



## School Newsletter Week 3, Term 1, 2021

Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Whanau

*Phillipians 4:13 'I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.'*

When you go to the beach, you see a variety of approaches to getting wet. You have those people who run in and dive under the wave, getting saturated as quickly as possible and enduring that cold shock throughout their body. Others walk up to their ankles, wait for a few waves as they gauge the temperature, wade in up to just under their waist and wait for a few more waves (going on tiptoe as the wave hits), and then taking a deep breath before submerging their belly button and finally their shoulders in the cold water. And others, like me, are happy to just dip their toes in and watch others having fun in the sea.



Christ-centred

You'll notice the same variety of approaches to new challenges. Some people dive right in, excited about getting involved; others take it a step at a time, giving themselves time to adjust to the conditions before going in deeper.; and others will just dip their toes in because the thought of going deeper is too uncomfortable. The important thing is that we aim to at least get wet. Sitting on the beach is safe and takes no effort but the biggest smiles are found on the faces of those who take the risk and try something outside of their comfort zone. And as we submerge our ankles, maybe next time we'll get wet up to our waist.



Truth

Nga manaakitanga. Many blessings.

Bethany Rentoul

Principal

### Congratulations

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

**Masada Courage** for a great start to school and for being so kind.

**Shekinah Dee** for being so kind and caring to others.

**Cameron Law** for making sensible choices about his learning and thinking of others.

**Mene Kritzinger** for always trying her very best and looking for ways to help others.

**Lihan Visage** for a super start to the year in Teina Wha!

**Jackson MacLeod** for a super start to the year in Teina Wha!



Love

### Upcoming Events

**18<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Swimming for Years 1-8; Board Meeting 7pm

**22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Learning Conferences

**25<sup>th</sup> Feb** - Swimming for Years 1-8

**2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Mar** – Year 9-10 Camp in ChCh

**4<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Swimming for Years 1-8

**11<sup>th</sup> Mar** – TCS Swimming Sports; Chapel 2:30pm; SC Triathlon

**25<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Swimming for Years 1-8 ; Chapel 2:30pm; Board Meeting 7pm

**31<sup>st</sup> Mar** – SC Swimming Sports (today or 9<sup>th</sup> April – tbc)

**1<sup>st</sup> Apr** – Teacher Only Day (School closed)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Apr-6<sup>th</sup> Apr** – Easter Break (please note: Tuesday is a school holiday also)

**8<sup>th</sup> Apr** – SC Swimming Sports (tbc)

**16<sup>th</sup> Apr** - Last day of term

**3<sup>rd</sup> May** – Start of Term 2





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### Opportunities to Serve

*Weekly Prayer meetings* are held in the Korero Room on Thursdays at 9am. If you would like to serve in this way, by praying for our School Community, feel free to drop in.

Our *Manaakitanga Group* helps to meet needs in our School Community. If you know of someone who needs a ride to school for their child, a meal or two to help through a difficult time, or just a friendly face to come and visit, please let us know at the Office or contact Nicki Law on 0272040688.



*Servant-  
heart*

### Important Notices to Notice

**Sports Survey** – students will be receiving a sports survey today to bring home. Kindly complete this and return it to the office by next week Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> February.

**Mums and Dads Coffee Group** Meets on Friday mornings in the Whanau Room from 9am-10am. Come along and spend time getting to know, support and encourage one another in this informal setting.

**Safe Travel Plan Consultation** – When you come to Learning Conferences, there will be a display in the hallway near the old main entrance which describes what we are aiming to do to make the car park and crossing spaces safer, and to encourage more active transport to and from school. Please take time to give us feedback by simply placing stickers on the board. There will also be a quiz with spot prizes.

**School Community Event** – On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March we will be hosting a School Community Event at TCS from 5:30pm-7:30pm. The theme is Perseverance and Resilience and families will be competing to complete activities, earning points for their children's house group. We start by having a picnic tea (bring your own food; tea and coffee will be provided), then we take part in a problem-solving challenge, a physical challenge and a creative challenge. While there is a competitive aspect to the activities, the focus is on modelling perseverance to our children. For planning purposes, please text the school or email the office ([office@timaruchristian.school.nz](mailto:office@timaruchristian.school.nz)) to let us know how many of your family will be attending.

**Wanted: Newspapers** – If you have any newspapers you no longer need, including The Courier, please send them along to school for our upcoming School Community Event. Thank you.

**Scholastic Book Club** – if you're not doing an on-line order, please return your order form and money to the office by Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> February.

**Basketball** – the Year 7 & 8 Basketball Competition starts Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March and goes until 31<sup>st</sup> May. Please return permission slips by Monday next week.

**Lunchtime Activities** - As we work to provide a wide range of Arts and Sports opportunities for students, there are lunchtime activities on offer every day. We have House Competitions, Senior Ultimate Frisbee, Seedlings, Jump Jam, Junior Musical Games, Junior Tball, and Senior Photography throughout Term 1. Children are able to sign up

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for those that are on offer for their year level. Feel free to encourage your child to try something new. They are still welcome to simply enjoy free and creative play on the playground at lunchtimes as well. 😊

### Developing Resilience in Ourselves and Our Children



Perseverance

#### **Maintain a daily routine**

Sticking to a routine can be comforting to children, especially younger children who crave structure in their lives. Work with your child to develop a routine, and highlight times that are for school work and play. Particularly during times of distress or transition, you might need to be flexible with some routines. At the same time, schedules and consistency are important to maintain.

<https://www.apa.org/topics/resilience-guide-parents>

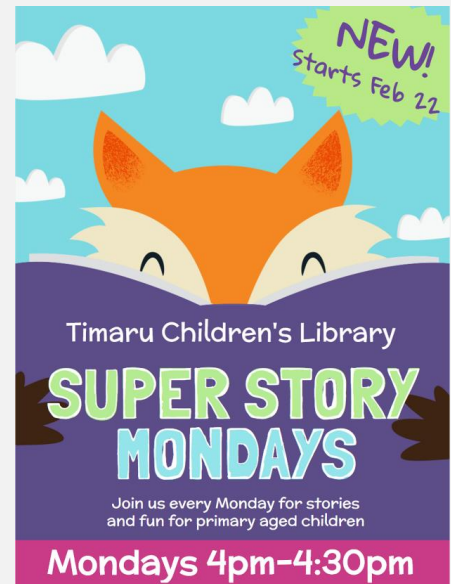
### Community Events



Learners

**Highfield Mountainview Scouts - \*\*Open Day\*\*** on Saturday 27th February 2021 from 10am till 2pm. From ages 5 years up. Scout Den, Maltby Avenue (behind Westend Hall). Come and see what Scouts is all about!

**Flipout Timaru** – We've got you covered for Parties, Causal Bouncing, Fundraising, Arena Hire and More! Ninja Classes started back last week and we still have spaces available on Mondays at 4pm. Come along and join in the fun. Quinn Proctor is one of our new instructors and has extensive trampolining and tricking experience. Call us on 6882807 or Message us via Facebook to book your free Ninja Trial Now!



#### **Gleniti Scout Group**

**Keas** – For girls and boys aged between 5 and 8. We meet on Mondays from 3.30pm to 4.45pm. Our Keas enjoy games, craft, sleepovers and adventure and work towards badges.

**Cubs** – For girls and boys aged between 8 and 11. We meet on Tuesdays from 6.30pm to 8.00pm. Our Cubs enjoy teamwork, camps, hikes, geo-caching, biking and work towards badges.

**Scouts** – For girls and boys aged between 11 and 14. Currently meeting on Tuesdays. Our Scouts also work towards badges and enjoy hikes, teamwork, and learn leadership skills. They go on camps, some of which have a theme such as photography or aviation.

With the start of the New Year we have vacancies in all sections. If you have a child that may be interested, please contact Rose ph 686 9888 for more information.

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**Basketball for Girls** – six-week introductory basketball programme for girls. March 9,16,23,30, and April 6,13. Year 5&6 6pm-6.40; Year 7&8 6.45 -7.30. Contact: South Canterbury Basketball Association. Email: [gm@southcanterbury.basketball](mailto:gm@southcanterbury.basketball)



### School Family Businesses You Can Support

#### **Compliance Partners**

Compliance Partners delivers practical solutions that meet the requirements of current health and safety legislation and provides customised Health & Safety systems for your business which are easy to understand, use and implement.

We would like to assist Timaru Christian School parents to ensure their businesses are health and safety compliant. We are offering all TCS parents a free 1-hour health and safety assessment of their business. Simply reference the school when you contact Marlene Battiss on 0272929716 or e-mail [marlene@cp.org.nz](mailto:marlene@cp.org.nz).



Grace

#### **King Street Takeaways**

39a King Street  
688 8191

#### **Autotech Paint & Panel**

Automotive panel and paint, Tyre fitting, general painting. Come and see Patrick and the boys at 50 Redruth Street Timaru for minor to major rust repairs, touch ups to full resprays, custom paint job, fiberglass repairs and fit body kits, painting small boats, insurance work, motor bikes. We are now doing trucks, buses and campers.

03 688 6488 / [autotechpnp@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:autotechpnp@yahoo.co.nz)

*“When trauma occurs before birth, and in the early ages of life, it affects the way a person perceives the world. They tend to view everything as a threat until proven otherwise. This is not conscious, but rather a subconscious need to protect. Be mindful of the experiences of others.” Bryan Post - Neurochild.*