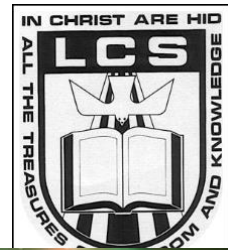


LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 3 Week 10

Friday 25 September 2026



Dear Parents and Whānau,

Our school production, *Snow White Reimagined*, was a wonderful journey into Fairyland, and we are incredibly proud of our students' performances. We enjoyed two fantastic shows with a large turnout from our wider community, including many past graduates. Thank you to everyone who helped make the production such a success—it was a huge team effort, and we truly appreciate your support. We will share a link to the video recording as soon as it becomes available. If you missed out on getting a programme, please request one through the school office.



Following the term break, our intermediate students will turn their attention to summer camp. During Week 2 of Term 4, Mrs. Bennington and I, along with our Year 7 and 8 students, will head to Berwick Forest Camp for an exciting outdoor experience filled with new challenges and learning opportunities. Please keep the camp in your prayers—for safety, good weather, and for the children to make the most of this experience. Summer camp weather can be unpredictable, ranging from beautiful warm days to rain or even unexpected snow!

Our Athletics Day will be held in Week 1 of Term 4. Please see the information in this newsletter for details regarding this year's venue change and event arrangements.

We will also be delivering the Keeping Ourselves Safe (KOS) programme starting in Week 1. A parent information meeting is scheduled for Monday, 12 October at 3:15 pm, providing an opportunity to hear from Constable Ross Greer about the programme. Further details about KOS are attached to the email with this newsletter.

We pray you have a restful and refreshing term break.

Ma te Atua e tatou e Manaaki | God bless you,

Fiona Sizemore
Principal



LCS ATHLETICS DAY WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER: MEMORIAL PARK, MOSGIEL

This year we are holding our athletics day at Memorial Park in Mosgiel. This is a fun day of track and field events for every student. Students will travel to Mosgiel by bus, leaving school at 9:10am and return to school at 3:00pm.

Families who live closer to Mosgiel than Pine Hill, and would prefer to take and/or collect their children to/from Memorial Park are requested to email the office. Staff will be at Memorial Park from 8:15am.

Parents and whānau are welcome to join us for all or part of the day. The programme will be circulated closer to the time, but we will hold the field events in the morning, followed by track events.

Please make sure your child has clothing for warm and cool weather on the day. Children need a filled water bottle, morning tea and lunch, sun hat, warm clothing, clothing to compete in (sports tee shirt, shorts), and sunscreen.

Common sense rules apply for our time at the Memorial Park. We hire Otago Athletics equipment for the day. In particular, children are not allowed to use equipment without a teacher's permission and presence, and the far side of the grounds is out of bounds.

Students in Years 5-8 who meet the Otago Athletics criteria will qualify to attend the Otago Athletics Day as there will not be a North Zone competition this year.

If we need to postpone the event, we will send an email and Edge app notification in the morning. Our postponement day is Friday 16 October.

TERM 4 SUMMER SPORT: FUTSAL

We have entered seven teams for futsal across years 1-8. Games commence in week 1. The draw will be available here [Edgar Stadium Sports](#) closer to the season commencing.

TERM 4 2026 [CALENDAR](#)

Please follow the link to see additions or updates to the calendar between newsletters.

12 October	First day of term 4
12 October	Keeping Ourselves Safe (KOS) parent meeting 3:15pm
14 October	LCS Athletics Day at Memorial Park Mosgiel
16 October	LCS Athletics Day postponement date
19-23 October	Year 7&8 Camp at Berwick
21 October	NZ ShakeOut Day (earthquake drill)
26 October	Labour Day (school closed)
27 October	Board of Trustees meeting
7 November	DCSA Strategic Planning meeting 12:30-3:30pm
13 November	Teacher Only Day (school closed)
8 December	Board of Trustees meeting
11 December	Thank You and Y1-6 Leavers Assembly
14 December	Graduation Assembly
15 December	Last day of term

HEADLICE

We have had several cases of headlice notified across the school. Please check and treat headlice if found. Please ensure long hair is tied up to minimise spread.

TEACHER ONLY DAY: FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER

We are holding a Teacher Only Day on Friday 13 November. The day is allocated by the Ministry of Education to give teaching staff dedicated time to engage with The New Zealand Curriculum Refresh | Te Mātaiaho.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – thinking about Drama

With our school production being presented this week, it is timely to reflect and think about what we do and believe about the Arts at LCS. For our school-wide production, we generally follow a pattern of balancing imaginative fairytales with Biblical or Christian-based narratives, and performance in the Polyfest. Whether we are enjoying the imaginative and creative gifts or retelling a Bible story, we aim to give thanks and praise to God through the experience. We hope you have enjoyed the gift the children presented this week through our imaginative retelling of Snow White.

Beliefs About Teaching The Arts:

The arts are powerful forms of expression, given by God. Through Drama, Dance, Music and Visual Art, students at Liberton Christian School are encouraged to use the arts to communicate to God and their neighbours. Art is an important part of life and culture, and students are taught to appreciate the power of expression in shaping people and their values. Through the arts children are to be encouraged and given opportunities to communicate through creative action and response; their senses, imagination, thinking, feelings and talents in an environment where they can confidently create, notice, enjoy, evaluate, and respond to all aspects of God's creation.

The Arts at LCS will provide students with opportunities and experiences to develop the knowledge and skills that will enable them to (at an appropriate level of interest and understanding):

- Stimulate creative action
- Respond by engaging and connecting - thinking, imagination, senses and feelings
- Express and interpret ideas within creative, aesthetic, and technological frameworks
- Work both independently and collaboratively to construct meanings and produce works
- Respond to and value others' contributions
- Develop art literacies as creators, presenters, viewers and listeners
- Participate in, interpret, value and enjoy the Arts now, and throughout their lives.

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.
- The opportunity to learn and grow through the Performing Arts.
- The opportunity we have to witness to God's love and obedience before our neighbours.

Please pray for: -

- A refreshing term break for our whole school community.
- Our LCS Athletics Day and the Y7&8 summer camp – for weather and safety blessings.
- Our school to glorify God in all ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders.





LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PARENT AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION (PFA)

Thank you for your wonderful support. These are our current activities as we seek to serve and support our school community.

Please note that we have a new bank account:

Liberton Christian School P & F Inc 06-0901-0915179-00

- **Prayer meeting** every Friday afternoon in the staffroom from 1:45pm – 2:15pm. Please join us to pray for the school and uphold our community in prayer.
- **Toilet Paper and Kitchen Towels** Fundraiser [Order Form](#)
- **Stay and Play** – after whānau assembly the PFA serve free tea and coffee alongside treats for a koha.
- We are planning a **School Fair/Blanket Space** for Term 4. Keep an eye out for more information coming soon!

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his love endures forever.

I Chronicles 16:34