LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 26 November 2021 Term 4 Week 6

Dear Parents and Whānau



Our final term for the year is going by quickly. School is busy with end of year assessments and report writing underway alongside our regular teaching and learning programmes. Our calendar is a little lighter this term as several of our usual Christmas events are not able to happen under the current Alert Level settings. We continue to be thankful for what we can achieve.

Next week we are offering an opportunity to see our lovely Māori and Pasifika Performance recording with your child's class. We are excited to share this with you and have scheduled viewings with classes in pairs on Monday – Wednesday at 2.30pm. Monday: Rooms 4&5, Tuesday: Rooms 3&6, Wednesday: Rooms 1&2. The performance recording is about fifteen minutes long. As with our assemblies we will provide physical distancing and ventilation, and encourage masks to be worn by parents. Family groups will be physically distanced by the placement of guest seating. If you are not able to attend we will be making a link available to view or down load the recording from.

Friday 3 December is Mrs Fleming's last day before she begins her maternity leave. We are so grateful for Mrs Fleming's dedicated service to our school and the children in Room 6 over the last three years. We are excited for Mr and Mrs Fleming as they await the birth of their first child, due just before Christmas. Please join us in prayer that the baby will be safely delivered and they can enjoy a very special first Christmas as a family.

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. James 1:17

Blessings in Christ Ngā mihi nui |Warm regards Fiona Sizemore

We have recently welcomed new children to our school.

Right: Charis and Maddie joined Room 2.



Ava in Room 6 and Lara in Room 5



David, Luke, Scarlett and Eden joined Room 3

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.

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

2022 CLASS ARRANGEMENTS

NE/Year 1	Room 2:	Miss Neill/new teacher TBC
Years 1-2	Room 1:	Mrs Stowell
Year 2	Room 3:	Miss Corry
Years 3-4	Room 6:	Mrs Copland
Years 5-6	Room 4:	Mr Peacock
Years 7-8	Room 5:	Mrs Bennington
Mrs Jones: specialist visual art teacher/release support.		
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Miss Mah: band and choir teacher



Please pray for our soon to be graduates who are commencing high school next year. The transition to high school is a significant moment. Pray that they will remain grounded in and grow in Christ, as they begin the next stage of their education.

ROOM 5 CHRISTIAN APOLOGETICS Q AND A PANEL

Room 5 students have compiled a list of big questions as part of their Christian apologetics discussions. We have two guest pastors, Azriel Gray and Richard Dawson, visiting on Wednesday 1 December for a Q and A session. This will broaden the opportunity for our students to find answers to their big questions. We hope and pray that our students will be also discussing their questions and the answers at home too! They would make excellent dinner time conversations.

At our Leadership Assembly on Friday 12 November Andrew, Matthew, Bailey, Danielle, Emily, Villie and Joel were presented with LCS Young Leader Awards. Student voice is a significant part of deciding the recipients of this award, so they are largely a recognition of their inclusive, kind and team player attributes. Joel was also the recipient of the Blake Young Leader Award.





Our World Vision Famine team raised over \$5500 earlier this year, which earned our school a platinum award as we were in the top 2% of schools based on the average amount raised per student! Congratulations and thank you to our enthusiastic group of participants.

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 or over the main gate area.

We 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.

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

TOILET PAPER FUNDRAISER:

Thank you to everyone who supported the recent toilet paper fundraiser. The packs were snapped up quickly.



CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING ITEMS:



We have a small selection of Christmas gifts and decorations available for purchase inside the main entrance door.

HEAD LICE

There have been reports of head lice recently. Please check for head lice regularly, treat when found, and help us keep them out of our school! Please ensure girls have long hair tied up as this does help prevent the spreading of lice. We have an electronic nit comb available for loan at the office.



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 is completed over the next two weeks
- our students to demonstrate God's love through consideration and concern for others

YEAR 9 RETURN DAY

2020 Year 8 graduates are invited to return for a half day on Monday 13 December. The morning session will include a meeting with Fiona and sharing their high school transition experiences with our 2021 graduates.

ASSEMBLIES FOR TERM 4

Under the current Covid-19 Alert Level 2D settings we are able to invite groups of parents to attend our assemblies and have made a schedule for the weeks ahead. This is subject to change as the pandemic situation develops and with the implementation of the COVID-19 Protection Framework (traffic light system).

There are currently no vaccination certificate requirements for parents attending assembly as this is a *parent activity*. The limit on the gathering size has been removed but we do need to provide physical distancing, ventilation and encourage masks to be worn by parents. Family groups will be physically distanced by the placement of guest seating.

Friday 3 December (week 7)

Room 6 parents are invited to attend.

Friday 10 December (week 8)

Thank You Assembly. We will be inviting parents who have been sports coaches/managers of basketball, netball and rippa teams, along with thanking other parent and student volunteers in our school.

We will also present leaving certificates to students in years 1-7 not returning for 2022.

Monday 13 December (week 9)

Room 1 and Room 2 parents are invited to special performances of the Junior Nativity Plays. With such a large group of Year 1 students we have two plays this year!

9.30am: Room 2 Nativity Play

2.30pm: Room 1 Nativity Play

Tuesday 14 December (week 9)

Year 8 Graduation Assembly. Room 5 parents are invited to attend. Only our year 5-8 students will attend this assembly to allow for a larger parent/whanau group.

CHANNEL 39 CHRISTMAS CAROL RECORDING SESSION

Our band and choir will be travelling to the Channel 39 recording studio at 1.15pm on Thursday 9 December to record three Christmas carols that will be broadcast on Dunedin TV during the Christmas season. We are travelling via bus.

PARENT SURVEY:

An email will be sent to parents with an invitation to complete our parent survey. The Board of Trustees and school leadership team value your input into the life of our school.

TERM 4 CALENDAR: please also check our online calendar

29 November Rooms 4&5 Māori and Pasifika performance screening 2.30pm
30 November Rooms 3&6 Māori and Pasifika performance screening 2.30pm
1 December Room 5 Apologetics Q&A
7 December Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
8 December PAL's fun afternoon
9 December C39 Band and Choir recording session
10 December Thank You Assembly
13 December Graduation Assembly
15 December Last day of term 4 (clean-up day/gifts to neighbours)



Monday 31 January: New entrant orientation visit (all levels) 10-11.30am. This opportunity is to facilitate new students to meet their teacher and see their classroom before commencing on Tuesday.

- Term 1: Tuesday 1 February
- Term 2: Monday 2 May
- Term 3: Monday 25 July
- Term 4: Monday 17 October Thursday 15 December

CYC SUMMER CAMP FOR GIRLS



The next CYC summer girls camp has the awesome theme of Mulan. It's gonna be an action packed week learning about the gospel and how we honour God, others, and ourselves, as well as doing some awesome crafts and activities throughout the week.

The camp is for school years 5-7 (in 2022) and runs from the 10-14 January. All information is listed on the website below;

https://cycwaihola.org.nz/wordpress/?p=8845