

31 October 2023 School Newsletter 33

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School Assembly / Ag Day Prizegiving

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Friday 3 November at 9am

We will present Ag Day trophies as part of our regular school assembly this Friday.

Students who received a 'Champion' ribbon on Ag Day will be presented with an engraved trophy.

Some students who received **'Reserve Champion' ribbons** will be presented with a trophy but **most will receive a special certificate**. This is because historically only some categories have had trophies. The awarding of trophies is being reviewed in preparation for next year.

Students receiving trophies and certificates will be informed/reminded tomorrow morning.

Planning Together: Our New Strategic Plan

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Why is it important?

The Ministry of Education have made major changes to the way they want schools to complete their annual planning and reporting processes.

These changes are to be implemented by school BOTs for the school's next strategic plan - 2024-2025.

Refer to last week's newsletter for more details!

And please engage with the information and surveys on the next few pages to let your voice be heard! This is a perfect opportunity!

Engaging With Our School Community



Week 1: 'Giving effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi'

Simple survey opportunity - share your thoughts today! Thank you to those who have responded!

One of a school board's primary objectives in governing a school is to ensure that the school gives effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, including by:

- 1. working to ensure that its plans, policies, and local curriculum reflect local tikanga Māori, mātauranga Māori, and te ao Māori;
- 2. taking all reasonable steps to make instruction available in tikanga Māori and te reo Māori; and
- 3. achieving equitable outcomes for Māori students

This is a shift from acknowledgment to authentic understanding and valuing of Te Tiriti o Waitangi and its principles.

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Week 2: 'Our Curriculum - Teaching and Learning'

Simple survey opportunity - click here to share your thoughts today!

Coatesville School Curriculum 2023 - Summary

The document above provides a <u>summary</u> of the <u>key parts of our current curriculum</u> - the teaching and learning priorities we use to plan and implement learning programmes.

Please share any feedback you have via the survey above by Friday 10 November.

Your feedback will help our school better understand the next steps we need to take to develop our Coatesville Curriculum!

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Whanau 'Kotahitanga: School Planning' evening - Tuesday 21 November 6.30-7.30pm

An **opportunity for staff and whanau to work together** to better understand different viewpoints and to identify potential priorities for the next two years. The evening will include:

- Short presentation of key feedback received so far
- Key questions posed for further discussion
- Staff to facilitate small group discussions
- New ideas to be shared and discussed

It would be fantastic to see as many people attend as possible.

Drinks and nibbles provided!

Year 3-6 School Athletics Day



Our School Athletics Day for all children in Year 3-6 will be held on Thursday 16th November.

The day starts promptly at 9.05am and finishes at just before 3pm with the conclusion of the all age groups sprint finals (5yrs+).

More information about the event can be found on the <u>Athletics page</u> of our website.

All parents and whanau are warmly invited to support our students for all, or part of the day.

We also require parent help to support teachers with all the running of all events. Please contact Caleb Rosamond (<u>crosamond@coatesvilleschool.nz</u>) if you are able to assist.





Student Class Placement for 2024



The placement of students into classes for 2024 will happen during the next few weeks. Teachers and team leaders will ensure every child's class placement is considered very carefully. Parents, through discussions with staff during the year, will have their views considered too. Teachers start the 'student class placement' process providing specific information about each student. The school's senior leadership team will then draft preliminary class lists. Consideration for each class must be given to gender ratios; year level ratios (in composite classes); and the individual academic ability and 'competency' achievement of students. After further consultation with teachers, lists will then be finalised by the senior leadership team. Parents are to be consulted if there is any potential issue regarding their child's placement. Students will have two opportunities in Week 9 to meet with their new teacher and class before the end of this year.

Classroom Structure for 2024

With the predicted student roll numbers for 2024 we may have a different classroom structure next year. Every year the structure can look quite different because of the variation in numbers of students at each year level. We do our utmost to ensure all students are placed appropriately.





FOTS (Friends Of The School) are having their **final meeting for the year this coming Monday evening**. There will also be an Ag Day debrief. All parents are welcome to attend!

Date: Monday 6 November

Time: 7 pm

Where: School staff room

Parking available up the school driveway.

Puberty Programme for Year 6 students



Learning about relationships and sexuality is part of The New Zealand Curriculum - one aspect J. The 'Health and Physical Education' curriculum. Information for Parents

Late last year we, as a school, gathered feedback from parents/caregivers regarding priorities for our Health Curriculum.

75% of respondents felt that 'Sexuality' education was 'important', 'very important' or 'extremely important'. However, this question did have the widest spread of opinion across the different questions asked.

As a step towards formulating a Health Curriculum which incorporates aspects of the 'Relationships and Sexuality Education' component of the NZ Curriculum, we have decided to <u>TRIAL</u> a 'Puberty **Programme' for Year 6 students later this term**.

Parents of Year 6 students were informed of the programme yesterday. An online whanau information session will be held prior to the student programme commencing.

Important Dates: Term 4



| School Assembly Ag Day Prizegiving | Friday 3 November |
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| Coatesville's Got Talent | Friday 10 November (1:45pm - 3pm) |
| Year 3-6 Athletics Day | Thursday 16 November |
| 'Kotahitanga School Planning': Parent/caregiver evening | Tuesday 21 November |
| Teacher Only Day | Friday 24 November - school closed for instruction |
| Outdoor Education Week | Monday 11 - Wednesday 13 December |
| School Prizegiving | Thursday 14 December 5pm |
| End of Term 4 | Friday 15 December at 1pm |

10+11 NOVEMBER

50 Years

OF COATESVILLE PLAYCENTRE!



We're celebrating 50 years of fun and play at Coatesville Playcentre!

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We are so excited to be celebrating this milestone and wish to acknowledge all those who have been part of this journey

Join us for our 50th Golden Jubilee, which will be a fun and free event for our community!

Friday 10 November we are having an informal dinner at Black Cottage Cafe for past and present members!

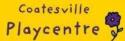
Saturday 11 November: Coatesville Playcentre 50th Golden Jubilee

Join us at 10am as we are celebrate the future of our centre with this free event for the community. We'll have a bouncy castle, pony rides, face painting, bake sale plus plenty of play areas for young kids!

At 3pm, we invite our past families to join us for big kid play, a time capsule opening, speeches, raffles, potluck dinner, plus much more!

Can't wait to see you all there!





"Whānau tupu ngātahi — families growing together" COATESVILLE PLAYCENTRE 12 MAHOENUI VALLEY ROAD, COATESVILLE



Where Children and Families Thrive Together

New Shoots Coatesville feels like a sanctuary, with cosy spaces, carefully curated resources, and warm, experienced teachers who are ready to welcome you and your family.

We would love to invite you to explore our centre. To book a tour or learn more, please get in touch or visit our website: newshoots.co.nz/coatesville



We offer session fees for **ages 3+** taking up 20 hours from 8:30am – 3:30pm



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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: <u>homestay@ajhs.school.nz</u> or call 415 5473 Ext. 660

