# LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 1 Week 0 Thursday 27 January 2022

Dear Parents and Whānau



We hope you have had a refreshing summer break and enjoyed time together with family and friends.

We are looking forward to welcoming you and your children back to school next week. Our staff are well prepared and ready for the term ahead. As we are now in the RED Covid-19 Protection Framework (CPF) setting, we are reviewing our processes and procedures and are confident that we will provide an environment that meets the Health guidelines to minimise the potential spread of covid in our school community. Trusting in the Lord, we will continue to focus on what we can do in teaching and learning for our children. We anticipate it will look different at times during this term.

# We will send a separate notice with the RED Covid-19 Protection Framework information prior to school commencing on Tuesday 1 February.

2022 CLASS ARRANGEMENTS		
NE/Year 1	Room 2:	Miss Neill/ Mrs Sizemore
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/class release teacher		
Miss Mah: band and choir teacher		

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.

## SCHOOL HOURS

School commences at 9am and finishes at 3pm. Please endeavour to have your child/ren at school in good time for a prompt start, as this really does help them to have a great day at school. Children are welcome to arrive from 8.30am, which allows plenty of time to prepare for the day and have the often-important play and social time too. Pick up by 3.15pm is appreciated in the RED CPF setting.

#### FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Most of our returning students will have a good idea of where to go, even if they are changing classroom. Students are invited to find their hook, hang up their bag and catch up with their teacher and classmates. The first morning session will be spent settling in and getting to know new classmates and routines.

#### SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS

On the first day of school your child will bring home a class newsletter and stationery notice from their teacher with very useful information to get us all off to a great start. The first schoolwide newsletter will be published at the end of week 2, and fortnightly thereafter via email. A paper copy is available at the office.

#### 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.



The Edge App is especially useful and easy for parents in notifying student absence.

**TERM 1 2022 CALENDAR** (first three weeks) website <u>http://www.libertonchristian.school.nz/calendar/</u> Monday Jan 31: New student/family 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.

- 1 Feb First day of term 1
- 4 Feb9 am Band practice7 FebWaitangi Day (school closed)
- 8 Feb DNI Tech commences Y7&8 students
- 8 Feb Meet the Teacher information meetings (to be confirmed)
- 10 Feb Meet the Teacher conferences 3.15-6.00pm (to be confirmed)
- 15 Feb BoT meeting 7pm

#### 2022 SCHOOL TERM DATES:

Term 1: Tuesday 1 February – Thursday 14 April

Term 2: Monday 2 May – Friday 8 July

Term 3: Monday 25 July – Friday 30 September

Term 4: Monday 17 October – Thursday 15 December

### **STATIONERY**

We have an opt in or opt out stationery system. We would encourage you to opt in as it makes for a very easy system across the school, with a one off payment for the whole year.

Each class will issue a stationery list on the first day of school.

You have the choice to opt in or out of the system.

If you choose to opt in, we will supply all that is on the list, and any additional items throughout the 2022 year, at no further charge.

If you choose to opt out, you will be expected to supply all stationery needs and additional items if required through the year (exercise books, pencils, glue sticks etc).

Please return the stationery notice to the office with your opt in or out preference clearly marked.

If opting in, please also complete your payment preference and other details, and the order will be made up and delivered to your child's classroom.

As the beginning of the school year is a particularly expensive time for families, if you would prefer to pay the stationery cost in instalments over the term, please talk to Karen in the office as this can be easily arranged.

#### SUNHATS AND HYDRATION

During term 1 sunhats are required every day for all outside play and learning.

Please supply a named bottle of water. Teachers make opportunities for extra drinks on hotter days and/or allow a water bottle to be kept in class.

#### PARENT HANDBOOK

Our updated parent handbook will be emailed to all families early in the term and is also available at the office.

#### BAND AND CHOIR/MAH MUSIC

We are reviewing how we manage our band and choir with the hope to resume in some form from week 4. If you are interested in private lessons with Amelia, please go to her Mah Music website, <u>https://www.mahmusicnz.com/</u> and find the details there.

We look forward to commencing the school term on Tuesday 1 February.

Serving Christ together,

Fiona Sizemore Principal principal@libertonchristian.school.nz

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15v13