



School Newsletter Week 3, Term 2, 2021



Christ-centred

Dear Parents, Caregivers, and Whānau

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. [Hebrews 12:1-2]



Truth

And so our big Cross Country time of fellowship together as a TCS family awaits us tomorrow! We look forward to seeing you, and we hope that you are ready to huff, puff and work up a sweat along with us on the track tomorrow.



It has been such an interesting experience watching our students tackle our practice times with varying degrees of excitement and perseverance. One of the magnificent Bible verses on “running the race” is Hebrews 12:1-2, and it reminds us that in the Christian life, we run the race of faith. We are however not striving for the first place that only one runner can receive, but we strive to finish strong in our faith. Many things slow us down in the race of faith, but we can't make it to the finish line without looking to Jesus. Every huff, and puff, every muscle tweak, and salty drop of sweat is worth patiently enduring and persevering through on the way to get to the One at the finish line.



Education Review Office Evaluation Partner

Our ERO evaluation partner, Michelle Irving, will be meeting with our School Board tonight. Over the last few weeks she has met with some of the Senior Leadership Team. The purpose of these meetings was to familiarise herself with the school and its context. She shared details of the new evaluation approach by the Education Review Office, in that a relationship is developed with the school over a longer time period, rather than an intense review over the space of one week, followed by a report. The School Board will have the opportunity to meet with her tonight, and then we will begin to look at ways in supporting TCS together in reviewing our goals, and evaluating the outcomes of our initiatives. We look forward to keeping you up to date as we walk the road together.

Mā Ihowā koe e manaaki / The Lord bless you
Grant Phillips
(Acting Principal)

Congratulations

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

Tomas Greenall, Melelose Tu'ungafasi, Peter Helpful and Dominick Mcchesney for a wonderful start to school.

Amedia Erasmus for great participation in group discussions and sharing lots of good ideas.

Sala Gumatua for showing perseverance with her spelling and story writing.

Janke van der Westhuizen for settling into TCS with a positive attitude.

Violet MacMillan for working hard and asking for help when needed.

Alfie Chapman for being supportive and helping friends and teacher inside classroom

Morgan Stevenson for settling into a new school environment with a positive attitude.



Love



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Rebekah Purcell for persevering and completing Maths tests with a smile.

Ewen McCallum for enthusiastically engaging in fitness.

Cross Country Community Event at TCS

We are looking forward to our Cross Country event this Friday, 21st May.

Please be aware that the carpark will be closed from 11am-1pm.

Time: 11:15 am until end of shared lunchtime (1:30pm). Classes will be as usual from after lunch until 3pm.

- Students must please wear colours of their House Groups. Suitable clothing for running which includes appropriate running shoes must be worn for the race.
- All students will participate in this event and the course will be set up for the following age levels: Years 1- 2, Years 3-4, Years 5-6, Years 7-8
- Please bring your own picnic lunch or there will be a Sausage Sizzle BBQ at lunchtime. Sausages will be \$2 (bread, butter and sauce included). Students can place and pay for their order when they arrive at school tomorrow morning. (There will also be a limited number of extra sausages on sale during lunchtime)
- We still need a few more parent helpers to help us as marshalls along the course. Please see Mrs Thompson or Mrs Hamilton if you are able to help.
- Please bring a can of food to donate to the Presbyterian Support Foodbank.



Netball Draw: Saturday 22nd May

11 am Court 3 - Rural Schools Rockets vs Mackenzie Jrs: Rebels

10 am Court 7 - Rural Schools Ferns vs Rural Schools Sparks

Enjoy your game girls and a big thank you to coaches, managers and supporters!

Basketball Draw: Monday 24th May (Semi Finals)

Boys – 4.00 pm TCS South v Waimataitai Celtics, Court 3

Please be there at **3.30 pm** for warm up.

Girls – 4.30 pm TCS Aces v Craighead Red, Court 3

Please be there at **4.00 pm** for a warm-up.

Rural Schools Cross Country on Tuesday 25th May (pp Friday 28th May)

There will be a small number of competitors from the Year 4 age group and the rest of the competitors are from Years 5-8. There will be a Sausage Sizzle BBQ at the Rural Schools Cross Country. The venue is Craigmore Station (Craigmore Hill Road off Craigmore Valley Road). There will be some maps available from the office for parents who wish to go and watch their children compete. Or you are welcome to follow the bus from school leaving at 11am. The races will start at 12:15pm. We do need a couple of marshalls for our Rural Schools Cross Country on Tuesday. Please let Mrs Thompson know if you are able to help. As for any sporting event it does take some organisation and extra volunteers to help on the day. So helpers are much appreciated.

Upcoming Events



20th May – BoT Meeting, 6.30 pm

21st May – TCS Family Cross Country and Mufti Day

25th May – Rural Schools Cross Country (Years 5-8)
(PP 28th)

3rd June – Life Education visit

4th June – Teacher Only Day

7th June – Queen's Birthday (school closed)

14th June – SC Cross Country (pp 16th June)

18th June – Hillview Visit (Year 1-8)

9th July – Term 2 ends

26th July – Term 3 begins

Our Vision: "Christ-centred learners with servant hearts"

Our Values: Love and Grace through Servanthood, Truth and Perseverance

HONOURING GOD IN ALL WE DO



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Opportunities to Be Involved

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.

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.



*Servant-
heart*

Some Safe Travel Tips

If you park on Otipua Road and walk down, the need to do a u-turn disappears and you get to enjoy some wonderful one-on-one time with your child as you walk back to the car.

When parking in the school car park, if the children haven't yet come out, consider reversing into the car park so it is easier to see if any children are in your path when driving away.

Keep an eye out for other families who are walking home your way. Perhaps you can walk together and get to know someone new as you go.



Perseverance

Important Notices to Notice

Teacher Only Day – this term we will be having a Teacher Only Day on Friday 4th June. School will also be closed on Monday 7th June for the Queen's Birthday holiday. Enjoy the long weekend!



Learners

Community Events

Endeavour Sea Scouts have vacancies for Boys aged 10 to 16. Meet Tuesdays from 6:45pm at HQ North Mole. Enjoy traditional scouting with a nautical flavour including kayaking, sailing and rowing. PH Andrea 0226517568 or Evelyn 0210773694.

Gleniti Scout Group

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

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



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Scouts – For girls and boys aged between 11 and 14. At present we meet on Tuesdays from 6.30pm. 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.

We have vacancies in all sections. You might have a child that isn't playing a sport, but Keas, Cubs or Scouts might just be for them. Phone Rose on 686 9888 for more information on where we meet and how you can have four free sessions to see if you and they enjoy it.

OCEANS Grief and Loss is a peer support programme for children, teens, and adults who have experienced loss in their life. The losses we work with usually come from the death of a significant person, or a personal experience of separation/divorce. The focus of this programme is providing a safe environment for participants to talk about their loss/es and the change/s that have occurred then look ahead to a preferred future living and coping with the loss/change. We meet once a week for eight weeks in the children's programme and six weeks for the teen and adult's programme. We have seen many people go through the programme and have numerous success stories of how it has helped (Over 500 since Oceans started in 2006). To enrol in a grief and loss programme please visit the website: <https://www.anglican care.org.nz> or phone Matt on 0800 OCEANS or 027 4 OCEANS (ie. 623267) or e-mail oceans.timaru@gmail.com for more information.

School Family Businesses You Can Support

King Street Takeaways

39a King Street
688 8191



Grace

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.

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

Mrs P's Scrunchies

Hair scrunchies, made with the TCS skirt/pinafore fabric, are available to purchase through the school office. \$3 each or 2 for \$5. These are a very tidy accessory for girls' hair to complement the TCS uniform.

