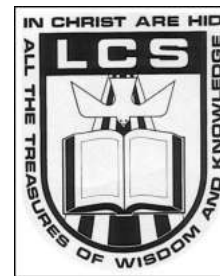


LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Term 1 Week 6
Friday 8 March 2024

Dear Parents and Whānau

Our year 5-8 students had fun learning through the EPro8 competition last week. The hall was a very busy place for the four days of learning and competition. Two teams were chosen to go on to the next stage and represent our school in the inter school competition later this term. We love that every student in years 5-8 is involved each year as it is a valuable experience for them all.

The New Zealand Educational Institute (NZEI), the union representing our teaching staff, have advised a Paid Union Meeting will be held on Wednesday 20 March. Teachers are expected to attend, and schools are expected to stay open. Most of our teachers will attend the afternoon meeting that commences at 1:30pm in town. **Our school will remain open with extended supervised play for the afternoon.** If you would prefer to collect your child/ren early that day you are welcome to do so. Equally, they will be safe and well supervised at school for the normal school hours.

WEDNESDAY WHEELS DAY ANNOUNCEMENT

We are pleased to announce Wednesday Wheels Day! Our Physical Activity Leaders (PALs) are keen to support play at school, so we are going to allocate a Wednesday every term when each class will be invited to bring **small wheels** to school that can be used at play times. Small wheels



are scooters, skates, skateboards, roller blades – transport with small wheels that can safely be used in a circuit on the court area. Helmets are compulsory for all wheel types. Other safety equipment (e.g. pads) are at the discretion of parents. If you send additional safety equipment to school, we will presume you would like them used. The class dates have been added to the school calendar and are attached at the end of this newsletter. If inclement weather prevents Wheels Day



happening, we will reschedule another date for that class.

Serving Christ together,

Fiona Sizemore
Principal



Welcome to Gina who recently joined us in Room 2 as a new entrant.



TERM 1 VALUE FOCUS: RESPECT

Love expressed through Respect – A willingness to treat with courtesy, to hold in high regard; to honour, to care about yourself and others, and the environment.

Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honour the king. 1 Peter 2v17

HONEY FUNDRAISER:

Orders are being taken at the office for the popular **Pure Taieri Honey**.

Please have your order in by 31 March to the office or email Karen.

Online payment to the Liberton Fundraisers account 11-8337-0088665-11



The EPro8 Challenge is the inter-school science and engineering competition. Every year over 25,000 students from throughout New Zealand takes part. Students participate in a series of events: firstly, within their school and then inter-school. These events are designed to promote science, engineering and problem solving. All our year 5-8 students had the opportunity to participate in the learning as we are able to hire additional EPro8 boxes for a week. It is a lot of noisy, collaborative fun!

EPro8 Inter-school teams:

Congratulations to Eliya, Euna, Asher and Jesse who will represent LCS in the Y7&8 competition. Congratulations to Rosalie, Toni, Abby F and Ivie who will represent LCS in the Y5&6 competition.

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Our teams are playing well and enjoying the competition. A big thank you to the wonderful parents who are helping courtside with subbing and team management. We know it can be challenging keeping up with the late changes and organisation. Well done to you all!



Liberton Legends Y5&6



Liberton Lightning Y7&8

THE DUNEDIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING



The Dunedin Christian Schools Association (DCSA) is holding its annual meeting on Tuesday 26 March at 7:30pm in the staffroom at school. Members and friends of the school are encouraged to attend as we reflect on and celebrate together the previous year of work and achievement. The DCSA plays a crucial role in our school as it is the owner of our school property and is charged with ensuring the special character of the school is up-held. The special character of the school is determined by the Christian world and life view of the DCSA as outlined in articles three and four of the Constitution.

DCSA members are able to be nominated by the governing council as proprietor representatives on the school board of trustees.

Parents who are in agreement with the Association's constitution are encouraged to become members. **Membership application forms are available at the school office.**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES POLICY REVIEW TERM 1

These policies will be reviewed at the meeting to be held on Tuesday 9 April.

- Allocation of Management Units
- Entertainment, Gifts and Travel
- Internal Financial Control

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.

SAFETY AT THE SCHOOL GATE

Thank you for helping keep all students safe at the school gate at 3pm by not parking on the yellow lines or over the main gate area. Please ensure your child/ren cross Hillary Street at our main school gate, not up the road towards the Pine Hill Road intersection. The Dunedin City Council have put 30km/h signs on Pine Hill Road creating a school zone around drop off and pick up times.

We hope this is a first step in making the area around our school safer for our ākonga|students. We continue to remind our junior children (Years 1-4) that they must not leave the school grounds without an adult or older sibling alongside them.



PRAYER POINTS:

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

Give thanks for: -

- God's continuing faithfulness and amazing grace over our school.
- A great week of EPro8 for our year 5-8 students
- The opportunities we have to represent Christ in the wider community.



Please pray for:-

- Our students to grow in their understanding of what it means to show respect to those in rightful authority over them.
- Our year 8 students as they begin their final year at LCS and further develop their leadership skills.
- Our school to glorify God in all ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders.
- The MRI application to be completed, submitted and received well.

TERM 1 2024 CALENDAR [LCS Calendar](#)

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| 13 March | Wheels Day Room 6 |
| 20 March | Wheels Day Room 3 Paid Union Meeting – Supervised play afternoon |
| 25 March | Otago Anniversary Day |
| 26 March | DCSA Annual Meeting 7.30pm at school |
| 27 March | Wheels Day Rooms 1&2 |
| 28 March | St Mark's Easter Service |
| 29 March | Good Friday |
| 1 April | Easter Monday |
| 2 April | Easter Tuesday |
| 3 April | Wheels Day Room 4 |
| 4 April | HPV round 1 (Y8's with permission only) |
| 8 April | EPro8 interschool competition Y7&8 (after school) |
| 9 April | Board of Trustees meeting 7pm at school |
| 10 April | EPro8 interschool competition Y5&6 (morning) |
| 12 April | Last day of term 1 |



*In Christ are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.
Colossians 2v3*



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Wednesday Wheels Days



**Bring your small wheels (AND your helmet)
for use on a course designed and supervised
by the PALs.**

March 13: Room 6

March 20: Room 3

March 27: Rooms 1 & 2

April 3: Room 4

**scooters / roller skates /
skateboards / RipStiks / inline
skates / 'wheelie' shoes**