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World Vision Famine 8-10 June 2018

This year World Vision are focussed on the needs of children who have fled for their lives from South Sudan into Uganda, becoming refugees. South Sudan is suffering famine, drought and civil conflict. The children have often travelled a long distance, many without parents or families. The things they have seen and experienced are hard for us to imagine and even harder for them to forget. World Vision is using the money raised to provide essential resources as well as child-friendly spaces to help the children process and cope with the horrors they have experienced.

Famine packs will be available from the school office from Wednesday 10 April. Donations can be made online through Liberton Christian School by going to:

https://my.worldvision.org.nz/fundraising/support-someone/b867665c-ab67-4f9a-94bc-c1d272959492

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Our first term of the year has been a busy and productive one and we can reflect and be thankful for all the positive teaching and learning that has taken place.

We held our first World Vision Intermediate Scholarship lunch and workshop afternoon last week. We were blessed to have Cole Yeoman with us. Cole is a Youth Ambassador working for World Vision this year. Cole shared his

experience of visiting Uganda where World Vision is supporting the huge numbers of refugee children arriving from South Sudan. Cole helped our World Vision student leaders begin planning our famine event for week 6 of next term.

The summer sports season is now finished and we are delighted with how well our rippa and t-ball teams have competed. Thank you very much to all the parents who helped coach, manage and support the teams, we couldn't do it without you!

We have a good number of activities to look forward to next term with swimming, netball, basketball, soccer, NYLD and the World Vision famine event already scheduled in. Our value focus will be *compassion*, which makes a very positive link across all our learning opportunities and is particularly pertinent to our World Vision famine efforts.

We hope you have a refreshing holiday break. We look forward to seeing you back for the new term starting on Monday 30 April.

Serving Christ together

Ngā mihi nui Fiona Sizemore (Principal)



Rippa Team feature:

Liberton Panthers Year 7&8.

The Liberton Panthers played in pool B and were managed by Mrs Cooper. They had a great season of competition having won most of their games. Overall they came 3rd. James Cooper is absent from the photo.

Health and Physical Education Curriculum Consultation

The board of trustees is undertaking a Health and PE curriculum consultation with parents during term 2. To help parents to prepare for the consultation online survey which will be circulated mid-term, an informal meeting will be held on Wednesday 9 May in the staffroom from 2-3.30pm for parents to view our current Health and PE curriculum plan with Fiona. Parents are invited to pop in at any time during this session to gather information, ask questions and discuss ideas.



Board of Trustees Policy Review Cycle

At the last board of trustees meeting held on Tuesday 13 March two draft policies were discussed. A Behaviour Management Policy that will replace our previous Discipline Policy and a new Physical Restraint Policy. The Physical Restraint Policy is a new requirement under the Education Act. More information is available at

www.education.govt.nz/news/new-rules-for-using-physical-restraint-in-schools/

These policies have been circulated via email and they are posted on the information board in the entrance foyer. If you would like to comment on these policies, please contact Fiona or a member of the board of trustees.

The next board of trustees meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 15 May.

A big welcome to our new Board of Trustees member: John Egbuji



National Young Leaders Day (NYLD) Event

Our year 8 students will be attending NYLD on 28 May. A separate notice will be sent out nearer to the time but if you would like to know more about the event and who the speakers are this year, go to www.nyldnz.org/2018-speakers/



School Swimming @ Moana Pool

We are pleased to be heading back to the pool for our term 2

swimming lessons, commencing Thursday 3 May. If you have any questions, please see your child's teacher in the first instance. Mr Robertson is the teacher in charge. If you need to change your pick up arrangements please notify Karen in the office as early as possible.



Year 7 and 8 students travel to DNI on Tuesday afternoons via bus where they enjoy the opportunity to participate in a variety of technology based classes.



erm 2 Calendar	
30 April	First day of term 2
3 May	Swimming session #1
9 May	Parent Health curriculum meeting 2-3.30pm
10 May	Swimming session #2
14 May	Road Safety programme room 1 (three sessions during week 3)
15 May	Board of Trustees meeting 7.30pm
17 May	Swimming session #3
24 May	Swimming session #4
28 May	NYLD @ Town Hall Year 8's
29 May	World Vision student assembly 9am
31 May	Swimming session #5
4 June	Queen's Birthday
8 June	Famine sleepover
14 June	Asthma show 2pm
18 June	Elegregoe Show 1.40pm
22 June	School written reports circulated
25/26 June	Life Education Trust programme
26 June	Board of Trustees meeting 7.30pm
28 June	Parent/Teacher conferences 3.15-7pm
3 July	Parent/Teacher conferences 3.15-5pm
6 July	Last day of term 2

Winter sports:

Netball and Basketball

We have entered four netball teams and two basketball (kiwihoops) teams into the competition at the Edgar Stadium for terms 2 and 3. Start dates and the draw for each team will be circulated in the new term.

Soccer

A notice has gone home to parents for those interested in being part of the Yr 5-6 Soccer Team for Liberton Christian School playing during lunch time once a week as part of the north end zone primary school competition. Alan Robertson is the teacher in charge.

Badminton

Badminton has begun with 17 students from room 3 involved in terms 2 and 3. The intermediate inter-school competition (Tuesday after school) occurs in Term 3. Bronwyn Bennington is the coach. A notice will be sent home near the end of term 2, to ask for confirmation of team members. If we have 2 girls and 2 boys teams which seems likely, we will need 2 parents. If any room 3 parents of badminton players are interested in learning a bit more about the game so they can assist on the side line, please let Bronwyn know.

Entertainment Books 2018/2019

We are selling Entertainment Books again this year. To order your Book or your Digital membership online visit: www.entbook.co.nz/260d519. 20% of each book sold through the school will be used to purchase new library books from Manna Christian Bookstore. Last year we raised and spent \$300. Books will be available to pick up from the office from 13 April 2018. Thank you.

Prayer

POP in and PRAY Tuesday mornings 9.00am - 9.20am in the staffroom

Whether you can give ten or twenty minutes, come and join us as we pray for our school as it seeks to live out its vision in our community and for the kids, families and staff that are part of it. We are very grateful to all those who uphold the school in prayer.

Prayer Points

Give thanks for: -

- each one of our students, teachers and families
- a positive and full term of learning

Please pray for:-

- a refreshing term break for our school community
- our school to glorify God in all ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders

