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"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved". (Romans 10v13)

"E ora hoki ngā tāngata katoa e karanga ana ki te ingoa o te Ariki" (Rōma 10v13)

Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the holy Spirit. (Matthew 28 v 19)

Nā reira haere, meinga hei ākonga ngā iwi katoa, iriiria i runga i te ingoa o te Matua, o te Tama, o te Wairua Tapu. (Matiu 28v19

Kia ora wonderful BC Chapman whānau,

Of recent weeks I've noticed further evidence of design and the purpose for which we are designed, in various forms within our kura. As each one writes me a letter telling me of their Principals Award, the care in the design of the letter or card is striking. Some of these are literally works of art and have taken considerable thought to create. With the design in mind, the child concerned has spent serious amounts of time and effort on it. Needless to say, you as whānau, on some occasions have been seconded to help!

God designed us for relationship & creativity, and in playground play this is likewise affirmed. These photos capture aspects of our Grand Designer having created us in His image with the capability of forming meaningful relationships

as well as being able to design & create ourselves. Izaiah and Samuel were playing together having a wonderful time rolling the old tyre. Whoever did the rolling, tuned in to listen to their buddy who was curled up inside to make sure they weren't pushing too hard or too fast. Now the original intention for this tyre, obviously wasn't to be pushed around a kura field with a child inside it, however it had been utilized effectively for creative play and now had an entirely new purpose. They were both small enough to take turns squeezing themselves inside while the other pushed. We are designed for relationship and part of friendship is to enjoy having have fun with one another.

Wholesome, relationships between age groups is also how we are designed to live, and this photo of Anya, Abby, Stella and Carly (Page 2) caught my attention - just look at those smiles! It's across ages within community that love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and selfcontrol grow. That's God's design



Me te aroha tonu With love always

Hospitality Hub Update

We are delighted to be able to share our newly renovated 'Hospitality Hub' we now have the oven and the range hood in place. Our next move is to cook something with this excellent piece of kitchen equipment. Consider this an official invitation to pop in to view, and while there, to enjoy a cup of coffee or tea.



We are planning a 'Civvies Day' on Friday 15th November when we take a Gold Coin collection for resources for Ark Quest Education Centre, Kenya. We will have a visit from Dr Calvine Ominde on Tuesday 19th November and will welcome him with our BC Chapman powhiri. A little over twelve years ago Calvine Ominde was given a vision to set up and establish a village school to serve the poor and empower local villagers not only with education, but through generating a way forward to lift them from the bondages of poverty. 400km west of Nairobi, Kenya, the Ark Quest Education Centre was birthed. Located in the Mahanga village, in the Vihiga District, Vihiga County, is a school that is nurturing and growing young Kenyan leaders.

Ark Quest school has a longstanding relationship with Bethlehem College who have been instrumental in seeing the vision of Ark Quest come to be. The Ark Quest trustees and school serve selflessly with great zeal and passion for the students at Ark Quest. Over the past ten years, they are proud to serve and educate 150 children.

Calvine says "This is what Ark Quest School has become, a shelter and pillar of strength for the little disadvantaged children that God places in our hands".

There are now 13 teachers and 13 support staff at the village school. Not only do they educate and teach the students, they also work the farm which the school has established to help supplement their income. This is also as a teaching tool for these rural children to learn the farming and agricultural skills that they will need themselves one-day.



SPEECH AND CHESS INTER-KURA COMPETITION

With over 100 Chess and Speech competitors from the Waikato & Bay of Plenty Christian Schools descending on our kura on Friday 8th November, we are looking forward to being able to host this special event. We will be of course entering our own representatives while our Ruma rua, rima, and ono classes form the audience for the three different Speech categories. We are looking forward to having photos to share with you of this popular annual event in our next newsletter.

SPRING FAIR

The latest addition to preparations for Spring Fair would have to be noteworthy, in fact 'nose-worthy'. Whaea Becs & her daughter Lauren along with Mia S and Freya have created and painted a lifesize masterpiece which is going to be a popular activity on Friday 22nd November when we hold our Spring Fair. For once, picking a nose is an acceptable action! You can imagine the interest and motivation to rock up and actually be allowed to pick the nose. The question is what will be lodged up the nostril. Well, don't think we are going to give that information away for a second. The only way to find out is to come along and queue up for your turn.

Mystery jars have been and are still being filled and wrapped. Bars of chocolate, serviettes, paper plates, disposable cutlery, and various 'for sale' items are being dropped off & priced. Groups of whānau are gathering together to plan a range of different foods...Samosas, Pork Buns, Butter Chicken.... and there'll be live music too as part of the entertainment and festive atmosphere.

Please keep checking our BC Chapman Facebook Page <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/2600148116931496</u> and Mailchimp link <u>https://mailchi.mp/e606afb2e352/chapman-pta</u> as they are being regularly updated. Oh, and spread the word, invite whānau members, friends, neighbours, workmates.... it's going to be an occasion where everyone feels welcome & leaves with a 'spring' in their step.



ATHLETICS DAY

Notices have been sent home regarding our *BC Chapman House Athletics Day on Thursday 28th November* which we hold at Bethlehem College in Tauranga. Our event last year was a resounding success. *It is an exciting whānau day where we enjoy the privilege of having an event on the beautiful BC grounds*. With cheering spectators, fervent loyalty to their House, and the eating of delicious, packed lunches, Sprints and Field events, it is another day not to be missed.

VOLCANOES

Ruma rua, dived into papier mâché construction of volcanoes, which they then painted. They are now ready for the experiment which will no doubt generate some greater scientific understanding and spark further interest in Volcanic explosion and make connection within Rotorua to Lake Tarawera. There is no doubt that a volcanic eruption does transform the landscape and in the case of Mount Tarawera, buried the village.

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SPORTS NEWS

Our Senior Playground and the more recent installation of the Volleyball net is providing a new focus for our Year 5-8 rangatahi who are beginning to develop their skills. It is wonderful to see the net being used each day and the breadth of playground interest and activity consistently extending. I have had a request from a Year 4 young man regarding another Volleyball Net more suited to the younger age group. I appreciate such suggestions, and I am definitely looking into his request!



TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Six tennis players represented our kura at the recent Inter-kura Primary & Intermediate Tennis Competition. They all played with outstanding sportsmanship and had a great deal of fun in the process. Thank you to Winnie Chan and Peggy Zhao who supported our players. The results were as follows:

Ryan Liao - 2nd Place Singles Competitive Year 5 & 6 Boys

Falcon Chu - Singles Social Year 7 & 8 Boys **Malachi Hall** - 1st Place Singles Social Year 5 & 6 Boys **Katie Lotter -** 1st Place Singles Social

Year 5 & 6 Girls **Elyse Chan** - 2nd Place Singles Social

Year 5 & 6 Girls

Katie Lotter & Saraya Kilgour - 1st Place Doubles Primary





TOUCH RUGBY

The **Touch** season is now underway with grading & the first three games completed. Our Boys team **The BC Chapman Touchdowns** who only began playing in Term 1, 2024, have listened to and learned the rules of the game. The players, Malachi Hall, Aaren Zhang, Rowan Cook, Flo Mutton, Arlo Russell, Christo Uys, Luke Vautier and Joshua Vijo are showing the benefit of a season of play & have huge promise! They are being coached again this season by **Caleb Hall**.



Our Year 7 & 8 Mixed Team, The Untouchables, have four strategic girls Sofia Muliaga, Kaea Maxwell-Crawford, Olivia Perrett & Freya Parker. They are joined by Jonah Goodgame, Francis Naera, Malachi Cowlishaw, Joshua Hall and Ezekiel Muliaga. They've quickly adjusted to being back, with 4 wins and a draw. They are working superbly together with Francis Naera finishing the team run by touching down and scoring a number of impressive tries. Their coach this season is Roger Cowlishaw. Our manager for both teams is our amazing Whaea Jesse!

FUTURE FERNS NETBALL

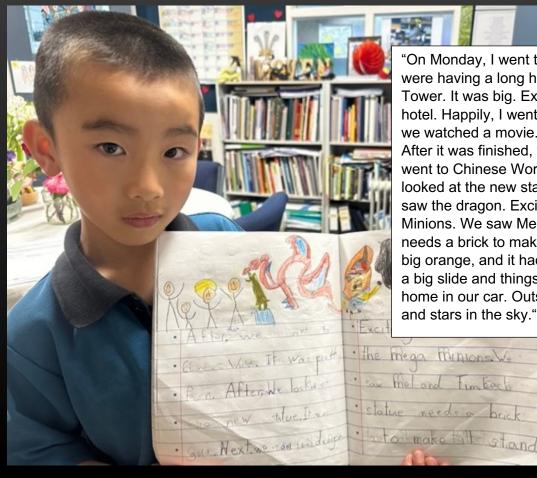
The season has launched, and we have three enthusiastic teams in the Primary Competition. It's been encouraging to see the enthusiasm for and interest in playing Netball extend. Special thanks to our committed coaches, **Whaea Nicole, Whaea LaShaya and Whaea Stacy**. Netball has taken off in our kura community and we have recently purchased some new Netballs. The strategy & skill set being developed is making them a significant competitive force. Watch out Silver Ferns, we think we've got some future members!





WRITERS CORNER

Featuring our Author of the moment-Matt Liao 6 years old Year 2, Ruma toru/Room 3



"On Monday, I went to Auckland because we were having a long holiday. We went to Sky Tower. It was big. Excitedly, we went inside the hotel. Happily, I went to the movie theatre, and we watched a movie. It was named the ME4. After it was finished, we clapped. After that, we went to Chinese World. It was pretty fun. We looked at the new statue. It was gold. Next, we saw the dragon. Excitedly, we went to the Mega Minions. We saw Mel and Tim. Each statue needs a brick to make it stand. Later on we saw a big orange, and it had a hole but inside there was a big slide and things to play on. Finally, we went home in our car. Outside there were many trees and stars in the sky."







CRAZY HAIR PROJECT

CRAZY HAIR SENTENCES

Scratching his hair, which looked like a battlefield, Johnny Johnson discovered a hoard of head lice attacking his fuzzy hairstyle.

Annoyed by the amount of dandruff in his messy hair, Mr Wilson borrowed a student's pencil to scratch his scalp clean. (Latu Paletu'a Year 6)

Surprisingly, Jessica's golden hair was tangled like a bird's nest.

Fearing the worst, Maia brushed her long, straight brown hair before it ended up looking like Jessica's. (Olivia Perrett Year 6)

Sadly, Tally's oily, split-ended, frizzy hair was plastered to her head.

Surprisingly, Charlie's frizzy afro wasn't nit-infested like James' whose hair was a bird's nest, crawling with creatures. (Blake Kilgour Year 6)

Like a person in a cartoon show, her hair curled around her shoulders in a golden mass, all prim and proper, till...CUT! Now, not so prim and proper anymore! (Matilda Moffatt Year 5)

Jeremy's bold golden specks of hair, glimmering and shiny were covered with wet, sickly sweat!

Uncontrollably, Samuel's eyes couldn't blink, when he noticed and became mesmerized by the girl's hair-blonde, silky, and pony-tailed. (Felix Chu Year 5)

Hair-brown, messy, burnt; fell silently to the ground.

Quickly, the hair burnt, turning as black as the night sky.

(Caleb Kieck Year 6)

Bob's hair-nit-infested, plastered & bleached-all fell to the floor in the barber's shop. (Coen Otter Year 5)



YEAR 7 & 8 WOODBLOCK PRINTMAKING

After a few weeks of planning and carving, Year 7 & 8 are almost ready to start making limited edition prints with their carved blocks. These will be available exclusively at the Spring Fair. Stock is strictly limited so purchase rapidly, or you'll miss out!



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PARENT PRAYER MEETING

You are invited to come along & join our whānau Prayer Meeting at 8am on Tuesdays before school begins. This is a time of gathering together to pray for kura, for our whānau/families, & for the decisions that are made. It is our desire to commit all we do to the leading, guiding & blessing of our Heavenly Father.



UPCOMING DATES:

Friday 8th November Inter-Christian School Speech & Chess Competition **Tuesday 12th November Sport BoP Fun Day Ruma toru** Friday 15th November Civvies Day-Gold Coin Donation for Ark Quest Kenya **Tuesday 19th November – Powhiri for Dr Calvine Ominde Ark Quest Kenya**

Friday 22nd November Spring Fair 4pm to 7:30pm

Special Note - Thursday 28th November BC Chapman Athletics Day

Thursday 5th December Volunteers Moring Tea 10:30am

Wednesday 5th December Leavers Dinner 6pm

Thursday 12th December End of Year Reports allocated

Thursday 12th December Last day of Term 4

Thursday 12th 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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