

Coatesville School Board of Trustees News March 2016

Board of Trustee elections

Elections for the Coatesville School Board of Trustees will take place on 3 June 2016. These elections take place every three years, in accordance with Ministry of Education requirements. This year, the school community will be asked to nominate and elect 5 parent representatives. If you are interested in becoming a trustee and would like to get a sense of what is involved, you are welcome to attend our next Board meeting on 3 May at 7pm in the staff room. You are also very welcome to contact any existing board members to find out a little more. Contact details can be found at:

<http://www.coatesville.school.nz/board-of-trustees.html>

Some current board members will be re-standing at the elections and some will be standing down.

Masterplan/Charter launch

Thank you to all the parents who attended the launch of our school Masterplan and Charter earlier this month. It was a great evening and we hope you took away a greater understanding of where we are heading as a school. If you missed the evening and/or would like more information the link to the Masterplan is: <http://www.coatesville.school.nz/coatesville-rec-centre>

The Charter can be found at: <http://www.coatesville.school.nz/school-charter>

Sports uniform/logo update

One option for a new school sports uniform was modelled at the Masterplan and Charter evening a few weeks ago as well as at a school assembly. Work continues on this with other options being considered. No decisions have yet been made and the Board is committed to consultation with our school community on this matter.

We are also working on developing a new logo for the school which will incorporate a new school motto.

We look forward to sharing developments on both of these issues with the school community in the coming months.

Policy review

The Board reviewed our School Swimming Pool and Alcohol/Drugs policies as part of our ongoing review of school policies.

Principal's Performance Agreement

The Board agreed the Principal's Performance Agreement for 2016. The document includes goals identified through the annual appraisal of the Principal in 2015 and will be used to inform the Principal's appraisal in 2016. The Board also approved a timetable for the Principal's appraisal in 2016. This process will take place from December 2016-February 2017.

Fundraising priorities for 2016

Our school relies on a number of fundraising activities and events throughout the year to help provide a range of items, activities and developments that aren't covered by our Ministry of Education funding. Our big ticket items are detailed in our School Masterplan. Some short-term priorities identified by the Board include: heating and ventilation for classrooms; a new school sports uniform; ventilation in toilets; more soccer goals; a working bee to remove and re-use parts of the car track; court fencing and seating; and outdoor musical instruments.

Our school PFA runs some wonderful events and activities through the year to support these goals. They always welcome extra helpers so please consider attending a meeting or emailing the PFA with

offers of help. The PFA meets every second Friday of the month at 1,45pm in Room 2. More information on the PFA can be found at: <http://www.coatesville.school.nz/pfa.html>
The school is also keen to attract sponsorship for events and items. If you are interested in sponsoring the school in anyway please contact Heather Seel at: hseel@coatesville.school.nz

The Board meets again on 3 May at 7pm in the staff room. Anyone is welcome to attend but only Board members have speaking rights.

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