

HEAD OF SCHOOL LETTER 28 OCT 2022

Dear wonderful BC Chapman whānau,

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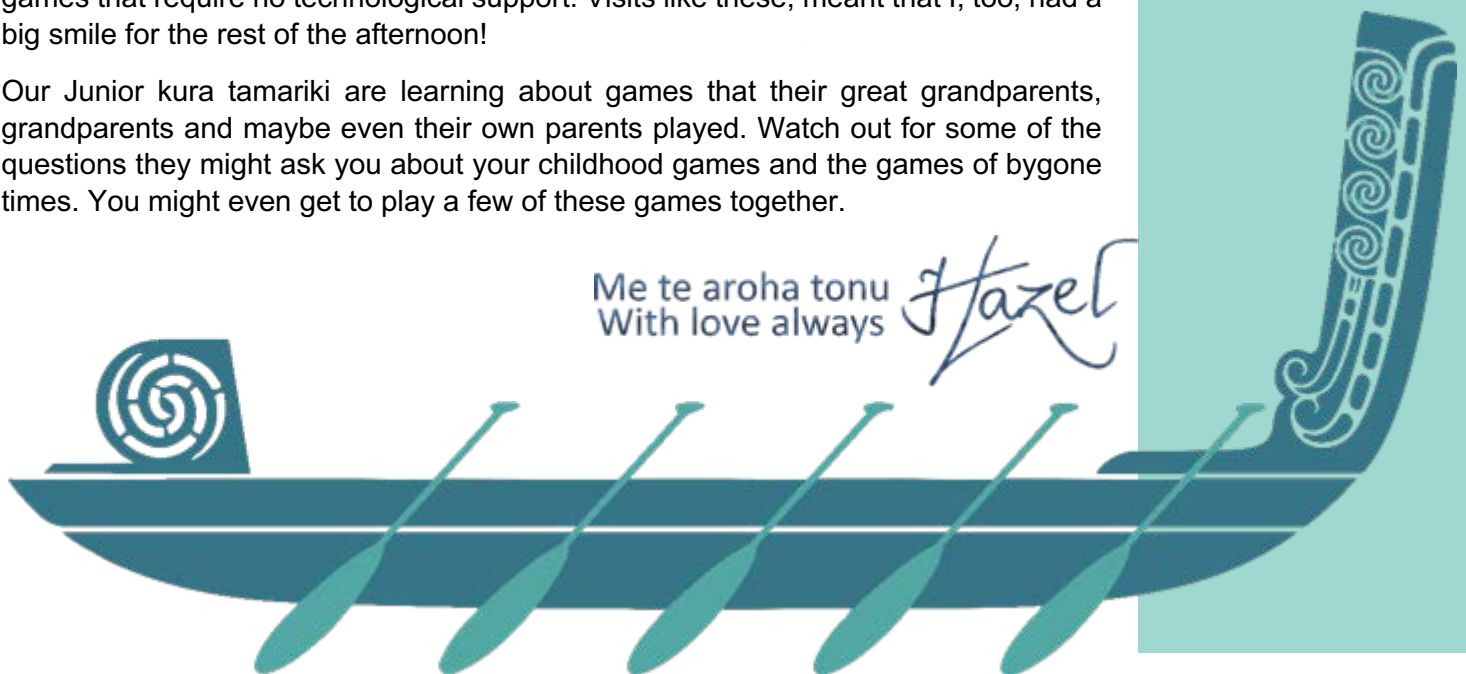
Welcome back to Term 4! We have just been spoilt with an exquisite long weekend of glorious sunshine, a promise of Summer coming! Our lakes, mountains and beaches take on a whole other kind of beauty when the sun shines on them. Sparkling waters, shades of multi-coloured mountain grandeur and golden sands.....how blessed we are to live in Aotearoa. We trust you had a wonderful weekend and were able to enjoy creating memories of family fun.

With just 2 weeks back in our kura, we are certainly gearing up for an action-packed Term 4. On Friday, my Office was invaded by a band of Ruma whā/four pirates. Aaargh! They caught me unawares! The surprise on my face of course delighted them. When I asked what they were looking for, they then informed me that they had 'maps' and were searching for 'treasure'. Apparently, their map had led them to this destination, my Office. I seriously wonder if there had been a 'tip off'. As it happens, I actually do have a stash of interesting mini chocolate bars and other edible treats in my cupboard. When I produced the bag, their eyes nearly popped out of their heads and there was a unanimous chorus of 'treasure!' followed by laughter and anticipation. Needless to say, the stash is a little depleted but the pirates left for their ship, wielding big smiles! These are the times our tamariki remember, the joy of imaginative play, of games that require no technological support. Visits like these, meant that I, too, had a big smile for the rest of the afternoon!

Our Junior kura tamariki are learning about games that their great grandparents, grandparents and maybe even their own parents played. Watch out for some of the questions they might ask you about your childhood games and the games of bygone times. You might even get to play a few of these games together.

Me te aroha tonu
With love always

Hazel



⁵Love does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

1 Corinthians 13:5

⁶Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. 1 Corinthians 13:6

FAREWELL TO RUTH LICKFOLD

It is with sadness that we say farewell to Ruth Lickfold who is moving to Dunedin for family reasons. Over the past couple of years Ruth has been an ardent BCC supporter, teaching Rotations, ESOL (English as a Second Language) and relieving wherever needed. Ruth is also a faithful friend and has helped us with her brilliant photography skills. We will miss her dearly. Thank you Ruth for your wonderful service to us. We love and treasure you.

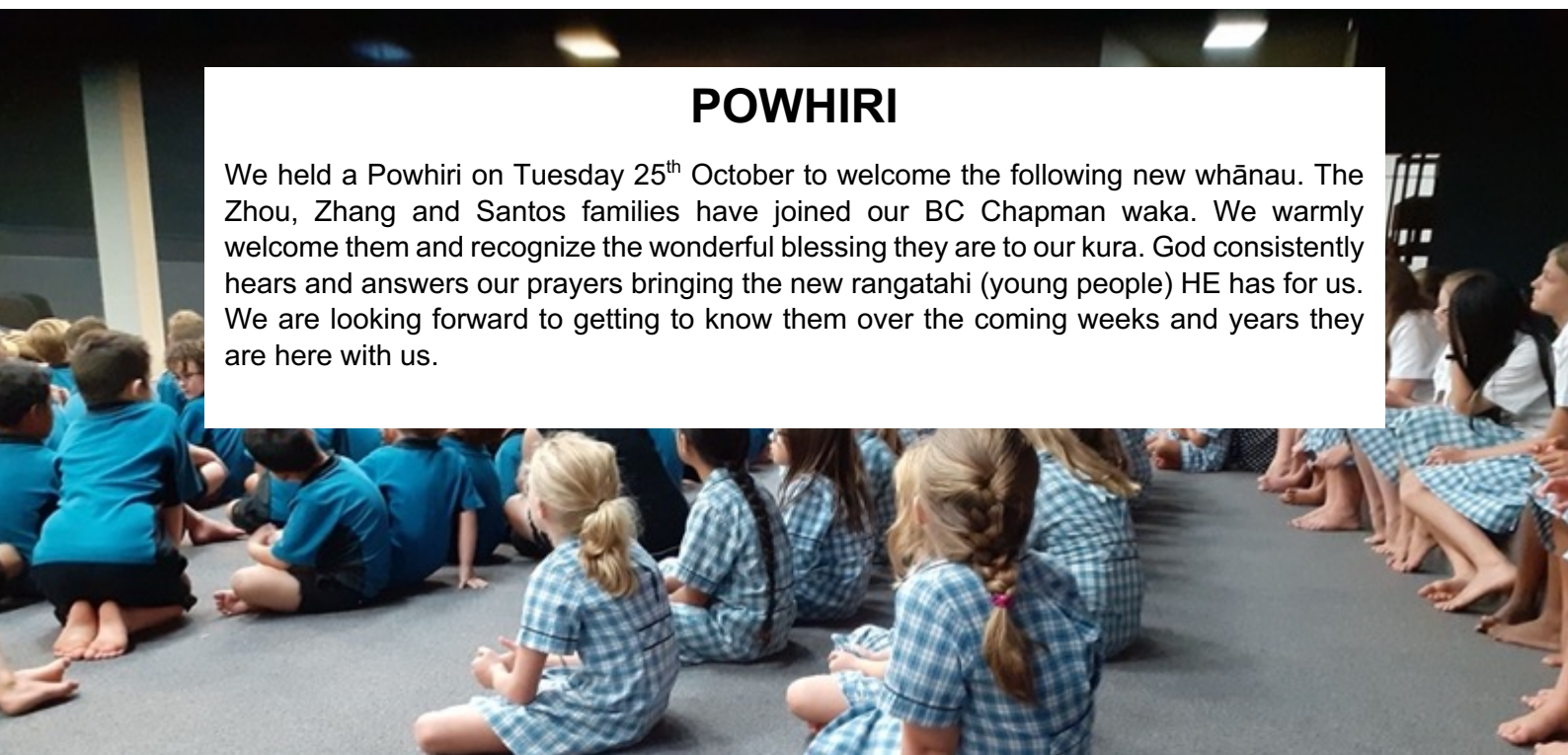


INTER-CHRISTIAN KURA SPEECH AND CHESS COMPETITION

It is our privilege to host the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Inter-Christian Kura Speech and Chess Competition at BC Chapman. This year this will take place on Friday 4th November. We will host between 80 and 100 visitors so if you could be available to assist us with the hospitality side of this occasion, we would be extremely grateful. This would involve making cups of tea or coffee for the adults and assisting with the morning tea and lunch distribution.

POWHIRI

We held a Powhiri on Tuesday 25th October to welcome the following new whānau. The Zhou, Zhang and Santos families have joined our BC Chapman waka. We warmly welcome them and recognize the wonderful blessing they are to our kura. God consistently hears and answers our prayers bringing the new rangatahi (young people) HE has for us. We are looking forward to getting to know them over the coming weeks and years they are here with us.



CREATIVE PLAYGROUND PLAY

SPECIAL THANKS to Aaron Russell for building a wonderful outdoor kitchen and to Jasmine Russell for collecting a whole range of interesting bits and pieces to foster creative play in the sandpit as well as in the kitchen. What is most encouraging are the relationships between tamariki, their imaginative conversations and sheer creativity when presented with opportunities to explore and create through play. You can see from the photos the degree of engagement and joy!





Thank you, Aaron
and Jasmine!



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SPRING FAIR

11 NOVEMBER 2022
4.30 - 7PM
47 BIAK ST, ROTORUA

FOOD | FUN | PLANTS
GARAGE SALE
PONY RIDES | CRAFTS
COMMUNITY

Spring Fair is just two weeks away and we are really in full steam ahead mode as we begin to bring together the various stalls, games, and activities. Please get involved as this is a bi-annual event which is community birthed and building. The more assistance we have, the greater the success. If you can come to school for a couple of hours before the day, you are more than welcome as we do have various Spring Fair projects to complete. If you prefer to do something at home, then this can equally be facilitated. There will be a **PTA 'Waka Tautoko' planning meeting on Thursday 3rd November at 2pm.**

On the actual day of the Fair, **11th November**, we will need plenty of assistance to set up the grounds with all the different stalls and decorations. Please let us know if you are planning to come to help by ringing our School Office (07 346 1492). Spread the news to your neighbours, friends, sports teams, ballet, swimming, Church, Homegroup, and other connections about our Spring Fair. Bring them along to enjoy some wonderful BC Chapman hospitality and fun! We have cute flyers at the school office if you would like to put them up at your local business or in your neighbourhood. After almost three years of Covid separation, let's celebrate what true community means, as we express faith, hope and love to others and our gratitude to God.

NETBALL TEAMS

BC Chapman continues to forge *'first time experiences'* in sporting and cultural activities. Our Year 3 & 4 and Year 5 & 6 girls have formed teams to join in the Future Ferns Netball skills development and game draw, on Monday afternoons at the Rotorua Netball Courts – Year 3 & 4 at 4pm and Year 5 & 6 at 5:15pm. With great enthusiasm and excitement, they played their first games on Monday 17th October. In Week 1, **Sophia Muliaga** was 'Player of the Day' for the Year 5 & 6 team, while **Blake Kilgour** was 'Player of the Day' for the Year 3 & 4 team. **Congratulations Sophia and Blake**, we are proud of you! **Mrs Stacy Longbottom** is our coach, and the wonderful **Jesse Parker** is the manager. Practices are at lunchtimes on Mondays, please make sure your Netballer has their PE gear and shoes. We will follow the teams throughout the season and look forward to cheering them on and celebrating their progress.





TOUCH RUGBY

Matua Rio and Matua Robbie are coaching our Year 5 & 6 and Year 7 & 8 Mixed, girls and boys Touch Rugby teams. With team names like **'The Untouchables'** and **'BC Chapman Touchdowns'**, you can tell they mean business. Practices with Matua Rio are at lunchtime on Tuesdays and Thursday for Year 5 & 6 and with Matua Robbie at lunchtime on Fridays for Year 7 & 8. Please make sure your players have PE gear to practice in.

Game scores in Weeks 1 & 2 were:

BC CHAPMAN TOUCHDOWNS Year 5 & 6

Week 1 5-0 to BC Chapman;

Week 2 against Lil Lock- 0-6 to Lil Lock

THE UNTOUCHABLES Year 7 & 8

Week 1 3-0 to the other team;

Week 2 against Ruamata Waenga Ranu – 5-3 to Ruamata Waenga Ranu;

and against Te Koutou Kokiri – 6-1 to Te Koutou Kokiri

Both teams are playing great defence and attack. They are learning quickly and are playing some very experienced teams. Rio and Robbie are very proud of them. Games are played **each Tuesday afternoon** on the **Westbrook fields**. Enthusiastic spectators are always welcome as our tamariki play best when they sense the support around them. Thank you **Whaea Jess, for being our manager and to Matua Rio and Matua Robbie** for your coaching expertise.



ROOF COMPLETION

The new roof at our kura end of the Living Well Church building has now been completed. Yay!! The scaffolding has gone and no more leaks. We are extremely grateful to Mr Andy Morton and all the volunteers who assisted with this significant undertaking. It is a blessing to have this done.

FACEBOOK - BCC WHANAU CONNECTION



Thanks to Jasmine Russell for organizing the 'Mega Play Date' at the Lakefront during the school holidays. We are working to create more connection with our BC Chapman Whanau. In Term 4, we have a small prayer group lead by the amazing Liz Goodgame. They meet on Wednesday mornings around 8:45 and would love to have others who want to join in. Liz is also at school on Thursdays and will plan to have a little (more spontaneous) prayer time if that is better day for anyone.

We have revamped our private Facebook page now called BCC WHANAU CONNECTION

This is a private group for BCC families to share ideas and inspiration. You're welcome to invite other BCC families to join. We occasionally share photos of activities that happen in people's homes so, for privacy, please only invite our school families.

Our public Facebook page called BETHLEHEM COLLEGE CHAPMAN is still operational. Here you will find PUBLIC notices eg Spring Fair and PTA meetings.

CRICKET

For those tamariki who may be interested in playing Cricket in Term 4 please note the opportunity to get involved. Dates, age groups and times are in the Cricket flyer. There will be a Cricket Coaching Day held at school in early December which we are all looking forward to.



Primary-aged Cricket

Summer 2022-23 out-of-school Programme

SuperSmash Cricket (Years 0-3 approx.) – Thursday or Tuesday afternoons

- Run by Northern Districts Cricket, SuperSmash Cricket is best suited to children 5-8 years old
- Designed to help participants learn the basic skills of cricket (throw, catch, strike, etc).
- Cost is \$30 for the 6-week programme - based at Smallbone Park.
- Mixed genders and all gear provided
- Children / parents can pick **either** Tuesday or Thursday afternoons to attend
- Tuesdays from 1st Nov to 6 Dec, Thursdays from 3rd Nov to 8th Dec.
- Children register as individuals

Incrediball Cricket (Years 4-6 approx.) – Thursday afternoons

- Incrediball is a modified game of cricket using a soft ball / plastic gear. Its suited for children who understand the basics of cricket or have reasonably developed hand-eye coordination.
- Games held Thursday, 3.45pm till 5pm (approx.) at Smallbone Park, Devon Street.
- Starts on 3rd November through until 15th December
- Costs for Incrediball is \$35 per player
- Incrediball teams are required to have a coach and someone to score / umpire
- Mixed genders and all equipment is provided.
- Schools ideally register a whole 'team'.

Girls-only Incrediball (Years 5-8) - Thursday evenings

- Girls only – for Years 5-8. \$30 per player
- Soft bats, soft balls – all gear provided
- A focus on coaching, skills development which builds towards games
- 5pm – 6pm at Smallbone Park, Devon Street.
- 6-week programme starting on 3rd November to 8th December
- Children register as individuals

Harrow Hardball Cricket – (Ages 8-11 approx.) - Saturday Mornings

- Hard cricket ball, wooden bats and protective (helmets, gloves, batting pads etc) are to be used, along with a hard cricket ball.
- Hardball teams are 8-aside, mixed gender
- Will begin on 29th Oct until 17th Dec and resume in late Jan 2023 (final dates tbc)
- Players are to remain their Term 4 'grade' / team for the duration of the season.
- The cost for hardball cricket is \$70 per player **for the whole season**
- Teams are required to have a coach and someone to score / umpire.
- Schools/Clubs ideally register a 'team'.
- Games start at 9am and are played in either Rotorua and occasionally Tokoroa, Taupo or Whakatane.

If your School wishes to register a team, have a couple of players who want to play please contact the Cricket Coordinator at: info@rotoruaicricket.co.nz. It is a requirement that all players and teams are registered on PlayHQ – more information will be provided on this as registrations are received to RCA. All registrations need to be in by 21st October, **but ideally by the end of Term 3.**

SUMMER UNIFORM

Summer Uniform is our Term 4 commitment, and **this includes wearing our kura 'sunhats'**. Our current TV News programmes are reminding us of the dangers of the UV rays which are prevalent in NZ at this time of the year. Hats need to be brought to school every day because tamariki are required to wear them during break times. Application of sunscreen is also advised. **ALL items of uniform** including boy's polo shirt, shorts, girl's dresses, hats, sandals etc. **must be clearly labelled** as this makes the return of missing items so much easier. Thank you for helping us in this way.

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 Liz Goodgame on 021 0818 77617 for details

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop is open from 9:30am to 3:30pm on Tuesdays. Please phone Trish Copeland on 027 279 3029 if you have any uniform questions.

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 27th Oct – Final dose HPV vaccination – Year 8

Monday 31st Oct – Netball practice – lunchtime
(Games in the afternoon)

Tuesday 1st Nov – Touch Rugby

Tuesday 1st Nov – Year 8's to BC Tauranga

Thursday 3rd Nov – Choir practice

Thursday 3rd Nov – PTA Meeting 'Waka Tautoko' 2pm

Friday 4th Nov – Interschool Speech and Chess Comp

Tuesday 8th Nov – CBOP Tennis Championship

Friday 11th Nov – Spring Fair -4:30 to 7pm

Monday 21st Nov - Accord Day (Staff only)

Friday 25th November – Wheels Day

Monday 28th Nov - Accord Day (Staff only)

Friday 2nd Dec - Athletics at BC Tauranga

Tuesday 6th Dec – Choir Concert 9am

Thursday 8th Dec – Year 8 Leaver's Dinner

Friday 9th Dec - Room 5 Year 7 & 8 Class Trip

Wednesday 14th Dec - Last day of Term 4

Wednesday 14th Dec - Prize-Giving 6pm

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