



Southcity Christian School



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Room 6 – Rachel Corban
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Room 4 – Tracy Hankins

Room 7 – Lindsay Basalyga

Room 8 – Jeanne Gibson

Room 9 – John Talsma and
Maria McClennan

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11th of October 2023. Term 4 Week 1.

Kia ora e te whanau

Welcome back to Term 4. It is so good to see our children back at school after a break. We are already running at full steam into our classes. We pray that you had the opportunity to make some memories today.

We would like to welcome Miss Lindsay Basalyga to Room 7 for the next two terms. We are so blessed to have you on board and part of our team. Please make sure you go and introduce yourself to her, especially the parents our of Room 7 children.

Sun hats are now compulsory, if not worn, children will have to stay in the shaded part of lunch bay. This will be enforced as on Monday next week. We have plenty of hats in stock at \$14 each, so come to the office to make your purchase.

It was decided at our last Board meeting that girls have the option to wear trousers all year round. These are a specific design for our girls and are different from our boy's uniform. They are currently on order, but we will let you know when they have arrived. Girls still have the option of wearing culottes and / or skirts as well, the trousers are a new, optional, addition.

Save the date - production will be on Wednesday the 13th of December, at 7pm, all students expected to attend. This will also be our school prize giving ceremony.

We will be having a prayer meeting tomorrow at 9 am with our venue being the Staffroom. Please come along, prayer support for our school is very much valued and appreciated.

If you placed an online order for your childs' artwork to be made into calendars etc, these will be coming home today. Please check their bag.

Request for Payments are also coming home today, please make sure your account is fully paid by the end of this term.

Assembly: There will be a whole school assembly this Friday, the 13th of October. This will in held in Room 9 at 2pm. All are welcome.

Pick up Times - We will continue to have staggered pick up times. If you have children who are only in Rooms 4, 6, 7 or 9 please pick them up at 2:45pm from outside Room 8. We ask for prompt and quick collection to help ease congestion in the car park. If you are collecting children from Rooms 1, 2 or 5 or children in both Senior and Junior School, pick up time is 3pm from the lunch bay. Please don't arrive earlier as we are trying to ease congestion in the car park. We appreciate your help in this matter.

2024 Students - We are again under pressure for enrolment at Year 1. If you have a child due to start school at any time during 2024, please collect an enrolment form from the office, fill it in and return to us as soon as possible.

If your child will be leaving Southcity at the end of 2023 (not year 8's), please will you let us know in writing as soon as possible (an email is fine).

We are busy sorting class lists and this information is very helpful.

Scholastic – Scholastic flyers are now available in the office foyer near the photocopier. These flyers give parents access to a range of books at a discounted rate. However, as Scholastic is not a Christian organisation, we suggest you screen the books before purchasing. If you would like to place an order, please bring the order sheet and payment to me at the office by 9am on Wednesday the 23rd of August. Alternatively, you can order online with the instructions from the flyer.

Printed Newsletter Opt-in Option – today we have printed out one newsletter per family which will come home with your oldest child at Southcity. We would prefer not to print the newsletter each fortnight as a lot of families do not read the printed version, and it is a waste of time and resources. However, a few parents have expressed their preference for the printed format. Therefore, we will have an opt-in option for printed newsletters. If you would like to receive a printed copy of the fortnightly newsletter via your child, please let me know by emailing office@southcity.school.nz. This can be updated or changed at any time by emailing me your preference. The next newsletter will only be printed for those who have opted in. All newsletters will be emailed to parents whether or not you opt in.

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 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

Southcity Parent Prayer Meeting

Join us in praying
together for our school
and school community

9-10am

Thursday 12 October 2023

(Week 1)

In the School Library



Dates to Note

- 9 Oct: First day of term 4
- 12 Oct: Prayer Meeting
- 23 Oct: Labour Day – no school
- 26 Oct: Foodbank Drive and Mufti Day
- 13 Nov: Teacher Only Day
- 13 Dec: 7pm School Prize Giving and Production
- 15 Dec: Last day of school for 2023
- 30 Jan: First day of school for 2024

Foodbank Drive

Thursday

26 October 2023

Term 4 Week 3



We will be having a food collection drive
to donate to the Hamilton Combined
Christian Foodbank, who support families
in need in the Waikato.

If you are able, please bring a
non-perishable food or toiletry item to
school for us to donate to the foodbank.