LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 11 August 2023 Term 3 Week 4

Dear Parents and Whānau

We had a fantastic ski camp last week with our year 7&8 students! We enjoyed a safe drive to Arrowtown followed by a very educational time in the Arrowtown Museum, plus a visit to the Chinese Village and gold panning in the Arrow River. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday our students participated in a ski lesson in the morning and skiing in the afternoon. We weren't able to ski on Tuesday afternoon due to high winds and snow beginning to fall but that is also a special experience when you are on a ski field and can play in the snow! The fresh snow transformed the skiing experience for the next two days. Life in the Southland Ski Lodge was relaxed and cosy. Mr McIlroy shared devotions each night which were appreciated by our students and pointed them to expressions of thankfulness to God. On Friday we packed up, visited the Queenstown lake front and playground and drove back to Dunedin.

Mrs Bennington and I were joined by a wonderful group of parent leaders (Mr Daley, Mr McGuire, Mr McIlroy and Mr Gray) and an enthusiastic group of students who really did make the most of the opportunity. God is good to us indeed and ski camp was a blessed experience for us all.

Thankfully the weather held and the LCS cross country was able to go ahead last Friday. A group of students will now go on to the North Zone cross country next Tuesday. It was a fun event with many enthusiastic students and parents enjoying the afternoon.

Serving Christ together Ngā mihi nui |Warm regards Fiona Sizemore

RIGHT: Welcome to new entrants Finley and Ariana who have joined



room 2.





LEFT: LCS Cross Country



TERM THREE VALUE FOCUS: HONESTY AND TRUTHFULNESS

Love expressed through Honesty and Truthfulness – A willingness not to steal, cheat, lie, or be unfair.

Show me your ways, O LORD, teach me your paths; ⁵ guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Saviour, and my hope is in you all day long. **Psalm 25:4-5**

LCS PRODUCTION 2023: ALICE THE MUSICAL

We are underway with rehearsals for our whole school production being presented later this term. As always, many of our students are very excited. This year we are presenting Alice the Musical from Out of the Ark Music.

Alice the Musical is based on the Alice in Wonderland story written by the Reverend Charles Lutwidge Dodgson, using the pseudonym Lewis Carroll (1832-1898). The tale was first told by Carroll in 1862, to the three daughters of his friend Henry Liddell, on a river boat trip.

The story is from the Victorian era of nonsense genre. It is fast and fanciful, if not a little confusing at times! On a closer look, a key question in the story is, "who am I?" Alice's journey through Wonderland has some parallels to our own journey, as we encounter a variety of people and experiences along the way. We will ask the same question at some time on our journey too.

At school our aim is to point our students to the ultimate way, through learning about God's revelation through creation. Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. There are challenges along the way but when we acknowledge our need for a saviour, we can confidently answer the question of "who am I?"

NORTH ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

The North Zone Cross Country is scheduled for Tuesday 15 August. This year it is being held at Chingford Park. The course is 2km. The first race is at 10.30am. Mrs Jones is the teacher in charge. We have fourteen students participating across years 4-6. The top ten from each race will qualify for the Otago Cross Country on 1 September. Year 7&8 students are entered directly into the Otago Champs.

TERM 3 SWIMMING

School swimming commences on Thursday 24 August. Thank you to all the parents and whanau who are able to help support the programme. We couldn't do it without you!

HONEY FUNDRAISER

Orders are being taken at the office for the popular Pure Taieri Honey. Details and options are available at the office.

Online payment to the Liberton Fundraisers account 11 8337 0088665 11



HOT LUNCH WEDNESDAY FUNDRAISER

Hot lunch options will continue most Wednesdays this term. Online payments are made into the Liberton Fundraisers account 11 8337 0088665 11



SIBLING ENROLMENTS FOR 2024

If you have a pre-schooler that you intend to enrol at Liberton during 2024 please contact the office to get an enrolment form to complete at your earliest convenience. We are planning for a full roll and want to ensure that we do not miss any of our sibling enrolments.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICY REVIEW (PARENT CONSULTATION) TERM 3

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

- Health and Safety (annual)
- $\circ \quad \text{Child Protection} \\$
- \circ $\,$ Smoke and Drug Free $\,$
- o Visitors to School
- All International Student Policies

These policies will be reviewed at the meeting to be held on Tuesday 12 September.

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 submitted an Expression of Interest (EOI) to the Ministry of Education to increase our maximum roll cap. We continue to wait for a decision on our EOI.

TERM 3 CALENDAR:

15 August	North zone cross country	Colossians 2:3
21 August	Attitude Tackling Tech Programme room 5	"In Christ are hidden all
24 August	Swimming #1	the treasures of wisdom
31 August	Swimming #2	and knowledge".
1 September	Otago Cross Country	
7 September	Swimming #3	
12 September	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm	HUNTANGDON
14 September	Swimming #4	
21 September	Swimming #5	
Week 10	Alice the Musical Whole School Production (more information soon!)	
22 Sept	Last day of term 3	

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
- An amazing ski camp for our year 7&8 students
- The LCS Cross Country

Please pray for:-

- Our EOI / MRI application to increase the roll cap would be granted
- Other EOTC events this term: swimming, North Zone Cross Country, netball
- Our school to glorify God in all ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders













