## LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 2 Week 8 Thursday 23 June, 2022



Ngā mihi o Matariki, te tau hou Māori (Happy Matariki, the Māori New Year),

Today we are pleased to email parents their children's Mid-year School Report. These are an important measure of your child's progress towards end of year expectations and form the basis for discussion at the Parent Teacher Conferences that begin next Thursday.

#### **BOOKING A PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE**

As no doubt you are aware, bookings for the conferences opened on Tuesday. We hope the online booking system will prove convenient and allow parents greater control over their conference bookings. The instructions for bookings, including links, can be found below. Please note: **Bookings will close at 4:00pm next Wednesday (29 June)**.

#### **REQUESTING A PRINTED COPY OF YOUR CHILD'S REPORT**

You can request a printed copy of your child's report by completing this form at <u>https://bit.ly/printmyreport</u>. Printed reports will be available for collection from the school office after school on Wednesday 29 June, prior to Parent Teacher Conferences.

I draw your attention to the position of Returning Officer for the upcoming BOT Elections detailed below. The closing date for expressions of interest is next Friday (1 July).

This weekend we look forward to celebrating the inaugural Matariki holiday weekend - a holiday that is a true celebration of our uniqueness as a nation, Aotearoa New Zealand. I

hope that over the long weekend all our whānau will be blessed with time together, remembering loved ones we have lost and praising God for the rich blessings of His creation. Mrs Bennington captured a rare visitor to our playground, a kōtuku, on Tuesday afternoon - such beauty.

I pray over you this blessing;

Te aroha (Love), Te whakapono (Truth) Me te rangimarie (and Peace) Tatou tatou e (be with us all)

Serving Him together,

Grant Peacock Acting Principal



#### **40 HOUR FAMINE WATER WALK**

Next weekend, many of our older students will be taking part in the 40 Hour Famine. To launch the weekend and as a conclusion to the school-wide study in Social Science, we will be holding a "Water Walk" event on Friday 1 July, 11:00am - 12:30pm.



This activity, planned by our Year 8 leaders, is a simulation of the walk many children in less fortunate circumstances may have to make daily (or multiple times each day) to secure water for their families' drinking, cooking and washing needs.

In this whole school event children will walk in groups from Liberton Christian School to the intersection of Pine Hill and Campbells Roads where they will visit the "well" (a trailer containing many recycled milk bottles, refilled with water). They will collect a bottle(s) and return them to school. This is designed to reinforce the

compassion children have for others by giving them an appreciation of the energy and time that is consumed in water collection, not to mention school time missed.

Many older children have already joined the LCS 40 Hour Famine team and have been collecting sponsorship. The water walk activity will also provide an opportunity for **all children** to be involved in our fundraising effort. After completing the water walk, children will be given a certificate with a tear off sponsorship slip. We encourage you and your family to sponsor your child in their effort by returning the slip to school the following Monday with a sponsorship donation attached. Funds collected in this way will be more tangible to our younger students than electronic sponsorship and will be added to our 40 Hour Famine total.

Each child will require an empty, well-rinsed milk bottle(s) **including bottle top** to carry. These can be brought to school from Monday, ready for our walk on Friday. We recommend Y1-4 children carry a 1 litre, Y5-8 children a 2 litre (optional 3-4 litres).

We require two parents to assist at road crossings. Please email me if you are available by emailing me at grantp@libertonchristian.school.nz.

#### FROST OR SNOW DAYS

This week we experienced our first delayed start due to frosty road conditions. Unfortunately, the Otago Primary Principals' Association email was itself delayed and resulted in a very late notification to families on the radio and via the Edge app and email. A reminder that radio broadcasts referring to "primary and intermediate schools" apply to



Liberton Christian School. These decisions are not made lightly but are made with reference to police advisories.

Please remember that we cannot guarantee that staff members will be present at school to care for children arriving before 10am on these occasions.

#### **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. <u>Click here for</u> <u>more information on the returning officers' responsibilities.</u>

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

Please prayerfully consider this position.



#### CALENDAR

Please <u>check our website</u> for more events and details.

Tue 28 Jun Wed 29 Jun	BOT Meeting (online) Hot Lunch Drinted seasons (no supported) suppile blacet office		
	Printed reports (requested) available at office Parent Teacher Conference bookings close		
Thu 30 Jun	Parent Teacher Conference, 3:15 - 5:00pm		
Fri 17 Jun	Community Assembly - Room 3 Whānau invited		
Mon 4 Jul	Dunedin Gymnastics Academy visit - Rooms 4 & 5		
Tue 5 Jul	Parent Teacher Conferences, 3:15 - 7:00pm		
Wed 6 Jul	Hot Lunch		
Fri 24 Jun	Final day of Term 2		
	TERM BREAK		
Mon 25 Jul	First day of Term 3		



#### 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.

#### **SPORTS RESULTS**

Kiwihoops Team	Opposition	Result	Player of the Day
Liberton Leopards vs	Abbotsford	Loss 19-10	Austin Kupenga
Liberton Warriors vs	St Peter Chanel Spurs	Win 24-9	Meatuai Kosena-Eteuati
Liberton Lakers vs	Carisbrook Warriors	Win 25-16	Oliver Kupenga
Liberton Lakers vs	Arthur Street Giants	Loss 44-30	Johann Shotbolt
Netball Team	Opposition	Result	Player of the Day
Liberton Blue vs	DNI Gold	Loss 2-6	Grace Lee

#### **POINTS FOR PRAYER**

Thank you for keeping us in your prayers.

We give thanks for :

- The increasing number of exciting learning opportunities through external events and providers including; Kiwihoops, Netball, EPro8, NYLD, 40 Hour Famine and swimming.
- Our Board of Proprietors whose vision and hard work provide the framework and environment of God's school in Liberton.

Please pray for:

- Our children that God would sustain them in the final weeks of term and that their hearts would be filled with compassion for others who are less fortunate and be inspired to take action.
- Parent Teacher Conferences that these would be both a celebration of the children's progress and helpful to their future learning.



The "Liberton Civil Engineers" and "Toucans" competed in the EPro8 Challenge at Dunedin North Intermediate this week. The Civil Engineers designed a fully-functional road marking machine, placing fifth in their competition. The Toucans created a packaged food dispensing machine, finally placing fifth after a sudden death tie breaker. Whakamihi tatou (Congratulations everyone!)



# BOOKING PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

June 2022

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held at the following times:

- Thursday 30 June, 3:15pm 5:00pm
- Tuesday 5 July, 3:15pm 7:00pm



To book your interviews, go to <u>http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/gz7ck</u> in your browser, or scan the QR code on your mobile/tablet. Then follow these three simple steps:







If you need to book for more than one student, change the "Book for x students" setting, and enter the other student's name.

On the next page, pick the teachers you want to meet.

First select the subject, then choose from the list of teachers.



Then you'll see a timetable showing when your chosen teachers are available. Simply click on the times that suit you.

When you have finished, your interview timetable will be emailed to you. You can return <u>http://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/code/gz7ck</u> to change or cancel your interviews.

If you don't have internet access, please call Karen at the school office (phone 473 7599). Karen will be able to make a booking for you.

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Dates: August 2nd - 27th September

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# Book Now: 0211189882

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