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**School Newsletter 10**

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**Dear Parents/Caregivers**     Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

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# Farewell Mrs Beguely!



We had a fantastic end to Term 1 with our official farewell to **Mrs Jenny Beguely** - on her last day at Coatesville School after over 27 years working in the school office!

The **kapa haka group** performed brilliantly for the first time and our **instrumental group**, with Year 6s on ukulele and some staff members taking starring roles, were wonderful.

Jenny really loved the farewell, with a lunch and presentation in her honour too!

We wish her all the best with her upcoming travel!



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# Welcome to HERO!



It is time for parents/caregivers to sign up and start your [HERO](#) journey!

Next week you will receive **login information and details of the steps we are taking this term** and for the rest of the year. Thank you for your patience.

There are many potential features contained within the HERO student management system (SMS). This is very exciting for staff and opens up a number of possibilities to take communication between school and home to another level.

## Step by Step

To fully understand HERO's features, and to support long term success with the system (especially supporting our staff & their growth), we are taking a managed step by step approach. We will start off making several features available and will then look to utilise additional features whenever possible. We will implement 'new' features in a timely but carefully managed way. Any new initiatives or feature will be clearly communicated and support given for staff and parents/caregivers.

Your feedback will be asked for along the way, helping us understand parent views which will certainly influence development priorities. Welcome to the journey!

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# Our Environment!

As per the recent school email: Key aims for Term 2

1. Minimise the amount of rubbish generated at school
2. Keep our school grounds tidy and rubbish free
3. Encourage reusing and/or recycling by all students and staff
4. Send much less rubbish to the landfill!

## How?

From the start of Term 2, **what you bring to school you must consume or take back home!**

All **wrapping, containers and food scraps** will have to go back home. (Options for student recycling and composting will be explored during the term but will not be available at the start.)

So **classroom rubbish bins will not be available for students to use** - unless the teacher directs them to during learning time.

**Let's show 'kotahitanga' and work together to reduce, reuse and recycle.**



# Lost Property - Clean out this week!

Minimising lost property at school is also an aim for our 'environment' leadership group.

There is currently a huge amount of clothing, shoes and hats in the 'Lost Property' shed (behind Room 11).

At the **end of Week 2, Term 2** (this week) **the shed will be emptied and all items given to charity.**

Please check for any items of clothing that belong to you.

Once the shed is cleared of items the group will focus on trying to minimise the amount of clothing that goes into the shed for the rest of Term 2! Everyone can help!

Named items find their owner! Encourage children to take responsibility for their belongings.



# We will remember them - Anzac learning experience

Our Year 6 students are learning about World War 1 and about the ANZACs. Our students had an exciting start back to Term 2. The classroom was transformed into our very own Anzac Cove, Gallipoli Peninsula, Turkey. 'Trenches' were set up in the classroom, barbed wire framed the windows, poppies, letters from home and photos of loved ones were also displayed in the windows. Students were welcomed first thing in the morning by Lieutenant Fitzgerald and Lieutenant Varcoe. We paid tribute to all of the New Zealanders that fought for our country, and completed one minutes silence while the last post played. Students spent the day doing their Anzac learning in the 'trenches' that we set up.

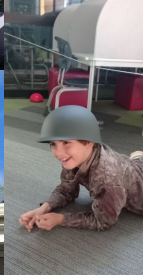
We learnt more from reading soldier's diary entries and watched some videos about the trenches. We imagined that we were soldiers or nurses in the war, and wrote letters home to our families.

Some special packages were delivered to our trenches, which included letters from home and our daily rations of ANZAC biscuits. The students enjoyed their delicious snacks and appreciated the parcels from "home". The students loved some of the 'boot camp drills' we did throughout the day. Check out some of our photos on the slide below.

What a great opportunity for our Year 6 students, and they really loved it! - Mrs Fitzgerald and Mrs Varcoe









# Easter Scavenger Hunt

Last term Mrs Fitzgerald and some of the Year 6 students organised an Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt for the whole school. Each class received a different set of age appropriate clues. They had to demonstrate 'Kotahitanga' as a class, by working together to solve their clues, and find their coloured coded clues hidden around the school. Our 'Easter bunnies' gave them help along the way where needed, and also offered encouragement.

The trail lead each class to their very own basket of chocolate eggs at the end. Yummy! What a fun way to finish Term 1! Thanks to our wonderful students for helping me to organise such a fun afternoon!









# FOTS meeting



FOTS (Friends Of The School) are having our **next meeting this Wednesday evening**. All parents are welcome to attend!

Date: Wednesday 3rd May

Time: 7 pm

Where: School staff room

Parking available up the school driveway.

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SAVE THE DATE

# QUIZ NIGHT

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SATURDAY 24 JUNE

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Details to follow  
Bookings to open soon!



# COLOUR RUN 16. JUNE

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# Rippa Rugby Tournaments: Yr 4-6 Players

Our school will be participating in two tournament days this year - with **Yr 5-6 mixed teams & Yr 4 mixed teams**.

All tournament days will be held in Helensville and players will travel together by bus.

The cost for participating in both tournaments is \$20. This covers team entry and transport to all games.

**There will be a meeting for players interested on Friday at lunchtime.**

Tournament Dates: Thursday 15 June      Thursday 10 August

Clothing: Children must have a Coatesville School sports uniform T-shirt and must wear black shorts.

## Registration

**The only way to register children for rippa rugby teams (and to pay the \$20) is online.**

Please completed both the following registration forms:

[Coatesville School registration](#)

[North Harbour Rugby registration](#)

Note: The NHR registration form needs to be completed even if your child is already registered for a club. This is a separate registration and is necessary for participation.

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# Instrumental Group: Bays Festival

The Instrumental group enjoyed playing together at Jenny's farewell last term and I am looking forward to an exciting year with lots of performance opportunities.

The **Northern Bays Festival - June 14, Bruce Mason Theatre, Takapuna is our next show.**

This venue has strict number restrictions and I can only take 30 students.

In August the entire group will be playing with the Auckland Philharmonia as part of the Link Up Programme and also we will perform at the North Shore Marimba Festival in October. Dates for these are still to be confirmed.

If your child is not performing at the Bruce Mason please assure them they are still part of the group and we will be playing together soon.

Thank you

Claire Craigie



# Important Dates: Term 2 & beyond

## Key dates

**New Entrants - Cohort 4 first day** Monday 29 May

**School Cross Country** Thursday 1 June

**Inter- school Cross Country** Wednesday 7 June

**Northern Bays Festival** Wednesday 14 June

**Rippa Rugby Tournament in Helensville** Thursday 15 June

**School Fundraiser - "Colour Run"** Friday 16 June

**Quiz Night - Parent Evening** Saturday 24 June

**Term 2 ends** Friday 30 June

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