

Timaru Christian School - Honouring God in all we do



Week 3, Term 1

12th February 2015

Dear Parents/Caregivers/Whanau
Last year it was wonderful to be able to raise money, as a school

community, for the Rotary Shelterbox appeal. This outward focus enabled our children to see that we can all make a difference in the lives of others. This year our Young Leaders are working with their house groups to raise money for charities that their teams have chosen. Blessing will be raising money for the hospital, Honour will be raising money for World Vision, Power has chosen the Child Cancer Foundation and Glory chose the SPCA. During the year they will each be holding mufti days, there will be a cake stall, a soup day and we'll be having our sausage sizzles again in Terms 2 and 3. At the end of the year, all money raised by each house group will go to their chosen charity. We hope this will be a great blessing to those groups.

May our eyes be open to see God's presence and blessings in our lives in the coming week.

Ma te Atua e manaaki

Bethany Rentoul

Congratulations

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

Blessings Itula – excitement in doing his work and completing it well

Millie Dutton and **Oscar Hill** – sharing their wonderful ideas

Hannah Keen and **Abigail Waldron** – super sharing of ideas during devotions

Toa Dee – being super organised in class

Nikita Kitchen and **Tafu Tafunaina** – showing a good work ethic

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Prayer Meetings

The Thursday morning prayer meetings continue (9 am in the staffroom). If you have any prayer items or requests, please let us know and we can write them into the book.

PTA Meeting

The PTA's Annual General Meeting will be on Thursday 19th February at 7.30 pm, followed by the meeting at 8.00 pm.

Change of Class Meeting

Over the past year we have been re-investigating the possibility of applying for a Change of Class so that we can teach up to Year 10 at TCS. It has been great to hear that people have been praying about it for us and it is now time to meet together with our parent community to determine if we submit the application, which has to be in by the end of March, for a 2016 start date.

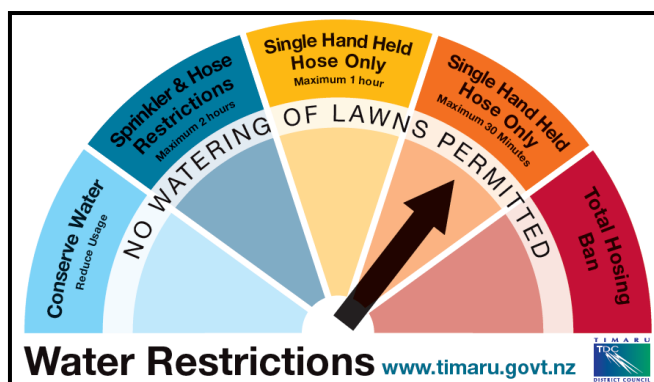
We will be hosting a **Parents Meeting in the School Library on Tuesday 24th February at 7pm**. During this time we will share with you all what a Year 9/10 class would look like at TCS and we would be asking for a list possible enrolments which we can then take to the Ministry of Education to show that we have the support we need. If we don't have enough enrolments we won't be proceeding with the application. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to discuss it further with me or if you would like to put your child's name down for enrolment in Years 9/10 in the future, please do so before the end of February. We are looking forward to meeting with you.

Relief Bus Driver

We are looking for a substitute driver for the school bus for Thursday 5th March. If you are able to do the morning and/or afternoon run please contact Dougal Hunter-Sinclair on 688 8008 (a/h) or 021 395571.

Water Restrictions

LEVEL 4 Water Restrictions **STILL** apply to all urban and rural water supplies.



Remember to use water wisely and ensure run off is minimised.

Unless demand is reduced further restrictions are likely to be imposed.

Please contact Timaru District Council should you have any questions with regards to this notice on 687 7200.

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Spelling App

There is a useful spelling app available in which you type in your child's spelling words for the week and it has games and activities for your child to do using those words. It is called **A+ Spelling Test** and it is free for iPhones. (There is a similar one for \$1.33 for androids but we haven't tried it yet.) Thanks to Mrs Caspritz for the tip ☺

If you know of a useful educational app, please let us know so we can share it with our school community.

Term One Calendar

12 th Feb	Swimming
13 th Feb	Timaru Junior Band performing
17 th Feb	PCT Challenge (Senior team)
19 th Feb	Swimming PTA AGM at 7.30pm PTA meeting at 8.00pm
24 th Feb	Change of Class: Parents Meeting
26 th Feb	Swimming BOT Meeting 6pm
5 th Mar	TCS Swimming Sports
11 th Mar	Fire Education Officer visiting
12 th Mar	Swimming
19 th Mar	PALs Training Workshop Swimming
24 th Mar	Rural Swimming Sports Parent-Teacher Interviews
25 th Mar	Parent-Teacher Interviews
26 th Mar	Swimming BOT Meeting 6pm
27 th Mar	SC Swimming
1 st Apr	Rural Schools Yr 4-6 Hockey Tournament
2 nd Apr	Swimming End of Term 1
20 th April	Start of Term 2

COMMUNITY NOTICES

"FREE"

Faith and Love Repentance Ministry presents *"Free"* – a free family concert at the Timaru Soundshell on Saturday 28th February at 1 pm. Free entertainment and sausage sizzle. All welcome!

3rd Timaru Girls' Brigade

Meets during school term, Tuesdays at Trinity Presbyterian Hall, College Road, Timaru
Tuesday Juniors, 5-8 years old, 3.30pm to 4.45pm
Tuesdays Seniors & Pioneers, 9-17 yrs, 6pm to 7.30pm
Activities include: swimming, music, drama, devotions, games, church parades, national camps,

badges, Duke of Edinburgh award, leadership opportunities, fun, fellowship and friendship.
All most welcome, contact Fiona 021 170 2930

South Canterbury Gymsports Inc

is now accepting enrolments for the 2015 Recreation Gymnastics season, beginning 18th February. An exciting Incentive Awards Programme is now being offered (from age 6/7 years on), as well as Kiwi GymFun (ages 5/6 years) and Pregym classes (under 5's). Further enquiries to Nicole Wilson 6862200 or 0272645515.

BronzBeat Studio of Dance

Classes in Jazz and Hip Hop. From ages 3 and up. Syllabus and Non-Syllabus. Fun Classes, Awesome Teachers. Our students enjoy learning in a relaxed atmosphere. Classes for Grown-Ups too. Contact Bronwyn 021 155 9692 or bronwyn@bronzbeat.co.nz.

Catzart

To help with the development of drawing
And Acrylic paints; To teach drawing of movement 3D, still life; Pencil drawing, Charcoal Drawing, Oil Pastels;
To teach painting with mixing and using colour
And to ensure students have fun while learning.
All inquiries welcome. Art classes for term 1, start soon. Book now!
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