



## HEAD OF SCHOOL LETTER | WEEK 2 TERM 4

*For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.*

John 3 v 17

*Kihai hoki te Atua i tonu mai i tēna Tama ki te ao; engari kia ora ai te ao i a ia.*

Hoani 3 v 17

*Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts,<sup>47</sup> praising God and enjoying the favour of all the people.*

Acts 2 v 46 & 47

*Haere tonu ana hoki rātou i tēnei rā, i tēnei rā ki te temepara, kotahi tonu anō te whakaaro; whawhati taro ana i ō rātou kāinga, kai ana i ā rātou kai i runga i te koa, i te ngākau tapatahi; e whakamoemiti ana ki te Atua, e paingia ana hoki e te iwi katoa. Ā, honoa mai ana e te Ariki ki a rātou i tēnā rā, i tēna rā, i tēna rā, te hunga e whakaorangia ana.*

Ngā Mahi 2 v 46 & 47

Kia ora wonderful BC Chapman whānau,

We are now into our second week back and know that these coming seven weeks will disappear faster than we'd like. It's an action-packed term and we are looking forward to celebrating the progress of each one of our tamariki as we write our End of Year Report comments. We do hope you did have a lovely two-week holiday break although the weather was somewhat variable. I am slowly catching up with our tamariki and hearing what they've been doing in the holidays. Holiday Programmes, Football Clinics, Movies, Playdates, cooking, luge, birthday parties.... chilling out at home, there's been a range of activities.

It's into Summer uniform and there have been several reminders in the past two weeks that this is still Spring and not yet Summer. What amazes me is the resilience of our tamariki who brave the elements and will tear around on the field in their bare arms and feet irrespective of the weather or the season. Our playground has been happily full of enthusiastic tamariki who are running, jumping, climbing, playing volleyball, football and in the sandpit. It's so wonderful to have them back, filling our kura wharenuī with life and love.

I can never go past Spring and not marvel at our Rotorua Council gardens which are breath-taking. If I see a Council gardener planting or weeding, I cannot help putting down the car window and saying, 'Thank you for making our city look so spectacular'. Those garden beds don't just happen without loving care. They are carefully planned, prepared and planted well ahead of time so that when September, October and November arrive, there is colour and life for us to enjoy at the turn of the season from Winter to Spring. Design is evident and, in their design, there is such intentionality. Once the tulips finish their blooms, the next set of plants are ready to take over. A tiny reminder to me of God's Sovereignty, and of Him, the Master Creator and His intentional design of our planet, Solar System, and Universe. The more I explore, the more evidence of His handiwork I see and the deeper my awe and wonder of Him.

Me te aroha tonu  
With love always *Hazel*

# House Football Competition

On Tuesday of the last week of Term 3, cold though it was, the enthusiasm couldn't be contained. House loyalty came out in force, fueled by each of our passionately committed House leaders. It was fiercely competitive in every game. The Junior and Senior players and spectators left their all either on the field, or at the sideline, cheering and yelling till their voices disappeared.





Our unique trophies for 2024 were won by:

**Primary Year 1-4**

**Golden Boot: Save Tabudravu**

**Golden Ball: Rochelle van Wyk**

**Golden Glove: Amelie Uys**

**Senior Years 5-8**

**Golden Boot: Olivia Perrett**

**Golden Ball: Jonah Goodgame**

**Golden Glove: Aaren Zhang**

**House Results**

**Primary Overall Result**

1. Tika
2. Māhaki & Atawhai
3. Tuari

**Senior Overall Result**

1. Atawhai
2. Tika
3. Māhaki
4. Tuari



# BOOK CHARACTER DAY

Whaea Sylvia was the driving force behind Book Character Day and we found it difficult not to get caught up in her enthusiasm as we scramble to find something suitable to dress up in. As always, she had a chocolate reward for each participant which was also duly enjoyed. Thank you SO much fantastic whānau for supporting this by going the extra mile to dress your son/daughter. Honestly, they each looked INCREDIBLE!!! Having each class parade around the gym gave us all an opportunity to admire the creative thinking as well as your handiwork and dedication to the end of Term theme! Enjoy these photos which capture the moment



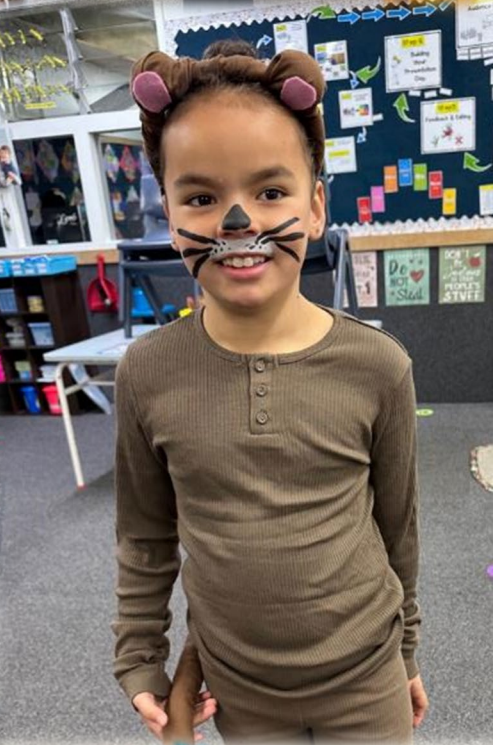
Our 2024 winners were:

Harry Irons -Asterix in Britain

Amelie Uys-The Cat in the Hat

Francis Naera- Back to the Future







As for the teachers, well, hmmmmmm, we had the beautiful **Whaea Surette** as 'Little Red Riding Hood' and the notorious Whaea Wendy as 'The Naughtiest Girl'. Fortunately for us all, our Judge Mrs Angela Taylor selected **Whaea Surette** for the teacher prize. There would have been a riotous protest had it been awarded to Whaea Wendy! After all what kura in its right mind would elect the naughtiest girl for a prize. Ah well, we now have another 12 months to plan our next Book Character Day outfits before Whaea Sylvia is on our case.









# SPRING FAIR

The date of 22<sup>nd</sup> November is coming closer, and Liz Goodgame, is kindly keeping us all in the loop as we undertake this awesome community bi-annual occasion through the MailChimp site. Our first 'Drop Off' afternoon happened last day of Term 3 and the second was Friday of the first week of Term 4. Amidst 'bubbles' and 'ice-creams', there were many items delivered on those days. If you have anything still to come, please bring it along, as the earlier we have it, the faster it can all be priced, in readiness for the Fair. The different stalls and items we are planning to have can be viewed through this link <https://mailchi.mp/e606afb2e352/chapman-pta>



From the offers made, we are going to be treated to a spectacular array of cultural cuisine...**Butter Chicken, Hamburgers, Pulled Pork Buns, Samosas, Nachos, Chinese** ..... are a few examples of what is on offer, so we suggest you **fast for at least 24 hours before the Fair so you have space to sample what is on offer.** Mystery Jars organized by Tanya Perrett have been filled.

The **Candy Floss Machine** posed a few challenges however Whaea Lucelle and Xian Zhou were undeterred and determined to get it working. And subsequently, fire alarm, fire engine, were followed by the sugar converter flying off the top spinning at unthinkable speed and convinced them both that ordering a new electric one was the way to go. Despite these minor obstacles Candy Floss **WILL** be at the Spring Fair! It'll be all systems go from here to cater for the demand.

**Candles, Jewelry, Scrunchies, Shopping Bags, and other Textile items, have been made while plans for Face Painting, Hair Braiding, Card Prints, Plate Smashing, Nail painting, Chocolate Games,..... plus live Music from Fraser of Paper Cranes** are all underway! Amazing things are being donated for the Garage sale! Please spread the news and bring along your extended whānau, neighbours, friends, sporting or cultural contacts as there will be something there for everyone. Besides it's just a few weeks before Christmas, it's a Friday night when no one feels like cooking and enjoys a takeaway option and it's the perfect place, to find a gift, a bargain and have your tamariki entertained! Such offers are definitely too good to turn down.

**Please get involved in this major 'waka tautoko' community event which is a blessing to the wider Rotorua Community and to us as a kura.**

2024

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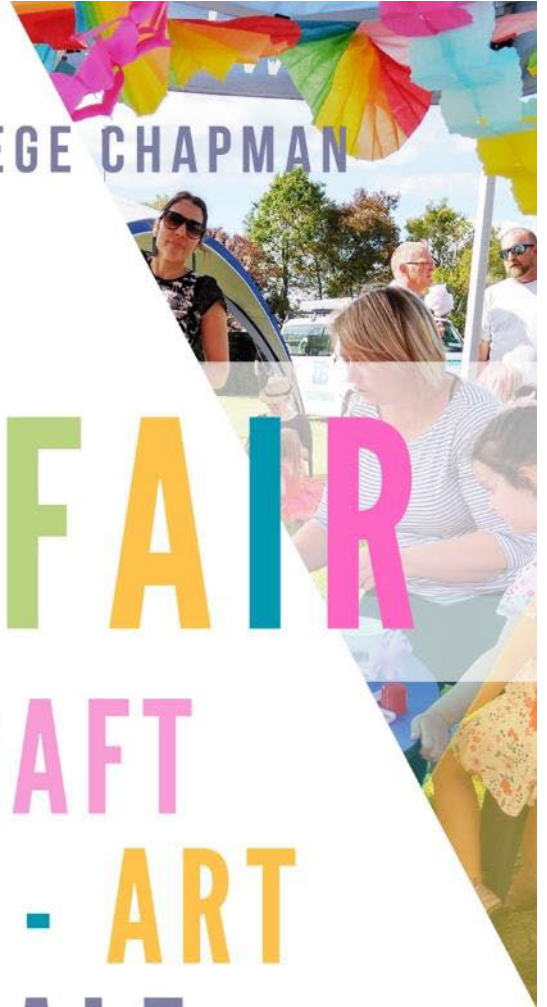
SMALL BUT COOL

# SPRING FAIR

FOOD - CRAFT  
LIVE MUSIC - ART  
GARAGE SALE  
PLANTS - CAFE

# COMMUNITY

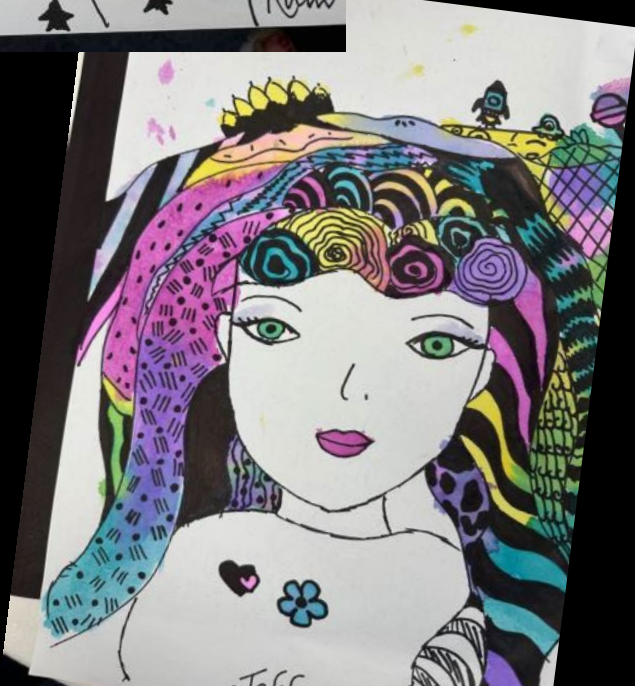
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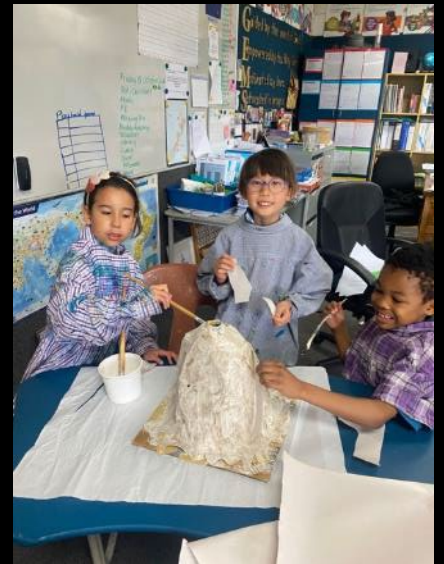


## ARTISTS CORNER

**Whaea Del's** tamariki are producing artistic masterpieces, while **Whaea Surette's** rangatahi had a ball with 'Crazy Hair' picture design. **Whaea Lisa's** class have been experimenting with printing and **Whaea Jas** had her class making volcanoes.

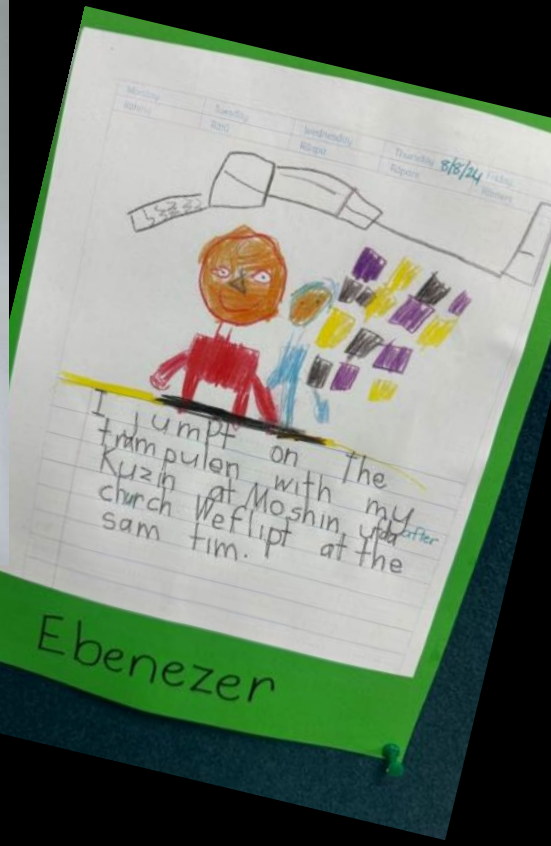




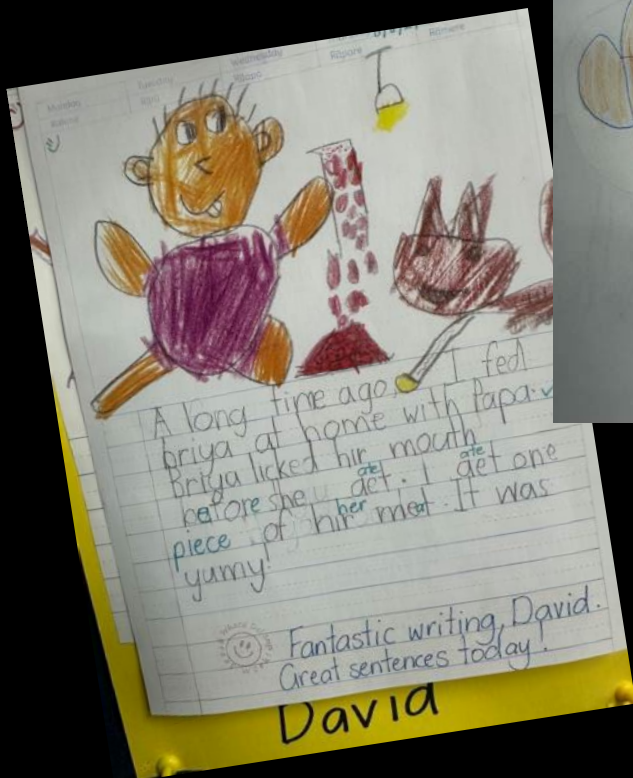


# AMAZING AUTHORS

Whaea Del has some impressive writers, and they have been putting their story writing skills into action to create literary works.

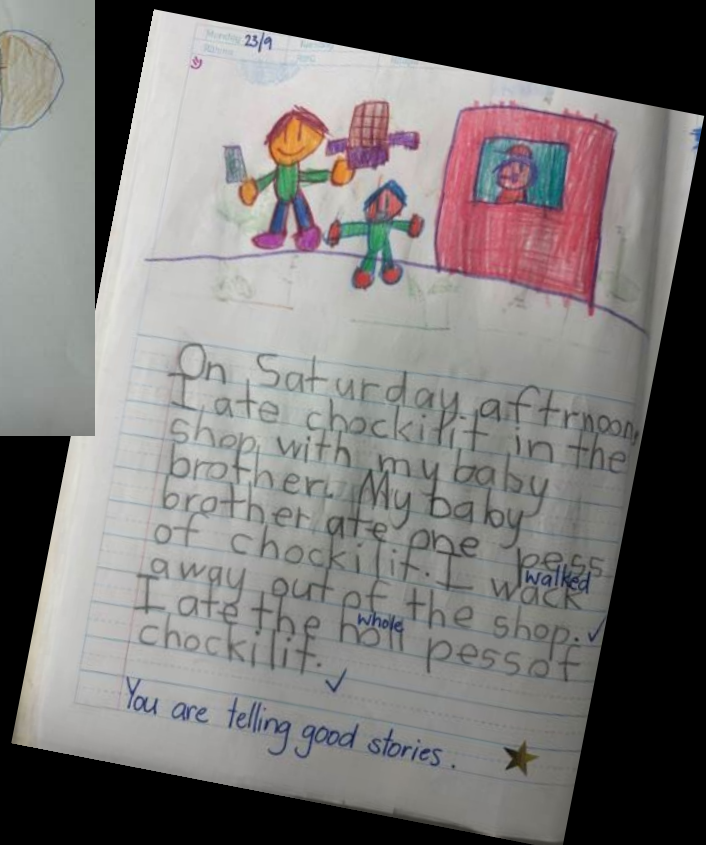


Ebenezer



Fantastic writing, David.  
Great sentences today!

David



You are telling good stories. ★

# DAD STORIES

So let's find out what dads do according to three little New Entrant Miss Fives!

## Daisy

Daddy worked at another house  
(Spot the hammer in the picture....  
note it is not attached to dad's hand!).



## Jovie

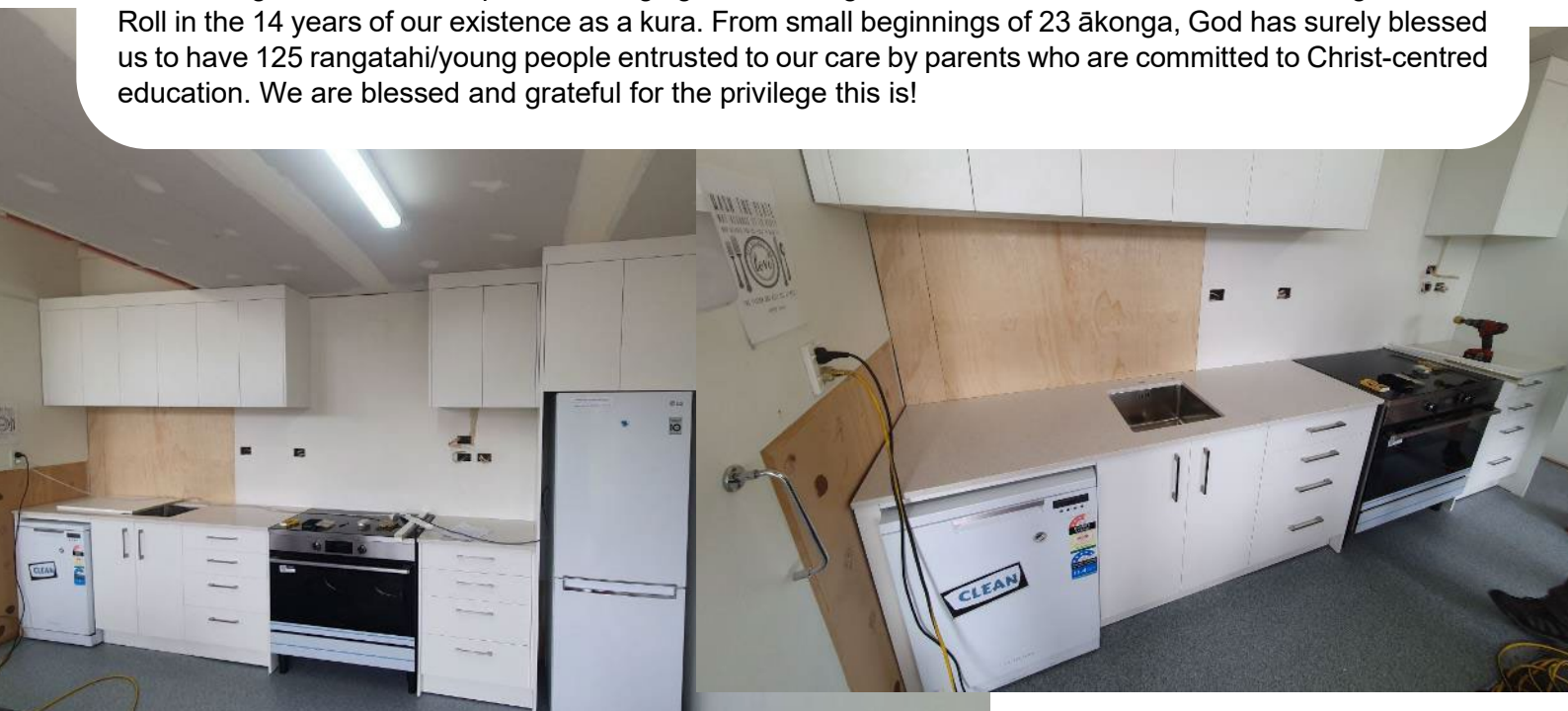
Dad was standing up and fishing.  
(Spot the fishing rod AND the fish!  
Success!)

**Kayla-Rose**  
Daddy relaxed outside in the sun.  
(See that smiling sun and the  
smiling dad too!)



## Powhiri/Pōhiri

On **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October**, we welcomed **six new tamariki and their whānau** into our BC Chapman waka whānau. These occasions are times when we pause and acknowledge the significance of relationships, of moving from being welcomed as 'manuhiri'/visitors to becoming '**tangata whenua**'/people who belong. It has been super encouraging and exciting to reach a Roll number of 125, our highest ever Roll in the 14 years of our existence as a kura. From small beginnings of 23 ākonga, God has surely blessed us to have 125 rangatahi/young people entrusted to our care by parents who are committed to Christ-centred education. We are blessed and grateful for the privilege this is!



## NEW BC CHAPMAN MANAAKITANGA/ HOSPITALITY HUB

Transformation by Design has literally happened as **Mr Andy Morton, Mr Ian Barker, Mr Jeff Isaacs and Pastor Jon Parker** have renovated our previous Staffroom to create the following welcoming space, renamed 'BC Chapman manaakitanga/hospitality hub' for us to meet together over kai. **Special 'thanks'** to these talented guys who have faithfully worked, to **Living Well Church leadership** for generously extending the space, and to '**Waka Tautoko**' for the new oven we cannot wait to use to turn out meals and baking for our community. Please remember that this is exactly as it is named, **a shared place in our wharenuī/home, for all of us to receive and extend manaakitanga, in tangible ways.** We have nearly every flavour of tea, a range of coffee options and plenty of biscuits, crackers, cheeses and dips to enjoy while having a chat. Just look at the photos showing the transformation!



# SPECIAL CHARACTER REVIEW

We have had **Dr Marion Sanders, Mrs Helen Gregory and Mr Philip Brown** visit us on **Thursday and Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> October**. We welcomed them at our Powhiri and over the two days they spoke with a number of different members of our BC Chapman community. This included our kaumatua, karakia/prayer groups, Waka Tautoko/PTA, current whānau/families, tamariki/children and kaimahi/staff. Thank you so much for making yourselves available.

Visits to our classrooms were also part of the review. **Marion, Helen and Philip are identifying strengths within our 'Special Character' as a non-denominational Christian kura and sharing some of their insights which we are extremely grateful to them for.** Having them engage with us with their passion for Christian Education has been a real blessing and encouragement as we seek to grow in our knowledge, understanding and implementation here at BC Chapman so we can then serve God and our community more effectively.



# ARK QUEST

In 2008, Calvin (a university lecturer) began a feeding programme for eight children in his village of Mahanga in Kenya. From this arose a vision to develop a school to serve the poor and empower villagers to move beyond poverty, and Ark Quest Education Centre was established. **Ark Quest is a Christian school providing education from kindergarten to year 8 for over 100 students.** Children are also fed two meals a day while at the school. Established on land made available by Calvin's father, the first school building was built with help from a mission team from Bethlehem College. A close connection was formed between Ark Quest and Bethlehem College at this time, and Ark Quest Trust was founded. Since then, Ark Quest has partnered with International Needs NZ, which has provided ongoing support for Calvin and the work he and his team are doing at the school.



**On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November**, we have the privilege of **Dr Calvin Ominde** visiting our kura and speaking to our year 5-8 tamariki about the ministry of **Ark Quest in Kenya**. Calvin is visiting New Zealand in association with International Needs. We know our young people will be inspired and challenged by what they hear of the ministry in Kenya. If you are interested in joining Whaea Lisa and Whaea Surette's classes to hear him share the miraculous story and ongoing work of **Ark Quest** then this is an ideal opportunity to do so. We will hold a '**Civvies Day**' on the **15<sup>th</sup> November**, and the '**gold coin**' donation will go towards the work of **Ark Quest**.

## PRAYER MEETING

You are invited to come along & join our whānau Prayer Meeting on Tuesdays before school begins. This is a time of gathering together to pray for our kura, for whānau/families, & for the decisions that are made. It is our desire to commit all to the leading, guiding & blessing of our Heavenly Father.



### BE AT SCHOOL ON TIME

Could you please have your tamariki to school by 8:30am on the mornings. The bell for the start of the day is at 8:40am. This allows the children 10 minutes to greet their friends and to prepare for learning. It also models to them the lesson about being on time and being ready, unlike the five foolish virgins in Matthew 25:1-13. Thank you for your assistance with this, it sets our tamariki up to win.

## UPCOMING DATES:

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October PTA meeting 2:40pm**

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October Primary & Intermediate Tennis Championships

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November Inter-Christian School Speech & Chess Competition**

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November Civvies Day-Gold Coin Donation for Ark Quest Kenya

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Powhiri for Dr Calvin Ominde Ark Quest Kenya**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November Spring Fair

**Special Note - Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November BC Chapman Athletics Day**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December Volunteers Moring Tea

**Leavers Dinner Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

End of Year Reports allocated 13<sup>th</sup> December

**Last day of Term 4 Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

End of Year 2024 Celebration and Prize-Giving

ABSENCES: Please phone the School Office 07 346 1492 before 8.30am so we are aware of the reason for any absences and can inform your child's teacher. Just leave a message on the answerphone if the phone is not attended.

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