Newsletter

Issue 15

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Dear Parents

We have had a busy time at school with education outside the classroom this week; the science roadshow, athletics and the senior learning team trip to the wetlands. We are grateful for the warmer dry weather for these events!

Congratulations to our students who attended the North Zone Athletics event on Tuesday. It was a good experience for all and it looks like three have qualified to attend the Otago Champs during week 6. We will confirm this once we have the official results.

Over the last seven school weeks, we have had Mrs Philippa Ezeakile join us in room 3 on her final classroom placement before she graduates as a teacher. We have really enjoyed having Philippa on our teaching team and pray the Lord will bless her as she seeks her first teaching position in the coming months.

November brings a sense of imminent change for many of our students as they anticipate going up a year level and possibly changing classroom, teacher, or graduating. Most of these things are exciting for our students, which is lovely to see. Our teachers are also in the midst of preparing the end of year school report for each student, which does require a higher level of focus on assessment for everyone. We know that many of our students take this in their stride, and you may not have even heard about it! For other students, it is a little stressful. Please remember our 'open door policy' and keep in good contact with your child's teacher if you have a question or concern about any aspect of their learning or development. Our main aim, in partnership with you, continues to be to provide

high quality Christian education that seeks to honour God in all that we do.

Blessings in Christ, Ngā mihi nui |Warm regards

Fiona Sizemore Principal 6 November 2020





A beautiful day and a great experience. Room 2 and 3 enjoyed their visit the Sinclair Wetlands on Wednesday 4 November.

Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm.
Nothing is too hard for you.
Jeremiah 32:17

Class Photos

Class photos will be available to view in the entrance foyer soon.



A big welcome to our new student Praise Mushinwa, who commenced this week as a year 3 student in Room 4





LCS Sun Hat Procedure term 4

During the summer terms 1 and 4, we require all students to wear a sun hat during morning tea and lunch breaks and for extended outdoor class activities to ensure students are safe from sun burn. Students without a hat will be required to play under the cover of the front veranda on outside play days. Please help your child enjoy outside play at school by checking they have a hat each day. Hats should be named and preferably able to be left at school.



Safety at the School Gate

Thank you for helping keep all students safe at the school gate at 3pm by not parking on the yellow lines over the gate area.

We will continue to remind our junior children (Years 1-4) that they must not leave the school grounds without an adult or older sibling alongside them.

We will also periodically remind all our students about road safety as some quickly forget that running across the road or not checking sufficiently for cars is dangerous.

Honey for Sale

We are ordering honey which should be delivered to school next week. The next and last honey order form for 2020 is in the office for you to complete if you would like to place an order. We can now pay online and will encourage people to make this form of payment, (Liberton Fundraisers, Account: 11 8337 0088665 11).

Melissa Gray has kindly offered to continue organising this fundraiser. Thank you for your support.



Term 4 Calendar

http://www.libertonchristian.school.nz/calendar/

13 Nov	High School	(most) orientation day
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17 Nov Otago Athletics

19 Nov HPV

25 Nov Opoho Community Advent Service 2pm

Band and Choir

27 Nov C9 TV band and Choir recording session

10am

27 Nov Parent Forum: Transition to high school

1.30pm

30 Nov Y6-8 camp week

7 Dec St Marks Christmas Service

8 Dec Board of Trustees meeting 7pm

15 Dec Graduation assembly + afternoon tea16 Dec Last day of term 4 (clean-up day/gifts to

neighbours)

2021 School Term Start Dates:

Term 1: Tuesday 2 February

Term 2: Monday 3 May

Term 3: Monday 26 July

Term 4: Monday 18 October – Wednesday 15

December

Little Garden and Super Insects

Thank you for donating Little Garden plants. All the children in Room 1 and 5 now have one to plant. If you need insect cards to complete a set, please see Miss Neill, she has a good number of spare cards.

Parent Forum - Transition to High School

1.30pm Friday 27 November, in the staffroom: An opportunity to join a conversation about the changes, opportunities and challenges the transition to high school brings for you as a parent and for your child. Hear from parents who have navigated the transition already. Please feel free to attend whether you have a child going to high school soon, have already been there, or it's a reality you are preparing for in the future.



Board of Trustees Policy Review Cycle

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

NAG 5.I. Behaviour Management

This will be discussed at the board meeting scheduled for Tuesday 8 December.

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
- A great day for the Wetlands trip this week
- The DCSA board as they manage the building project and property decisions
- A high level of enrolment interest for next year and beyond Please pray for:-
- Our students as they develop their understanding of Christ-centred duty this term
- The building work to go smoothly and safely
- Our students experiencing end of year academic assessments
- Our school to glorify God in all ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders