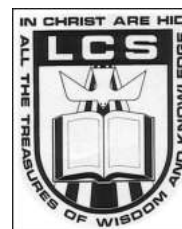


LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Term 2 Week 6
Friday 10 June, 2022

Tena koutou katoa,

"Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant,"

-Matthew 20:26

Children at all levels of Liberton Christian School are called to be leaders of those younger than themselves. As children progress through the school this responsibility grows with them. For our rangatahi (young people) in Room 5 the leadership role becomes a formal one and our Year 8 students demonstrate this by leading the school in Fun Days, by presenting integrity awards, acts of service and charity fundraisers, including our annual World Vision 40 Hour Famine.

Recently, it was my pleasure and privilege to escort the Year 8 students to the National Young Leaders Day. This is an inspiring day of encouragement for our rangatahi and they report on the events in an article below. Under the direction of Mrs Bennington, they have planned a series of enjoyable, learning activities for the whole school next Friday (17 June) to help everyone understand and appreciate the plight of the children around the world who lack easy access to clean, healthy water.

Soon we will be reporting to whānau on the progress in learning of our tamariki and rangatahi. This year we will be emailing reports to whānau. Please see below for more details.

A number of families have already been enjoying the Edge app which allows them to easily and conveniently notify the school of absences. Those who have downloaded the app will soon be able to view their child's (ren's) report using it too. In the event of an emergency or need of urgent notification (e.g. delayed start due to weather) we are able to contact all families using the app in a timely manner. Please consider downloading the app today. A guide sheet for this is attached and [available on our website](#).

Today we farewell Mr Sam Coleman, Teacher Trainee, who has been teaching in Room 5. Sam has done a wonderful job and we wish him every blessing in his future study and professional career.

Serving Him together,

Grant Peacock
Acting Principal



MID YEAR REPORTS AND PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Teachers are currently very busy assessing children's learning and writing Mid-Year reports. This year we will be emailing children's reports to you. These will be sent out on Thursday 23 June to parents for whom we have an email address. If you normally receive this school newsletter, you will receive your child's report.

We will also be providing an opportunity for you to request the usual printed document via a Google form in the same email.

Parent Teacher Conferences will be booked via an online service. A link and instructions for this will be distributed in the coming weeks.



NAU MAI, HAERE MAI, HOKI MAI ANO

We extend a somewhat belated but nonetheless warm welcome to Toby and Zara and Samuel, and we welcome back Alicia and Olivia who return to us from South Korea.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - RETURNING OFFICER, BOT TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS

The Triennial BOT elections are to be held on Wednesday 7 September. We require a member of our school community to act as a Returning Officer. This is a paid position with a total remuneration of approximately \$600.

The role of the returning officer in school board elections is critical to a smooth-running election process. It includes preparing the electoral roll(s), calling for and accepting nominations, running the elections (when one is required), counting the votes and declaring the results. [Click here for more information on the returning officers' responsibilities.](#)

Expressions of interest should be sent to principal@libertonchristian.school.nz on or before Friday 1 July.

Please prayerfully consider this position.



HEAD LICE

Please check for head lice regularly, treat when found, and help us keep them out of our school. Please ensure children have long hair tied up as this does help prevent the spread of lice. We have an electronic “nit” comb available for loan at the office.



FROST OR SNOW DAYS

It's the time of the year when heavy frost or snow may occasionally make travel to school difficult. We will send an email and notification via the Edge app as soon as the call to cancel or make a late start is confirmed. Local radio stations continue to broadcast cancellations/postponements made by the Otago Primary Principals' Association on our behalf. Any broadcast relating to “primary and intermediate schools” applies to Liberton Christian School. The most important point is not to attempt to travel if you feel unsafe on the road due to frost or snow.

CALENDAR

Please [check our website](#) for more events and details.

Wed 15 Jun	Hot Lunch
Thu 16 Jun	Swimming #4
Fri 17 Jun	Community Assembly - Room 6 Whānau invited
Tue 21 Jun	EPro8 Inter School Challenge Y5/6 @ DNI 9:30 - 12:00pm EPro8 Inter School Challenge Y7/8 @ DNI 3:15 - 5:15pm
Wed 22 Jun	Hot Lunch
Thu 23 Jun	Swimming #5 (final session for the term) Reports emailed to Whānau
Fri 24 Jun	Inaugural Matariki Holiday - School Closed.

WINTER SPORTS TEAMS

The \$10.00 fee for sports team membership can be paid into the Liberton Christian School Board of Trustees account 02-0908-0263142-00. Students playing in more than one team only need to pay \$10.00.

SPORTS RESULTS

Kiwihoops Team	Opposition	Result	Player of the Day
Liberton Leopards vs	St Peter Chanel Suns	Draw 23:23	Titus Stolte
	Maori Hill Thunder	Loss 16:18	Willah Meddings
Liberton Warriors vs	Maori Hill Hawks	Loss 27:5	Amos Pettigrew
	Mac Bay Mavericks	Win 30:6	An Xin Chang
Liberton Lakers vs	Big Rock Hoopsters	Win 48:12	Nico Smith-Han
Netball Team	Opposition	Result	Player of the Day
Liberton Blue vs	DNI Purple	Win 11:9	Acacia Huang

LOST & FOUND

These items were found in and around the school in recent weeks. If these are yours, please collect them from the school office.

A reminder that lost clothing is kept on a table at the back of the hall. If your child's wardrobe is somewhat diminished, please feel free to have a hunt on the table.

POINTS FOR PRAYER

Thank you for keeping us in your prayers.

We give thanks for :

- His ongoing protection of our children, families and staff from COVID-19.
- Our current BOTs for their work in governance of the school.

Please pray for:

- The BOT Elections - that God would speak into the hearts of those He wishes to serve His school now and in the future in the role of returning officer and BOT members.
- The well-being of our staff at this busy time of the year, assessing children's learning and preparing reports.
- Parent Teacher Conferences - that these would be both a celebration of the children's progress and helpful to their future learning.



Mr Coleman has been making excellent use of his BSc in chemistry teaching Room 5 a unit of work entitled "Fizzling and Foaming."



Elephant toothpaste - a dramatic reaction that demonstrates the production of oxygen gas via the decomposition of hydrogen peroxide.

NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERS DAY 2022

On Tuesday last week, the year eights got the privilege of going to National Young Leaders' Day (NYLD). This one day symposium aims to inspire young people to leadership. This year's speakers addressed the important personal quality of resilience.

One of the speakers there was William Pike.

William grew up loving the outdoors. He was only young when he had his accident. William Pike lost his lower right leg when Mount Ruapehu erupted. He was in a small shack on the side of the volcano and lost his lower right leg in the accident. He set some goals he wanted to do and they were: trying to walk again, become a teacher, climb mountains again and to climb Mount Ruapehu. He did all these things in a couple of years except the last which was the hardest thing. It took him a couple attempts but he did it in the end. He inspired us the way he never gave up.



- Villie Steenkamp & Olly Kupenga

Georgia Latu started the business, Potiki Poi. She has achieved many great things over the course of three years of Potiki Poi. She inspired me because she started the biggest Poi business in NZ when she was just 12 years old. What I took away from her speech was that if I have a dream or a vision in my head, if I believe I can achieve great things.

- Devon Nicoll



Georgia Lines is a singer-songwriter known for her powerful vocals. She loves singing and doesn't let haters get in her way. "Haters are gonna hate" is one of her quotes. "Learn from your mistakes." is another.

She gives amazing live performances and wants to inspire young people to be leaders. Georgia was sharing her story with us and then, at the end of the day, she performed. Georgia is an amazing singer and she has a lot of passion. She has more than 2

million streams across her platforms. She inspired me a lot. I won't let haters get in my way and I'll learn from my mistakes.

- Betka Bartonova

Sam Johnson has built a career in service to others. Sam is the chief executive of the Student Volunteer Army (SVA). His work started when the Christchurch earthquake caused a lot of dust, debris and liquefaction. He collected a bunch of spades and wheel barrows, gathered a bunch of people, and started his work. I was really inspired by his actions because he really made an impact on other people's lives and so did the SVA. It proves that people can do good in this world even without getting paid, and that's what really inspired me.

- Euni Lee

One of the speakers was Riley Hathaway. She was talking about her project that she has going on. It's called "Young Ocean Explorers" and they go scuba diving off the coast of NZ.

Eventually, she kept making videos and this became her passion. For her first video on Young Ocean Explorers, her dad suggested that they start it with the ocean floor covered in seaweed. This was a big problem because Riley had a big fear of seaweed. But then she eventually went and did it and now she isn't afraid of seaweed anymore.



What inspires me (Johann) is that even though she was super afraid of seaweed and just the feel of it, she did it and now she has this whole thing going about helping the ocean.

What inspires me (Nico) about Riley is that, despite lots of people making fun of her because of what she did, she continued her dream of protecting marine animals and making videos about them. She kept going with her dream of inspiring other people and teaching younger kids about marine science.

- Johann Shotbolt & Nico Smith-Han

Through their thought-provoking speeches, these speakers provided a great deal of inspiration for our Year 8 leaders who are now putting these ideas into action by organising two 40 Hour Famine learning days for the whole school.



Snapshot of Learning

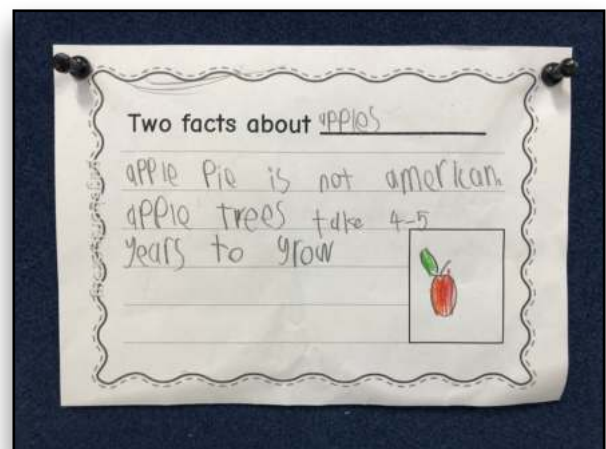
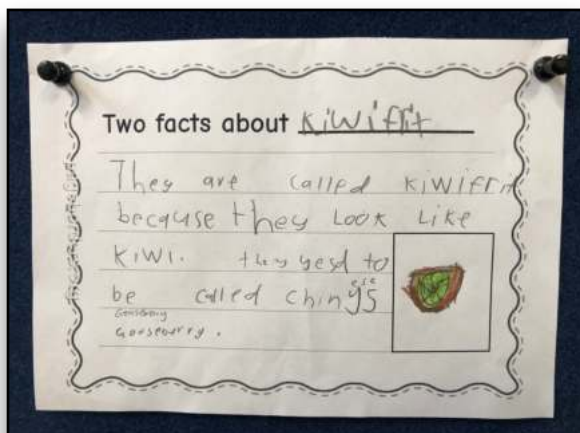
Classes across the school have been learning about food and nutrition. Here are a few snapshots of learning from Rooms 1, 2 and 3.



Some delicious vegetables from Room 2 who clearly understand where their foods come from.



Balanced, plated meals created by the children of Room 1.



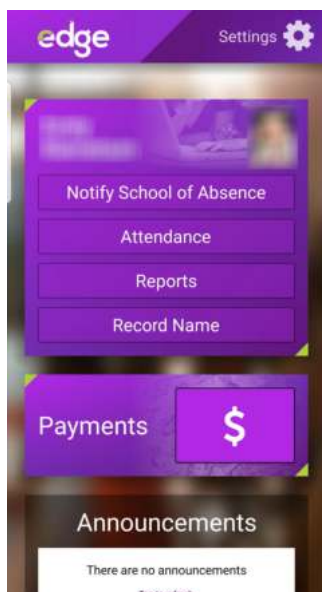
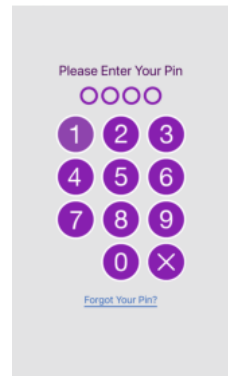
Some fascinating food facts from Room 3.



Installing and Initial Log In to MUSAC Edge App

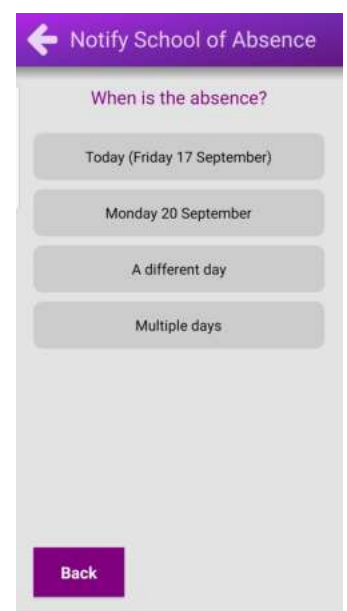


1. Visit your phone App Store and search for "MUSAC Edge." MUSAC Edge app is available for Android and iOS phones.
2. Download and install the Edge app.
3. Open the Edge app – the first time you do this you will be asked to create a PIN number. This will ensure your child's data is secure.
4. Enter your email address – This is the email address that you registered at Liberton Christian School when you enrolled your child. It is also the address that you received this newsletter at.
5. Click the "Reset edge password" link/button. An email will be sent to you which will allow you to set your password.
6. Check your email and click the link. This will open your web browser and take you to the "Parent Portal" where you can create your password.
7. Return to the Edge App and enter your email and new password.



Notes

- Within the app, each child enrolled at LCS has their own panel.
- The Edge App (mobile devices) and the Parent Portal (desktop/laptop devices) share many of the same features.
- Initially, we will only be using Attendance and Notifications features. Features such as Payments, Reports, Pastoral, Health and Safety will be introduced in the future.
- Many whanau have individual email address for both parents in the family. Both parents can use their email address to login to Edge. In some cases, whanau have informed us of only one email for the primary caregiver. In these cases, there are two options:
 1. Use the single email address on both parent devices. You will share the same password.
 2. Let us know the second email address and, once recorded by us in Edge, you will be able to login to Edge individually.





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