

Coatesville School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Welcome back everyone! And welcome to our new students and their families for their first week at school.

Term 4 is a wonderful time of the year. The weather improves, Ag Day comes around quickly, there's Athletics Day, camps and outdoor adventure later in the term for many ... and of course plenty of quality learning as we head to the end of the year - with progress or achievement reports and conferences for many of our students.

School prizegiving will end our year, as we acknowledge those students who have made special progress or have achieved outstandingly throughout the year.

And, as a school leadership team, we gather achievement data from across the school, in a number of different learning-related areas, and work with the staff and the BOT to review our success for the year. This allows us to clearly identify strengths and areas for development and to plan ahead for the best possible start for 2018. A very important process for us as a school - aiming for the highest quality learning possible.

So a lot to look forward to in the next 10 weeks as we start an exciting Term 4 at Coatesville School.

Our Special Weekly Awards

Every week we recognise people who have made a meaningful contributions to our school.

We rightfully acknowledge them at our Friday assemblies each week in front of hundreds of people.

The winners certainly deserve every bit of recognition and plenty of thanks and applause for jobs well done!

The winners of the awards for the last week of term were:

Cool Kiwi - for a positive contribution to the school environment:

- **Nixon Wild-Moore and Corin Green** for collecting rubbish and tidying our school so well

Tomato Dude – for a special class/group/individual of the week:

- **Totara Team** for their excellent effort in presenting their production in the last week of Term 3

Special presentation

- **Jo Windust** for her fantastic co-ordination of hockey and netball this year. Superbly supporting our school and all the players and families who participated in those sports. Thank you for a brilliant job Jo!

Parent Surveys - available now!

Please take the opportunity to have your say! The surveys were available last term but will close on Friday 27 Oct.

I have received a number of replies already to the surveys below - but we need more.

I have constructed 3 (small) surveys to complete. They won't take long. And you don't have to answer every question if you don't want to! We want to hear from you about the things that matter.

Survey links

[‘Our Vision, Our People, Our Environment’ Survey](#) – what does our school stand for and aspire to?

[‘Our Competencies’ Survey](#) – what learning & life expectations do we have for our students?

[‘Our Targets’ Survey](#) – what targets do we have to support effective learning?

The links and more background information relating to these surveys are also found on our school website under 'Our School/School Charter' – or directly at www.coatesville.school.nz/school-charter

Thank you so much for your time. We look forward to hearing from you.

Year 3-6 Athletics Day - Wednesday 22nd November

The date for the Year 3-6 Athletics Day has changed from what was previously listed on our school calendar and website. This event will now be held on **Wednesday 22nd November**. More information about this event can be found on the [Athletics](#) page of our website.



Ag Day T-Shirts

Orders can be made for this year's Ag Day T-Shirt online using this link [Order here](#) for \$20 each. If you are not sure of sizes samples are available to try on at the office. Please note that the final date for orders is Wednesday 27th September (the last week of Term 3) and they will arrive before Ag Day. Thank you Roslyn (Roslyn.sentch@xtra.co.nz).

Day in lieu of Ag Day

Ag Day, **Saturday 28 October**, is an official school day and is a very memorable learning experience for everyone. School will be closed on **Friday 3 November** as a day-in-lieu of the Ag Day event.

E Award results for Week 10

3rd place is Room 4

2nd place is Room 3

1st place is Room 13.

Upcoming Events

Please check the [school calendar](#) for upcoming dates and events!

From FOTS

[LATEST NEWS](#) - Please click here for the latest Sponsorship Scoop!

Thank you to our continued supporters of our Coatesville School Ag Day: Silver Sponsor Category; [Pita Pit](#) and Bronze Sponsor Category; [Albany Toyota](#), [Coatesville Motors](#) and [Premium Real Estate - Winston Kidd](#)! We really appreciate your amazing contribution over time!

Ag Day Collections: We need **eggs** for our Co-op stall and our bacon & egg roll stand. Please email [Frana Becker](#) to let her know if you can collect and donate eggs or ring/text on 021 808 058. Please drop any other requested Ag Day items you intend to donate into the school office asap - these may include Co-op homemade goodies, chipped/old crockery, books & games, recycled clothing & sports gear or bounty bags! Look out for cake boxes coming home to each family next week for fresh produce contributions to the Co-op!

Next FOTS Meeting this Wednesday, 18th October in the School Staff Room, 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Ag Day operations will be our main focus! Please email friendsofcoatesvilleschool@gmail.com if you would like to attend or would like to know more. We look forward to seeing you there.

Thank you

Ka kite ano. Hei konā mai.

Richard Johnson

Richard Johnson – Principal

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Marrzipan! run awesome classes at school, which focus on key life skills and public speaking ability. We play fun engaging games and perform at the end of term. You can sign your child up for a **Trial Lesson** via our website www.marrzipandrama.co.nz (we have contact numbers on there too, should you prefer to talk to a human!)

Riverhead Amateur Athletics Club

Riverhead Amateur Athletics Club is still taking late registrations for children age 7 to 14, our first club meeting is tomorrow (Wednesday 18th October) at Riverhead Rugby Fields at 5.30 pm. This is a fun and relaxed club with lots of activities and a sausage sizzle!!! If you would like more information <http://www.sporty.co.nz/riverheadathletics>