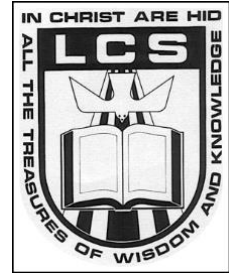


# LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Term 1 Week 11  
Thursday 12 April 2024

Dear Parents and Whānau

*It has been a full and productive term at school. Thank you for your support and encouragement of the teaching team as they faithfully deliver the high quality teaching and learning that happens every day in our classrooms.*

*It has been a big week for our EPro8 teams. Congratulations to our year 5&6 team who worked hard and represented us very well under the pressure of their competition. Congratulations to our year 7&8 team (pictured) who placed second in the schools competition which put them into the Grand Final on Wednesday. At the finals they placed a very respectable third place.*

*A big thank you to all the wonderful parents who gave their time to support our futsal teams this term. Our teams played well, developed their skills and enjoyed the competition.*

*There is a lot to look forward to in term 2. It is a term with many additional activities scheduled to enhance the children's learning.*



*We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 29 April.*

*Serving Christ together,*

*Fiona Sizemore  
Principal*



## **WORLD VISION 40 HOUR CHALLENGE 21-23 JUNE**

The World Vision 40 Hour Challenge 2024 is focused to support Timor-Leste this year. The funds raised will help to restore forests and fight the impacts of climate change using an approach called Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration. Led by local communities, it's a simple technique that taps into existing root networks to regrow trees.

For kids in Timor-Leste, who've lost 90% of their original forests, this would be a total game changer. As trees grow, they suck carbon dioxide from our atmosphere, lower temperatures, and can reduce the effects of storms and droughts.

### **HOW STUDENTS CAN JOIN OUR TEAM:**

Go to [LCS World Vision Challenge 2024](#) and click on **JOIN THIS TEAM**. From there you will be able to create your own profile which is linked to our school. You can then contact friends and wider whānau to ask them to sponsor your 40 Hour Challenge or make a donation for the Timor-Leste project.

We also have a small number of paper booklets available from the office.

Children may only participate with parental permission.

## MAXIMUM ROLL INCREASE APPLICATION PRAYER REQUEST

The Dunedin Christian Schools Association (DCSA), our Proprietor, with the Board of Trustees (BOT), has recently submitted a Maximum Roll Increase (MRI) application to the Ministry of Education to increase our maximum roll cap.

Please join us in prayer for the MRI application to be successful. Our school is funded to operate five classrooms. The BOT is funding the sixth classroom using capital reserves we are blessed to have available for 2024. Ultimately we need to gain a roll cap increase to keep operating six classes as this additional expenditure is not within our ongoing financial means.

## TEACHER ONLY DAY: TERM 2 FRIDAY 31 MAY

We will be holding a Teacher Only Day during term 2, Friday 31 May. The day is allocated by the Ministry of Education to give teaching staff dedicated time to understand, prepare for, and engage with changes across The New Zealand Curriculum Refresh | Te Mātaiaho. The following Monday is the King's Birthday public holiday, which will allow for an extra-long weekend.

## SCHOOL HOODIES AND TEE SHIRTS

We have new stock of school hoodies and tee shirts available at the office. Unfortunately the prices have increased. Hoodies are \$65 and tee shirts \$45 each.

## HONEY FUNDRAISER:

Orders are being taken at the office for the popular **Pure Taieri Honey**.

Next orders are due by 10 May to the office or complete the [Honey Order Form](#).

Online payment to the Liberton Fundraisers account 11-8337-0088665-11



Our year 5&6 EPro8 team.



## BASKETBALL

We have entered three teams for basketball. Our year 5&6 team has only just enough members so if another student or two wanted to join there is space.

## NETBALL

The netball teams are due to be entered early next term. We don't quite have enough players for the year 5-8 teams so if you were considering your to child play, please email the office.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES UPDATES

The Ministry of Education has required schools to implement two new policies this year; An hour a day of reading, writing and maths, and Phones Away for the Day. Neither of these policies required significant change in our school. The board has received assurance that our teaching staff are delivering high quality literacy and mathematics programmes. The board is working on a draft Phones Away for the Day policy that will be available for community consultation after the next board meeting.

## PRAYER POINTS:

We are very grateful to all those who uphold the school in prayer.

Give thanks for: -

- God's continuing faithfulness and amazing grace over our school.
- A positive and productive term of teaching and learning
- The opportunities we have to represent Christ in the wider community.

Please pray for:-

- Our students to grow in their understanding of what it means to show respect to those in rightful authority over them.
- Our school to glorify God in all ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders.
- The MRI application to be received favourably and granted.



BELOW: Easter service at Hope Church

## TERM 2 2024 CALENDAR LCS Calendar

29 April	First day of term 2
2 May	Swimming @ Moana #1
6 May	Bob Bickerton music presentation
9 May	World Vision Youth Conference
9 May	Swimming @ Moana #2
16 May	Y5-8 LPHS senior show performance
16 May	Swimming @ Moana #3
21 May	Elgregoe presentation
22-24 May	Life Education Truck on site
23 May	Swimming @ Moana #4
28 May	Y1-6 Netball season commences
30 May	Swimming @ Moana #5
31 May	Teacher Only Day (school closed)
3 June	King's Birthday (public holiday)
7 June	NYLD in Town Hall Year 8's
21 June	World Vision Famine Weekend
28 June	Matariki (public holiday)
5 July	Last day of term 2



*In Christ are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.*

*Colossians 2v3*