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School Newsletter 27

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Week 8 News!

Staff News

Welcome to Jesinder Bhullar who has been appointed as a Learning Assistant to support learners across the school. Jesinder has already started working with our staff and students getting to know everyone. Great to have you aboard Jesinder!

‘Reverse Evacuation’ Drill (‘Take shelter’ or ‘Lockdown’)

Yesterday we successfully completed a ‘Reverse Evacuation’ practice. with a scenario where we had to ‘take shelter’. As usual, when we complete these drills, staff and students are asked for feedback so we understand what worked well and what questions they may have.

Next term we will officially **use our HERO system and its text messaging facility**. We will pre-warn parents/caregivers, staff and students of a planned ‘lockdown’ practice (with an appropriate scenario) and we will send all parents/caregivers in our HERO system a text to let them know the ‘lockdown’ has been initiated and another one when it has concluded.

The text communication system is fully operational and ready for use.



School Donations - Gratefully received!

Our 'School Donation' has been set at **\$376 per year per student** or **\$94 per term per student**.

We are **now using HERO to be able to show all payments due & money received.**

You can see this now via the HERO app - click on the 'Finance' tab!

HERO will generate statements and School Donations receipts (which are tax deductible).

School donations are used to provide additional resources and staffing to support all of our students and their learning. Donations are a key component of our annual budget and we value the support we get from parents/caregivers who pay the donation.

It allows us to provide significantly more than the Ministry of Education grants provide.

Thank you to those who have already paid or partially paid the donation this year. It is greatly appreciated. If you have not paid your donation - or were not aware of the amount - a reminder will be sent shortly. We appreciate your support!

School bank account: ASB 12 3059 0307932 00



‘Out of Zone Ballot 2024’ - Happening soon!

This week any families looking at ‘Out of zone’ enrolments at our school in 2024 will be sent an online ballot form. We **accept all new entrants via the ballot and a number of children at other year levels** (although sometimes, due to numbers at higher year levels, we do restrict enrolments).

Families who **currently have a child at our school** and are **looking to enrol a sibling next year** will shortly receive confirmation their child has been accepted for enrolment in 2024. They will not need to go through the ballot process.

If you have a child who may not be on our enrolment list for next year, please complete this form asap: [Enrolment Enquiries](#) or contact lmckinlay@coatesvilleschool.nz in the school office.

If you know of **any other families looking to enrol next year** please direct them to the links above. It is essential we have an up to date list of current and prospective students before we formulate classes for 2024 (a process that will begin next term).



Ag Day 2023 - Rural Traditions change!

Ag Day is now just over 5 weeks away!

155 children now registered! Well done! [Ag Day 2023: Registration](#)

Registrations will close at the start of next week.

Rural Traditions: Change for this year - Judging on Friday!

As per the Ag Day handbook, **Rural Tradition projects will be judged on Friday 13 October (the day before Ag Day)**. For the last 3 Ag Day they have been judged on Saturday but due to increased participants and logistics we have moved this back to being a Friday presentation instead.

Children with **Arts & Crafts, Kitchen and Handyperson projects** are to bring them to school on the **Friday morning and prepare for judging later in the day.**

Children from across the school will have the opportunity to view these projects before judging begins.

These projects will all be on display on Ag Day - after the animal and plant competitions finish.

Ag Day T-Shirt - Order now!

Thank you to all children who put in an entry for the competition. We had plenty of great designs which made judging difficult! Well done to those children who shared their wonderful efforts!

Winning design for the official 2023 Ag Day T-Shirt:

Coby Bathurst Rm 2 (design pictured to the right)

Order Ag Day T-Shirts now!

[2023 Ag Day T-Shirt Order Form](#)

Closes 15 September so order soon!



Other winning designs - Congratulations!

Design placed on official Ag Day poster: Sofia Rm 4

Design to be placed on official Ag Day cards: Millah Rm 6



Ag Day Needs!

Thank you so much to everyone who has so generously donated to the Ag Day stalls thus far.

We are in need of the following to make these stalls a success and able to remain open for the duration of Ag Day:

- Large blocks of chocolate (around 200g)
- Bounty bags - approximately 200 needed
- Ponies for pony rides





Ag Day Roster- Sign up time!

Ag Day is our biggest event of the year, and as such, we need everyone's help to make it a successful day.

We ask every family each year if they can volunteer one hour of their time on Ag Day to assist with the running of one of the stalls.

Please use the link below to select your preference for stall and time slot.

First in first served!

We really do appreciate every bit of help - thank you in advance!

[Ag Day Roster 2023](#)

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AG DAY SPONSORSHIP

Thank you to our two sponsors we have so far **The Drain Company** and **New Shoots**

We're still looking for 3 - 4 sponsors of \$500 each to go towards hiring bouncy castles and the fun side of things on the day. Could this be you or your business?

We would love to hear from you this week so we can incorporate your logo on marketing material coming out soon.

Contact Mary Bell: marysearlebell@gmail.com or 021676034





Ag Day Trophies from last year - return please!

With this year's Ag Day just over 5 weeks away now, we are sure that the students are all busy organising, getting ready and taking care of their special Ag Day projects.

We are also **busy behind the scenes prepping for the Ag Day Prizegiving** and would like to ask all of the **winners who received trophies for last year's Ag Day** if they could please be returned to the office asap. It would be much appreciated.

Linneah McKinlay

Administration Office Manager

Safety After School



Two key points that we reinforce regularly to our students:

- **No playing on playgrounds after school unless an adult is directly supervising**

If children are waiting for someone to pick them up they must not be on any of the playgrounds as staff are not available to supervise.

- **No leaving the school grounds - crossing any of the yellow lines - without an adult**

Adults must come into the school grounds to collect children.

We do not allow children to leave the school grounds without an adult. There are too many vehicles coming and going and limited visibility to ensure children are kept safe if they leave the grounds by themselves.

Adults should park and come onto the school grounds - if finding a park is difficult we suggest you come at 3.10pm when there are usually many parks close to the school.

Please support our children's safety!

Pizza Day Success!

Yesterday was our first day of trialling a change in pizza companies for Pizza Days.

We are pleased to say it was a big success with yummy pizzas, delivered on time, enjoyed by many!

Thank you Pizza Hut - we can't wait for the next Pizza Day!



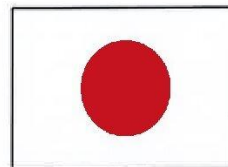


Important Dates: Term 3 & beyond

School Assembly	Friday 8 September
Cohort 7 - New Entrants	Wednesday 8 September (First of three visits)
Winter Sports Prizegiving	Friday 22 September
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
School Prizegiving	Thursday 14 December 5pm
End of Term 4	Friday 15 December at 1pm



AJHS Host Families Wanted



Curious about hosting an International Student?

We are starting to recruit local homestay families for our January 2024 intake of International students

- Long Term families needed from January – December 2024
- Short Term families (2 weeks) arriving in week 2 of Term 1, 2024

Host families to provide a friendly, supportive and caring home environment and will receive a homestay payment of \$350-\$370 per week.



For more information or to request an information pack, please contact Sarah Reid, International Homestay Coordinator

Email: homestay@ajhs.school.nz or call 415 5473 Ext. 660



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

3 - 5 October 2023

10am - 3pm

Boys and Girls in School Years 1 - 7

Windsor Park

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