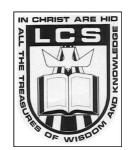
# LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 5 November 2021 Term 4 Week 3

Dear Parents and Whānau



Last week we took the whole school to Dunedin City Baptist Church (DCBC) to record our Māori waiata and Pasifika sasa performances. Whilst we were disappointed at not being able to perform before a live audience of our school community, there are other very positive educational learning opportunities for the children in experiencing the performance and recording processes. We are very grateful for the support of our ever flexible teaching team led by Mr Peacock and the essential support of Miss Mah, CJ Sopoaga, Mr and Mrs Beyer, and Mrs Kupenga in the choreography, rehearsals, costumes, filming, recording and editing processes. As each challenge presented, our amazing team found a new way to overcome and ensure our students had the best possible experience bringing together an authentic cultural experience and our Christian faith. A big thank you to DCBC for allowing us to use their facilities which gave us the space we needed to record successfully. We will share the recording with you before the end of term. A couple of photos from the day are posted on our website under the 'Happenings' tab.

The board of trustees is pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs Jenny Stowell and Miss Erin Corry to full-time teacher positions next year. We pray God's blessing upon them and all the dedicated teachers who applied. 2022 class arrangements will be announced later in the term.

Blessings in Christ Ngā mihi nui |Warm regards Fiona Sizemore



Practising our waiata Whakarongo, music and lyrics by Natalie Yeoman

#### COVID-19 VACCINE MANDATE IN SCHOOLS UPDATE

The Ministry of Education have provided us with more information on the implications of the vaccine mandate for education workers (including volunteers) and schools. We are very grateful to have a fully vaccinated staff so we do not need to face the extremely difficult situation some schools will have with staffing. As a school and community we are all subject to the Public Health Order and COVID-19 Protection Framework (traffic light system) coming into effect soon. We are working through the detail of what this looks like for our school, but can identify that much of how we operate will continue unchanged, e.g. all parents are able to come into the school property for drop off and pick up, attend parent/teacher conferences, transition new entrants into class, enter the admin area. Parent volunteers for school trips, coaching and in-class support will need to be vaccinated while the mandate is in place. We will continue to have restrictions around our Friday assemblies, but can now invite and manage our hall space for a small number of parents attending special events each week with appropriate physical distancing and mask use in place.

Thank you for your encouragement and support as we keep working together in partnership to provide Christian education for our precious children through this time.

#### **SCHOOL APP**

We are using our school App called Edge. We will send out occasional short notice reminders and cancelations on the App, alongside email. To download the Edge App, go to your App Store and search for MUSAC Edge and download. When creating



your account, please use the same email address that you receive school emails from.

### HONEY FUNDRAISER: Last order before Christmas!



Orders are being taken at the office for the popular Pure Taieri Honey once again. Please have your order in by 26 November.

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

#### **FOOD ALLERGY AWARENESS**

We are a nut free school. This includes peanuts and all tree nuts and related products, eg: peanut butter, Nutella, muesli bars that contain nuts.

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

### TERM 4 VALUE FOCUS: CONSIDERATION AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS

Love expressed through Consideration and Concern for Others - A willingness to be kind, thoughtful and consider the interest of others before self.

A Brief overview of what we teach:

- God has a deep concern for people
- As sinful humans we will never consider others as thoroughly as we should.
- Once forgiven for our inconsideration, God's Word calls us to become more and more considerate as the Holy Spirit works in us to make us more like Jesus. We are to PUT ON consideration.
- ➤ God's consideration and thus ours can also be seen in our acts of mercy towards others and forgiveness of their transgressions against us.

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Philemon 2:3-4

#### PRAYER POINTS:

#### Give thanks for: -

- each one of our students, families and staff members, and new students joining us this term
- successful new teacher appointments having been made for next year
- the opportunity to teach our children more about consideration and concern for others this term

### Please pray for:-

- the Christian community to be filled with God's grace and unity in this time of uncertainty
- our teachers and students as extra assessment and report writing gets underway over the next few weeks
- our students to demonstrate God's love through consideration and concern for others
- our school to glorify God in all ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders

## **TERM 4 CALENDAR**

9 November Class photos taken 9am4 November Rooms 4,5,6 cricket sessions

15 November Dunedin Symphony Orchestra @ LCS

17 November Toitū Otago Settlers Museum visit Rooms 4 and 5

7 December Board of Trustees meeting 7pm

10 December Thank You Assembly14 December Graduation Assembly15 December Last day of term 4

First day of Term 1 2022: Tuesday 1 February

## **NEWSLETTER PAPER COPY**

If you would like a paper copy of our newsletter please email or contact the office so we can ensure this is arranged. Paper copies of the newsletter are available at the office.







Room 4 enjoying a break during their walk to learn about the scale of the sun and planets on Thursday. They walked from the octagon to school on a perfect morning.



Bella made the most of a perfect spot to relax on the Room 4 class walk!





Come along to our FREE family event happening at a park near YOU!

Fun filled afternoon with lots of play equipment. Make sure to bring along a picnic!



Hosted by Sport Otago-with the help of many other local community groups!

Friday 5th November 4-6pm at the Woodhaugh Gardens



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