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School Newsletter 18

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

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Principal's Message

Hurrah! Events are happening!

Slowly we are getting to enjoy some of the things lost to us over the past two years.

We did complete our school cross country event last year. But many subsequent school events were cancelled. Even our swimming sports had to be modified this year.

So it was great to once again have everyone out enjoying an event together! The weather was kind, the energy from the children was very high, the support was wonderful ... and Caleb Rosamond ran a fantastic event. Well done Caleb for your excellent organisation.

It was a super afternoon. Whanau fun! Great participation! And some serious competition!

Hurrah! School trips and camps are happening!

Kiwi team have had two school trips over the past week! Great to once again have the option to get out and about without restriction. And Kahu and Tui teams have confirmed their camps/outdoor education experiences for Term 4. The opportunities are now there once again to allow learning beyond the school grounds. Fantastic!

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Coatesville School Cross Country - Results

The weather was kind to us on Friday allowing us to have a fantastic event in plenty of sunshine!

Congratulations to all the students for their efforts, earning a placing or valuable points for their whanau. **Well done to 'Ahi'** for winning the Whanau Shield for this event!

Thank you very much to all the parents who supported the event as course marshals and to Mr Whatford for his outstanding support with the setup and pack-down.



Cross Country Champions 2022

5yr Girls: *Thea Dapiere*

Boys: *Charlie Woodley*

6yr Girls: *Ruby Thorburn*

Boys: *Gus Broman*

7yr Girls: *Allie McKinnon*

Boys: *Eric Kulko*

8yr Girls: *Hannah van der Watt*

Boys: *Forest Spence*

9yr Girls: *Olivia Graham*

Boys: *Toby Pudney*

10+yr Girls: *Mila Bruce*

Boys: *Kees Thorburn*

*[Click here for a full list of results from 1st-6th](#)

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Interschool Cross Country

The Interschool Cross Country is also held in the Coatesville Reserve on **this Thursday 16th June, starting at 1pm.**

Participating schools include, Albany, Upper Harbour, Ridgeview and Greenhithe Primary Schools. This event is for our top 6 boy and girl runners, aged 8 years and over. More information about this event can be found on the [Cross Country page](#) of our website.



Our Interschool Team for 2022 includes;

10+yr olds Girls: Mila Bruce, Brooke Bates, Vera Olsson, Keera Dotcom, Kylee Dotcom, Amy van der Watt

10+yr old Boys: Cooper Newman, Cooper Larritt, Kees Thorburn, Nixon Wainui, Mason Arahovitis, Josh Steele

9 yr old Girls: Olivia Graham, Aleah Macdonald, Evie Cooper, Dusty Watson, Molly Newman, Serena Beuth

9 yr old Boys: Toby Pudney, Beau Burnett, Macson Qi, Ash Dando, Coby Bathurst, Toby Wilson

8 yr old Girls: Hannah van der Watt, Zadie Scott, Ava Gortner, Rose Smith, Fern Simmons, Sophia Barron

8 yr old Boys: Forest Spence, Henry Meredith, Cian Mitchell, Carlow Wainui, Harrison Gortner, Alexander Clarke



NZEI Meeting - Friday 17 June 1pm

1pm this Friday - Children can be picked up early from school!

Just come to the classroom at 1pm if you can and your child will be released.

If unable to collect, children will simply have lunch and be supervised for the afternoon until 3pm!

Teachers who are part of the NZEI (Teachers' union) are meeting this Friday afternoon to discuss the new collective agreement for teachers which is currently being negotiated.

It is important teachers attend so they are informed of the progress being made.

Attendance at official NZEI meetings is a formal part of their contract.

Supervision for those children not picked up at 1pm will be provided for the afternoon by non-union teachers and support staff.

Children remaining at school will be released at 3pm. Buses will run as normal.

Thank you once again for your support.

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COVID-19 Update

Eight people are currently isolating as a result of being COVID-19 positive.

Ten people are currently classified as household contacts and are isolating.

This number of cases remains steady but still relatively low.

The cases are currently spread across the school.

We will continue to monitor cases closely to ensure we communicate any important information.

But please keep your child at home if they have cold/flu symptoms and test them for COVID-19 to help clarify the next steps required. And keep the office updated!

We thank you for your support.



School Assemblies

Unfortunately our school assembly last Friday was postponed due to the poor weather. As shared via email, at this stage we will not use Room 4 for assemblies. Rm 4 has been our back-up option if the weather impacts on our ability to have assemblies outside. The whole school can fit inside but students are very close together for a significant period of time. The decision not to use Room 4 will continue to be reviewed but will only change when we feel it is appropriate to have the whole school (and many visitors) within one indoor space. That time may come at the end of this term - but more likely next term.

Even 'Assembly' weeks this term: Matariki public holiday falls next Friday (so no assembly)

Last day of Term 2 - Friday 8 July (Scheduled school assembly - it will be fine!)

We know the significant impact viruses can have on individuals/families - especially with COVID-19 isolation protocols and the potential for severe illness - so we remain cautious and supportive.

Thank you for your patience. We will be back to having regular assemblies soon!

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Kiwi Team visit Good Planet Strawberry Farm

On Tuesday 8th June, Kiwi team were treated to a visit to Good Planet Strawberry Farm, thanks to Auckland Unlimited on behalf of the New Zealand government who covered the entry costs. The children had an amazing time. They planted their very own strawberry plant to take home and learnt about how to care for their plant so that it will grow to be strong and produce fruit. They went on a train tour of the farm looking at the different stages of planting, learning about the different berries the farm grows. The children also picked their own punnet of berries and had a chance to play on the inflatables and eat a delicious berry ice cream. A special thanks to Julie Hodder who helped to organise the event and the amazing parent helpers who helped to make such a successful day.



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Pizza Lunch Monday 20th June

A pizza order form will go home with each child on the Friday.

Please fill out **ONE form per child** and give it, with payment, to your child's teacher on Monday morning by 9.00am.

Pizza is \$2 per slice.



ICAS

(International Competitions and Assessments for Schools)

Registrations for the 2022 ICAS exams are now open.

Every year some Year 4 to 6 students from our school participate in Science, Spelling Bee, Writing, English and Mathematics ICAS exams.

For more information please visit the [ICAS page on our website.](#)

If your child is interested in taking part in the exams please fill out the [registration form.](#)

All ICAS exams will be ordered and paid for via the ICAS Parent Portal.

NO MONEY IS TO BE PAID TO THE SCHOOL.

Online practice papers are also available to purchase through the ICAS website.

The Parent Portal can be accessed [here](#).

You will need to enter our school access code which is **ORU475**

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Music Lessons: Private Music Tutors

We still have a few spaces for music students with these teachers.

If you would like your child to have private lessons at the school on these particular instruments, please make contact with the music teacher below.

Cherrie Leefe - (violin & piano) 0212158196

Jill Pearson - (piano) 02108728957