

# Southcity Christian School



14th of November 2022. Term 4 Week 5.

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**Principal** 

Bev Bishop

**Teachers** 

Room 1 - Bryan Theobald

Room 2 – Tim Popping

Room 5 – Jess Norman and John Talsma

Room 4 - Tracy Hankins

Room 6 – Cathy Ullyett and Rachel Corban

Room 7 - Valerie Thompson

Room 8 – Jeanne Gibson

Room 9 - Ilse Nolan

**Teacher Aides** 

Catherine King

Laura Lankshear

Maria McClennan

Maria Tasker

Gayle Young

Office

Lisa Zegwaard

Caretakers

Paul Anderson

**Errol Bishop** 

Eion Field

'Instead, whoever wants to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave to all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.' Mark 10 v 43-45

From the Principal; Kia ora koutou katoa (Greetings to you all).

The following words are not mine, but from my Bible commentary. They fit the above verse perfectly.

Jesus was a servant-leader. He came not to be ministered to, but to minister. He completes His services through love. He not only serves a few, but He gives His life for many. Jesus asks the same of us: that we not work for our own gain or position, but that we work within the benefit of others in mind. In turn, Jesus promises that we will be 'great' – not through our own authority or works, but through His.

Have a great week

Manaaki te atua (God Bless) Bev Bishop

#### **Assembly**

There will be a full school assembly in Room 9 starting at 2pm this Friday, the 18<sup>th</sup> of November. All are welcome.

#### 2022 and 2023 Term Dates

2022 Term 4: 17 Oct – 14 Dec 2023 Term 2: 24 Apr – 30 Jun 2023 Term 1: 31 Jan – 6 Apr 2023 Term 3: 17 Jul – 22 Sep

We request that your holidays be planned during the school holidays where possible.

# Teacher Only Day – Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December

Please make sure that you have noted this as the school will not be open for instruction on this day.

#### **Scholastic Flyers**

Please take note that these books are not endorsed by the school, as they are not Christian. We merely provide the opportunity for parents to purchase books at affordable prices.

The flyers are on the table in the office foyer. Orders and payment must be made by 9am on Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November. Late orders cannot be accepted as they may not arrive before school closes for the year.

### Heads Up for 2023 Years 5 – 8 Students

Next year (2023) is a CAMP year for our Years 5 to 8 students. This will be held in Week 8 of Term 1 - 4 Wednesday the  $22^{nd}$  to Friday the  $24^{th}$  of March.

In order for this to go ahead successfully, we will need parent help (parents to attend the whole camp). Any parents attending will need to be Police Vetted.

The cost of the camp will be approximately \$160 per person, but there may be some subsidy of the cost by the school to reduce this somewhat. Further specific details will follow early next year.

#### **Prize Giving and Production**

This is our annual celebration of achievement and a celebration of our talents. It is expected that <u>all</u> students will attend.

The Prize Giving starts promptly at 7pm. The Production follows a short intermission once the Prize Giving is complete.

The event is held at Central Baptist Church on Charlemont Street.

## **Last Day of School**

School will finish for 2022 on Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> of December at 12pm. Please will you pick up your children on time, as staff will be attending a function soon after school closes.

#### **Reports**

These will be emailed home in the week of the 12<sup>th</sup> of December. You will also be advised of your child's class for 2023, and be provided with a link to OfficeMax for their stationery list.

It would be very helpful if students could arrive at school, with their books on the first day.

The office will be open on Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> of January 2023 from 9am until 12pm if needed for uniform requirements. School will open for students on Tuesday the 31<sup>st</sup> of January 2023.

#### **Shout Out!**

Daniel, a student in Room 1, has been on a self-motivated mission this year to ensure that our school is free from litter. He, and a band of willing helpers, spend their morning tea and lunch times picking up rubbish.

Daniel has a plea for assistance from parents in this regard.

"A group of students and I have been picking up rubbish throughout the year. We would like to keep our school beautiful, so we were hoping you could talk to your children about throwing their rubbish in the bin, or taking their lunchbox rubbish home with them.

Also, if they see rubbish lying around, please encourage them to pick it up and dispose of it properly.

A big thank you to those who have been helping me with this project.

Daniel"

#### From the Board

Mrs Anna Pieterse has been appointed to Principal role at Southcity from the start of 2023. Anna comes to us from Lake Taupo Christian School. The Board welcomes her to this role, and we look forward to her starting with us at the beginning of next year.



#### **Friends of Southcity**

The Friends of Southcity are a group of parents who serve the school in a variety of ways. Our focus is on supporting the school and helping to build community. If you would like to find out more, please contact Olga on 027-427-4483 or <a href="mailto:southcityfriends@gmail.com">southcityfriends@gmail.com</a>.



# Bev Bishop

Our wonderful principal is retiring.

You are invited to join us in thanking her for her 25 years of service to our school community.

Saturday 19 November 2022 2pm – 4.30pm Central Baptist Church 33 Charlemont St, Whitiora

Afternoon tea will be provided.

There will be the opportunity for guests to share some short stories or words of thanks.

A guestbook will be available for those who would like to write a message to Bev.

If you would like to contribute to the community farewell gift for Bev, please contact office@southcity.school.nz

After 25 years of dedication to the school, Mrs Bishop is retiring at the end of the year.

There will be a farewell at Central Baptist Church, 33 Charlemont Street, Hamilton, on Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> of November –this Saturday!

Guests are able to come at any time between 2 and 4.30pm.

If you are planning on attending Bev's farewell please email the school office for a link to the RSVP site.