



Southcity Christian School



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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 Ulyett 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

8th of August 2022. Term 3 Week 3.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you." Jeremiah 29 v 11 - 12

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

We welcome Maddy to Room 5, Charlie to Room 4, and Felicity and Rozania to Room 8. We hope that they and their families will be very happy at Southcity.

Thank you to all those families who attended our Learning Conferences and for the positive feedback to the teachers. My grateful thanks to the teachers for their commitment to your children's learning and for the long hours they put in, to ensure they are providing the best possible education. You may not know, but some teachers would have spent almost 12 hours at school on Wednesday, with a full afternoon of Learning Conferences, after a full-on morning in class!

I believe that we had a 2 car collision in the car park last week. Please be patient, and be extremely observant in the carpark. Thankfully it was a car – and not a child, that was involved. There are still people who walk through the carpark, in front of oncoming cars, and weaving in and out of reversing cars. It is only a matter of time before someone does get hurt!

Let's slow down, follow the rules, think of others and be kind.

Have a great week

Manaaki te atua (God Bless)

Bev Bishop

Assembly

Assembly will be held in Room 9, beginning at 2pm this Friday.

All are welcome.

2022 Term Dates

2022 Term 3: 25 July – 30 Sep

2022 Term 4: 17 Oct – 14 Dec

2023 Term 1: 31 Jan – 6 Apr

2023 Term 2: 24 Apr – 30 Jun

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

News from the School Board

Dear Parent Community,

I am writing to inform you that Bev Bishop, after 24 years of greatly appreciated service, has decided that she will retire at the end of the 2022 school year. We have been tremendously blessed to have had Bev's leadership and management of the school over these years and we know that it will be extremely difficult to find someone to replace her.

Kind Regards

Janita Liddington (Board Chairperson)

Teacher Only Day – Friday the 16th of September

We will hold a Teacher Only Day on Friday the 16th of September. There will be **NO** school on that day, so you will need to make other arrangements for your child. The teachers will be involved with Professional Development.

Cross Country – Friday the 9th of September

The Melville Rugby Club has been kind enough to offer us the use of their grounds for our Cross Country.

Exact times will be indicated closer to the date.

This year we are asking our students to collect sponsorship / donations as we will be supporting Run 4 Bibles (Bible League) through our Cross Country.

Run 4 Bibles supports students at schools in South Africa, to have a Bible of their own – which in turn improves the wellbeing and behaviour of the student. In 2020 we raised enough money to provide for 439 Bibles. Let's see if we can beat this in 2022!

Lost Property

Nathan Young has lost his polar fleece sweatshirt and it does not seem to be anywhere at school. It is clearly named. Please can you check your child's clothing to see whether it has gone to your home by mistake. If the sweatshirt is found at home, please return to the school office.

At the same time, please check that your child's clothing is named clearly, with their own name. Rewrite the name if it is faded. Thanks.

Request for Payment

These are attached to the newsletter today.

The Southcity Educational Charitable Trust does like all Attendance Dues paid up by the end of each year.

School Board Elections

Thank you so much to all who have put themselves forward for nomination.

We have sufficient candidates to go to a vote. Envelopes with voting papers and other information will be mailed out today. Please complete your voting paper and return to the Ballot Box in the school office by Wednesday the 7th of September.

Friends of Southcity

The 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 southcityfriends@gmail.com.

Praying for Southcity Christian School

Each week the Friends of Southcity send out an email with prayer points to pray for our school and school community. If you would like to be added to the prayer chain to receive the weekly prayer email or if you would like to send in a prayer request (named or anonymous), please let us know via southcityfriends@gmail.com

Community Meals

There are times when the Friends of Southcity organise some meals or baking for a school family if we hear about a need, such as when a family welcomes a new baby. We are needing some more volunteers who are willing to help with this. If you would like to contribute to this ministry by supplying a meal or baking when the need arises, or to find out more information on how this works, please contact Olga on 027-427-4483 or southcityfriends@gmail.com.

Help While Isolating

If you are struggling or needing help with something while isolating, please feel free to contact the Friends of Southcity who may be able to help, for example with picking up your online grocery order and doing a contactless delivery. We would like to help you if we are able. 027-427-4483 southcityfriends@gmail.com

