

School Newsletter

To provide, with parents, a balanced Christian education to help children develop to their full potential in God."

Deputy Principal's Message

Dear Parents /Kia ora te whanau/Malo e lelei/Talofa lava/Bula Vinaka/Konnichi wa/Kia orana/ Namaste/Welkom/Ni hao,

The Three R's of Teaching and Learning: Relationship, Relationship, Relationship

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labour. If either of them falls down, one can help the other up.

For most of us who are now parents, when we were at school, our teachers taught us subjects. As students in our classes, we were largely seen as a cohort, a class, and rarely individuals within the system.

When we were seen as individuals, it was to be judged a success, or not, as the case may be. But success itself was based on a very narrow construct. Essentially, our capacity to regurgitate knowledge back to teachers on exam scripts. Schooling, it seemed, was a filter. Simply a way to arrange us for assimilation into the job market.

For us, that model simply doesn't cut it. For us, the mission is different. We don't teach *subjects,* we teach *students*. Our aim is that students learn, serve and *grow in God*. That students leave school ready and able to creatively impact our world for Christ.

In fact, we view our students as the emerging hands and feet of Christ, who should be connected and able to discern the needs of others and be equipped to rise up to meet those needs.

As a result, our discipleship programmes are designed to encourage meaningful, connected relationships. Both student to student within their classes, but also between students and teachers, and teachers and parents. We ask our teachers to invest in these spaces on a personal level, to become relevant in the lives of our young people. Approachable, available, ready and able to disciple through shared experiences and personal testimony. I thank our staff for doing this. They don't have to professionally, but I thank God they feel called to spiritually.

This week I would particularly like to thank all the teachers and parents who journeyed with the Year 6 students on camp. As the parent of one student at camp, I thank everyone for the personal sacrifices they made to make this happen. The leave from work that parents took to be a camp helper, the sacrifice of family time that teachers gave to stay away from home and run the camp.

What an awesome community God has blessed us with.

Blessings

Mr James Rose Deputy Principal

Gala 2020

GALA 2020 Gala is on SATURDAY 7 MARCH



We are SUPER excited - it's this WEEK - 10am to 2pm!

What you need to know:

- Volunteers: please turn up a few minutes before your shift please. Thank you we appreciate your support! Make sure you have a hat and water bottle to keep hydrated too.
- **Bring CASH:** We do have eftpos available for purchasing only in the gym, and an eftpos station in the office (student entrance) for cash withdrawals.
- Bring a Supermarket type bag for your purchases.
- **INFO DESK:** there will be an info desk with a large site map showing where all the stalls will be. Hand sanitiser will also be available there.

For all Gala queries, please email the committee: gala@cornerstone.ac.nz

Cornerstone Fundraising Group

School Notices

Year 7-13 Athletics – Massey Track - Wednesday 11 March 9.15am-2.40pm A bus will be available for students that need transport to and from the Massey Track for \$4 PER FAMILY. This will be leaving the school at 8.50am and returning by 3.00pm. Please book and pay at the office BEFORE FRIDAY 3.30PM. Alternatively drop your child off directly to the Massey Track, Albany Drive by 9.15am. Parents are welcome to come and support your student/s.

Students need to wear hats, have plenty of water and wear tribe colours or costumes to support their tribe. See website <u>www.bit.ly/ccssport</u> for map and further info. We pray for an enjoyable day.

Draft Enrolment Scheme - Consultation Meeting

A consultation meeting regarding our draft enrolment scheme was held last Thursday night. Please return the feedback forms to the school office or email to <u>sarndra@cornerstone.ac.nz</u> before Monday 9th March. If you have any further queries regarding the Enrolment Scheme, please email Sarndra or phone 06 356 7326 Extn 6102.

Student Drop off / Pick up Times

Students can be dropped off at school from 8.30am in the morning, not before thanks. All students need to be collected from school before 3.15pm. The school office is closed at 3.30pm and often teachers are in meetings after school. Please notify the school office before 3.15pm if you are running late.

School Notices Cont'd

Hearing & Vision Screening

The Hearing and Vision Technician will be visiting our school on Tuesday the 17th of March at approximately 11.30am.

She will be screening New Entrants who have not had/completed their B4 School Check, selected Year 7 and 8 students – retests/follow-ups/absentees or those that have not been screened as a Year 7 or 8 and children that have no previous screening record.

Any parent/guardian that does not wish their child to be checked, could they please inform the school office. Thank you.

Year 7 & 8 Immunisations

The Ministry of Health School Based Immunisation Programmes will again be offered by Public Health in 2020. Parent consent forms have gone home to Year 7 and 8 students for the below immunisation/vaccine. All consent forms should have been completed and returned to your child's teacher. If you have not returned your Year 7 or 8 child's immunisation/vaccination form, please return this to the school office ASAP. Even if you do not want your child to have the Immunisation/Vaccination, please fill out the DO NOT CONSENT part of the form.

<u>Year 7 Immunisation</u>: Boostrix – a booster to help protect against infection from tetanus, diphtheria and whooping cough (pertussis). To be given on 8th May 2020.

<u>Year 8 HPV Vaccination</u>: Human Papillomavirus Vaccine - Dose 1: 8th May 2020, Dose 2: 5th November 2020.

Acrylic Jersey/Cardigan 2020 Orders

We are currently placing orders for acrylic jersey's/cardigans. Please note that these are made with 30% wool and 70% acrylic. If you require an acrylic jersey/cardigan, please order this from Mrs Ilona Shewell (Student Administration Officer) at the *Student Reception* before **Friday 13th March.** There are samples of these available to view at the office. If you require further information, please email Ilona at <u>ilona@cornerstone.ac.nz</u> or phone 06 356 7326 or pop into the school office.

Office & Uniform Shop Hours

Please note that the school office hours are 8.30am-3.30pm and *the uniform shop ours are* **1.45pm-3.15pm**. Please phone the office and leave a message on the school answering machine outside these hours and we will endeavour to return your call.

Students with Appointments During School Hours

There seems to be confusion around student absences or appointments. During the hours of 8.50/9.00am-3.00/3.10pm we are responsible for your child. If a student has an appointment during school hours, we require parental permission for them to leave the school premises to attend this.

Please ensure you let the school office know via a note or an email if your child has an appointment.

Students will not be permitted to leave the school grounds without prior parental permission.

School Notices Cont'd

Student Absences

Please ensure your notify the office if your child is absent from school either by email: <u>absent@cornerstone.ac.nz</u>, txt 027 315 7764 or phone 06 356 7326. Please dial 1 for absences.

Lost Jersey

Hunter Orpana-Scott is missing his new woollen size 87cm school jersey. If found, please return to Hunter in 7MX. Thank you.

Kingdom Kid Awards

March

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded the Kingdom Kid Award for this month:

- A3 Roman Seagar
- A4 Emily Higgs
- A5 James Anderson
- D1 Harriet Oldfield
- D2 Ella Ballantyne
- D3 Gida Venter
- D5 Portia Scott
- D6 Miriya Nybin

Heart V Foundation⁻



World Oral Health Day 20 March 2020

Taking care of your mouth is important for your health and wellbeing. A good oral hygiene routine, regular dental check-ups and a healthy diet will help protect your mouth.





Basic dental care in New Zealand is FREE for 0-17 year olds

Top tips for a healthy smile

- Brush teeth twice a day for 2 minutes, using a pea-sized amount of fluoride toothpaste.
- Brush in circular motions, not back and forth.
- 🛡 Spit don't rinse.
- Choose healthy snacks like fruit, cheese, plain crackers and vegetable sticks.
- Drink water and milk; avoid sugary drinks such as juice and fizzy drinks.

Contact your Community Oral Health Service on **0800 TALK TEETH 0800 825 583**

Sports Notices

New PE Uniform

From Term 2 (Tuesday 28 April) we will be introducing our new PE/sports uniform for students in Years 7-10. This uniform will be used for Physical Education lessons and will also be used as the uniform for those playing in junior school sports teams (Years 7-10). There is a boys' cut (pictured right) and a girls' cut (pictured below). The shorts come in two designs, unisex or girls. Girls have the choice of wearing the unisex option or the girl's shorts.





Students that have an existing school PE uniform, will not have to purchase a new one, unless they are playing in a Year 7–10 (Junior) school sports team, as uniforms for these teams will no longer be issued. In this instance, they will need to purchase a new top to wear as their uniform for their sports team, although they may continue to wear the existing blue shorts if they have them.

The sizing charts will be emailed again with this newsletter and will also be sent via the school app. There are also paper copies available from the school reception.

Please measure your child at home and choose the shirt and shorts as per the sizing chart. These are from a different supplier than the old PE uniform, so sizing may differ. The cost of the t-shirt is \$40 and the shorts are \$40. Orders need to be placed by Friday 13th March (Week 6) by emailing <u>ilona@cornerstone.ac.nz</u> or by delivering your child's size chart to Ilona Shewell in the school office with your child's name, classroom and size on it. Payment needs to be made at the time of ordering please. As these shirts are being manufactured specifically for us, there will be a wait time of approximately 6-8 weeks before they will be available to collect.

Weetbix Triathlon

This year we are going to do the Weetbix Triathlon as a school group. We will need parents support with this (particularly the younger students). An email will come out at the beginning of next month for those interested in participating. At present there are 15 students attending. Entries are open for the **Palmerston North** Weet-Bix Kids Triathlon on **18 March 2020** at **Ongley Park.**

Our school has created a School Group which you can join when you enter from home. Search for **Cornerstone** when prompted. By linking to our school group, it will give us the chance to win some cool prizes. Cost: \$45 at present.

To enter the Triathlon visit <u>tryathlon.co.nz.</u> If you have any school or school group related questions please contact **Craig McDonald** on <u>craig@cornerstone.ac.nz.</u>

Sports Notices Cont'd

Winter Sports Registrations

All winter sports information is now on the school sports website and gate noticeboards. Check out the details and come to registration on Monday 9th March or email <u>jannell@cornerstone.ac.nz</u> if you wish to register early instead.





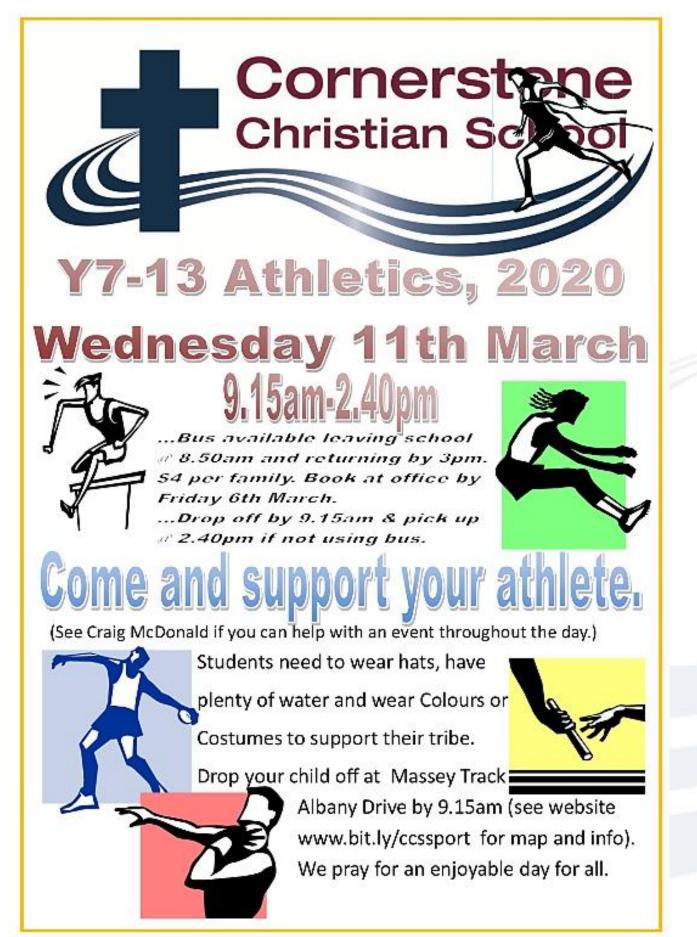




DATE: FRIDAY 20TH MARCH

PRIMARY SPORTS: Younger (4-6) Outside hockey, Netball, Football, Nukem ball, Touch rugby

INTERMEDIATE SPORTS: Older (7-8) Volleyball, hockey, Basketball/netball, Football



Art Notices

Paula Tuimana and Ruth Benton's Artwork

Come and celebrate Paula Tuimana and Ruth Benton's artwork. They received Excellence for their 2019 Level 3 Art Folios and Excellence Endorsed in Art, with Paula also achieving an Art Painting Scholarship.

Their work is exhibited at Te Manawa. The opening is on Friday 17 March at 5.30pm. This is the only opportunity for you to view the Scholarship workbooks. Only the Folios are displayed for the duration of the Exhibition.



Community Notices



Need something to do on Friday 27th March for Primary Teachers only Day?

Bring the kids into Flip City between 12-4pm and pay only \$8 per person for an hour of jumping.

For further information Ph 06 355 2442. This deal is just for Cornerstone kids on Friday 27th March.

Family Easter Camp

Family Easter Camp is on at Forest Lakes from the night of Thursday 9th of April until the afternoon of Sunday the 12th of April 2020. For more information and registrations please visit

www.easteratforestlakes.com or contact Steve Oldfield 021 0712381.

Girls' Brigade

Looking for a fun and affordable activity for your daughter? Then come along and give Girls' Brigade a go. Summer programmes starting now.

We have companies in:

Milson (Thursday 4.30-6pm) - Joanne Ph: 355-3124 Highbury (Tuesday) - Suzanne Ph: 356 1974



Key Dates:

Mon 2 March-Thurs 5 March Tumanako Camp

Thursday 5 March-Friday 6 March Drop off Gala Baking to the Gym Classroom

Saturday 7 March 10am-2pm School Gala

Tuesday 10 March 10:50am Lockdown Drill

Tuesday 10 March 5.00-5.30pm Year 7 & 8 Camp Parent Helpers Meeting

Wednesday 11 March 9.00am Year 7-13 Athletics @ Massey Track

Thursday 12 March 6-7pm 2021 Vanuatu Missions Trip Meeting in the School Staffroom

Thursday 12 March 1.45pm Year 7-13 Student ID Photos

Thursday 12 March 5.00pm NZQA Parent Info Evening -Staffroom

Tuesday 17 March *Hearing & Vision Screening 11.30am*

Wednesday 18 March Weetbix Triathlon

Wednesday 25 March- Friday 27 March Year 7 & 8 Mi-Camp

Friday 27 March Teacher Only Day (Year 1-6)

Term Dates for 2020 Term 1: 3 February - 9th April Term 2: 28 April-3 Julv