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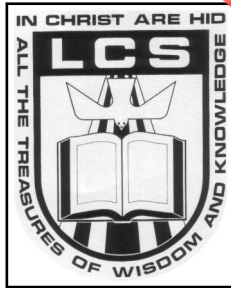
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Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Caregivers



The Christmas season is now underway and there is a great deal of excitement building amongst our students as we move closer to celebrating the birth of Jesus, our Saviour.

Last week our school band and choir presented two Christmas carols at the Opoho Presbyterian Church Advent service. They played and sang beautifully and were a credit to the school and the leadership of Miss Wiseman. The congregation of mostly senior citizens from local churches and rest homes really appreciated our contribution, and we enjoyed an amazing afternoon tea together afterwards.

This week our Room 1 students presented their Nativity play, *On that Christmas Night*, at the St Marks Christmas service attended by Pine Hill School. Our young students were delightful and performed very well, to the appreciation of the full congregation.

Our graduation assembly on Wednesday 12 December is an important moment for our school as we farewell our fifteen year 8 students. We are delighted to have such a large group to graduate! There are mixed feelings of joy and sadness as we see our year 8 students leave, but we are confident they are well equipped for their new adventures ahead. Next year Logan Park High School, Kings High School, Queens High School and St Hilda's Collegiate will continue the education of our graduating students. We will continue to pray for our past and present graduates that they would grow in their Christian faith and be a blessing to their high schools. After the graduation assembly afternoon tea will be served for parents and friends of the school from the hall kitchen. Ice blocks will be served for our students and pre-schoolers on the front deck, weather permitting.

As the 2018 school year comes to a close, we can reflect upon, celebrate and give thanks to the Lord for many wonderful school activities and the positive development in the children over the year. Thank you very much to all the parents and friends of our school who have prayed for us, provided transport, volunteered in classes, attended camp, supervised at the pool or on class trips, helped at sport events, coached sports teams, done weekly washing, supported fundraising events, and many other things.

Finally I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to our faithful and very hard-working staff, the Board of Trustees and the Dunedin Christian Schools Association. Together we strive to uphold the vision laid down by our founders; *"our children, as part of the Christian community, learning with enthusiasm,*

growing in knowledge, developing their abilities, and desiring to serve God."

We pray you will have a blessed Christmas followed by a restful summer holiday break, and look forward to serving you again in the New Year. School commences on Tuesday 29 January 2019.

Serving Christ together
Ngā mihi nui
Fiona Sizemore
Principal



2019 Class Arrangements

Room 1:	year 1	Miss Neill / new teacher tbc
Room 5:	year 2	Miss Wilden
Room 4:	years 3-4	Mrs Flemming
Room 2:	years 5-6	Mr Robertson
Room 3:	years 7-8	Mrs Bennington



Mrs Jones will continue her role as specialist visual art teacher but will also be providing additional teaching support across years 5-8, particularly to support mathematics and literacy learning.

*She will bear a son, and
you shall call his name*

*Jesus
for he will
save his people
from their sins.*

Matthew 1:21

Graduation Assembly

Graduation assembly will commence at 1.30pm on Wednesday 12 December.

Room 1 Nativity Play

The Room 1 Nativity play, *On that Christmas Night*, will be presented at our graduation assembly.

Library and class books

Please return all library and class reading books as soon as is possible.

Student shared Christmas lunch

On Tuesday 11 December please send students to school with a festive plate of finger food to share at our student lunch. Please name all plates that you would like back, they will be on the kitchen bench for collection at the end of school. *Please remember we are a nut free school.*

We will have a separate area for gluten and dairy free options. If your child needs to bring their own food due to allergy concerns, please note this exempts you from bringing food to share.



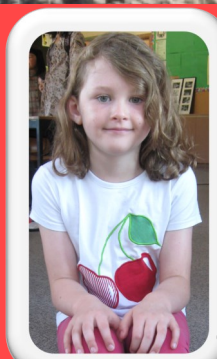
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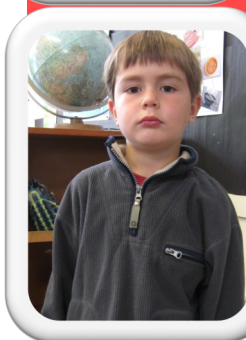
Year 8



2011



2013



2014



2015



2016



2019 LCS School Band and Choir / Mah Music

Next year our band and choir will be led by professional music teacher Amelia Mah. Many of our parents know Amelia through DCBC or the private music lessons she has been teaching at Liberton over the last two years. Auditions will take place for the band and choir at the beginning of term 1. Students in years 5-8 are able to audition.

Private music lessons will be available for students at school on Friday mornings. To organise private lessons please go to <https://www.mahmusicnz.com/> to find out the details.

End of Year School Reports

It is our preference to give you the school report for your child/ren personally rather than sending it home via the students and risk it being left in the bottom of a school bag over summer! Reports will be ready at the office on Wednesday after graduation. Please notify the office if you would prefer the report/s to be sent home with the eldest child (attending LCS) in your family, or posted. Activity donation receipts for 2018 will also be in the envelope.

Term 4 Calendar

- 10 Dec Y8 whole school Fun Day
- 11 Dec Shared student lunch
- 12 Dec 1.30pm Graduation assembly and afternoon tea
- 13 Dec Last day of term 4 / gifts to neighbours / clean-up day