LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

26 February 2021 Term 1 Week 4

Dear Parents and Whānau



The last two weeks have been busy and positive at our school, even with the brief return to COVID-19 Alert Level 2.

Our rippa rugby teams have now played two games in the term 1 season. We are very grateful to our team managers for looking after our students court-side. Last week our year 5-8 students had a perfect day to head to St Kilda Surf Club for beach education. Unfortunately they could not get in the water but the bonus visit to the dinosaur park and an ice block was very well received! We also had a perfect evening for our school picnic, and a great turnout of families were able to enjoy the fellowship and sunshine.

Next week we are delighted to have the opportunity to take all our students to see the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra present Peter and the Wolf on Friday 5th March in the Town Hall. The concert, organised especially for school students, commences at 1pm and runs for approximately 45 minutes. Our students and teachers will take buses to and from the Town Hall for the occasion, and be back at school for a normal pick up time. *We will not be hosting a Friday assembly next week.*

The Dunedin Christian Schools Association (DCSA) is holding its annual meeting on Tuesday 30 March at 7.30pm in the school staffroom. Members and friends of the school are encouraged to attend as we reflect on and celebrate together the previous year of work and achievement. The DCSA plays a crucial role in our school as it is the owner of our school property and is charged with ensuring the special character of the school is up-held. The special character of the school is determined by the Christian world and life view of the DCSA as outlined in Articles three and four of the Constitution. The DCSA also identifies property needs and funds the capital expenditure projects including our new classrooms. DCSA members are able to be nominated by the governing council as proprietor representatives on the school board of trustees.

Parents who are in agreement with the Association's constitution are encouraged to become members. Membership application forms are available at the school office.

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





Term 1 Value: RESPONSIBILITY

Love expressed through *Responsibility* –A willingness to be answerable, to be trustworthy and accountable for your own conduct and behaviour.

I will proclaim the name of the LORD. Oh, praise the greatness of our God! He is the Rock, his works are perfect, and all his ways are just. A faithful God who does no wrong, upright and just is he. Deuteronomy 32:3-4

Road Safety at our Gate

Please do not pick up or drop off immediately in front of our school gate or on the yellow lines, as this could endanger a child who needs to cross the road.

Honey Fundraiser

Orders are being taken at the office for the popular Pure Taieri Honey once again. Please have your order in by 1 March.

Online payment can be made to the Liberton Fundraisers account 11 8337 0088665 11

Volunteer Needed at School

We would love to have help in our school library on a Friday morning. The job would include organising our book shelves, putting books back into the library, and helping to issue books when classes visit the library.

Dental Clinic

The dental clinic service is resuming on Monday 1 March. We are part of the dental school training programme which means that our students are seen by student dental technicians under the supervision of fully qualified dental teachers. This also means that our students are provided with transport to and from the dental school, accompanied by a dental student.

You can opt out of this service by choosing a different dental provider for you child.

The dental clinic will contact you directly when your child is due for an appointment. Please make sure all forms are completed and handed in to the school office or with your child on the day of a dental appointment. If permission has not be given, children will not be allowed to travel to the clinic.

If you have any concerns about your child's dental health, please contact:

Donna van der Hurk, Administrator Clinics, Faculty of Dentistry

Phone: 479 7189 or email donna.vanderhurk@otago.ac.nz

2020 LCS School Band and Choir / Mah Music

Our band and choir are led by professional music teacher Miss Amelia Mah. Private music lessons are available for students by arrangement. To organise private lessons please go to <u>https://www.mahmusicnz.com/</u> to find out the details.

Food Allergy Awareness

We are a nut free school. This includes peanuts and all tree nuts and related products, eg: peanut butter, nutella.

We have children with a range of other food allergies or low tolerances that we manage within the school.

Board of Trustees Policy Review Cycle

This term the board of trustees is reviewing four 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.

- Allocation of Management Units
- Entertainment, Gifts and Travel
- Internal Financial Control

They will be discussed at the board meeting scheduled for Wednesday 7th April.

DCSA ATTENDANCE DUES CONTACT DETAILS CORRECTION

Attendance dues invoices have been sent out with incorrect email contact details. For those who have queries about their invoices, please contact the DCSA treasurer via email: DCSAtreasurer@libertonchristian.school.nz

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

This week you should have received your book order. We have one order still at the office which is not named. Please see Fiona if you think this may be yours!

PRAYER POINTS:

Please pray for us! 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
- God's faithfulness and amazing grace over our school
- The easy access we have to dental services Please pray for:-
- Our students as they develop their understanding of Christ-centred Responsibility
- The DCSA and BoT as they manage the building project and property decisions
- Our school to glorify God in all ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders

Term 1 Calendar http://www.libertonchristian.school.nz/calendar/

When you click on the event in the online calendar more information may be available in the notes.

1 March	PAL training Y8 group
	Dental clinic resumes
5 March	NZ Symphony Orchestra @ The Town Hall
	No Friday assembly
7 March	Weetbix Triathlon
18 March	Girls Multisport Festival Y7&8
22 March	Otago Anniversary Day
30 March	DCSA annual meeting 7.30pm
2 April	Good Friday
5 April	Easter Monday
6 April	Easter Tuesday
7 April	BoT meeting 7pm
8 April	HPV
16 April	Last day of term



School Picnic

PHOTO GALLERY





ABOVE: Room 3A learning road safety with Mrs Stowell and Constable Ross. BELOW: The building project is coming along!





ABOVE: Beach Education.