

# Coatesville School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

*Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa*

Welcome back everyone. We hope you all enjoyed a lovely holiday break and are now looking forward to a great term. There is plenty happening over the next few weeks, as we have ‘hit the ground running’ to start this full term. A few of the very important upcoming events/happenings are:

## **“No!” to Bullying: Pink Shirt Day – Friday 18 May**

Pink Shirt Day is a day to wear a pink shirt (or something pink or as close to pink as possible) and to **say “No!” to bullying and to spread kindness!**

We want our school to be the safest place possible for all our children. Earlier this year we surveyed children, surveyed staff and gave parents and opportunity to share their thoughts, regarding how successfully we are supporting a safe environment. Everyone was also asked to share ideas on how to further enhance our success.

During the week of Pink Shirt Day we will be focused on sharing/reinforcing relevant messages to support anti-bullying and kindness across the school. Many of the messages will have come directly from the children themselves, who are a critical part of building, strengthening and maintaining the culture we want.

‘Pink Shirt Day’ will be a nice way to come together at the end of that week to reinforce the messages learnt about standing up to bullying and being kind.

## **School Photos – Tuesday 22 May**

Our class photos and individual photos will be taken on this day, along with sibling/family photos if requested. Information regarding photos and ordering will be sent home next week.

## **‘Teacher Only Day’ – Friday June 1**

There will be a ‘Teacher Only Day’ on Friday 1 June involving all our teachers who will be attending a learning conference at AJHS.

This is the Friday before Queens Birthday weekend.

School will be closed for instruction on that day. You can enjoy an extra long weekend.

## **Scholastic Book Fair Tues 8<sup>th</sup> May to Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> May - Open from 2:30pm to 3.30pm each day.**



We are having a book fair week 2, Term 2 as part of our Literacy fortnight. The students will have a chance to look at the books on sale during school time. Please come along and have a look - it’s a good chance to stock up the present box and buy some new books. Our school Library benefits by being able to choose new books from the percentage of sales. Thank you for your support. Lisa Pyne & Melissa Blignault (Librarians).



## **PIZZA DAY - Next Monday 7 May**

An order form will go home with each child this Friday.

Please fill out **ONE form per child** and give to the classroom teacher on Monday before 9.00am.

Remember – there will be no Sausage Sizzle on Monday 7 May.

## **School & Inter School Cross Country Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

Dear Parents Our 2018 School Cross Country will be held on Thursday 7th June (Save day 8th) and the Interschool Cross Country on Thursday 14th June (Rain save day 15th).

As always we really appreciate the help that parents are able to offer to make these events run smoothly.

**Marshals:** On the day we would like some parents to act as marshals, primarily standing at various cones and directing/encouraging children around the course. This job will require a time commitment from around 12:00pm to 3:00pm.

**Setting Up/ Packing Down:** I would like around 4-5 parents to help with setting up the bunting for the start/finish line, setting out cones and signage around the course, putting up simple shelters. This job will require a time commitment from around 8:30am to 11:00am. Then about an hour to pack up after the last race at approx. 2:30pm. If you are able to help with either of these jobs it would be greatly appreciated.

Please email me [mvandam@coatesville.school.nz](mailto:mvandam@coatesville.school.nz) and let me know which jobs and days you are available. Thanks in advance, Mark van Dam.

## **Our Special Weekly Awards**

Every week we recognise people who have made a meaningful contribution to our school.

We rightfully acknowledge them at our Friday assemblies each week in front of hundreds of people.

The winners certainly deserve every bit of recognition and plenty of thanks and applause for jobs well done!

Winners of the awards from the last week of term were:

***Cool Kiwi*** - for a positive contribution to the school environment:

- ***Nicole, Jack, Charlotte, Holly & Nikita*** for all her hard work picking up rubbish to keep our school grounds tidy. Thank you so much!

***Tomato Dude*** – for a special class/group/individual of the week:

- ***Mrs Thompson, Miss Mussett, special parent tutor Angela Simmons*** and the school kapa haka group for their wonderfully inspiring performance to the school at assembly. Fantastic job ladies and those awesome kapa haka children! Great work!

***Cracker Jacks Award*** – for an individual/group/class that has shown great sportsmanship:

- ***Our swimming team who competed at the North Shore Swimming Sports*** last term. Well done everyone on your qualification and performances.

## **FROM FOTS:**

Please click here to see how much was raised at our Cupcake Day last term: [FUNDRAISING NEWS FLASH ↵](#)

**Next FOTS Meeting** is tomorrow, Wednesday, 2nd May, from 7pm for a 7:30pm start in the Staffroom. All are welcome! For further information or to send us any ideas please email: [friendsofcoatesvilleschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofcoatesvilleschool@gmail.com)

**REMINDER – FOTS** still has a heap of dry firewood for sale. Cypress Pine \$125 a cubic meter with free delivery. If you're looking for any or know someone who is please contact Jace on 021.331733 or [friendsofcoatesvilleschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofcoatesvilleschool@gmail.com)

*Ka kite ano. Hei konā mai.*

*Richard Johnson*

Richard Johnson – Principal

## **Community Notices**

**ART WORKSHOPS AFTER SCHOOL Tuesdays at the Coatesville Hall**, straight after school. The tutor will meet the children at school and walk them to the hall, afternoon tea until 3.30pm then the workshop runs until 5pm. These classes encourage creativity, exploration and experimentation through the creative process, enthusiasm for and skills in the visual arts - all in a calm, positive, nurturing environment.

Go to <http://www.creativematters.co.nz/artworkshops-for-children> or call Mandy Jakich 021808126

### **FUSE Drumming at Coatesville School**

Have you always wanted to try bucket drumming? FUSE Drumming is the latest craze taking the world by storm and we're coming to Coatesville School to do a free demonstration during the lunch break on Thursday 10th May. Come along and have a go!

**Marrzipan!** run awesome classes which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term once to parents and once to the school. All scripts are original, engaging, educational and HILARIOUS. You can sign your child up for a **Trial Lesson** via our website [www.marrzipandrama.co.nz](http://www.marrzipandrama.co.nz) (we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to a human!)