



Southcity Christian School

2nd of February 2023. Term 1 Week 1.

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Principal

Anna Pieterse

Teachers

Room 1 – Bryan Theobald
Room 2 – Tim Popping
Room 5 – Jess Norman and
John Talsma
Room 4 – Tracy Hankins
Room 6 – Rachel Corban
and Sophie Vink
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

Caretaker

Eion Field

From the Principal;

Kia ora e te whanau

Welcome back to school. We are very pleased to be back with you tamariki and look forward to all that God has in store for us this term.

As I was seeking God at the beginning of the year asking him for direction for our school the word that came to me was 'Community'. I shared with our teachers that we have a common unity and that is Christ himself. It is in Christ that we are bound together.

In Colossians 2 verse 2 it says,
"I want them to be encouraged and knit together by strong ties of love. I want them to have complete confidence that they understand God's mysterious plan, which is Christ himself."

It is by our love for one another that the world will know that we are Christ's disciples. Let our kura outwork God's love. Let us think of ways we can encourage our tamariki to show love to each other and ways that we personally can outwork Christ's love to others.

I would like to welcome all our new students and families to the Southcity family and we pray that your time with us is blessed. We also have a new member of our teaching staff, Mrs. Sophie Vink. We are excited to have you as part of our team and look forward to all that you have to bring to our kura. Mrs. Vink will be teaching in Room 6 (Year 3) with Mrs Corban. Mrs Vink will be with Room 6 on Thursday and Friday.

Ma whero ma pango ka oti ai te mahi.

This whakatauki says with red and black the work is complete. This refers to the cooperation between groups. So here at Southcity let us outwork God's love together so his work is complete in us.

Anna Pieterse

2022 and 2023 Term Dates

2023 Term 1: 31 Jan – 6 Apr

2023 Term 3: 17 Jul – 22 Sep

2023 Term 2: 24 Apr – 30 Jun

2023 Term 4: 9 Oct – 14 Dec

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

ICT Notices

ICT notices are coming home today.
These must be completed and returned to school by Wednesday 8th of February.
Children will not have access to Laptops or devices until these are signed and returned.

Year 7 & 8 Immunisations

We have Year 7 and 8 Immunisations coming up this term. Please read the information attached to this newsletter.

Parents are welcome to attend the PHN education session in Room 1 on the Thursday the 9th of February – Year 7 session at 9.15am and Year 8 session at 9.45am. However, we ask that you only observe during the presentation. If you have any questions you can ask the Public Health Nurse once the students have been dismissed at the conclusion of the information session.

Senior Camp Years 5 – 8 Students

This year is a camp year for our Years 5 to 8 students. This will be held in Week 8 of Term 1 – Wednesday the 22nd to Friday the 24th 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.

Upcoming Teacher Only Day

Please mark in your calendar our teacher only day on Monday 24th April. This day is to allow staff time to complete planning for the new term.

Assembly

There will be a full school assembly in Room 9 fortnightly at 2pm from Week 2.
The first school assembly will be Friday the 10th of February. All are welcome.

Dates to Note

6 Feb: Waitangi Day – Public Holiday, school is closed
16 Feb: Prayer Meeting
6 – 10 Mar: Senior Swimming
17 Mar: School Photos
22 – 24 Mar: Senior School Camp
27 – 31 Mar: Junior Swimming
29 Mar: Christian Schools Athletics Day for seniors

Southcity Parent Prayer Meeting

Join us in praying
together for our school
and school community

9-10am

Thursday 16 February 2023

(Week 3)

In the School Library



The Friends of Southcity

are a group of parents who want to
positively contribute to our school
community in a variety of ways.

If you would like to meet other school
parents, make new friends, contribute to
school community, pray for our school and
families, be encouraged, support school staff
and serve our school, then come and join us!

Contact Olga at southcityfriends@gmail.com
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