

Coatesville School Newsletter

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Newsletter 2



Dear Parents/Caregivers

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

We welcomed all of our new classes and their teachers at last Friday’s assembly. It was nice to come together for our first assembly and celebrate our first full week!

We also got to celebrate the **opening of the ‘Senior Learning Hub’**. It looks fantastic and will be a brilliant asset for our school. It will primarily be utilised as distinct learning spaces for our senior students but will also be available for whole school gatherings and events as needed. The spaces have been transformed and we have the opportunity to make use of a ‘brand new’, modernised facility.

Thank you to the school BOT who have followed a very rigorous process to get this result. As a BOT, we wanted a very successful outcome, one that made a substantial difference to our school, and that has been achieved.

And many thanks to the patience of our Kahu team teachers and students who had to wait a few days before they were able to move in. But they just got on with things and are now very happy with their new surroundings.

With the new Hub and the new court it has been a very exciting start to the year!

Student Wellbeing

Supporting student wellbeing is a high priority for our school. We have comprehensive processes to support our students. A very strong feature of our approach is the willingness of staff to establish very positive relationships with the children and the parents so they are able to talk openly and honestly with us.

[‘Student Wellbeing’](#) information is on our school website for your reference.

This gives a very detailed breakdown of school behaviour procedures for the classroom and the playground; our process for understanding and dealing with bullying; and an outline of the process for promoting successful communication between parents and staff, especially around any questions or concerns.

Classroom information afternoon—Wednesday 4 March from 3.15pm

Meet your child’s teacher and hear about the year ahead.

- Kiwi team classes (Rms 5-7) 3.15-3.45pm
- Takahe team classes (Rms 9-10) 3.15-3.45pm
- Tui team classes (Rms 11-13) 3.45-4.15pm
- Kahu team classes (Rms 3-4) 4.15-4.45pm

This is a chance for parents to hear directly from their child’s teacher about classroom expectations, our school’s learning model, the learning environment we are promoting, achievement / reporting, use of technology, communication, homework & any upcoming programmes / events.

School leaders will also be available during this time to talk and answer any questions.

Year 3-6 School Swimming Sports - Tuesday 10th March, 10:00 am Start



The Coatesville School Swimming Sports day for children in Years 3-6 will be on **Tuesday 10th March**, 10:00am start. All Year 3-6 children (competing in their age group as at 17th March) will have the option to compete in a number of different competitive events or a fun novelty race.

Further information about the day can be found on the [Swimming](#) page of our website.

As with all of our sports events, we require a number of parents to assist in a variety of roles to ensure a successful day. If you are able to help then please register your availability using the form on the [Swimming](#) page of our website.

The **Inter-school** event for children aged **8 years and older**, and those placed 1st or 2nd in any of the school events will be held at our school pool on **Tuesday 17th March**.

No Class Swimming on Friday 6th , Tuesday 10th and Tuesday 17th March

Information for class 'Swim Safe' parent helpers – please note that due to swimming sports events there will be no class swimming on Friday 6st March, Tuesday 10th March and Tuesday 17th.

School Donations

Thank you to all families who have made a contribution already. Your tax-deductible receipt will be processed this week and sent home with your eldest child. If it doesn't find its way to you please contact the office.

Hats / Sun Safety

During Terms 1 and 4 all students must wear a Coatesville School hat when outside during school hours. If students do not have a hat they are required to play in the shade.

New students are given their first hat free. If students require a new hat they are able to purchase one for \$15 from the office. But I advise students and parents to look around before they purchase a new one. The hat may be at home, in a classroom or in the lost property.

Supporting Student Attendance

Generally the attendance of the children at Coatesville School is excellent. We know attendance does have a very positive impact on learning for children, supporting their continuity with learning across the curriculum.

It also supports our children with the development of skills & competencies for life.

We have some important information to share at the start of the year.

Late arrivals

The **handbell rings at 8.55** to signal the official start of school is very near.

At 9am the electronic bell rings.

If a child is not in class by then they must report to the office to be recorded as 'late'.

The start of the day is critical to be prepared academically, socially and emotionally.

We have seen an improvement in the number of students being late during the year but there is still room for improvement. Being late on the odd occasion is not an issue - however regular lateness is.

Early departures

School finishes at 3pm. It is important students stay until the end of the school day, unless there is a very good reason for leaving early.

Late last year there were a number of children being taken before the bell - some regularly. We ask people to schedule any appointments/commitments outside school hours whenever possible.

We do have important processes which need to be consistently followed.

All students who leave before 3pm MUST be 'signed out' at the office (even 5-10 minutes early).

Parents/caregivers must tell the class teacher and then go to the office to record their child's departure in the book on the office counter. This is a health and safety requirement so we officially know which students are onsite.

Also student attendance is recorded after lunch at 1.50pm each day - only the office is able to subsequently change the attendance to indicate an early departure.

Music Lessons

If you would like music lessons for your child at Coatesville School please contact Claire Craigie for more information. We offer lessons in piano, keyboard, voice, harp, flute and guitar. Lessons are held either during the school day or after school in the music department clairecallister@hotmail.com 021 0456 588. For guitar lessons contact Suzanne Franklin albanybaysguitarstudio@gmail.com 02102754930.

Year 1-6 Netball Registration 2020

If your child would like to play netball this year during terms 2 & 3 then please register their details using the [Online Registration Form](#). The registration fee per player is outlined below which covers the cost of registering your child's team in their respective competition as well as a contribution towards replacement balls, bibs, trials etc. Payment will be requested once your child's team has a coach and a manager.

Registrations close at 1pm on Tuesday 10th March.

Late registrations or registrations from children who are unable to play for the whole season may not be accepted. Depending on the number of children registered in each year group trials may be required; if a trial is to take place for your child you will be emailed. Teams will be communicated once children are placed into teams, and a coach and manager are allocated.

- **Years 1 – 4** - Saturday mornings to mid-afternoons at Pinehurst School. \$75 per player
- **Year 5** - Once the squad has been finalised the team can choose to play at Pinehurst (Saturday mornings) or Netball North Harbour, Northcote (Wednesday afternoons/evenings). \$75 (Pinehurst) or \$115 (Netball North Harbour) per player.
- **Year 6** - Wednesday afternoons to early evenings at Netball North Harbour, Northcote. \$115 per player.

Further information regarding season dates etc. can be found on the [Netball page](#) of our website.

Jo Windust – Netball Coordinator (jjwindust@hotmail.com)

Year 3-6 Hockey Registration 2020 (Boys & Girls)

If your child would like to play hockey this year during terms 2 & 3 in one of our boys or girls teams then please register their details using the [Online Registration Form](#). The registration fee per player is outlined below and covers the cost of registering your child's team in their respective competition as well as a contribution towards replacement balls, training gear etc. Payment will be requested once your child's team has a coach and a manager.

Registrations close at 1pm on Tuesday 10th March.

Late registrations or registrations from children who are unable to play for the whole season may not be accepted. Teams will be communicated once children are placed into a team, and a coach and manager are allocated.

- **Year 3 & 4 Teams** - Monday afternoons at the North Harbour Hockey Turfs, Albany. \$125 per player (1/4 turf competition). Game start times are between 4pm and 5.30pm approx.
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- **Year 5 & 6 Teams** - Monday afternoons/evenings at the North Harbour Hockey Turfs, Albany. \$130 per player (1/4 turf development competition) or \$150 per player (1/2 turf – advanced competition). Game times for Development teams start between 5pm and 6.30pm approx. Game start times for Advanced teams between 5pm and 7.30pm approx.

Further information regarding season dates etc. can be found on the [Hockey page](#) of our website.

Jo Windust – Hockey Coordinator (jjwindust@hotmail.com)

Coatesville School Uniform

We **strongly recommend ALL students in Year 4 and above purchase a Coatesville School T-Shirt (and skorts or shorts as required)**. It is not only for those students who play sport but will be required for any student if they represent the school, including sports events, school trips, music events and cultural events.

Uniform Requirements for 2020

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| Netball | Years 1-4 | T-shirt and Skorts |
| Netball | Years 5-6 | Netball Dress - purchased through the school office |
| Hockey Boys and Girls | | T-Shirt and shorts |
| Touch | | T-shirt and shorts |
| Ripper Rugby | | T-shirt and shorts |
| Swimming | | T-Shirt and Cap - caps for inter-school event only - purchased through school office |
| Cross Country | | T-Shirt and Shorts |
| Athletics | | T-Shirt and Shorts |
| Performance Group | | T-shirt and Skorts or Shorts |
| Student Leaders | | T-shirt |

Uniforms can be purchased from the school office. We would recommend that you do so quickly as our stock is limited so if we do not currently have your child's size it will have to be ordered and this can take up to three months to be delivered.

Ka kite ano. Hei konā mai.

Richard Johnson

Richard Johnson – Principal

Community Notices



Sanitarium Kids TRYathlon - Hibiscus Coast, Manly Park - Sunday 22nd March 2019

Come and give this fun, iconic kiwi event a go with Coatesville School. For ages 6 and up. [Click here to enter](#): Remember to say that you are with Coatesville School.

FIRST MEET UP is TOMORROW: 3.05pm Wed 19th Feb at the school pool. Meet and greet with a short swim and run for anyone who is keen. Don't worry if you haven't entered - come along and find out what it's all about. I'm also looking for enthusiastic parents to give me a hand. Please get in contact angsimmonz@gmail.com or call/text me 021726522.

GIRLS FOOTBALL WEEK!

Albany United Football Club is celebrating with a GIRLS have-a-go afternoon!

Invite a girl who would love to kick a ball around with you, participate in a fun skills session, or join in a game. Spot prizes and fun to be had!



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SUPPORT FOR GIRLS & WOMEN PLAYING
FOOTBALL**

\$2 JUICIES FOR SALE (PLEASE BRING CASH)

**THURSDAY 20TH FEBRUARY
4:30PM - 5:15PM • QBE STADIUM DOMAIN 4**

Free Movies in the square -NorthWest Shopping Centre.

The Lion King (2019) Friday 28 Feb, 7:30pm

Featuring the voices of Beyoncé, Seth Rogan and James Earl Jones. This movie will be shown on the giant outdoor movie screen in the NorthWest Town Square. Bound to appeal to new generations and rekindle memories for the 80s/90s generation. Bring the whole family for a night to remember.

Grease (1978) Friday 6 March, 7:30pm

Everyone's favourite classic movie – watch Sandy, Danny and all the Pink Ladies on the giant movie screen in the NorthWest Town Square. Make it a night out with prizes to be won for best dressed! Grab dinner from NorthWest food retailers, pack a blanket and snuggle in amongst the beanbags.