

Learn, serve and grow in God

School Newsletter

Week 7 Term 2

Joshua 1:9: "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Acting Principal's Message

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

This week I have decided that I am going to let one of our awesome Cornerstone students do a newsletter takeover! Not because I'm feeling lazy, but because one of our year 7 students, Awhina Bentson, wrote what I have wanted to say, so much better than I could ever say it.

Take it away Awhina:

Trust in God

A little bit of love goes a long, long way. I have written this in my own time when no one is around me. As soon as lockdown started; as soon as we went into level four, lives began to change. There were more worries, more dangers of this unseen beast. But I am glad I am here at this very moment, sitting in my room writing this. As lockdown came in, I got to talk with my family more and more and have more time outside. But I began to think there are more people suffering out there and though we might think we should worry about ourselves; we should also worry about others. As my father said, "Be grateful for what you have, and don't think about what you want, but about what you need." I always thought everything was about 'me', yet it is not. I read this verse from the Bible, "Do not store up for yourself. Look at the birds. Do they



worry about food? No, they don't. They trust in God, that He will provide for them." What this means to me is don't store up and worry, just trust in God that he will provide for us all, and yes, our lives are going to change, but do not feel as if it is a bad change, feel as if it is a time of peace and a time where you can just sit down and talk to God.

I hope that whoever is reading this, will get through all of the tough times in life and stick to the one thing that matters – a little bit of love.

By Awhina Bentson, written on the 4th of May 2020.

Well said Awhina. What a stunning piece of writing!

Reminders about Alert Level 2 Procedures at Cornerstone Christian School:

- 1. Can all parents coming onsite please continue to check-in and check-out using either SchoolApp on their phone, or the Visitor Tab in the school office. If you are asked by a Cornerstone Staff member to show evidence of this 'check-in and out', we would appreciate your cooperation. If you are not prepared to check-in and out, can we please respectfully ask that you do not come past the school gates. Please note that all check-in data is retained only by SchoolApp and Cornerstone Christian School in the form of an excel spreadsheet. This information will be shared with the Ministry of Health <u>ONLY</u> in the event of Cornerstone having a confirmed case of COVID-19.
- 2. Parents please keep sick children at home. Remember, if your child is sick and they come to school, we are required by the Ministry of Health guidelines to send them home.

As the ground shook beneath our feet this week, and the

Blessings to you all this week.

James Rose Deputy Principal james@cornerstone.ac.nz

enough away from each other, so that they are not breathing on or touching each other.

3. We are asking all children, young people, parents, and staff at Cornerstone to where possible, stay far

4. Children and young people at Cornerstone are required to wash and dry hands regularly, cough and sneeze into their elbow, and to try to avoid touching their face.

Hand sanitizer will continue to be provided at the entry to classrooms and in shared spaces. Soap, water and handdryers/hand-towels are provided in all bathroom areas.





Room A2 Students and Mrs Bannister

Year 10 students hard at work in

Mathematics



All surfaces at school will continue to be disinfected/cleaned daily.

God's richest blessings,

Chris Mitchell Acting Principal chris@cornerstone.ac.nz

Deputy Principal's Message

Mālo le Soifua,

Hello and welcome to Samoan language week. We continue the focus this week on student well-being, whilst easing our way back into the familiar pattern of school life and routine. It has been encouraging to see just how well students have accommodated our Level 2 protocols since returning. The message in this space is continuing to keep vigilant around personal hygiene practices as our first defence.

Psalm 119:105 says that His word is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path.

Our minds often leave us wishing for a searchlight that can go around the corners, but as we know, God encourages us to be faithful in Him for the needs of tomorrow.

reality of life after lock-down starts to bite, may we always remember that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.



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Vacancies

Teacher Aide Vacancies (2)

We have vacancies for two teacher aides, each to work term-time only for approximately 7-8 hours per week in Term 3 (potentially increasing to 14-16 hours per week in Term 4). These roles will involve working with a high needs student(s) in the junior school and are tagged to the ongoing enrolment of the student(s). All staff employed at Cornerstone are required to support and uphold the special character of the school. Please refer to <u>the website</u> for more information.

ORS Teacher

We require a NZ registered teacher to teach two ORS funded, very high needs students who will start school in Term 3 and Term 4. The position will be 0.2 FTTE in Term 3 increasing to 0.4 FTTE in Term 4 and is tagged to the ongoing enrolment of the student(s) at the school. A willingness and ability to support and uphold the special character of the school is a condition of appointment. Please refer to the school website for more information.

Exam Centre Manager Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen for a new Exam Centre Manager at Cornerstone. The ECM is an employee of the New Zealand Qualifications Authority and is a paid position. The Examination Centre Manager (ECM) is responsible to the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) for the conduct of the NZQA examinations held at examination centres in November/December 2020. As ECM, you will work closely with me, Natasha Casey as the Principal's Nominee to be responsible for the management of all processes relating to the conduct of secondary examinations at your examination centre according to NZQA procedures. The ECM is also responsible for employing sufficient supervisors to ensure reliable supervision, while using the minimum number of supervisors efficiently. Secondary examinations comprise those for NCEA, and those for New Zealand Scholarship at some examination centres. Preparation work begins in September 2020 and you need to be available at every examination session from November 16th to December 9th. Please email Natasha Casev to request more information regarding position the natasha@cornerstone.ac.nz.

School Notices

Cornerstone Principal Appointment Process

The Board of Trustees is continuing to work through the process of the Principal appointment. The Board would appreciate your prayers as they seek to appoint a new leader for Cornerstone Christian School. Jo Auer, BOT Chairperson.

Student ID Cards (Year 7-13)

Students that missed out on purchasing a Student ID in Term 1, will have the opportunity to purchase one this term. If you would like to purchase a Student ID and are a Year 7-13 student, please collect a form from the office. This requires both parent and student signatures. The ID's are \$10.00 each. Please ensure you bring your form and payment to the office **before Friday 12th June.**

Public Health Nurse

The School Public Health Nurse is still available to you. If you wish to speak or see the nurse, please ring or txt 027 455 5074 or email <u>schoolhlth@midcentraldhb.govt.nz</u>. Please leave your name, school and the best contact details and a nurse will get in touch with you.

School Notices Cont'd

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.

Manawatu Secondary Schools Top Art Folio Show

Please note that due to Lockdown Te Manawa has extended the Secondary Schools Top Art Folio Show. It is now open from Tuesday 19th May 2020 until September 2020.

School Uniform

Please be aware that the uniform shop has run out of stock of some winter uniform items. Due to the lockdown, the extra winter uniform order could not be placed.

The following uniform items are currently out of stock:

- Size 6 Junior Trousers
- Size 4, 6, 8, 10 Long Sleeved Polos

We are expecting delivery of the trousers within the next 2 weeks, but the polo shirts will not be available until the first week of July.

There is a 'Cornerstone Uniform Exchange' page on Facebook, where you can find second-hand items for sale.

We apologise for the inconvenience.

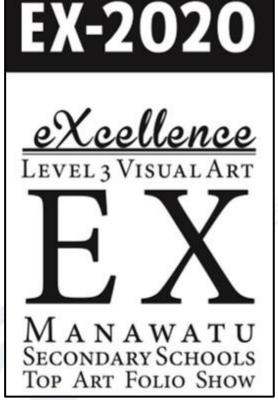
Rain Jackets

It is that time of year again, rain, rain, and more rain! If you would like to place an order for a Cornerstone School monogrammed rain jacket please contact llona at <u>ilona@cornerstone.ac.nz</u> or 06 356 7326. The cost is \$46.00 each. We have some samples in the office if you would like to have a look at these or check for sizing. Please place your order/s before Friday 12 June 2020. (*Please note that we require a minimum order of x10 jackets in order to place the order with our supplier*).

PE Uniform

We are expecting delivery of the new PE uniform by the 2nd week of June. Ilona Shewell will notify the school community that we have received these via the school noticeboards, the school newsletter and the School App.





Life Education Manawatu (Tim & Harrold)

Thank You from Tim & Harold from Life Ed Manawatu What a great place to start teaching again after lockdown! It has been

lovely being back at our second home. The Manahau students are so keen to know how their bodies work and how they can help the homeostasis process. This is so heartening to see and bodes well for them making positive decisions about their health now and in the future.

Thank you again for having us at your awesome school. Take care and we will see you all in October.



Love from Tim and Harold (Life Education Manawatu)



Student of the Week

Term 2: Week 6

C6 Tristan Taylor and Harrison Rose

Second-hand Uniform – For Sale

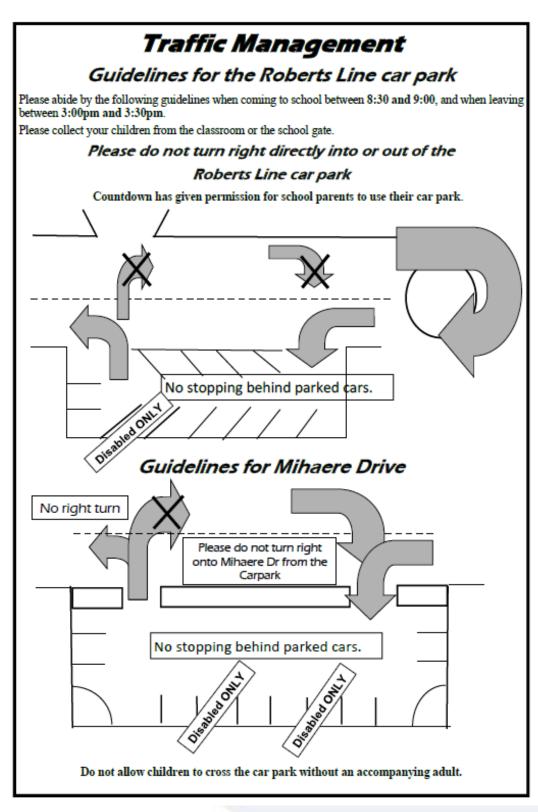
Senior Girls Uniform for Sale 1x Girls Cardigan, Size 87, \$40. 2x Girls Blouses, Size 8, \$10 each. 1x Skirt, Size 61r, \$50. 1x PE Top, Size14, \$10. 1 Pair PE Shorts, Size 14, \$10.

Please Contact Anna: 027 857 2318



Traffic Guidelines Around Cornerstone Christian School

Please see below for a reminder of the school traffic management guidelines:



Please do not drive into the Roberts Line car park to drop off/pick up your child, especially if you are stopping behind parked cars. This can cause congestion and traffic to back up to the roundabout.

Countdown have given us permission to use their car park. Please use this instead.

Please remind your child/ren, if they are biking to school that they <u>are not permitted</u> to ride their bike <u>across the</u> <u>pedestrian</u> <u>crossing or on</u> the footpath.

Please note, there is no right turn out of the Mihaere Drive Car park. Please turn left and drive around the roundabout.

Thank you.

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Community Notices

Girl Guides

Are offering guiding free for Term 2 as well as Pippins Explore and Brownies Explore free for all of 2020. We want to help out the families of Aotearoa. Take a look

Click here for more information: https://girlguidingnz.org.nz/join-us/#joinform



Key Dates:

Monday 1 June Queen's Birthday Holiday

Tuesday 2 June Itinerant Music Recital

Tuesday 16 June Lockdown Drill Show Quest CCS Talent Show – 6pm

Friday 19 June Trade Fair

Term Dates for 2020 *Term 2: 15 April-3 July Term 3: 20 July-25 September Term 4: 12 October-11 December*

Pippins Explore and Brownies Explore FREE for 2020:

Click here for more information: https://girlguidingnz.org.nz/explore/

Gardener Available

Need help with your garden? Seasoned gardener available. \$30/h Phone: 027 857 2318.

What I like about our school – By Gareth Bell.

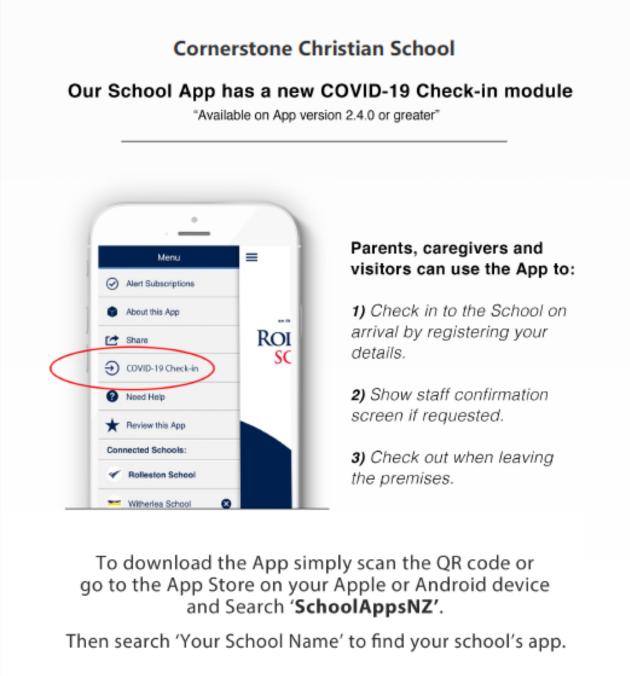
The parents' prayer group. A small group of faithful, passionate parents, meeting weekly to uphold us in prayer. I believe in the power of prayer and know that it makes a difference in protecting our school, blessing our teachers, and growing our students. Thank you Jesus and thank you praying parents.



Kelvin Kids

Kelvin Kids are now operating from the classroom next to the gym at Cornerstone school. We offer before school care from 7:15am to 8:30am. This includes breakfast choices such as: toast, cereal, fruit, and hot chocolate. After school care is from 3pm to 6pm. This includes afternoon tea, completing homework and a wide variety of other activities to choose from. To make a booking or further information. please contact Chantelle 021 038 2661 for or email kelvinkidsaftercare@gmail.com.









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