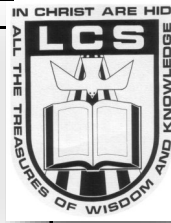


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Dear Parents

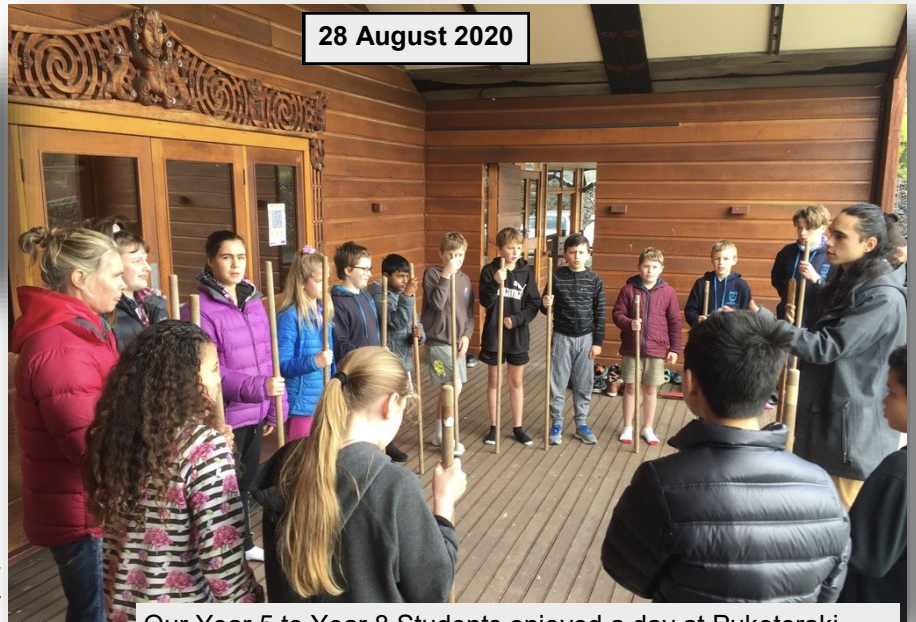
Our school has adjusted well to working under COVID-19 Alert Level 2 and we are grateful for all that we can do, and your prayers for us, as we work together. One of the things we all miss is having your presence at Friday assembly! For the students, having parents and friends of our school join us on Fridays gives authenticity to their presentations and awards. We have added assembly photos to a new tab on our website called 'Happenings'. I am sure if your child is an assembly leader or recipient of an award they would love you to see their photo!

Last week our intermediate (Y7&8) students had an afternoon session with Christian from the Attitude Team. The topic was puberty and we hope this has provided another valuable opportunity for conversation at home at this important stage of their development. The feedback we received from the students ranged from feelings of being a little uncomfortable to not really uncomfortable at all, which is very positive.

This week we had two teams compete in the EPro8 finals. Both teams worked well together and gave it their all.

Blessings in Christ,
Ngā mihi nui | Warm regards
Fiona Sizemore
Principal

*But blessed are those who
trust in the Lord
and have made the Lord
their hope and confidence.*
JEREMIAH 17:7



Our Year 5 to Year 8 Students enjoyed a day at Puketeraki Marae at Karitane on Thursday 13 August.

Value for the Term:

Love expressed through **Obedience** – a willingness to obey rightful authority.

Even a child is known by his actions, by whether his conduct is pure and right. **Proverbs 20:11**

Hot Lunch Wednesday's for Camp Fundraising – going ahead under COVID-19 Alert Level 2

We have hot lunch options happening on Wednesdays this term. This is a fundraiser for the senior camp. Under Level 2 we will be offering Jimmies pies as they are fully wrapped.

Swimming at Moana Pool

We will begin our term 3 swimming sessions on Thursday 10 September if the COVID-19 Alert Level goes back to Level 1 at the next government review.

HONEY—A new order form is in the office. Honey will be delivered to school before the end of the term. Thank you for your support.



School Sports Shirts and Hoodies
Sports shirts are now \$25 and Hoodies \$45 each.

 **Welcome**
To Our School 

A big welcome to our new students:

Noel Yun and Austin Kupenga who commenced on Monday 24 August 2020 as new entrant students in the Junior Class



Starting School



Christian Education: Thinking about Science

At Liberton Christian School we enjoy high quality teaching and learning in the area of science. Our student achievement is also high and this enables many of our students to go on and do very well at the high school level and beyond. We use the NZ Curriculum as the basis of our learning programme, but it is taught from a biblical view of the world, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth", Genesis 1:1. As our students move through the school, conversation about alternative worldviews will develop, especially during the intermediate years, which we welcome as part of preparing our students for the transition into high school.

BELIEFS ABOUT TEACHING SCIENCE: (from the LCS Curriculum Delivery Plan)

Science at Liberton Christian School is a way of investigating, understanding, and explaining the natural, physical and the wider universe aspects of God's creation. Within this learning environment students will become aware of how order and regularity in creation reflect God's design, faithfulness, and purpose and how science can help them enjoy, use and have a sense of wonder about God's creation. It also enables students to fulfil their role as stewards of creation. The study of science needs to be based on real experiences that motivate the students and makes science relevant for them as they find purposeful and meaningful ways in which to participate fully in a community where they can serve God and His creation more effectively.



Our School Cross Country was held on Monday 10 August. The students all competed well. The North Zone competition was cancelled due to COVID 19 Alert Level 2 restrictions. We are waiting to hear whether the Otago Cross Country Championships will go ahead as scheduled and the procedure to enter students from our school in the race.



Winter Sports Fees

Team fees can now be paid online or at the office. We have a subsidised flat fee of \$10 per player. If paying on line please deposit into our Board of Trustees account number 02 0908 0263142 00 and use your family name and sport as the references.

This week two teams for LCS participated in the regional finals of the EPro8 Challenge.

On Tuesday 25 August the Year 5/6 "LCS OVER Drives" (Oliver, Villie, Emily and Rosie) faced off against other sharp thinkers from across Otago. The team chose to construct a structure to hang curtains and then proceeded to design opening and closing mechanisms, before employing electronics to automate their function. They were well placed for much of the three hour competition and finished in a very respectable fourth place. On Monday evening the Y7/8 team (Adrian, Andrew, Bailey and Matthew) 'LCS Copper Crafters' competed with similar challenges and came in Sixth.

Congratulations to both teams.



School Diary

Term 3 Calendar

(also now available on our website)

3 Sept	Year 8 Fun Day
10 Sept	Swimming
11 Sept	Otago cross country (TBC)
15 Sept	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
17 Sept	Swimming
18-22 Sept	Life Education Truck @ LCS
24 Sept	Swimming
25 Sept	Last day of term

Term 4 Calendar

12 Oct	First day of term 4
13 Oct	LCS Athletics Day @ Caledonian Grounds
27 Oct	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
3 Nov	North Zone Athletics
17 Nov	Otago Athletics
19 Nov	HPV
30 Nov	Y6-8 camp week
8 Dec	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
15 Dec	Graduation assembly
16 Dec	Last day of term 4

Bus Information: New Bee Card replacing the GoCard

Children 5-18 years old are eligible for cheaper youth fares with the Bee Card. A youth fare is being trialled until the end of the year. It's 1.20 for any trip across the network in Dunedin using a Bee Card. A cash fare (without a Bee Card) is \$3 for any trip.

To get the discounted fare, a youth or their parent must register their card (and birthdate) online at www.BeeCard.co.nz. There is also a poster with information on the office noticeboard.

We have been given some Bee Cards at the office to distribute to bus users.

Food Allergy Awareness

We are a nut free school. This includes peanuts and all tree nuts and related products, eg: peanut butter. We also have children who have a range of other food allergies or low tolerances. Please occasionally remind children not to share their daily morning tea and lunch food at school.

PRAYER POINTS:

We are very grateful to all those who uphold the school in prayer. Give thanks for: -

- Each one of our students, families and staff members
- All that we can still achieve at school under Alert Level 2
- The work of the DCSA board to provide us with new junior classrooms

Please pray for:-

- An extra portion of grace and peace for us all as we work under Alert Level 2
- Our students as they develop their understanding of *Christ-centred obedience* this term
- Our school to glorify God in **all** ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders