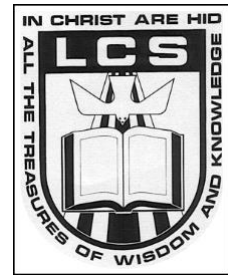


# LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 22 September 2023  
Term 3 Week 10

Dear Parents and Whānau



We are so proud of our students' enthusiasm, commitment and self-management throughout the Alice the Musical preparations and performances. Our dedicated teachers had fantastic support from a number of parents and friends of LCS to bring the many elements of the show together; venue, technical, costumes, props and music. Mrs Bennington did a fantastic job as director overseeing the whole show.

The majority of the amazing backdrops were original creations especially designed for us by Matthew Larsen. Matthew is Mr Peacock's nephew and his beautiful work was another added blessing to our show.

Thank you to everyone involved. What an amazing effort and wonderful experience for our students. We value having all of our students taking part and many of the children really enjoy the opportunity. We are reminded again how able and talented our young people are. We will have a video recording of Alice the Musical available in due course.

We are delighted to share that \$4877.96 was donated to support Olivia Adie. Olivia is flying to Germany this weekend to meet with the doctors and prepare for her surgery. Our thoughts and prayers go with her. Our senior students were really touched by the donations.

We are now turning our attention to term 4. We begin the term with our Athletics Day and a Parent Forum both in the first week! Please see the additional information provided in this newsletter for these activities.

We hope you have a refreshing term break and look forward to commencing term 4 on Monday 9 October.

Serving Christ together  
Ngā mihi nui | Warm regards  
Fiona Sizemore



## LCS ATHLETICS DAY @ THE CALEDONIAN GROUND: TUESDAY 10 OCTOBER

We spend the full school day at the Caledonian Ground near Logan Park High School. This is a fun day of track and field events for every student. Students are to be dropped off at, and collected from, the Caledonian Ground for the school day. Drop off from 8.30am, pick up at 3pm. Parents and whānau are welcome to join us for all or part of the day.

This year we need six parent volunteers to help run our field events (9.15am-12.00pm). If you are able to help please let Fiona know.

The programme is attached to this newsletter email.

Students in Years 5-8 who meet the Otago Athletics criteria will qualify to attend the North Zone Athletics Day.



## PARENT FORUM: STRUCTURED LITERACY

You are invited to attend a BYO dinner and parent information session on the structured literacy spelling programme we are using across our school. We introduced the iDeal spelling programme in February this year. We would value the opportunity to share more about the programme with you. We will demonstrate the programme and discuss the purpose of the home learning spelling list.

### PROGRAMME:

- 5pm arrive with BYO dinner/fellowship time
- 5.30pm gathering in hall for explanation of programme
- 5.45pm session 1 (choose Stage 1 or Stage 3)
- 6.10pm session 2 (choose Stage 2 or Stage 4)
- 6.30pm finish

We will organise child minding for school aged children during the sessions.

## TEACHER ONLY DAY: TERM 4 FRIDAY 17 NOVEMBER

We will be holding a Teacher Only Day on Friday 17 November. The day is allocated by the Ministry of Education to give teaching staff in every school dedicated time to understand, prepare for, and engage with changes across The New Zealand Curriculum Refresh | Te Mātaiaho.

## TERM 4 SUMMER SPORTS

### FUTSAL

We have entered six teams for futsal across years 1-8. Games commence in week 2. Teams will be finalised and circulated in week 1.

### RIPPA

We have entered a year 3&4 rippa team. Rippa commences in week 4.



## 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.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### TERM 4 CALENDAR:

9 October	First day of term 4
10 October	LCS Athletics Day @ the Caledonian Ground
13 October	LCS Parent Forum: Structured Literacy
19 October	NZ ShakeOut Drill (earthquake preparedness)
23 October	Labour Day public holiday
24 October	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
24 October	HPV vaccination
31 October	School/class photos taken
17 November	School closed: Teacher Only Day
22 November	C39 Band and Choir recording session
5 December	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
8 December	Thank You Assembly
14 December	1.30pm Graduation Assembly and afternoon tea Student reports sent out
15 December	Last day of term 4

### 2024 TERM 1 DATES

30 January	First day of term 1
6 February	Waitangi Day
25 March	Otago Anniversary Day
29 March	Good Friday
1 April	Easter Monday
2 April	Easter Tuesday
12 April	Last day of term 1

Colossians 2:3

"In Christ are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge".

CHRIST CHURCH  
HUNTINGDON



### 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: -

- A full term of learning for our students
- A blessed community event in Alice the Musical
- The opportunities we have to represent Christ in the community

Please pray for:-

- A refreshing term break for the children, families and staff
- Our school to glorify God in all ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders



*Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his love endures forever.*

*I Chronicles 16:34*

