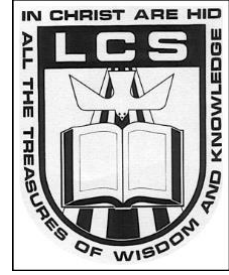


LIBERTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Term 1 Week 9
Thursday 28 March 2024

Dear Parents and Whānau

Today we walked up Pine Hill Road to the Hope Church (previously St Mark's) and enjoyed an Easter service led by Mrs Barton. Our prayers were answered for dry weather for the walk there and back, and Hope Church gave us a very warm welcome. Mrs Barton's faithful service to the Pine Hill community is remarkable and we are thankful for it.

The Dunedin Christian Schools Association (DCSA), our Proprietor, with the Board of Trustees (BOT), has recently submitted a Maximum Roll Increase (MRI) application to the Ministry of Education to increase our maximum roll cap.

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 the vision to serve more families in Christian education.

Please join us in prayer for the MRI application to be successful. Our school is funded to operate five classrooms. The BOT is funding the sixth classroom using capital reserves we are blessed to have available for 2024. Ultimately we need to gain a roll cap increase to keep operating six classes as this additional expenditure is not within our ongoing financial means.

As we move into the Easter weekend, we trust you will have a blessed time of reflection and some rest too.

Serving Christ together,

Fiona Sizemore
Principal



Welcome to School Samuel!



Sam has joined Room 2.

TEACHER ONLY DAY: TERM 2 FRIDAY 31 MAY

We will be holding a Teacher Only Day during term 2, Friday 31 May. The day is allocated by the Ministry of Education to give teaching staff dedicated time to understand, prepare for, and engage with changes across The New Zealand Curriculum Refresh | Te Mātaiaho. The following Monday is the King's Birthday public holiday, which will allow for an extra-long weekend.

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 10 April to the office or email Karen.

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



FUTSAL



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!

Team managers, we would like to thank you at the Friday assembly on 12 April.

LEFT: The Year 3&4 Liberton Panthers

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The home, the church and the school ideally form an educational tripod standing firm on the base of the Word of God and the flame of Christ's Spirit. All three need to work together to prepare children for the Christian life. If the school 'leg' of the tripod rests on a different base, children will have difficulty staying in balance as they respond as Christians to the secular world around them. At the same time, the school can neither replace the family nor the church. The home in particular provides an essential base for the school's more formal education task.

(Walking with God in the Classroom: Christian Approaches to Learning and Teaching, Harro Van Brummelem, p6, 1998)

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.



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.
- The opportunity to attend the Easter service at Hope Church.
- 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 school to glorify God in all ways and remain faithful to the vision set down by our founders.
- The MRI application to be received well and granted.



TERM 1 2024 CALENDAR [LCS Calendar](#)

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	Wheels Day Rooms 1&2
10 April	EPro8 interschool competition Y5&6
12 April	Last day of term 1



TERM 2 2024 CALENDAR [LCS Calendar](#)

29 April	First day of term 2
2 May	Swimming @ Moana #1
6 May	Bob Bickerton presentation
9 May	World Vision Youth Conference
9 May	Swimming @ Moana #2
16 May	Y5-8 LPHS senior show performance
16 May	Swimming @ Moana #3
21 May	Elgregoe presentation
22-24 May	Life Education Truck on site
23 May	Swimming @ Moana #4
28 May	Y1-6 Netball season commences
30 May	Swimming @ Moana #5
31 May	Teacher Only Day (school closed)
3 June	King's Birthday (public holiday)
7 June	NYLD in Town Hall Year 8's
21 June	World Vision Famine Weekend
28 June	Matariki (public holiday)
5 July	Last day of term 2



PHOTOS: Easter cards for our neighbours
Year 8 DNI Technology classes

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

Colossians 2v3

