



HEAD OF SCHOOL LETTER WEEK 5 TERM 4

Colossians 3:16–17

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.”

Korohe 3: 16-7

“Kia noho nui te kupu a te Karaiti i roto i a koutou i runga i te mātauranga katoa; me whakaako, me whakatūpato tētahi e tētahi ki ngā waiata tapu, ki ngā hīmene, ki ngā waiata wairua, me te waiata anō ki te Atua i runga i te aroha noa, i roto i ō koutou ngākau. Ko ngā mea katoa hoki e mea ai koutou, ko ngā kupu, ko ngā mahi rānei, kia meinga katoatia i runga i te ingoa o te Ariki, o Īhu, me te whakawhetai anō ki te Atua, arā ki te Matua, i roto i a ia.”

John 1:14, 18

“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth... No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father’s side, He has made Him known.”

Hoani 1:14,18

“I whakakikokikotia te Kupu, ā, noho ana i a mātou, i kite anō mātou i tōna korōria he korōria e rite ana ki tō te Tama kotahi a te Matua, kī tonu i te aroha moa, i te pono...Kāhore anō he tangata i kite noa i te Atua; ko te Tama kotahi, kei te uma nei o te Matua, nāna ia i whakapuaki.”

Kia ora wonderful BC Chapman waka whānau,

On Friday the 31st October, we had the privilege of hosting 10 other Christian kura from the **Waikato & Bay of Plenty** for the annual Speech and Chess Competition. Over the years that we have been holding this event, we have seen the level of Chess strategic play & Speech content & delivery markedly improve. This event provides a platform for our rangatahi/young people to use their God-given gifting & refine & improve it while inspiring others. Before we became a **‘satellite’ of Bethlehem College**, my favourite meeting each term was with the Principals of these 9 kura/schools where we were able to share what was happening in each of our kura, share our goals, dreams, ideas, resources and pray for one another. Knowing that our small Rotorua Chapman waka was part of a much bigger group of **‘Special Character’ Christian kura in central North Island** was highly encouraging, & motivating.

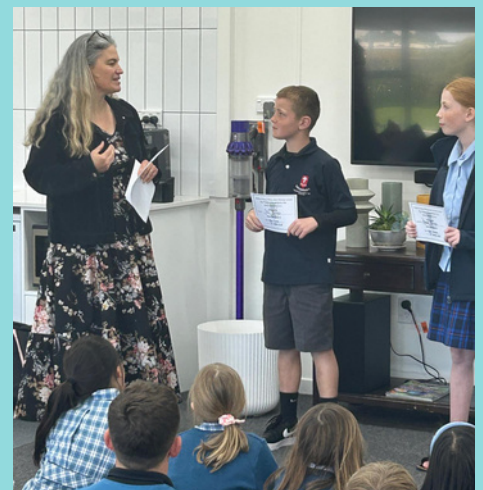
God in His wisdom has intentionally created us to work together, as an interdependent body made up of multiple parts, all of which are designed specifically to function through needing each other. It is with the deepest gratitude that we recognize events such as these as opportunities to build connections between our kura, to serve one another & to demonstrate what it means to belong to the much bigger network of Christian kura in Aotearoa.

Our special thanks to **Tanja Lotter** who cooked the **Nacho lunch** for over 110 participants on the day & to **Astrid Read, Sophie Hall, Subin Samuel, Tom Moffatt & Whaea Sylvia** who served morning tea & lunch, extending a warm welcome & hospitality to all our guests. Comments from those who competed against each other at the end of the event were of gratefulness & of looking forward to returning in 2026. How blessed are we!

Me te aroha tonu
With love always *Hazel*



SPEECH & CHESS COMPETITION



SPEECH & CHESS COMPETITION RESULTS

Our special thanks to **Mr Mark Breetvelt** who as our **Grand Master** ran the Chess side of the competition. This year we had purchased our own set of Chess clocks which added to the authenticity of the game & playing by its rules. Clocks add a little extra pressure.

Winner of the Primary Chess Cup- Ethan van Schalkwyk (Tauranga Seventh Day Adventist)

Winner of the Intermediate Winner- Lucas Xie (Hamilton Christian School)

Winner of the Junior Secondary Winner- Haram Kim (Bethlehem College Tauranga)

Winner of the Primary Speech Cup- Jacob White (Bethlehem College)

Winner of the Intermediate Speech Cup- Nova Stevens (Tauranga Seventh Day Adventist) and Ana Moffatt BC Chapman

Winner of the Junior Secondary Speech Cup- Norma Noble (Bethlehem College Tauranga)

Special thanks to our Speech judges, Mrs Nicki Cleary (Lake Taupo Chrisitan kura), **Mr Shaun Hurlow** (Hamilton Seventh Day Adventist School), **Dr Shannon Black** (Bethlehem College) & **Mr Bryan Theobold** (South City Christian School)

STEWARDSHIP CHALLENGE

Our Ruma rima, **Whaea Lisa's** class, engaged in the Stewardship Challenge this year. At the end of Term 2, they were each given \$20 which they could use either by themselves or combine with a business partner. The purpose was to use the \$20 to generate more money for 'mission service' purposes, through starting a project or marketing an idea.

Whatever they had in their hand as in specific resources, e.g. fruit from garden trees, or a skill like baking, making Balloon animals, or running Children's Party entertainment was to be used. A number of creative directions were taken resulting in increasing the original \$20.

Last week these rangatahi/young people returned with the original \$20 plus what they had raised. As you can see by the photos, they did a number of different things. The total amount raised is \$3,747.80

Currently they're making the decision as to where it will go locally, nationally and internationally. This decision will be taken, after investigating various different organisations, that make a difference to the lives of others. Each of the chosen three will receive 1/3 of the total amount raised. We are delighted with the vision, commitment & the entrepreneurial ideas that they've had and the diligence with which they have worked.

In our next Newsletter we will update you as to their decisions.



MINISTRY OF INSPIRATION

Jessica from the **Ministry of Inspiration**, came to teach **Ruma toru, Whaea's Lucelle & Miss Grace's** tamariki about **Robotics & Coding**. This was their first taste of such interesting knowledge & they loved exploring the technology in relation to coding & programming. As you can see by these photos there was plenty of engagement & we hope to look further into these areas & potentially enter a small team in the competitive side of this in 2026.



MATHS IS TRULY FUN!



Who would have imagined Maths could be so much fun with Whaea Del & Whaea Jesse. You even get to use hoops, counters, and whiteboards & pens. When I inquired from one of the pairs as what they were doing the answer was as follows...."Actually, we are partitioning 15'. (a confident & accurate description by Miss 5!). Seriously, impressive!!

ANTS' HILLVANIA



PLEASE NOTE:
**ALL BC CHAPMAN
YOUNG PEOPLE
ARE IN EVERY SHOW**

We are now in the final two weeks of rehearsals before our Matinee & Evening performances & the excitement is steadily building as are a few nerves!

The message is a powerful one, that of **The Prodigal Son**, a message that speaks of the 'grace' of God & the 'gratitude' of a young person who realizes that doing life their own way leads to emptiness & a trap.

We would like to specifically ask that you pray for the health of all of our tamariki & kaimahi/staff for the stamina needed to persevere with all the practices. Learning all the words of the songs & the dance moves also merit your home encouragement as we bring the show together. **Tickets are now on sale** & we would love you to invite family & extended whānau members to come. Posters have gone out to local pre-schools, & Kindergartens, to churches, & to Retirement Villages. If you are aware of any neighbour or friends with children who might enjoy coming to Antshillvania, please invite them & get tickets for them. **Tickets are available through our kura/school Office.**

We do need help in a range of different areas. If you are able to assist with stage set up, make up, baking, manning of The Fatted Aphid Café, serving on the Gift items table, compiling Props, helping dress children in their costumes for the Dress Rehearsals, the Matinees or Evening Shows, & with the clean-up, then please return the slip to our School Office, sent out last week which enables us to know where you can help make our show a success.

Please tell and invite your extended family, neighbours, friends, work, sport and church contacts to come to the Show and where possible pickup tickets from our School Office to sell to them. If you know of a retired person, or a mum/dad with young children who'd prefer to come to one of the Matinee Shows then please invite them to attend.



**MATINEES: 1PM TUES 18TH & WED 19TH NOV,
EVENING SHOWS: 7PM WED 19TH & THURS 20TH NOV**

TICKETS: ADULTS \$15, CHILDREN \$10 FAMILY \$50

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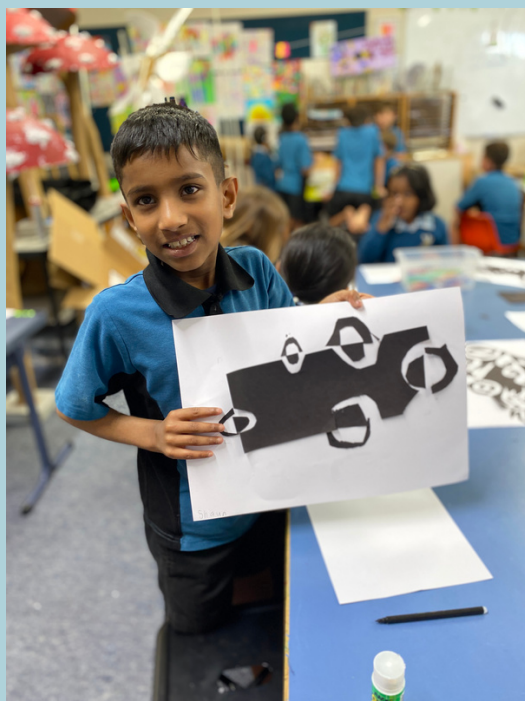
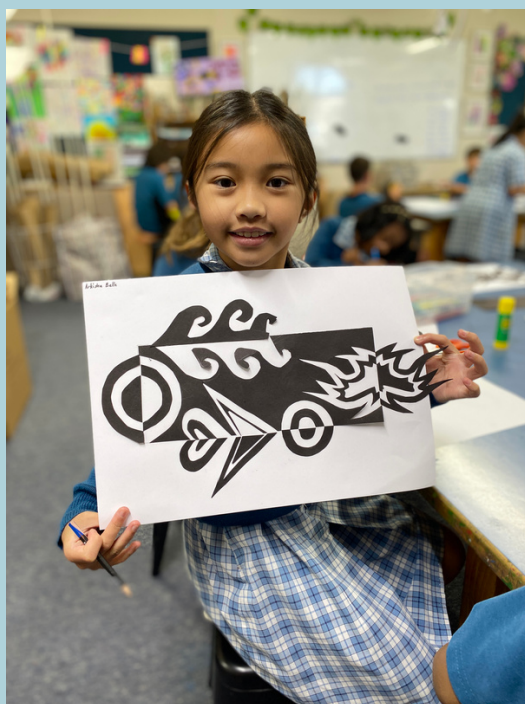
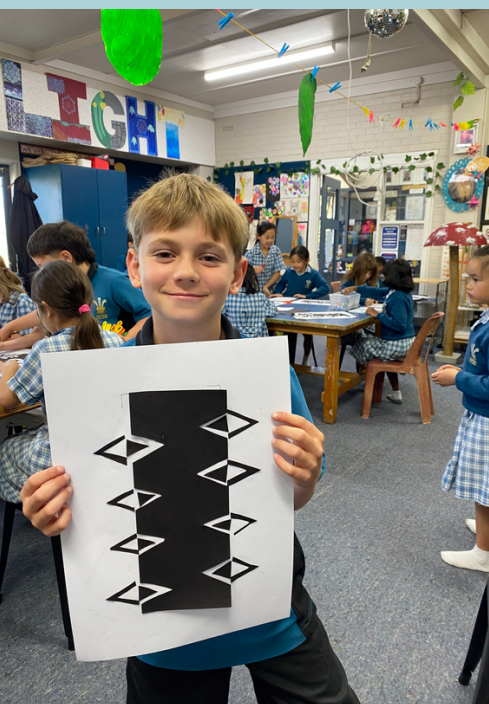
ART EXHIBITION

Our Primary artists from Ruma 4 have been working on 3D paper sculptures - all the colours of the rainbow!



Ruma Rua and Ruma Toru have been learning about contrast, and positive/negative space with 'Notan' (a form of Japanese paper cut art). They put a great effort into this project and are quite rightly very proud of the results!





UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will be opening on 29th and 30th January 2026. Due to the additional students starting in Term 1, it will be necessary to make an appointment for your uniform requirements. Please contact Trish on 027 279 3029 to schedule an appointment time.



SENIOR BOYS



SENIOR GIRLS



JUNIOR BOYS



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SPORT UPDATE

LEGEND OF THE PEAKS

On Friday 7th November, 35 of our BC Chapman tamariki, aged between 6 & 13 years of age, entered the 'Legend of the Peaks' event. This involved running tracks of different lengths in the Whakarewarewa Forest. It is a wonderful opportunity for children, families & adult competitors to explore our local environment through a sporting event. The sense of accomplishment & the smiles pretty much say it all (see next newsletter for photos!) Thank you to **Whaea Jas**, who was the kaiako in charge for the day!

TOUCH RUGBY RESULTS

As the Touch Rugby season progresses and our Junior & senior teams engage in practices, we can see how they are beginning to gel together. The **BC Chapman Untouchables** (Senior team) have had a win against JPC 3-1 with the player of the day **Joshua Vautier**. **Amelie Uys** was player of the day for the Y5/6 – Go Chapman

The **BC Chapman Touchdowns** (our Junior Team) drew their first game 2 all against St Mikes Senior A and then had their first win 2-0 against the Lynmore Mako.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

On Friday 31st October, the local Rotorua Tennis Club runs a wonderful annual kura Tennis event & this year was no exception. Our five representatives, **Elyse & Jocelyn Chan, Katie Lotter, Falcon Chu & Ryan Liao** were our representative players playing in the Single, Double or both competitions. We are delighted to say they all played exceptionally well with **Elyse Chan** winning a **Gold medal**, **Katie Lotter** winning a **Silver Medal**, **Ryan** a **Bronze Medal** and **Jocelyn Chan** coming **4th place**. We are super proud of our tennis players



CRICKET

The Cricket season has started with the first afternoon of games held on **Thursday 30th October**. We are now noticing the appearance of cricket bats & wickets. We'll be heading to the home of cricket 'Lords Cricket Ground' in London in no time at all!



WRITERS CORNER

THIS WEEK OUR WRITING COMES FROM
RUMA TORU - WHAEA LUCELLE'S CLASS.

Making Pizzas



Wednesday 15 August 2025

In the weekend, in June at home, me and my kind mum made funny shaped pizzas because it was our first time to make it. We made four big pizza because we had four hungry people. After that, my mum took a good picture of me. Then my lovely mum told me to pretend to cut the pizza. I felt hungry. Afterwards mum, dad, me and my grandma ate the pizzas. Next I played the piano. After that, I got to eat a piece of chocolate. It was yum!

At Hobbiton



Excitedly, on Monday at Hobbiton in Matamata, me, Nanny, Granny, Barb and Aunt Dianna drove to Hobbiton because I had never been there before. It was so long. When we got there we had to take a bus to get to the movie set because it was across the road. We had to go through a farm. I felt happy because we saw lots of woolly sheep. Quickly, I ran to the Hobbiton sign to have a photo with Andy Dianna. Soon the tour guide man told us to walk to Bilbo's house, so we did. There were so many hobbit houses that I couldn't count them all. Afterwards we got to the house. The tour guide man started to talk about Bilbo's house. When he started talk I didn't understand him, because he had a German accent. Then we went to Sam's house. It was outstanding beautiful and we got to go inside it. Then we went to the Green Dragon and we got ginger beer and a little chocolate cookie. Finally, we hopped on the bus to go back to have lunch. I had a Steak and Cheese pie, Aunt Dianna had a croissant with lettuce and bacon, Nanny had a lamb pie with cheese, and Granny Barb had a pie with cheese and mince. I felt happy being with my people for the day.

30.10.2025

At Badminton



On Wednesday at badminton me and my sister hit the shuttle because our coach told us to. My sister hit the shuttle very high and I could not hit it. The shuttle accidentally hit my nose and it hurt. After half of our lesson we got hot chocolate and sweet cookies. My favourite cookie was the one that had chocolate in it. After hot chocolate and cookies I quickly ran down stairs to keep playing badminton. When it was almost the end of the day. Quickly I was sweaty so I drank a cup of cold water to cool me down. Finally, my dad picked me up. Next I went home for dinner.

2.9.25.

At Church



On Sunday at church me and Naomi played with a blue spiky ball because we were playing a game. When someone throws the ball you catch the ball and you pray about someone. My mum and dad were in church while we were playing the game. When the ball came to me I prayed for my dad's arm because it can't move that much. After that we watch a movie. We watched Noah and the Ark. Then Naomi's mum asked some questions about the movie. I was first to ask some questions. I said that God never flooded the earth again and it is true. Before we went home we had a banana lolly. When we got home me and my sister played with my cute dog. Excitedly, I couldn't wait to have dinner because I felt hungry.

Tues 16 September 2025

WHĀNAU PRAYER

Every Tuesday morning at 8am during Term time, parents & caregivers gather to pray for BC Chapman. We place great importance on prayer so please come & join us, even if you can only make it for 10 minutes or so.

2026 TERM DATES FOR STUDENTS (as at 7 April 2025)

		TERM START	TERM FINISH	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
TERM 1	9 wks*	Monday 2 February Y1-Y13 at school	Thursday 2 April (92 half-days)	Friday 3 April to Sunday 19 April
TERM 2	11 wks	Tuesday 21 April <i>20 April Staff Only Day</i>	Friday 3 July (104 half-days)	Saturday 4 July to Sunday 19 July
TERM 3	10 wks	Tuesday 21 July <i>20 July Staff Only Day</i>	Friday 25 September (98 half-days)	Saturday 26 September to Sunday 11 October
TERM 4	9 wks	Tuesday 13 October <i>12 October Staff Only Day</i>	Friday 11 December (86 half-days)	Saturday 12 December
*NB: Wk 0 prior to start of term, Y12-Y13 course confirmation Wednesday 28 January, and Y13 students at camp Wednesday 28 January – Friday 30 January These term dates comply with Ministry of Education requirements - open for instruction 380 (half) days in 2026. Please refer to the website calendar for any other important dates that will have an impact on the school term for students.				

Start of Year - Commencement Dates for Students	
Wednesday 28 January	Y12 & Y13 Course confirmation Y13 depart for camp No other year groups at school
Thursday 29 January	Y13 at Camp No other year groups at school
Friday 30 January	Y13 return from camp No other year groups at school
Monday 2 February	All Primary and Secondary Students Y1-Y13 at school
2026 Statutory Holidays	
Monday 26 January	Auckland Anniversary Day
Friday 6 February	Waitangi Day
Friday 3 April	Good Friday (start of holidays)
Monday 6 April	Easter Monday (during holidays)
Tuesday 7 April	Easter Tuesday (during holidays)
Saturday 25 April / Monday 27 April	ANZAC Day / ANZAC Day Public holiday observed
Monday 1 June	King's Birthday
Friday 10 July	Matariki (during holidays)
Monday 26 October	Labour Day

UP & COMING DATES

Friday 7th November Legend of the Peaks

Thursday 13th November Antshillvania Photo Shoot (makeup and costumes)

Friday 14th November Antshillvania Full Dress Rehearsal (no makeup)

Monday 17th November Antshillvania Full Dress Rehearsal (makeup & costumes)

Tuesday 18th November Matinee Performance 1pm Alyssa's Cast

Wednesday 19th November Matinee performance 1pm Isobella's Cast

Wednesday 19th November Evening Performance 7pm Alyssa's Cast

Thursday 20th November evening Performance 7pm Isobella's Cast

Thursday 4th December Volunteers Morning Tea 10:30am

Thursday 4th December Leaver's Dinner 6pm

Friday 5th December BC Chapman Athletics at Bethlehem College in Tauranga

Thursday 11th December -School Reports 'hard copy' issued

Thursday 11th December End of Year Celebration Living Well Church Auditorium 7pm

Thursday 11th December Last day of Term 4 at BC Chapman 2025

Friday 12th December-Digital Copy of Reports sent out via email

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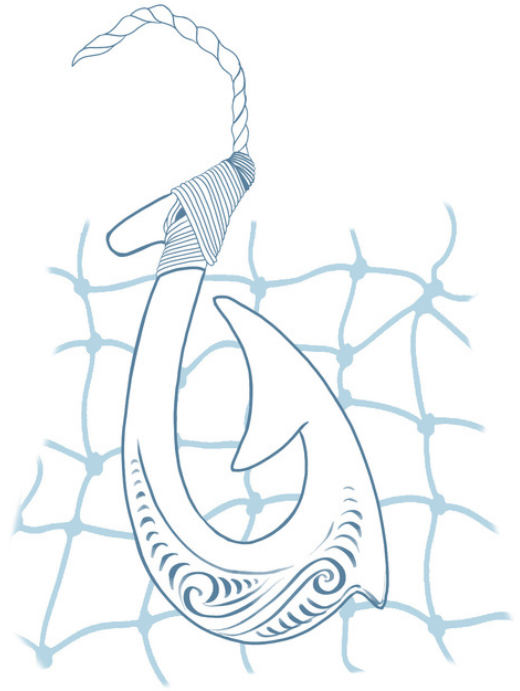
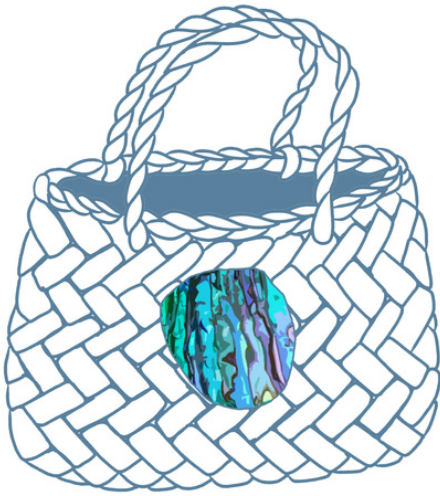


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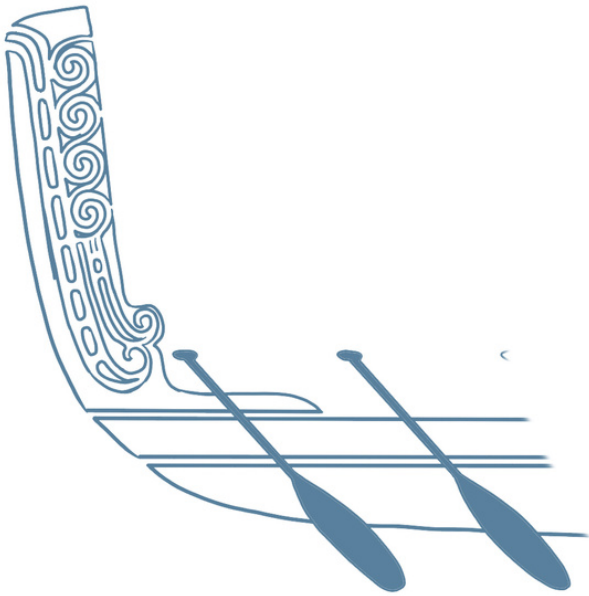
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