

Coatesville School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Dear Parents

Chinese New Year

Last Friday our Chinese families brought Chinese New Year to Coatesville School! They did a sensational job as they shared their culture with our students and school community.



Sharleen Telford and I had conversations last year with some of our Chinese families, as we looked to get their input into our

school. This was to help us better understand how to support our Chinese students and any new Chinese families. The results of our meetings were very helpful and positive. And one of the initiatives discussed was the sharing of Chinese New Year.

Our Chinese families took that opportunity last week and we had a wonderful Friday assembly.

They had decorated the school earlier in the week and then we were treated to demonstrations and songs from children and adults sharing aspects of Chinese culture.

Selina and Clark were the two people who liaised with Sharleen as the day approached. They helped make this so successful and they also organised the decorations and put them around the school with their team of helpers.

Cherrie and her team made and organised the dumplings. I was told that it took 7 families two days to make and cook the dumplings! What an effort from so many people!

Anita and her team successfully ran the Coatesville Market stall recently.

David did the calligraphy with children at lunch time.

It was a massive team effort from our Chinese families. The students and staff were extremely grateful for the work they did. It was quite amazing!

Thank you all so much for your willingness to make such a memorable day for all of us. Well done!



Supporting Student Wellbeing

We have high standards for the support of wellbeing. Our 2018 School Charter says:

‘Our environment’ is:

- A safe place to learn and grow

‘Our people’ are:

- Friendly, positive and supportive
- Respectful of our environment and our people

[Supporting Student Wellbeing Plan 2018](#)

During discussions in Term 4 2017 with staff, BOT, parents and students, we talked in depth about our aim to eliminate, or at the very least significantly minimise, any negative student behaviour (and bullying) within our school.

I believe we had very honest discussions and people were very keen to see us start this year with renewed focus.

As such, we have devised a ‘Student Wellbeing Plan for 2018’ (click link above), to bring together a number of identified aspects supporting student wellbeing.

To implement this we have reviewed and strengthened a number of aspects. Including:

- Student Behaviour: [Classroom Procedures](#)
- Student Behaviour: [Playground Procedures](#)
- our definition of different student behaviours (conflict, rudeness, meanness & bullying – see below)
- our process for dealing with any potential/actual bullying ([Dealing with Bullying Procedures](#))
- our communication procedures for parents who have questions, concerns or issues (next page)



CONFLICT	RUDE	MEAN	BULLYING
Occasional	Occasional	Once or Twice	Is REPEATED
Not planned; in the heat of the moment	Spontaneous: unintentional	Intentional	Is planned and done on purpose
All parties are upset	Can cause hurt feelings; upset	Can hurt others deeply	The target of the bullying is upset
All parties want to work things out	Based in thoughtlessness, poor manners or narcissism	Based in anger; impulsive cruelty	The bully is trying to gain control over the target
All parties will accept responsibility	Rude person accepts responsibility	Behavior often regretted;	The bully blames the target
An effort is made by all parties to solve the problem			The target wants to stop the bully's behavior; the bully does not
Can be resolved through mediation	Social skill building could be of benefit	Needs to be addressed/ should NOT be ignored	CANNOT be resolved through mediation

To gain even more insight into how we have started in 2018, I will be ‘surveying’ students this week regarding their “level of wellbeing” in the classroom and the playground. I am also asking them for other ideas of what works already and how we can make our environment even safer and happier for everyone.

I have engaged staff in discussions and, as you will see over the page, parents have been asked to talk/share their thoughts about our plans.

This will give us even more information to guide any further strategies to support our students’ wellbeing in 2018.

Resolving Parent Questions, Concerns or Issues

Staff are expected to meet with parents and ...

Listen - clarify issues - discuss solutions - select best solution - document the meeting - review progress
Full [communication procedures for parents](#).

Communication expectations:

Face-to-face communication

Make a time and place that suits both parties and will help facilitate a resolution
(Catching someone quickly before or after school should only be used for very minor issues)

Email communication

Parents can expect a reply within 24 hrs to any question or concern. If staff need to find further information, or need to consider a detailed response regarding the question or concern, then the reply may be an acknowledgement of the email, with a timeframe for further contact to be made.

If it is urgent, the timeframe will be as short as possible.

A face-to-face meeting (instead of email) will often be the recommended course of action.

Supporting people to get resolutions

Often taking the first step is the biggest barrier. If it is more successful to have someone support people through this process please do so.

We want to make the resolution process as less threatening as possible. We want to resolve issues quickly and successfully, as we know they often just become bigger and can affect the wellbeing of more people.

I give a very strong commitment that we are here to help. If we don't for whatever reason I encourage people to take the next step to make sure we do get a resolution.

You can find ALL this information under "Our School/Student Wellbeing" on our school website or click the link www.coatesville.school.nz/student-wellbeing

Parent feedback: Student Wellbeing plans 2018

What do you think?

Have your say on our school wellbeing plans to provide even more support for student wellbeing this year.

Parent group discussion: With school leaders

After assembly in the staffroom on Friday 23 Feb (this Friday!)

Group discussion forums are set up to share information. Parent questions and comments can be given to school leaders – and leaders can share expectations and plans with parents.

The discussions allow parents to have a voice in shaping our school's policies, procedures and strategies. These discussions should help leaders and parents identify positive aspects of the school's performance and areas needing further inquiry or improvement to successfully support our children.

The discussion times are not an appropriate place to resolve individual issues however. If you have an issue please follow the appropriate communication steps.

Parent survey:

Or if you can't make it but have any questions and/or comments please click to [share your feedback](#) (by Friday morning). There is simply one box for you to share your thoughts.

All feedback will be carefully examined.

I understand there is a LOT of information regarding our plans to support wellbeing. But I want to get the information out there so people can engage with it and make comment or ask questions.

I believe we can achieve the highest level of wellbeing possible within our school community. Everyone has a role to play in that. This is a restarting of a very determined focus to make a difference to wellbeing across the school.

Thank you.

If you have a question, concern or issue ...

Talk to the staff member involved

If unresolved ...

Talk to the team leader

If unresolved ...

Talk to the principal

If unresolved ...

Talk to the BOT Chairperson



Coatesville Competencies Update

We have been reviewing and updating the Coatesville Competencies - look at our latest blog post to find out all of the details! [Click here.](#)

Class Pages and Team Blogs are now live!

Check out each of the [class pages here.](#)

You will see our class blogs have changed this year. Check out the team blog for latest team and associated classes news. [Click here to see Kiwi Team](#) (Rooms 6-10)

[Click here to see Tui Team](#) (Rooms 11-13)

[Click here to see Kahu Team](#) (Rooms 1-4)

Classroom information afternoon—Tuesday 27 February

Meet your child's teacher and hear about the year ahead:

Kiwi team classes (Rms 6-10) 3.15-3.45pm

Tui team classes (Rms 11-13) 3.45-4.15pm

Kahu team classes (Rms 1-4) 4.15-4.45pm

This is a chance for parents to hear directly from their child's teacher about classroom expectations, our school's learning model and the learning environment we are promoting, achievement/reporting, use of technology, communication, homework & any upcoming programmes/events.

School leaders will also be available during this time to talk and answer any questions.

Cohort Entry Policy

After consulting with our community, staff and Early Learner Centres, Coatesville School will be adopting Cohort Entry from 30th of April – beginning of Term 2, 2018. 93% of parents and prospective parents and 91% of our 2017 staff were in favour of introducing this policy, so we feel this is a very positive decision for our students, staff and community.

There will be two entry points in each term – Monday; Week 1 and Monday; Week 6. Children will start at the entry point that is closest to the date after their 5th birthday. There may be circumstances that we alter a child's entry point but this would be at our discretion and in consultation with parents/caregivers.

Parents/caregivers will have the choice of waiting for the next cohort entry point if they felt their child was not ready to start school.

Prospective students will be given the opportunity to have three visits before they start. During the last visit parents/caregivers will have the chance to have morning tea together and meet with me so I can answer any further questions they may have.

Parents/caregivers choosing not to start their child until the age of six must ensure they start school on their sixth birthday, regardless of our school's cohort entry arrangements.

If you have any questions regarding this policy, please feel free to contact me.

Sharleen Telford, Deputy Principal/Kiwi Team Leader stelford@coatesville.school.nz

E- Award

The E-award monitors Winter and He-Su commented that many classes got high scores for their recycle bins this week. So well done. But the awards went to

1st equal Rooms 4 & 7

3rd Room 2

Year 1-6 Netball Registration 2018

If your child would like to play netball this year during terms 2 & 3 then please register their details using the [Online Registration Form](#). The registration fee per player is outlined below which covers the cost of registering your child's team in their respective competition as well as a contribution towards replacement balls, bibs, trials and first aid kits.

Payment will be requested once your child's team has a coach and a manager. **Registrations close at 1pm on Tuesday 6th March.** Late registrations or registrations from children who are unable to play for the whole season may not be accepted.

- **Years 1 – 4** Saturday mornings to mid-afternoons at Pinehurst School. \$70 per player

- **Year 5** Once the squad has been finalised the team can choose to play at Pinehurst (Saturday mornings) or Netball North Harbour, Northcote (Wednesday afternoons/evenings). \$70 (Pinehurst) or \$110 (Netball North Harbour) per player.
- **Year 6** Wednesday afternoons to early evenings at Netball North Harbour, Northcote. \$110 per player.

Further information regarding season dates etc. can be found on the [Netball page](#) of our website.

Jo Windust – Netball Coordinator (jjwindust@hotmail.com)

Year 3-6 Hockey Registration 2018 (Boys & Girls)

If your child would like to play hockey this year during terms 2 & 3 in one of our boys or girls teams then please register their details using the [Online Registration Form](#). The registration fee per player is outlined below and covers the cost of registering your child's team in their respective competition as well as a contribution towards replacement balls, cones, first aid kits etc. Payment will be requested once your child's team has a coach and a manager. **Registrations close Friday 9th March.** Late registrations or registrations from children who are unable to play for the whole season may not be accepted.

- **Year 3 & 4 Teams** Monday afternoons at the North Harbour Hockey Turfs, Albany. \$115 per player (1/4 turf competition). Game start times are between 4pm and 5.30pm approx.
- **Year 5 & 6 Teams** Monday afternoons/evenings at the North Harbour Hockey Turfs, Albany. \$115 per player (1/4 turf development competition) or \$140 per player (1/2 turf – advanced competition). Game times for Development teams start between 5pm and 6.30pm approx. Game start times for Advanced teams between 5pm and 7.30pm approx.

Further information regarding season dates etc. can be found on the [Hockey page](#) of our website.

Jo Windust – Hockey Coordinator (jjwindust@hotmail.com)

Sports Uniform

This year the school **will not be** distributing sports uniforms. Any student who represents the school at cultural events, sporting events or team sports is required to have their own school shirt and shorts or skorts. We would encourage all our students to purchase a sports uniform, especially those in the senior classes (Years 4-6). You can purchase second hand uniforms from the school office. Please be aware that the school office does not have eftpos so **cash** or internet banking only.

**“BACK TO SCHOOL PICNIC” –
Friday 2 March 5pm: Family fun for everyone!
Don't miss it! Bring a rug and 'celebrate'
the start of the school by catching up with
familiar faces and meeting some new ones!**

From FOTS (Friends Of The School):

TAKE-AWAY DINNER OPTIONS FOR OUR BACK TO SCHOOL PICNIC FRI 2nd MARCH

We have two local restaurants, Fernielea and the Forester offering pre-order take away dinners for next Friday 2nd March, at our Back To School Picnic. Great if you're working or pushed for time! The picnic starts at 5pm on the school field.

Place your order, pay and collect directly with the restaurants yourselves. PLEASE DO NOT MAKE PAYMENT TO THE SCHOOL, we are not collating orders or distributing them either, we are merely promoting our local restaurants who love to support our school.

Meals will be available at the specific restaurants on Friday afternoon. Please liaise with them directly on your preferred pick up time on Friday, they will not be delivering to the school.

If we have to move the School Picnic to the following Friday 9th March because of bad weather and you have placed an order at one of the restaurants, please speak to them directly as to what you would like to do. Please respect the fact they may have already purchased specific items in preparation for your pre-order. OFFERINGS ARE:

FERNIELEA (Coatesville)

\$75 PIZZA DEAL FEEDS TWO ADULTS TWO CHILDREN (\$10 EXTRA FOR EACH ADDITIONAL CHILD)

Two Regular Large Pizzas (of your choice) plus Two Child-sized Pizzas and a choice of two sides, Fries or Salad.

Pop in to order at 302 Coatesville-Riverhead Highway, Coatesville or contact Rain Chen on 09 415 6442

<https://m.facebook.com/Fernielea-Licensed-Cafe-112568604422/>

FORESTER (Riverhead)

\$45 ANTIPASTO PLATTER FEEDS A FAMILY OF FOUR

Olives, Pesto and Hummus Dips, Prosciutto, Salami, Chorizo and Prawn Salsa, Tomato, Basil, and Feta Salad, Beetroot Cured Salmon, Sundried Tomato and Basil Arancini Balls, Breads. Beverages may be added to order.

Pop into the Forester directly with your name, phone number, number of platters you would like to order and any additional beverages, and your preferred pick up time, 1047 Coatesville-Riverhead Highway, Riverhead or contact Jen Milks on 09 869 4659 www.riverheadcentral.co.nz/index.php/forester/

Community Notices

Coatesville Keas

Coatesville Scout Group is keen to get Keas up and running again.

If your child is between the ages of 6 and 8 years old (boys and girls) and keen to join the Scouts this is their chance! The group will run on a Monday afternoon after school at the Coatesville Hall.

Start time will officially be 3.30 although the plan is to have a shared afternoon tea before.

If you are interested, would like further information and can provide parental help when needed please contact Roslyn Sentch 021 161 5066 roslyn.sentch@xtra.co.nz

Guitar Lessons

Enrolments for guitar are now open for 2018, text or phone Suzanne on 02102754930 or email albanybaysguitarstudio@gmail.com for more information.

Soccer

Calling all players who would like to play in the Albany United Football Competition with other Coatesville School kids. Please email angela@ekiwis.net. Checkout www.albanyunited.org for more club details. Parent coaches and managers will be required. Please advise the age and school year of your child. More information can be sent to interested families.

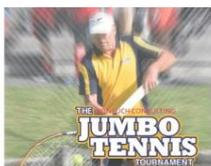


2018 is here and we are exciting to get the ball rolling for the ITM Junior Tough Guy and Gal Challenge. Join us in either Wellington, Hamilton, Auckland, Hawke's Bay, Palmerston North or Rotorua for a day full of fun, excitement and good

laughs. [Click here to download Junior Poster and Entry Form.](#)

Annual Jumbo Tennis Tournament

Thanks to Rotary Browns Bay's & Nonsuch Consulting



Where:
Albany Tennis Centre

When:
9th March 2018 from 4:30pm

This annual event is run to help raise funds for a Not for Profit organization each year. This year, MERC is humbled to be on the receiving end of this initiative.

The funds raised from this event are earmarked to invest into our Marine Education programme to ensure we remain relevant and engaging. We believe through education, engagement and encouragement we can foster action and nurture kaitiakitanga values in our young people. The goal is to foster love and protection of the ocean along with all the flora and fauna that consider it home, let alone the role it plays in a healthy world.

To support this event, we are asking you to get involved by either entering a team to the tennis tournament and/or buy a raffle ticket.

Discounted entry fees are available until 31/01/18. For entry details please contact Martin Trendall 021 063 7295 or trendall@xtra.co.nz.

The Raffle has some incredible prizes up for grabs. There are only 500 tickets up for grabs and at \$10 will sell out quickly. These are available at the MERC office or through Browns Bay Rotary.

For tickets and event enquiries please contact Paul Mees, Chairman, Jumbo Tennis on 021 025 70993 or mees49@gmail.com

See you there!



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1ST PRIZE - KA-NUI-TIMESHARE APARTMENT
Enjoy every night stay in the luxurious 800 sqm oceanfront apartment overlooking the beautiful Bay of Islands, the resort is located in the vibrant community of Teapua. The accommodation sleeps four people and is available from May to August 2018, subject to availability.

2ND PRIZE - WELLINGTON HOTEL WEEKEND FOR TWO
Enjoy two nights in the lovely CO Quality Hotel, in Cuba Street, in the heart of Wellington. The accommodation is for two persons and breakfast is daily to be agreed.

3RD PRIZE - DINNER FOR FOUR PERSONS
To the value of \$200.

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Draws 8.30pm, Friday 9th March 2018, Albany Tennis Centre, Auckland
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GIRLS ONLY CLUB RIPPA

Does your daughter
want to play Girls Only Rugby this year?

Rugby season is coming around fast and soon your local club will be holding registration & muster days for Girls Rippa (non-contact)

Competition Information:

- Saturday Morning - 9.30am
- May-August
- Home and away games + 2 festival days
- Grade Structure: (7 aside)
 - Under 9 - Rippa
 - Under 11 - Quick Rip
 - Under 13 - Quick Rip

For more information contact your local club for their registration dates, or

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