AND ADVERB START AS WELL AS ADDING PRECISION

Enjoy reading some snapshots of works in progress!

WRITE A "W" START

EXPLORE THE SUBJECT



CHESS CLUB

Primary Chess Club runs every Wednesday lunchtime for any students in Years 3-6, and for selected students in Years 0-2. Students bring their lunches along and enjoy pitting their skills against others in fun and friendly competition.

We have students playing at all skill levels in the Primary Chess Club, many of whom continue on to join the Junior Secondary Chess Club in Years 7-9, and the Senior Chess Club from Year 10.

Pre-Covid, members of our Primary Chess Club also participated in an inter-school Chess Competition with B.C. Chapman each year, travelling with Mrs Barnard and a number of Junior Secondary Chess Club players to spend a whole day playing chess in Rotorua.

Everyone is welcome to come and learn or extend their skills at our Primary Chess Club in C3!



PRIMARY SPORTS



WBOP NETBALL

BC Year 6 Netball teams Stars and Ferns had a fantastic day in the sun playing 5 games each. Every team member worked so hard in every game and kept trying even when the games were tough.

They all represented BC so well with their amazing manners and team spirit. Thank you to the coaches, student coaches, umpires, managers and parent helpers for making the day happen!

YEAR 3&4 4V4 HOCKEY TOURNAMENT



The kids had an amazing time at their tournament. Going undefeated all day winning their division! It was awesome to see them out there having fun together with the other schools. Thankyou Tauranga Hockey for putting this event together.



YEAR 5&6 5V5 HOCKEY TOURNAMENT



The BC Topsticks had an amazing time at their tournament. Winning almost all of their games and learning new things. Having gone undefeated in their local competition, both the coach and kids valued the harder games and a chance to have a full day to play the sport they love. Thankyou Tauranga Hockey for putting together such an awesome event.

SUMMER SPORTS REGISTRATIONS FOR TERM 4 NOW OPEN



Summer Sports Registrations for Term 4 are now open. Sports include: Futsal (Y3-Y6), Kiwi tag (Y1-Y6), Volleyball (Y3-Y6), and Water Polo (Y3-Y6). Please scroll down on the Primary Sport web page to the relevant sporting code to click through to the registration. Registrations are due to close on Friday 9th September 2022.

All information regarding Primary sport can be found here: [Physical • Bethlehem College Primary](#)

COMING UP!

Coffee with the CANDIDATES

Wed 24th August 6pm -7:30 pm (BC Staff Room)



Come along and chat over coffee, with those standing for election to the BC Board of Trustees. Voting papers have been posted with candidate statements, with voting on Wed 7th September.





Accord day – Staff only – Thursday 25th August

Just a reminder that there is no school for students next **Thursday 25th Aug** as this is an Accord staff only day.

Calendar Art

Primary children are currently completing calendar art as part of our annual PTA fundraiser. Your child will bring home a personal shoot key in week 8 and this will give you access to the website to view your child's art. The website will be available to purchase items printed with your child's art from 19th September till 3rd October. This fundraiser supports the Primary Lego club, as well as initiatives from the primary student leaders.



Grandparent's Morning Tea - Friday 30th September

Bethlehem College would like to cordially invite our grandparents (and honorary grandparents) to join us for a morning to celebrate and honour your treasured role in the life of our children at BC. You are most welcome to attend any part of the morning programme. **Please RSVP [here](#)**

09:30 am	Class with Grandchild (Years 0-6) / Principal tours (Years 7-13)
10:30 am	Morning Tea (Performing Arts Centre Foyer)
11:00 am	Talent Quest - Years 4-6 (Performing Arts Centre)
12:30 pm	Finish



Arotahi Magazine

The Arotahi Magazine is a yearbook produced by the Visual Arts Department and distributed at the end of each year. This year, one magazine will be delivered to the eldest child of each family at BC and Chapman and a pdf version of the magazine will also be available to download for free. For those families wishing to order additional copies of the Magazine, these can be purchased for \$20 per copy (on charged to school account) through filling out the form [here](#) by Monday 31st October.



HAPPY PARENTING



In a world where we have so many different voices vying for our children's attention the importance of having "life-giving" words be spoken to and over them I believe can't be stressed enough. This article provides some encouraging ways we can ensure this is happening in our families. Article link: [WORDS](#)

SEASONS

Mrs Janet Ness (SenCo) and Mrs Justine Sutton (TA) have been doing a wonderful job running a programme for some of our children called Seasons.

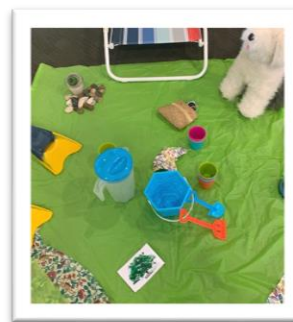
Each session is set up with a lovely visual and tactile theme of the current season, building that sense of the metaphor that no season lasts forever, each is unique and important for our growth, each has its own story, there are easy days and difficult days, seasons can be unpredictable, we each experience them differently and need to change ourselves to adapt for them, and that change is often silent, gradual and unseen.

The sessions are completely confidential. Trust and deep connections are fostered. Unless a child's safety is at risk, they do not share anyone's story.

Autumn



Summer



We're looking forward to lots more great fun learning as we progress through this term. Thank you for the many ways you're supporting us whether it be trips, coming on as a parent help and especially in prayer, all are much appreciated.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Ngā mihi,
Karen.





Foster Care Opportunities

The Open Home Foundation is looking for people to care for children from babies to adolescents, siblings who need to be placed together, single mum/child, respite care for Grandparents and children with disabilities. To find out more information about this Christian organisation, check out their website www.ohf.org.nz or call their local centre on 07 579 2840.

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