

LAC NEWSLETTER

"In Christ, we educate, encourage and empower"



IMPORTANT DATES:

Term Dates: Mon 3rd of May - Fri 9th of July

Wed 12th of May - Cross Country (2.15pm)

Fri 14th of May - 7 & 8 rotation 1 ends

Mon 17th of May - 7 & 8 rotation 2 starts

Thurs 20th of May - Teacher Only Day

Fri 21st of May - Y7 & 8 sports tournament

Fri 28th of May - 12-13 PE/EMP Excursion

Mon 31st of May - Fri 4th of June - WOW

Mon 11th of June - Teacher Only Day Cancelled

Mon-Tues 14-15th of June - Sports Exchange

Thurs 17th of June - Big Sing Competition

Mon 21st of June - Year 7 & 8 Marae Visit

Fri 25th-Sun 27th June - 40 Hour Famine

Fri 2nd of July - Mid-Year reports

Mon 5th of July - Year 9 rotation 2 starts

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Matthew 11:28-30 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

As some of you will know I have been working through a 90-day Challenge with David Asscherick, and a number of people around the world, going through the book *Desire of Ages*. The book itself is an insight into the Gospels, that is Jesus. Quoting from *Desire of Ages*: "Tenderly He bade the toiling people, "Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls". In these words, Christ is speaking to every human being. Whether they know it or not.

The first word that struck me was *tenderly*. While I often think of God as this incomprehensible Creator, He is actually tenderly concerned about me as an individual. How awesome is that? Then the message is, do we want to be following Someone who tenderly cares for us, or would we prefer to be judged by the world? Would we prefer Jesus to pay the price for us, or would we rather take it upon ourselves to make it right?

It makes sense that His burden is light, because I am sure that many of us would recognise that this world's burdens are significantly heavier and we don't have the answers; He is.

Yours in Christ,
Brendan van Oostveen

EVENTS



ATHLETICS DAY

Another successful Athletics Day for LAC. Couldn't have asked for better weather on the day and it was an enjoyable day out.

All teams participated extremely well & the day ended with Luther on 1745, Wesley on 2298 and Tyndale on 2416. Congrats Tyndale!



Check out Records broken high points on page 8.



INUMERO TAHI



This term, Wednesday mornings for the Year 7&8s have been busy learning taiaha and tikanga Maori. We have learned new waiata and actions and many new words and ideas. The students have been enthusiastic and committed to this new learning. We are very thankful to Pa Jack, Matua George and Whaea Dawn for sharing their individual strengths with us and look forward to developing new skills in this area over the rest of the year.

Year 9 & 10 students will take part in the same programme with Inumero Tahi beginning week 4 of next term.

[CLICK HERE TO WATCH YEAR 7 AND 8 IN ACTION](#)



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YEAR 9 CAMP



This term, Year 9 went out to spend three days in Pohangina Valley. We camped for 2 rather chilly nights at Totara Reserve where students gained a large range of practical camping skills as well as Art, Social Sciences and English skills and connections. [Read more...](#)

YEAR 13 CAMP

Leaving Monday night, we departed school and made our way to Blue Mountain Adventure Centre, making it our home for the week. Over the course of the week we did many fun activities such as the Tongariro Crossing, rafting, caving, high ropes, rock climbing, and gumboot throwing. It was a great time to spend with each other outside of class, creating fun and everlasting memories.

[Read more...](#)



LAC CHOIR



This year twenty students signed up to the school choir. Practices are held every Wednesday at break for the full choir. Sectional practices usually take place on Tuesday for the basses and tenors and Monday for the altos. The LAC Choir has started to prepare for the Big Sing Secondary Schools Choral Festival which is to be held at the Regent on Broadway on Thursday 17 June 2021. For the Regional Competition, three pieces in total are selected from three categories: NZ Composition, Choral Art and a chosen genre.

The Festival provides a wonderful opportunity to see, hear and meet students from other schools in the Manawatu and also provides students with an opportunity to contribute to the community by sharing their musical talents and gifts.

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CELEBRATION DAY



All students were excited about the celebration day this year. Students were keen to grab the food rewards earned for their good behaviour.

Appreciation goes to all the prefect associates, the PB4L team and teachers that helped out and organised the food.

Big thanks to Dominos for supporting us with their pizzas, the school managed to order over 80 of them!



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YEAR 10 PARLIAMENT TRIP

The Year 10 Social Studies class went on a trip to Parliament and the National Holocaust Centre. It was a long drive to Wellington, about two hours, but we arrived at our first stop which was the Holocaust Centre. Sad stuff we heard there. There were Jews murdered by Nazis and mass genocide! There were gas chambers and forced labour. We looked at the suffering and trauma the Jews experienced all as a result of a foolish, evil dictatorship.

With 'government and citizenship' being our study unit and main focus this term, we had to learn about the different types of government and how they work. At the Holocaust Centre we witnessed the worst that would come about from a government when people don't have a say.

After a long time at the Centre we then left for Parliament. We arrived at the 'Beehive', a big tall cylinder-like building standing tall in the sun. Inside were the representatives of our democracy soon to start debating as people watched from the gallery (upper floor of the debating chamber) and on TV. Our guide talked to us about how everything works in the debating chamber. Everything like all of the important procedures, the fancy customs and traditions we use from the British government. There was lots of noise in the chamber. We saw pride, disagreement and even some childish behaviors you might see in a classroom.



- Kiwi Tapaatoutai - Year 10 student

EVENTS



WORLD VISION TEAM

This year the World Vision Team is excited about attending the World Vision Youth Conference on Monday 17 May 2021. The venue is the Arise Centre in Korokoro, Lower Hutt. Eleven Year 11-13 students have been selected to attend, accompanied by Mrs Sandy van Wyk and Mr Rob Gardner. The event will run from 8.30 until 3.00pm.



World Vision Youth Conference is a global leadership event designed to spark a passion for justice in young Kiwis, and equip them with leadership tools to create change both locally and globally.

Each year over one thousand young people across Aotearoa are empowered and mobilised to be strong social advocates in their schools and communities through the World Vision Youth Conference national tour. It is great LAC can be part of this event.

-Sandy van Wyk, World Vision Teacher leader

SONGWRITING COMPETITION

New year, new ideas, new beginnings! A Christian songwriting competition between Christchurch, LAC and ASDAH. What a wonderful opportunity for students. There is even a junior songwriting competition for juniors. Parents, please encourage your children to enter.

You never know, you may have a budding musician living under the same roof as you! Further enquiries may be directed to Mrs Sandy van Wyk in the Music Department.

-Music Department



Speak to your teacher in charge of music for details

FOR MORE INFO EMAIL: audienceof1nz@gmail.com

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YouTube

PORTAL ACCESS



Now that we are at the end of the term, a number of teachers will have written up real time comments in line with particular assessments that your child has completed. In order to access these comments, you will need to login to the LAC portal.

Here are the steps to do so:

- Go to <http://portal.lac.school.nz>
- Login as your child (e.g. Joe Blog = JoeB). Enter the password that has been emailed to you as either the primary or secondary caregiver
- Go to the 'Results' tab
- Go to 'Current Year Results'
- Scroll down and view your child's results

Please note that as we are in Week 11 of Term 1, there will not be too many results uploaded. In the portal, areas like attendance, NCEA summaries, notices and awards can also be accessed. All caregivers will be emailed their child's login and a password to use over the weekend. It is important to access the portal to keep up with your child's academic progress. If you have any concerns accessing the portal, please contact Ryan Gounder at

SPORTS AT LAC

MARK DONALDSON RIPPA RUGBY TOURNAMENT



LAC participated for the first time in the annual Mark Donaldson Rippa Rugby Tournament. This is a yearly tournament held for students up to Year 8. Our team of 10 had a great day playing and learning the sport as we participated, and are looking forward to playing more Rippa in the future. Special Recognition to our two highest try-scorers of the day: Naphtali Sayles and Juan Saunders.

– Kofi Amoah, Event Coordinator



SUMMER RUGBY FESTIVAL

Two weeks ago, Rugby Manawatu partnered with NZ Rugby to host the first ever Summer Tournament Week Rugby Festival. The festival served a part of the lead up to the Women's Rugby World Cup, taking place here in New Zealand later this year. The festival included Sevens Rugby, and Rippa for junior and senior boys and girls. LAC was pleased to participate with a senior girls and senior boys team in both the Sevens and Rippa events. Both teams played well and showed great resilience in the midst of a long day of rugby. The day's hard work was paid off with the girls team gaining a victory against Palmy Girls. Our students also had the privilege of meeting Black Ferns Selica Winiata and Carys Dallinger. Special notice to Alevya Skerrett and Charm Nakono, who were recognised by Rugby Manawatu for their outstanding performances. Great work LAC!

– Kofi Amoah , Event Coordinator



SPORTS AT LAC

FUTSAL:



The Futsal team were fortunate to have Antony Riley of Central Football take a training session recently. Antony is an International (FIFA) Futsal Referee, so brings so much knowledge with him to these sessions.

Since the session, it is clear that the team has lifted their work rate and intensity - well done.

In recent competition matches, the LAC Futsal Team has secured wins including a very tight 3-1 win over St Peters. We have had 5 games for 4 wins. There is one round to go this Friday (16 April), which will complete the Term 1 season.

- Alan Pedley, Team Coach and Manager

NEW GOALS:



Due to some prompting by the Futsal team, and the determination of William Brothwell to follow through on behalf of the team, we now have regulation Futsal goals for practice. This is making a great difference for our goalkeepers and also for our outfield players when developing scoring strategies. Thanks to the LAC PE learning area and the Sports Department for the funding of the goals.

For up to date LAC sports news please follow our Facebook page by clicking the Facebook icon



BADMINTON:

Big congratulations to the Year 7 and 8 Badminton teams this season!

LAC Smashers, Year 8s, grabbed their winner trophies placing first in Kea Division. LAC Shuttlers, Year 7s, placed 3rd in Kakapo Division.

Well done teams and thank you for all the teacher support with these teams.

- Wynn Llena, Sports Coordinator



VOLLEYBALL CHAMPS:



This term LAC students attended the NZSS Volleyball Championships as volunteers. Big thanks to the students that helped out.

- Wynn Llena, Sports Coordinator

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INTERMEDIATE HOCKEY



It was a joy to work with this season's Intermediate Hockey team. Our team was full of bubbly, enthusiastic students who always tried their best in every game. They continued to push themselves, and it was awesome to see them grow individually, and as a team. I really enjoyed coaching them, and can't wait to see them succeed with their sporting goals in the future.

– Angelina Cariga, Year 11, Team Coach

ATHLETICS CHAMPS

Congratulations to age group champs for athletics day.

Also great to see so many records broken in 2021. Well done students.



Girls Age 10 & 11
Grace Bismark
Tyndale



Girls Age 12 & 13
Angelina Talamaivao
Wesley



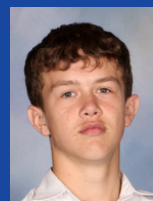
Girls Age 14 & 15
Caydy Skerrett
Wesley



Girls Age 16+
Alevya Skerrett
Wesley



Boys Age 10 & 11
Poasa Samuelu
Wesley



Boys Age 12 & 13
Jacob Malaquin
Tyndale



Boys Age 14 & 15
Kiwi Tapaatoutai
Tyndale



Boys Age 16+
Eliud Ganaii
Tyndale

ATHLETICS RECORD BREAKERS

Long Jump Girls Age 10 & 11 Grace Bismark 3.8m

Long Jump Girls Age 12 & 13 Angelina Talamaivao 4.30m

1500m Girls Age 12 & 13 Eden Duker 5.57min

Triple Jump Girls Age 16+ Alevya Skerrett 9.27m

Long Jump Girls Age 16+ Toryah Skerrett 4.15m

Later in the day, Toryah's record was then broken by...

Long Jump Girls Age 16+ Alevya Skerrett 4.75m

Triple Jump Boys Age 12 & 13 Jacob Malaquin 10.43m

WINTER SPORTS

As winter season approaches we are still looking for members to join the below sports. If this interests you being part of an LAC team please email: wynnelac.school.nz

- Football
- Rugby
- Basketball



END OF TERM AWARDS

TERM 1 DEAN AWARDS

YEAR 7



Reuben Pigott has displayed our school values of Respect, Integrity and Resilience continually throughout Term 1. He wears his school uniform with pride and shows persistence when it comes to his school work.

YEAR 8



Juan Saunders has displayed a high level of leadership skills in Year 8 this term. He has been an example to others by continually showing Respect, Integrity and Resilience to both his teachers and his peers.

YEAR 9



Mikah Kleinhans is an approachable, hardworking student who has been very friendly and positive throughout Term 1. She demonstrates the LAC values of Respect, Integrity and Resilience at all times.

YEAR 10



Jodie Aitken is recognised for her consistent work ethic, her growth in confidence and willingness to step outside of her comfort zone. Her pleasant & respectful nature which regularly displays our LAC values in and out of the classroom.

YEAR 11



Charles Padilla for always being a role model student who shows respect and integrity in and out of the classroom. While also being committed to assessment work to achieve his academic goals.

YEAR 12



Jack Matata for his ongoing integrity and resilience to keep school work a priority. Displaying commitment and hard work in everything he does.

YEAR 12



Priyanka Tikari for showing resilience in her work ethic and making sure she does things to the best of her ability. For also continuing to be a diligent, focused, hardworking student.

YEAR 13



DJ Edmonds for showing perseverance and resilience and trying his best in all he does. DJ is always positive and is a polite young man.

PB4L AWARDS

YEAR 7



These awards are awarded to students that have the highest Dojo point count. Dojo points are awarded to students that show the PB4L values: Integrity, Resilience and Respect. Congratulations to these students.

YEAR 8



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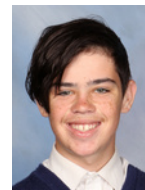
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YEAR 10



YEAR 11



YEAR 12



YEAR 13



TERM 2 NOTICES:

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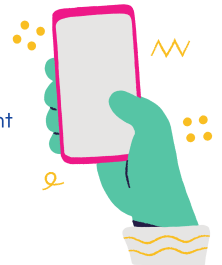
Students are expected to wear a LAC monogrammed tie in Term 2



and 3. The tie can be purchased through the school office for \$18.00. An optional unisex uniform item is a plain, black feather/down puffer jacket with a discrete label. These can be purchased through a range of retailers.

MOBILE PHONES AT SCHOOL

A laptop or Chromebook is the primary device used for learning. Students with mobile phones are to have them on silent and will not use them in school time without permission of a teacher. Parents and caregivers are reminded not to call their children on their mobile phones during class time in particular due to the disruptions this causes to the learning time. Messages can be passed on from the front office to students during the school day.



CHEQUE PAYMENTS

As banks will no longer be accepting cheques in the near future, we will no longer be able to accept payments at school via cheque from the beginning of Term 2. Payment by cash, EFTPOS and direct credit are the best ways to make payments.