LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 1 Week 8

Friday 21 March 2025

Dear Parents and Whānau



As many of you know, our lovely room 6 teacher, Mrs Jane Yoo, is expecting twins! Mrs Yoo will finish her teaching role with us at the end of term 1. We pray God's blessing over Mrs and Mr Yoo in this very special season of their lives. We are delighted to announce that Mrs Anna Pol will be taking over as room 6 teacher from term 2. Mrs Pol has been providing relief teaching for us this term and we are excited to have her join our teaching team.

This week we have closed the lower Hillary Street gate. It has come to our attention that both children and adults have been crossing Hillary Street without using the pedestrian crossing. This is illegal if crossing within twenty metres of a pedestrian crossing. We realised the need to create a new habit for many of us, especially on the lower side of the crossing. According to the NZ Transport Agency, on average 36 pedestrians are killed and 1000 pedestrians are injured on NZ roads every year.



Serving Christ together,

Fiona Sizemore Principal

The standout engineers of Year 5 and 6 were presented with certificates in a special Year 5 and 6 assembly. Teachers observed the children at work over three days of learning and competition, noting a range of desirable behaviours. Citations included: For steady work ethic and great



supporting ideas; For innovative ideas and leadership of the team; For keeping his team following the task and reading the instructions carefully; For steady work ethic and "I'll do that" attitude.

THE DUNEDIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING:



The 46th Annual General Meeting of Dunedin Christian Schools Association (Inc.) will be held at Liberton Christian School on **Thursday 27 March 2025, 7:30 pm**. A Zoom link can be requested if you are unable to attend in person. Members and friends are encouraged to attend as we reflect together on the life of the school community.



The DCSA plays a crucial role in our school as it is the owner of our school property and is charged with ensuring the special character of the school is upheld. The special character of the school is determined by the Christian world and life view of the DCSA as outlined in

articles three and four of the Constitution.

Parents who are in agreement with the Association's constitution are encouraged to become members.

CHRISTIAN CHARACTER TERM 1 VALUE: RESPONSIBILITY

Love expressed through Responsibility – A willingness to be answerable, to be trustworthy and accountable for your own conduct and behaviour.

I will proclaim the name of the LORD. Oh, praise the greatness of our God! He is the Rock, his works are perfect, and all his ways are just. A faithful God who does no wrong, upright and just is he.

Deuteronomy 32:3-4

TEACHER ONLY DAY: TERM 2 FRIDAY 30 MAY

We will be holding a Teacher Only Day during term 2, Friday 30 May. The day is allocated by the Ministry of Education to give teaching staff dedicated time to engage with the mathematics area of 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.



Mathematics and skittles were a great combination for learning statistics in Room 4 recently!

BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICY REVIEW TERM 1

These policies will be reviewed at the meeting to be held on Tuesday 1st April.

- Staff Professional Growth Cycle
- o Smoke and Drug Free
- o Attendance

The Government has set a target of achieving 80% of students attending more than 90% of the time by 2030, so this review will include the board considering how our school can improve attendance and especially lateness. Parent comment and reflection is especially welcome for this policy review. These policies are displayed on the notice board at the office. If you would like to comment on or provide feedback on any aspect of these policies, please see Fiona or a board of trustees' member.

EASTER SERVICE AT HOPE CHURCH – Friday 14 April 1.30pm On the last day of term 1 we will be walking up to Hope Church for an Easter service. This service will be in place of our Friday assembly. Parents and whānau are very welcome to join us.





We have four sets of twins at Liberton Chrisian School.

PRAYER POINTS:

Please pray for us! 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.
- Our dedicated LCS Parents and Friends Association
- 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 responsibility in their words and actions.
- Safety for our children on the roads around our school.
- Our school to glorify God and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders.

TERM 1 2025 CALENDAR LCS Calendar

24 March Otago Anniversary Day (school clo	osed)
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26 March Wheels Day Room 4

27 March DCSA Annual Meeting 7.30pm
1 April Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
2 April Junior classes trip to the Museum

2 April Wheels Day Room 34 April HPV first round

8 April EPro8 Y7&8 interschool competition 5pm 10 April EPro8 interschool competition 9.30am 11 April Easter service at Hope Church 1.30pm

11 April Last day of term 1



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PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION (PFA) FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

We would like to encourage you to share these links with your church, friends and family please:

- Beano's bakery Easter Hot cross Buns order form:
 - https://forms.gle/mPFBticFWVAXsHmZ7 There is a paper form for hot cross buns at the office if you prefer to use this method to make your order.
- Plants and Natives Sale order form: https://form.jotform.com/250758920146864

Our other online order forms remain the same:

- Please click on the link to the Honey Ceres Organics order jotform if you would like to make a purchase which now includes a Honey option as well as the other wholesale organics - https://form.jotform.com/250481249233858
- School lunch next week Wed 26 March 2025
 - https://form.jotform.com/250368420390857
- Stay and Play after assembly again on Friday 28 March 2025 (see attached flier)