

Coatesville School Newsletter

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Newsletter 3



Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Parent Information Afternoon—Tuesday 16 March from 3.15pm

Next week teaching teams will share important team information with parents/caregivers.

The aim is for you to get a greater understanding of what is happening in classrooms across each team this year.

Sessions will be facilitated by Team Leaders - Sarah Burnett (Kiwi), Caleb Rosamond (Tui) and Sharleen Telford (Kahu). They will cover a range of important topics, relevant to each team.

- **Kiwi team (Rms 5-10) 3.15-3.45pm**
- **Tui team (Rms 11-13) 3.45-4.15pm**
- **Kahu team (Rms 1-4) 4.15-4.45pm**

All meetings will be held in Room 4, with parents either staying for the next team session or leaving.

Immediately after each session teachers will be available for introductions or quick questions in the assembly area (or in nearby spaces if wet).

If we are still in Alert Level 2 the sessions will be postponed until Tuesday 23 March.

Distance Learning Review

The two short lockdowns have already had an impact on schools across the country this year. Having the lockdowns so early in the year has meant learning programmes have not been fully established, which in turn has made it harder to differentiate distance learning. But teachers have worked with these challenges and at very short notice have done an admirable job of supporting our students. Thank you teachers!

Parents/caregivers have also supported the children extremely well - often under difficult circumstances, working from home and not being able to get out and about. Well done to you all!

But the reality is there are restrictions with distance learning.

Teaching and learning are both enhanced through connections with others. This connection helps to enable people to be, and feel, supported and provides opportunities to motivate and extend thinking and outcomes.

However, due to the possibility we may end up in Level 3 again, it is important we learn from the 'distance learning' experience so far this year.

This week parents, children and staff are being asked for their feedback, to better inform any future programmes.

The best scenario is we do not have any further 'distance learning'.

But if we do, we want to continue to evolve it to make the learning time as valuable as possible - even though we are working under less than ideal circumstances.

[Distance Learning review: Parent/caregiver feedback](#) - please click and share your thoughts.

Year 3-6 School Swimming Sports - Thursday 11th March



This event is for all our Year 3-6 children competing in their age group as at 11th March. Students 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.

Unfortunately due to Alert Level 2 gathering restrictions, we are not allowed visitors to the pool area. It will be staff and students only attending this event.

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 **Thursday 18th March**.

No Class Swimming on Thursday 11th and Thursday 18th March due to swimming sports events.

Winter Sports Promotions - Rugby & Soccer

Kumeu Rugby Club registration dates are outlined below in the community notices section or visit their [website](#) for more information on the Rippa and Tackle competitions on offer (for both boys and girls).

Football Kidz are back again offering their coaching clinics at school on Wednesdays during morning tea. Please visit their [website](#) for more information and to register. Please note there is a fee associated with participating in these sessions.

Winter Sports Promotions - Hockey

Thanks to Harbour Hockey and one of our parents, Judith Quinlan, we have also been offered four FREE Hockey skill development sessions for all ages and skill levels. **These sessions will take place at school during lunchtimes from 17th March.** All interested students [must register](#) to ensure they have enough coaches available.

Year 1-6 Netball Registration 2021

If your child would like to play netball this year during terms 2 & 3 then please register their details using the [Coatesville School Netball Registrations 2021](#). **Registrations close at 1pm on Wednesday 10th March.** Late registrations or registrations from children who are unable to play for the whole season may not be accepted. 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 2021 (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 link [Coatesville School Hockey Registration 2021](#). **Registrations close at 1pm on Wednesday 10th March.** Late registrations or registrations from children who are unable to play for the whole season may not be accepted. Further information regarding season dates etc. can be found on the [Hockey page](#) of our website. *Jo Windust – Hockey Coordinator (jjwindust@hotmail.com)*

Friends of the School (FoTs)

Kids Disco

Booked in for **Friday March 26 at the Coatesville Hall!** We will be holding two discos consecutively as per previous years, Juniors 5-6:15 followed by Seniors 6:30-7:30. We have a DJ coming who will be playing your favourite songs to get you moving around the dance floor as well as playing games.

There will be a **brief meeting this Friday morning for volunteers at 9am in the staff room.** If you would like to help in any way please come along or let us know if you would like to help but can't make the meeting.

If you would like to sponsor the night we would love to hear from you.

Note: The disco will only be able to proceed if we are at Level 1.

Roslyn Sentch, FoTS Chair roslyn.sentch@xtra.co.nz

Ka kite ano. Hei konā mai.

Richard Johnson

Richard Johnson – Principal

Community Notices

Mairangi Arts Centre - April School Holiday Programme 19 – 30 April - Enrolment open

Enrol the kids for some creative school holiday fun! Our talented tutors will be offering a wide range of classes in painting, drawing, clay and mixed media. The programme caters for budding young artists aged 5-14 years old and, unless otherwise stated, all materials are included. Visit our [website](#) for more information and the convenience of online booking



Wave Warriors Holiday Surf Programme

The NZ Surf Academy are running their popular holiday surf programme over the autumn holidays for 6-16yr olds at [Orewa Beach](#)

Fun, Safe, Active & Healthy

6-16yr olds | 5 & 4 Day Programme | \$195 per person

19 – 23 April | 26 – 30 April | AM or PM session times

Suitable for beginner and intermediate surfers – developing surf skills and water confidence in a fun and safe environment at [Orewa Beach](#)



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