Newsletter

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Issue 8



Two weeks ago, Mrs Bennington and I had the pleasure of attending the National Young Leaders Day conference in the Town Hall with our year 8 students. It was a positive time of encouragement and leadership growth for all of the 1500 young people present. We heard from some inspirational speakers who spoke to a theme around a whakataukī or Māori proverb, *Me whakāro rangatira, think like a leader*. NYLD always provides us with some good stories and ideas to consider. We enjoyed the day of inspiration and also a quick trip to McDonalds for lunch!

Congratulations are due to our World Vision famine leadership team (Sarah, Emily, Molly, Jaden, Lisa, David, Bethany, James) for their work in planning a successful sleepover event last Friday evening. We had 34 students enjoy spending time together where they learned a little more of what it is like to be a South Sudanese refugee living in Uganda. A small part of the evening was spent outside in the dark travelling around an obstacle course in a small group with their backpacks on, before coming in for a bowl of rice and a Ugandan bean stew. We also watched several video clips about the crisis in South Sudan and how we are helping through World Vision. Thank you to the parents and teachers who joined us for the event. Money raised can now be brought to the office for banking, or you can still donate on line.

Serving Christ together

Ngā mihi nui Fiona Sizemore (Principal) A friend is always loyal, and a brother is born to help in time of need. - Proverbs 17:17

Term 2 Value Focus: Compassion

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

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**

Board of Trustees Policy Review Cycle

This term we are reviewing three policies as part of our three-year cycle. The policies are posted on the notice board in the office foyer for parent comment. Please contact Fiona or a board of trustees' member if you would like to discuss a policy further.

- NAG 3.A. Equal Employment Opportunities
- NAG 4.C. Property and Asset Management
- NAG 6.A. Privacy of Information

These policies will be discussed at the board meeting scheduled for Tuesday 26 June.



Year 1 to 3 students enjoyed a road safety programme run by the Police Education Officer, Constable *Jeanette Parcell*



On Friday 8 June LCS had a Pyjama Day combined with a 'Fun Afternoon' organised by our year 8 students.





Sport Team Feature: Year 3&4 Netball

Liberton Green is our Year 3&4 netball team, managed by Mrs Klemetson. At this level the focus is on learning the basics with players joining in a skills session prior to playing a modified game of 5v5 using two thirds of the court.



Absences and Regular Lateness

If your child needs to be absent from school please notify the school office by phone or email by 9am on the morning of the absence, sending a note with a sibling or leaving a message on the answer phone. We are required to report absences (and reasons for absence) to the MOE when a student is absent for more than five days accumulated over the term. For planned absence (e.g. travel) please supply a note or email to the class teacher or office.

Regular lateness is currently an issue in our school. Children who regularly arrive late to class are often disadvantaged by missing important whole class information, and can cause a disruption to the programme. Please strive to have your children ready to start school by the first bell at 8.55am.

NYLD Report

This year on the 28th of May 2018, the year 8 leaders in our school went to NYLD (National Young Leaders Day). NYLD was about inspiring young leaders to think like a leader. The theme was Me Whakaro Rangitira, Me: You can, Whakaro: Think, Understand, Rangitira: Weaver of people. Altogether it means "Think like a leader."

My favourite speaker was Amanda Wilson because she didn't have the best stuff when she was a kid, like new clothes or anything, but she didn't let the other kids put her down for that. "Be who you are, and follow what makes you, you!" (Aila)

My favourite speaker was Vince Harder because he was inspired by a musician that came to his school to take up music but wasn't sure if he could do it, and now he's a famous New Zealand music producer. (Sean)

My favourite speaker was Robbie Fruean because he at a very young age while practicing rugby he was told his heart was too big for a valve in his body and had to have surgery and he was brave by crying and showing his feelings. He survived and at NYLD his quote inspired me "Aim for the moon and even if you don't reach you'll land in the stars." I loved his quote and that was my NYLD experience.(Molly)

Overall, it was a great learning experience, portrayed in a way appealing to our age group, seeing that we had fun and learnt some valuable life lessons.

Written by Aila, Sean, Molly

Entertainment Books 2018/2019

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. Entertainment Books are available to pick up from the school office. Thank you.





School Diary

Term 2 Calendar

18 June Elgregoe 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 Leadership assembly 6 July Last day of term 2





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 and families
- our dedicated teachers, support staff and volunteers
- a successful and fun famine sleepover

Please pray for:-

- our school to glorify God in **all** ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders
- the DCSA's work to provide a dedicated fifth classroom
- families who are struggling with illness