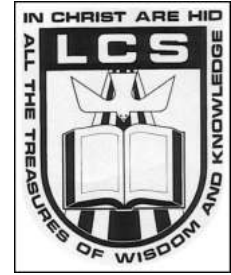


LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Term 2 Week 4
Friday 24 May 2024

Dear Parents and Whānau

Over the last two weeks our students have enjoyed a variety of visitors and activities. Last week our year 5-8 students travelled to Logan Park High School to see their senior production of *The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe* by C S Lewis. It was a good rendition of the well-loved story and enjoyed by our students and staff.

Elgregoe and Sue have performed their last "You've Got the Power" show at Liberton. Next year they are semi-retiring to work around the Christchurch area. Children at Liberton and many other schools have enjoyed the 'magic' of their show for over 20 years. We have always appreciated the personal Christian faith and values of Greg and Sue that has shone through their show.



This week we have had two visits from Taine, our World Vision Youth Ambassador. Taine presented at our Monday morning student assembly and shared about his visit to Timor-Leste with World Vision, and the needs of the country and people. On Wednesday he spent time with our year 8 students supporting them in planning our school events for the 40 Hour Challenge. We have some great activities planned for Friday 21 June which will involve the whole school. Taine also shared his own challenge this year, as he travels around the South Island he is taking 40 outdoor swims! Taine is from Auckland so he is finding our sea, rivers and lakes very cold! The 40 Hour Challenge is a great opportunity to connect with our value of compassion for others in a tangible context, so we encourage all families to consider a small way you can support your child/ren to participate if possible.

You can't miss the Life Education Truck parked on our front court! All classes have enjoyed visits to the mobile classroom for lessons this week. Harold has been around for over 25 years. Many adults have fond memories of their own visits to the truck in the past.

Serving Christ together,

Fiona Sizemore
Principal

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge. Psalm 19:1-2



WORLD VISION 40 HOUR CHALLENGE 21-23 JUNE: 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. Paper booklets are available from the office.



RIGHT: Taine addressing our assembly.

TERM 2 VALUE FOCUS: COMPASSION



Love expressed through Compassion – A willingness to help, empathise with, or show mercy to those who suffer; forgiveness.

The LORD is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion.

Psalm 116:5

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort. *2 Corinthians 1:3*

SUPPORT STAFF APPRECIATION DAY

We marked Support Staff Appreciation Day this week with morning tea in honour of our support staff team. We are so blessed to have the faithful service of Karen in our office, and Alison and Sarah supporting the children in our classrooms. Their work is crucial to the smooth running of our school and the educational outcomes for our students.



MAXIMUM ROLL INCREASE APPLICATION UPDATE AND 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. After meeting with local Ministry of Education staff, the process has now entered the consultation phase which is about four weeks. Then a report is completed which goes to Wellington with a recommendation to the Minister of Education.

HONEY FUNDRAISER:

Orders are being taken at the office for the popular [Pure Taieri Honey](#).

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

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



NEW GOVERNMENT ADVICE ON CHILD SICKNESS AND SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

It can be hard making the decision on whether a child is well enough for school or needs to stay home for a day or two. The Ministry of Education has updated this advice to support parents.

[HealthNZ Is My Child Well Enough for School](#)

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.
- The extra-curricular activities in term 2
- The opportunities we have to represent Christ in the wider community.

Please pray for:-

- Our students as they grow in their understanding of our compassionate God and how to show compassion to others.
- 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.



TERM 2 2024 CALENDAR LCS Calendar

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
15 June	Liberton Fundraisers Cheese Roll making
21 June	World Vision 40 Hour Challenge Day
26 June	Parent/Teacher conferences
27 June	Parent/Teacher conferences
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

TEACHER ONLY DAY: FRIDAY 31 MAY

We will be holding a Teacher Only Day on 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 the 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.

