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School Newsletter 35

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Ag Day - What a success!

We had a wonderful Ag Day! Lots of enjoyment, great competitions and a plenty of funds raised!

The final fundraising amount has been confirmed:

Over \$40 000 raised!

What a tremendous achievement! **Congratulations to Tanya, Sarah, Alanah and the FOTS team** - and the **wider team of sponsors, helpers, donators**, etc. - for reaching such an impressive total!

It is an excellent outcome which is hugely appreciated by the school community.

The funding is enabling us to add even more with our playground upgrade (which is undergoing the final stages of confirmation ... with unfortunate delays elongating this process).

Thank you, thank you everyone once again for a brilliant 2023 Ag Day!



Planning for 2024-2025

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

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

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

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

Drinks and nibbles provided!

Child care available!

[RSVP please via simple form](#)

Engaging With Our School Community



Thank you to all respondents so far. The responses will provide plenty of further discussion for parents, school leaders and BOT at the 'Whanau Evening'.

Week 4: 'Supporting Wellbeing at Coatesville School'

[Survey opportunity](#) - open until next Tuesday!

Week 3: 'Strengthening Kotahitanga - Working together - at Coatesville School'

[Survey opportunity](#) - open until Friday - I encourage you to share your feedback!

Week 2: 'Our Curriculum - Teaching and Learning'

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

These two surveys are now closed

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 [Athletics page](#) of our website.

A timetable for the day can be found [here](#).

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

We also still require parents to support teachers to run of all of the events. Please contact Caleb Rosamond (crosamond@coatesvilleschool.nz) if you are able to assist.





Coatesville Pool - opening soon!

The swimming pool will **open on Thursday 30 November!**

All of our current school families are invited to become pool keyholders.
Keys are limited to our families and those who live in the Coatesville School zone.

If you are interested in purchasing a key for this upcoming season or renewing your key please complete this form:

[Coatesville Pool Key Application Form](#)

Please **read all the information on the form very carefully for your own and others' safety and enjoyment** this summer.

Thank you!

Choir and Instrumentalists - well done!

Congratulations to our wonderful choir, solo vocalists and instrumentalists who performed so well at Upper Harbour Primary School last Tuesday night.

Our two schools put on a combined show, including a wide range of musical items - plenty of catchy songs and entertainment.

Thank you so much to Mrs Craigie for leading our children so well - great job. The children were a credit to our school and to her.

A super initiative that may well translate into something annually for our children to aspire to.





Student Achievement Reports

Individual student achievement reports will be **'issued' on Friday 1 December**. Like at the end of Term 2, these will be shared online via the 'HERO' platform.

These reports will summarise achievement for your child, focusing on:

- Overall **achievement levels** in **reading, writing and mathematics** (adding to the mid-year graphs on HERO)
- **Competency achievement** against year level expectations
- Achievement against year level expectations for **all other areas of the curriculum**
- **'End of Year Comment'** - which gives an individual summary of progress and achievement for your child in 2023

Learning Conferences - Wk 9

During Term 4 students are completing learning which will contribute to two important outcomes:

- Teachers will provide up-to-date **achievement levels and end of year comment** for each student's learning (see previous page)
- Students will share examples of their learning with parents/caregivers - via a **'student-led' conference**

Week 9: Tuesday 5 & Wednesday 6 December from 3.15pm (times tbc)

'Student-led' conferences are a very effective way of sharing student progress and achievement. These are not 'teacher-led' but are definitely teacher-directed in the lead-up to the conferences, with considerable help given to students in preparation for sharing their learning from across the curriculum. During the conferences teacher have a key role to play too, providing support as children share, especially for those who are not quite as confident. There will be a small group of children sharing to their parents at the same time so the teacher will be supporting all of them, with different levels of input as required. *(Continued on next page)*

Learning Conferences - Wk 9 (cont.)

‘Student-led’ conferences:

- support the student’s understanding of their progress - so they can **talk about their own learning**, their strengths, the areas they can improve and their next steps for learning
- provide parents/caregivers with concrete examples of the progress/achievement information provided by the teachers

These conferences are not a simply ‘showcase’ but should be a very useful insight into your child’s progress, consistent with the achievement reporting shared by the teacher.

And they do differ from the ‘3 way conferences’ we have run during the middle of each year, where teachers take a greater facilitation role and are an obvious and consistent presence.

We hope that the conference process **leads to the student and the parents/caregivers feeling very informed and empowered to share with their new teacher at the start of 2024** (see next page).

Obviously the empowerment for some students will develop over time - for some this is a long term process, others will be ready to thrive in this situation very quickly.



Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences: 2024

At the start of the 2024 school year we are conducting 'conferences' to ignite the school year!

Thursday 1 February and Friday 2 February 2024 - between 9am and 3pm

Parents/caregivers/student/teacher will meet - a great chance to get to know and understand each other before the busy school year starts!

More details about the these conferences will be shared before the end of the year.

The primary aims of the conferences are for parents/caregivers and students to share:

- Student strengths - learning and personal
- Potential goals/targets for the student - learning and personal
- Any important and/or unique information
- Any questions or concerns (past or present)

We are looking forward to a productive way to start 2024!

Next Pizza Day: Monday 20th November

A pizza order form will go home with each child this Friday.

Please fill out **ONE form per child** and provide it with your payment to your child's teacher on Monday morning by 9.00am.

Pizza is \$2 per slice.



Calendar Art

Thank you to everyone who purchased a product through the calendar art fundraiser.

All orders have been sent home today with children. (Please check your child's bag.)

Money raised from calendar art goes towards fundraising for the school- thank you for your support!



CANDY FLOSS AND OTHER GOODIES SALE!

This Friday (Nov 17th) after school we will be selling leftover Ag Day goodies.

Candy Floss - \$3

Iceblocks - Gold coin donation

Scoop of icecream- Gold coin donation

Beautiful handmade bracelets-\$3

Come get a little treat!

3pm outside the Artec Room.





Important Dates: Term 4

Year 3-6 Athletics Day	Thursday 16 November
School Assembly	Friday 17 November
'School Planning': Parent/caregiver evening	Tuesday 21 November 6.30-7.30pm
Teacher Only Day	Friday 24 November - school closed for instruction
Student-led Conferences	Tuesday 5 & Wednesday 6 December starting at 3.15pm
Outdoor Education Week	Monday 11 - Wednesday 13 December
School Prizegiving	Thursday 14 December 5pm
End of Term 4	Friday 15 December at 1pm

PUBLIC SIGNING SESSION

SUN 19 NOV
SPARK ARENA

MASCOT PARTY

SAT 20 JAN
SPARK ARENA

DC MULTIVERSE ROUND

SAT 9 DEC
SPARK ARENA

BACK TO THE FUTURE

FRI 26 JAN
EVENTFINDA STADIUM

CHRISTMAS GAME

FRI 22 DEC
SPARK ARENA

CHINESE NEW YEAR

FRI 9 FEB
SPARK ARENA

CARNIVAL DAY

SUN 7 JAN
SPARK ARENA

FAN APPRECIATION DAY

FRI 16 FEB
SPARK ARENA

bnz
breakers

8 REMAINING
AUCKLAND
GAMES

Tickets at [ticketmaster.co.nz](https://www.ticketmaster.co.nz)



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Thrive Together**

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newshoots.co.nz/coatesville



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



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Coatesville Scouts invite You to support our
Jamboree Fundraising



Quiz Night

**Rescheduled to
Friday 24th November**

Sat

Coatesville Hall 6.30pm for 7.00 pm Start.

Theme for the Evening... **"Into the Future"**

Tables of up to 8 people.

Tickets \$25 per person

or Tables of 8 for \$180

(Table snacks/nibbles provided)

Fun, Games, Auction Items and Prizes Galore

(Best Table, Best Dressed, Spot Prizes, Raffles and Games)

Bring some friends, bring a bottle (and a glass), dress up,
decorate your table and get fully into the spirit.

Help get Coatesville Scouts to Jamboree in December!

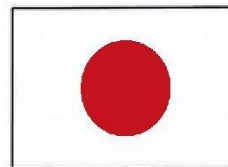


Rides to and from are available for \$10 a head (Coatesville Area)

Tickets/Info; e-mail coatesville@group.scouts.nz or phone Phil 0211292371



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

