



25th July 2023

School Newsletter 21

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Matariki Celebrations

Last Thursday morning we had our own school celebration of Matariki.

Whaea Trish led the formal part of the celebrations, informing the huge crowd of the significance of Matariki and inviting us to join together for the experience. It was a very memorable event, with the involvement of so many of our community wonderful to see. Then, after a karakia delivered by Carlow, the kai was served to the masses.

Thank you to everyone for their patience as everyone got fed - with a great breakfast!

To cap off the morning a big crowd gathered in the assembly area to see our flourishing kapa haka group perform once more. They go from strength to strength - wonderful work, team! Miss Gallagher, on her second to last day at school, was given a rousing send off with a tremendous haka from the group, as her contribution was recognised.

Many, many thanks to Whaea Trish (for her inspiration and wonderful support), Miss Gallagher (who coordinated the whole event), Mr Whatford (who coordinated the preparation of the large amount of kai) and all of the staff members who worked so well ('kotahitanga' to the max!) before and during the event to ensure everyone was well fed.

Great celebration - one that we will repeat again next year!





Ag Day 2023! Registrations are open!

Ag Day is the biggest day on our Coatesville School calendar!

A fantastic day for sharing children's projects (animal, plant or rural tradition) as well a whole lot of fun and entertainment with a gala day atmosphere!

Saturday 14 October 9am - 2pm

Student Projects: What do you need to know?

Please have a look at the handbook to understand the **options and the requirements**.

[Ag Day 2023: Handbook](#)



When you and your child have **finalised their project** for Ag Day then **register asap**:

[Ag Day 2023: Registration](#)

FOTS are a huge part of the organisation of Ag Day, providing an amazing experience for everyone. It is the highlight of the year for the children - and plenty of adults!

Start planning now!



Are you a looking for an animal friend?

And with Ag Day fast approaching in October, this is the perfect opportunity to get ahead of the pack with your animal project.

We have had the following offers from some friendly locals:

- Male lamb (1 week old) available to adopt for free. If you are interested, there would be a preference that you live locally and have a suitable, safe property. Please contact Kerry Small (021 883 212) for further details.
- Another lamb potentially available - show interest at the school office
- Free Indian Runner baby ducklings to love and care for. If you are interested, please contact Mary Logan (027 681 9222).



Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences

First day of conferences today!

2nd day tomorrow - Wednesday 26 July (2.15-5.30pm)

15 minute conferences - led by the teacher

Bookings have now closed - if you would still like to make a booking please email the teacher and they will try and accommodate you tomorrow.

Early finish tomorrow!

School will be closed for instruction at 2pm. Children can be collected from their classroom at 2pm.

Pick up please if you are able.

Supervision will, however, be available until 3pm for all students who are not picked up at 2pm.

Buses will run as usual at 3pm. We will walk children down to **After School Care** at 3pm too.



Sewing skills needed

The AG day ribbons have been printed and now need the final touches added.

If you can help lend a hand sewing fringing onto some ribbons please contact

jstanley@coatesvilleschool.nz.



ICAS

(International Competitions and Assessments for Schools)

Registrations for the 2023 ICAS exams CLOSE THIS FRIDAY, 28th JULY

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

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

If your child is interested in taking part in the exams please register and pay for the exam through the [ICAS Parent Portal](#)

You will need to enter our school access code which is; **ZCN586**

Please contact Caleb Rosamond crosamond@coatesvilleschool.nz if you have any questions





Important Dates: Term 3 & beyond

Key dates

Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences Wednesday 26 July

Rippa Rugby Tournament 2 Thursday 10 August

School Photos Thursday 24 August

End of Term 3 Friday 22 September

First Day of Term 4 Monday 9 October

Ag Day 2023 Saturday 14 October 9am - 2pm

Labour Weekend (4 days) Friday 20 October (Day in lieu of Ag Day) and Monday 23 October

End of Term 4 Friday 15 December at 1pm

Learn to Sew

Term 3
Albany



Term 3 Classes (Located at Pinehurst School) - Ages 8+
See website for all sewing classes:
www.threadroom.co.nz

thread room

DANCE CLASSES

Coatesville Hall

**TRIAL/OPEN DAY WEDNESDAY
2 AUGUSTUS**

Ballet Classes / Jazz Classes

Tiny Tots 2-3yrs 2:30 - 3:00pm

Mini Movers 3-4yrs 3:00 - 3:30pm

Ballet 5-6yrs 3:30 - 4:00pm

Ballet/Jazz 7-8yrs 4:00 - 4:45pm

Hip-Hop Classes

5-7 yrs 4:45 - 5:30pm

BOOK NOW

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