

Southcity Christian School

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Principal

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Teachers

Room 1 – Bryan Theobald

Room 2 – Tim Popping and Sophie Vink

Room 5 – Jess Norman and John Talsma

Room 6 –Rachel Corban and Sophie Vink

Room 4 – Tracy Hankins

Room 7 – Valerie Thompson and Jacina Stapleton

Room 8 – Jeanne Gibson

Room 9 – John Talsma and Maria McClennan

Teacher Aides

Anna Dobbs

Catherine King

Laura Lankshear

Maria McClennan

Maria Tasker

Gayle Young

Office

Lisa Zegwaard

Caretaker Eion Field

16th of August 2023. Term 3 Week 5.

Last week we farewelled Mrs Nolan as she started her maternity leave. We are so excited to meet her precious little baby once baby safely arrives. Please pray for baby Nolan's safe arrival.

We welcome Mr. Talsma back after his overseas adventure. Mr. Talsma will be working in Room 5 on Monday's and in Room 9 the rest of the week. On Monday's Mrs. McClennan will be in Room 9.

We would also like to welcome Mrs. Dobbs to our team. She is working in Room 5 on Tuesdays and Fridays this year.

Next week we have our **Māori Parent Hui**. It is on Wednesday 23 August at 7pm at Glenview Community House. A google form has been sent out to families who have been invited. We look forward to your reply. I am looking forward to planning together with our whanau.

We have **Cross Country** coming up on Friday the 1st of September. Forms and any sponsorship or donations are due back on Friday the 15th of September. What an amazing opportunity we have to partner with the Bible League to see children in South Africa have access to their own Bibles. Let's get behind our tamariki and sponsor them. Let's give our Cross Country a greater purpose than ourselves.

Term 4 Teacher Only Day has been changed to Monday the 13th of November 2023. Please change this in your diaries. There will not be any supervision for students. Staff will be meeting together with Waipa and Matamata Christian Schools. This will be a great time of learning, growth and fellowship for all staff.

Calendar Art - artwork will be in classrooms next week for parents to view. Information on ordering will come in a separate email. Orders are due 31st of August (as prices go up on 1st of September). This is a great little fundraiser for our school, and we look forward to seeing all the completed products coming in. The calendars are a great Christmas present and in the past I have certainly loved having these hang on my wall.

Assembly: There will be a whole school assembly this Friday, the 18th of August. This will in held in Room 9 at 2pm. All are welcome.

A message from the Southcity Educational Charitable Trust:

To all the senior students of Southcity (and their parents), The Senior Playground is now OPEN!

We, the proprietors, want to thank you for your patience in waiting for the refurbishment of the playground. We know it has been a long wait. We would love for you all to get back out there and enjoy it again. We also want to thank all those involved in volunteering their time, energy, and tools to get the job done. You guys are legends and we really appreciate having parents who serve the school in this way and invest in the Kingdom of God. We hope you take joy in the knowledge that there are some happy students who are now able to hoon around on their playground again.

Big thanks to:

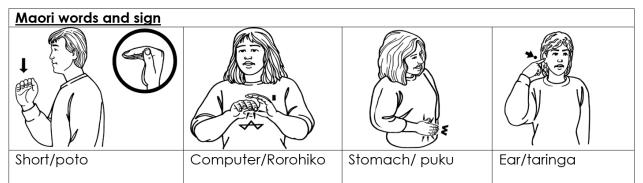
Riku and Annemie van Tonder, Stephen and Laura Lankshear, Tim Croucher, Brendon Dickinson, Jono Yeow, Anton Post, and Harry Croucher.

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.

Our next meeting is this Friday, the 18th of August at 9am in the staffroom. Babies and pre-schoolers are welcome. If you would like to find out more, please contact Olga on 027-427-4483 or <u>southcityfriends@gmail.com</u>

<u>Kupu o te Wiki</u> (Words of the Week) Our aim is for all our students to learn 100 kupu with actions in the Te reo Kupu Challenge. Each newsletter will include the words and the actions students are learning. Each word will have the sign language paired with it.

<u>Week 5</u>



<u>Week 6</u>

Maori words and sign			
Work/mahi	Talk/korero	Walk/hiko	Look up,down/titiro