



From the Principal's desk...

Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Whanau,

As I write this, I am surrounded by 10-13 year olds emerging from their cabins and sorting breakfast before a big day ahead. I've probably said it before, but I think the thing I love about camps the most is seeing children taking on new challenges, stepping out of their comfort zones and conquering their fears. I've seen that with several students already and even one of our teachers! It's this courage and perseverance which contributes towards the shaping of them as the unique individuals they were designed to be.



Photo: outside our classroom for today.

Ma te Atua e manaaki. (God bless).

Bethany Rentoul

Christ-centred



School-wide Theme for the Term:

PERSEVERANCE

Next week's memory verse: 1 Peter 5:7 (NIV)

Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

Congratulations to **Daniel Kitchen** who achieved 2nd in 400 metres and 1st in long jump, and to **John Ben-Canaan** who achieved 1st in javelin at the Christian Schools Year 9/10 Athletics Competition. An outstanding effort.

Bike Day – Wed 14th March. Bring your bike along to school for some great lunchtime activities.

Perseverance



Learners



Servant Hearts



Opportunities to serve

Prayer Meetings – one of the best things you can do for our school is to pray for it. A small group meets every Thursday from 9am to about 9:30am at school to pray for our school community. Everyone is welcome.

Art Resources Wanted – Mrs Z. is hopeful for donations of the following resources for some art projects in Teina Wha.

- empty cereal boxes
- blue or white wool

Tonga Missions Team Sausage Sizzles - Every Thursday we will be selling sausages and bread as a fundraiser for the Missions team. \$2 per sausage, orders taken outside the office before 9am.

FIREWOOD FOR SALE - The Tonga Missions Team has been busy cutting up trees to raise money for their mission trip in August. Now we need to sell it! Unseasoned pine 2 cubic metres for \$120 delivered within the Timaru town limits. Please message the school with orders, or email principal@timaruchristian.school.nz or phone 036881422. It's a great cause, please let others know to get the word out.

Servanthood



Love



Other important things to note:

Absentees – Please contact the office if your child is not attending school, by calling 688 1422 (leave a message if the phone is unattended), or e-mailing office@timaruchristian.school.nz or texting 027 751 2722. Kindly notify us before 9 am on the day of absence, and provide a reason for the absence so we can record it correctly.

Chapel – Our Chapel meetings will be held every second Monday (even weeks) at 2.30 pm in the school hall. Parents and family members are most welcome to join us.

Grace



HONOURING GOD IN ALL WE DO

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Head Lice: A head in Teina Toru has been reported to be harbouring lice. Please be vigilant in checking your child(ren)'s scalp(s) and treating immediately if found.

Timaru Christian School Community BYO Tea

Timaru Christian School's PTA invites all families to join for a BYO tea on Monday 12th March from 5pm - 7pm. This is a great opportunity for you to get to know other families at school and enjoy tea together. The PTA will have a few games organized and will also provide coffee and tea.

Upcoming Events:

7-9th March	Year 7-8 Camp	30th April	Term 2 begins
12th March	PTA BYO Community Dinner	4th June	Queen's Birthday – school closed
14th March	Bike Day	6th July	Term 2 ends
15th March	Swimming Years 1-8	23rd July	Term 3 begins
21st March	PCT Challenge; Rural Schools Swimming	24th Sept	South Canterbury Anniversary – school closed
22nd March	Swimming Years 1-8	28th Sept	Term 3 ends
30th March	Good Friday – school closed	15th Oct	Term 4 begins
2nd April	Easter Monday – school closed	22nd Oct	Labour Day – school closed
3rd April	Easter Tuesday – school closed	18th Dec	Term 4 ends
5th April	Swimming Years 1-8		
12th April	Swimming Years 1-8		
13th April	Term 1 ends		

Community Notices

U11 Rugby Girls - we are introducing JAB U11 grade for girls only. On the 28th of March we are hosting a Have A Go Afternoon at Alpine Energy Stadium from 4 – 5.30pm. We have trained coaches from Rugby Clubs joining us to help with coaching, ensuring a safe controlled environment.

Fun Squash - Sunday 11 March 2018 at Timaru Squash Club, Brunswick Street.

Come along and give squash a go with your friends. Starting times and year levels are as follows: -

- 12.30pm - Up to Y6 students
- 1.45pm Y7 & 8 students
- 3.30pm Y9 & 10 students

Cost \$5.00 p/session. Register with Andrina Stoddart, sjdomidlands@hotmail.com

See school's community noticeboard for more Squash information for years 6-8 on Mondays.

Chipmunks Timaru April Holiday Programme - \$40 Full Day, \$35 School Hours. Exciting trip days planned each day, including Blue Eyed Penguin visit, miniature train rides and Real Fruit Ice Creams. Of course free entry into Chipmunks Playland everyday. See our Facebook page or instore for our programme and more info. Enrol at <https://chipmunks.aimyplus.com> or email timaru@chipmunks.co.nz

Life Church is running a Youth Group called Young and Free for Year 7 - 9 students. There will be fun, faith and fellowship. All children In years 7-9 are welcome to join us. We meet each Friday night from 6:30 - 8:30 at Life Church, Morgan's Rd. Please contact Dougal Hunter-Sinclair for any further details on 021-395-571.

Gleniti Scout Group - For girls and boys aged: Keas - 5 to 8, Cubs - 8 to 11 and Scouts - 11 to 14. There's something for every young person. It's a great way to have fun, make friends, get outdoors, express your creativity and experience the wider world. If you think your child may be interested in Keas, Cubs or Scouts, please phone Rose ph 686 9888 for more information.

Timaru School of Music – We provide free tuition for primary school aged children with experienced teachers and skilled musicians. For enquiries email; timaruschoolofmusic@gmail.com or phone Rosemary 022 405 2296 or Evelyn 615 5096.