

Coatesville School Newsletter

“Aim! Strive! Achieve!”

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Dear Parents

I hope you all enjoyed the Easter break and the chance to enjoy some quality time with the family.

This year Easter has come very close to the school holidays (which start at the end of this week) so suddenly, after a busy term, we only have a few days left.

But looking back, it has been a very successful Term 1. We have made a very strong start to the year, with a stable and motivated staff, and very positive learning attitudes and consistent work effort from our wonderful students.

The review and refinement of our school direction (school charter) prior to the school year starting, and the preparation undertaken for the ERO visit, helped focus the start of our year extremely well.

Our ERO visit gave us the opportunity to share our progress and achievement at BOT, school leadership and teaching staff levels and we were extremely pleased with the outcome of the review.

Thank you all for your support of the school. We are now looking forward to using the upcoming holiday break to recuperate, refocus and reignite learning for the rest of the year. We aim to fulfil the detailed plans and expectations we have across all learning and organisational areas.

One of the plans for Term 2 involves ...

‘Teacher Only Day’ – Friday June 1

There will be a **‘Teacher Only Day’ on Friday 1 June** involving all teachers from our **‘Community of Learners’** 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.

What is our ‘Community of Learners’?

Coatesville School is a member of “Whanau ki te Ako – Kahui Ako”, a community of learners.

Our ‘Community of Learners’ is made up of the staff and students of five contributing schools: Albany Primary School, Coatesville School, Greenhithe School, RidgeView School and Upper Harbour Primary School. These are feeder schools to Albany Junior High School, which in turn provides a pathway to Albany Senior High School – both of which are part of the ‘CoL’ also.

The ‘Community of Learners’ was formed to enhance achievement and provide opportunities for all students. The initiative supports individual schools to work towards 2018-19 achievement targets in writing, mathematics, NCEA and University Entrance. These targets include supporting students achieving below expectation and increasing the number of students achieving above expectation.

This will also involve the adoption of strategies to accelerate Maori, Pacific Island and Chinese learners, and those with additional learning needs.

In response to initial data collection, school leaders identified six drivers which form the 'Theory of Improvement'. The drivers are **Collaboration, Learner Agency, Teacher Effectiveness, Cultural and Relational Responsiveness, Community Involvement and Transitions**.

We believe that by developing shared understandings and improving the capacity to deliver our six drivers, student achievement will increase. This pedagogical approach will allow us to meet the individual and collective needs of our schools, leverage a wider skill set, promote greater change and provide consistency within and across our schools to benefit students.

After significant development last year, we will begin the implementation phase of the Kāhui Ako intervention in 2018. This will involve:

- Building collective capacity to lead change
- Developing shared understandings of 'Learner Agency'
- Embedding robust, professional inquiry as the foundation of teacher reflection and learning
- Continuing a shared journey with our combined Boards of Trustees
- Developing schools' capacity to work towards Digital Fluency outcomes for 2020
- Engagement with Early Learning and Tertiary providers
- Monitoring and reporting on interim progress indicators

We will keep you informed as more develops from this 'community' as we look to collaborate across schools to enhance what each school is able to achieve for its students.

Our 'CoL' Leaders

This year we have appointed two teachers from our staff to be our 'CoL Within-School leaders'.

Miss Sarah Mussett and Mr Caleb Rosamond are part of a 'CoL-wide' team who meet twice per term to help plan 'CoL' aims/goals and to share their work within their school, including research, observation and data analysis.

They are currently working on supporting 'learner agency,' which is about learners understanding their role within the learning process and fulfilling that role with the most effective support to make the most progress or the highest level of achievement possible.

We look forward to staff and students benefiting from their CoL work this year.

Scholastic Book Fair Tues 8th May to Thurs 10th 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).

Coatesville School Student's Success at 2018 Horse of the Year



Mia Cadwallader along with her siblings Trey and Brooke successfully competed at this year's Horse of the Year Event.

This is her story.

On Wednesday and Friday, I rode Tommy. On Wednesday, I rode Tommy and Diva on Friday. On Friday, I competed in the Pony of the Year First Year Ridden Show Pony. On Wednesday, I competed in another Pony of the Year class. It was First Year Ridden Welsh Pony. I won the Show Pony of the Year. I won Welsh Pony of the Year. Also on Friday, I won my Rider Class Show Pony and Rider. Mia Cadwallader Room 4

E- Award

At last week's assembly, the E-award monitors commented on the great job everyone had done keeping rubbish out of their paper recycling bins. At this week's assembly Matthew and Phoenix, the E award monitors, commented that a lot of classes got high scores for their recycle bins so well done.

Week 8 awards went to

1st Room 11

2nd Equal Rooms 3 & 4

Week 9 awards went to

1st Room 7

2nd Room 3

3rd Equal Room 13 & 8

Coatesville Competencies Writing Competition

Congratulations to **Jackson Ling** (Room 3) whose story about the importance of listening has been chosen as this fortnight's winning story. Check out our [competency blog](#) to read Jackson's story.

Thank you to everyone who entered this fortnight, your stories were all fantastic! We are looking forward to poem and story entries this fortnight about our Competencies Focus of 'Focus'.

Ka kite ano. Hei konā mai. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday. We will see everyone back on Monday 30 April.

Richard Johnson

Richard Johnson – Principal

Community Notices



Coatesville ANZAC Day Service –

7am Wednesday, 25 April 2018 at the Coatesville Settlers Hall

Do you like cookies? (Yeah!)

We are a group of senior Long Bay College Business Studies Extension Students (one is a past pupil of Coatesville School) who, as part of this course have to designing, produce, market and sell a product as a group.

We are producing cookie mix in a jar – all ingredients measured out and packed into a reusable cookie jar!

All you need to do is add butter and an egg, mix everything together and you'll have incredible, warm and home-made cookies in a matter of minutes! Perfect for keeping the kids entertained on those rainy, wintery days spent indoors as well as the upcoming holidays! The current options available are **Original Choc Chip (\$10), ANZAC Cookies (\$10), and Brownies (\$14)** *All jars make approximately 24 cookies or brownies.

Please send through any orders or inquiries to baysbakingcompany@gmail.com Orders will be ready for local collection/delivery in early April. We will also be donating a portion of our profits to KidsCan to help support underprivileged children and schools.

Come and join our HILARIOUS Marrzipan Holiday Workshop!

Students will devise their own play from scratch, create characters, direct each other, design the set, bring in costumes and get to perform to family and friends at the end of the final day! All workshops run 10am - 4pm. **Birkdale Intermediate School** - Monday 16th - Wednesday 18th April **Hobsonville School** - Wednesday 18th - Friday 20th April **Churchill Park School** - Thursday 26th - Saturday 28th April Past workshops have been a great hit! As well as having fun, the children develop confidence and public speaking ability, in a fun, relaxed environment. For more information check out our website! Spaces are limited to 16 per group so get in quick! W: marrzipandrama.co.nz E: workshops@marrzipandrama.co.nz T: 027 217 0693



We have an awesome Holiday programme coming up and I thought your athletes may be interested in signing up. It is aimed at giving the athletes an insight into the life of a professional athlete. They will get the opportunity to meet past/current professionals, train, eat and learn techniques they can apply back into their sports. To find out more click on the link <https://www.facebook.com/ironupsportsnz/videos/1595093673931812/>

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School Holiday Cricket (16th-17th-18 April) At Kumeu Cricket Club

Kumeu Cricket Club is organizing school holiday cricket coaching at Huapai Domain on 16th, 17th & 18th April.

Year 1-5 (Soft ball- fun cricket) 9:30am - 12:30pm, cost \$30 per day or \$80 for all three days. Year 6-8 Hardball, 1pm - 4pm, cost \$30 per day or \$80 for all three days. To Register, please email us cdm@kumeucricket.com

Creative Matters: Art Workshops After School At Coatesville



Are you looking for a creative outlet for your child? Creative Matters run quality, artist/teacher led art workshops after school **now on Tuesdays 3pm - 5pm**, right here at the Coatesville Hall. Our tutor will meet your child at school and walk them to the venue!

<http://www.creativematters.co.nz/artworkshops-for-children.html> Creative Matters also run art workshops for youth after school and in the holidays (ages 11-16) at Kumeu Arts Centre.

<http://www.creativematters.co.nz/artworkshopsforyoungpeople.html> Mandy Jakich 021808126