



## From the Principal's desk...

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau

Often it seems that life is running at full-pace at TCS; groups going on class trips, lunchtime activities, inter-school sports and competitions, lovely new families coming to join our school community, new babies, etc etc. And we have so many things to be grateful for. This past week I have been reminded of all the 'little' things that we should be grateful for too, things that we take for granted, ways in which God has protected us and blessed us in ways we don't even realise. May we, in the coming week, be able to stop and enjoy those 'little' things and encourage our children to enjoy and appreciate those things too.

Ma te Atua e manaaki. (God bless).

Bethany Rentoul

## Congratulations

Well done to the following students who received certificates this week:

**Zandri Theron** for a great start settling into Teina Toru

**Milarke Kleynhans** for always persevering and presenting her best work

**Joshua Tang** for managing time well.

**Thomas McKenzie** for helping out with a servant heart

**Toa Dee** for his confidence and pleasing Mathematic ability.

**Lucy Jiang** for her diligent and persevering work ethic.

## Fog

by Yuji and Teina Rima

Foggy fluffy fog  
Obnoxious sinking clouds  
White mountain creeping closer

Flights canceled  
Cautious drivers clogging roads  
Wet grass, no soccer

The fog retreats  
The field appears  
Teina Rima didn't disappear

## Netball Draw for Saturday 18th August for Years 5-8

This is finals day. A huge thank you to all coaches, managers and players for a great season!

9 am – Court 11 - Rural Raiders v Bluestone Hurricanes (Year 5 – Mrs Phiskie) Coaches to umpire

10 am – Court 7 – Rural Magic v Grantlea Pearls (Year 7 – Mrs Bruning) Coaches to umpire

10 am – Court 3 – Rural Mystics v Geraldine Black (Year 8 – B. Braddick)

11 am - Court 9 - Rural Rockets v Pleasant Point Tactix (Year 6 – Mrs Withington)

Enjoy your last games, girls.

## Absentees

A reminder to please contact the office **before 9 am each day** your child is absent. You can call 688 1422 and leave a message if the phone is unattended, or text 027 751 2722 or e-mail

[office@timaruchristian.school.nz](mailto:office@timaruchristian.school.nz). Kindly inform the office of the reason for the absence so that it can be correctly recorded.

## Missing Jerseys

Seraphina Hansen's named jerseys have gone missing. Please check your child(ren)'s uniform items carefully to ensure that they are wearing their own items.

## 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.

**Missions Trip to Fiji**

Our Missions team is now in Fiji, spending time with children at an orphanage. Thank you to everyone who has contributed towards their trip through our fundraising efforts. Please continue to pray for safe travels for the team and that they will have a positive impact on the children they are visiting.

**Servanthood**



**Love**



**Grace**



**Other important things to note:**

**Scholastic Book Club** – Please return book club orders to the office by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August.  
**Carparking** - Just a reminder, with an increasing number of students on our roll, finding a carpark can be difficult after school. We ask that, out of consideration, parents or caregivers who are picking up older students please leave the parks closest to the walkway available for the parents of younger students. This is especially important when they have sleeping infants and toddlers in the car with them. The roadway in front of the bus park can be used for quick pick-ups/drop-offs but please do not leave your vehicle unattended in this space as the buses do not always come at the same time and they need that space to collect students and turn around safely.

Thank you for your assistance with these things.

**Upcoming Events:**

<b>14<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> Aug</b>	Missions Trip to Fiji	<b>19<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	School Photos
<b>27<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Chapel	<b>24<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	South Canterbury Anniversary – school closed
<b>6-7<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	Year 9/10 Leadership Conference	<b>27<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	Reports sent home
<b>10<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	Chapel	<b>28<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	Term 3 ends
<b>11<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	Rural Schools Technology Challenge	<b>15<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	Term 4 begins
<b>12<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	PTA Community Soup & Sausages	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Oct</b>	Labour Day – school closed
<b>13<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>	Bot Meeting	<b>18<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Term 4 ends

## Community Notices

### Whack'n'Run

Timaru Squash Club is excited to offer you our fun after school squash programme, Whack'n'Run. This will run for a total of 4 weeks and is an individual event. Students are encouraged to wear school sports apparel. Maximum numbers will be 24 players per day.

Years 3- 6 and 7 & 8– Mondays

Year 9 - 13 - Wednesdays

All participants **MUST** be able to hold a rally. Students will play against similar abilities wherever possible.

Venue: Timaru Squash Club, Brunswick Street, Timaru.

- Cost: \$5.00 per student
- Balls, racquets and eyewear supplied
- Fun, social competition
- All participants will receive a certificate

TCS PTA  
 would like to invite you to our  
**SCHOOL COMMUNITY DINNER**  
 \* All food provided \*  
**FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP**  
**SEP 12<sup>th</sup> 5.30-7PM** LET'S EAT!  
 PLEASE RSVP to the SCHOOL OFFICE  
 BY FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER  
 with Numbers Attending  
 Timaru Christian School, 10 Quarry Road, Timaru

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