LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 2 June 2023 Term 2 Week 6

Dear Parents and Whānau

This week I accompanied our year 8 students to the National Young Leaders Day in the Town Hall. I always enjoy this event as the speakers are new every year and often have very inspirational stories to share. This year our students heard from Brad Smeele - former pro wakeboarder, quadriplegic and communicator, Julia Grace — mental wellness communicator, Graci Kim — diplomat turned bestselling author, and Georgia Lines — musician.





The theme was 'Leading the Self'. This was a positive message on how to gain the trust of others, lead by example and make intentional decisions for good habits.

Today we farewell Miss Hannah Smith, an Otago University student teacher who has been teaching in Room 5. We have enjoyed hosting Hannah for this part of her practicum and wish her every blessing in her future study and teaching career.

Our teaching staff are currently busy assessing children's learning and writing the mid-year reports. Student reports will be emailed to parents on Friday 16 June. If you would also like a printed copy of your child's report, please follow this link to make your request: https://forms.gle/YrVMeYRJFhveTznf9 Printed reports will be available from the office on Wednesday 21 June.

Parent Teacher Conferences will be offered in weeks 9 and 10. A link and instructions for the online booking system will be distributed in week 8.

Serving Christ together Ngā mihi nui |Warm regards Fiona Sizemore



2023 WORLD VISION FAMINE

To support our school in the World Vision Challenge this year, please follow the link to either join our team by creating your own profile to share with friends and family, or donating to help children have better access to clean water. Access to clean water is still a major problem for children in many places in the world. We expect all students who wish

to patriciate to gain parent permission before signing up to complete a famine event. https://my.worldvision.org.nz/ss/zRjbk3/liberton-christian-school
OR pop into the office to pick up a booklet.



Our Year 8 students created this display to show the different water use that 1 in 5 children around the world have (3-5 litres) per day compared to us here in New Zealand (200 litres).

BRIGHT COLOURS FUN DAY

The 40 Hour Challenge team are planning a bright colours and crazy hair day on Friday 9 June. Dress up, have some fun and bring a small donation for World Vision if you can!

TERM 2 VALUE: KINDNESS

Love expressed through Kindness – A willingness to help and show concern for others

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." **Ephesians 4:32**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICY REVIEW (PARENT CONSULTATION) TERM 2

These policies are displayed on the notice board at the office. If you would like to comment or provide feedback on any aspect of these policies, please see Fiona or a board of trustees member.

- o Handling of Concerns and Issues
- o Māori achievement
- o Equal Employment Opportunities
- o Physical Restraint

These policies will be reviewed at the meeting to be held on Tuesday 20 June.

COVID-19 UPDATE

As we are now in the winter illness months, we appreciate it can be a challenging time for families. Most of the illness we have seen in our school community is the common cold - round round round round round round and it is helpful to keep testing when symptoms arise to eliminate covid as the cause. When it is covid, we need to take the necessary precautions as isolating with covid remains a government requirement. Covid Testing and Isolation Link

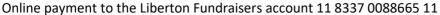


NETBALL

LEFT: Our year 7&8 netball team who enjoyed a first game win on Thursday afternoon.

HONEY FUNDRAISER

Orders are being taken at the office for the popular Pure Taieri Honey. Details and options are available at the office. Next order is 16 June.





HOT LUNCH WEDNESDAY FUNDRAISER FOR CAMP

Hot lunch options are happening most Wednesdays during term 2. This is a fundraiser for the senior camp. Online payments are made into the Liberton Fundraisers account.

FROST OR SNOW DAYS



It's the time of year when heavy frost or snow may occasionally make travel to school difficult. We will send an email message to you as soon as the call to cancel or make a late start due to weather is confirmed. Local radio stations continue to broadcast cancellations and any calls that are for all primary and intermediate schools relate to us. The most important point is not to attempt travel if you feel unsafe on the road due to frost or snow.

THE DUNEDIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRAYER REQUEST

The Dunedin Christian Schools Association (DCSA), our proprietor, with the Board of Trustees (BOT), has recently submitted an Expression of Interest (EOI) to the Ministry of Education to increase our maximum roll cap.



UPDATE: We continue to wait for a decision on our EOI.

Our school has a roll cap of 110 students. With the addition of the junior block in 2021 we have the capacity to enrol up to 140 students with our current facilities. Both the DCSA and BOT have a vision to serve more families in Christian education.

TERM 2 CALENDAR:

Check out our online calendar LCS Calendar

5 June King's Birthday public holiday

8 June OU Physics Dept visit

9 June Bright Colours/Crazy Hair Fun Day
 16 June Student reports emailed to parents
 16-18 June World Vision 40 Hour Challenge weekend

20 June Board of Trustees meeting 7pm 21 June Printed reports available at office

22 June Parent/Teacher conferences 3.15-6.30pm27 June Parent/Teacher conferences 3.15-5.15pm

29-30 June NZACS Teacher Conference

30 June Last day of term 2 / No school assembly

Colossians 2:3 "In Christ are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge".

PRAYER POINTS:

We are very grateful to all those who uphold the school in prayer.

Our parent prayer group meets at 2pm in the staffroom before Friday assemblies. Give thanks for: -

- Each one of our students, families and staff members
- The opportunity to learn in a school that seeks to honour the Lord
- Our parents who are willing to serve on the board
- God's faithfulness and amazing grace over our school for 40+ years

Please pray for:-

- Our families who are unwell with colds and flu
- Our EOI / MRI application to increase the roll cap
- Our school to glorify God in all ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders
- Our students to have a willingness to help and show concern for others in response to God's kindness towards us





LEFT: Miss Smith working with Room 5 students.

CYC WINTER CAMPS



at **Upcoming Camps**. Be sure to get in quick!