

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

Families in Education

Welcome back to all of our families as we start term 3. Term 3 is generally a very settled term for learning as the colder, often rainy, weather keeps people inside. The trick for us as teachers is to ensure the students remain engaged with their learning, and having fun at school, even if the weather isn't being completely helpful.

Whilst we have your children here at school for 6 hours of the day, we do have a mission statement that states:

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

That statement "with parents" has been a hallmark of education at Cornerstone ever since the school first began in 1987. Our school has been blessed with close parent involvement from the beginning, and this is something we celebrate since it allows us to further impact on the children for the Lord and for their good.

I recently came across a quotation from the Ontario Ministry of Education:

"Families are composed of individuals who are competent and capable, curious and rich in experience. Families are experts on their children. They are the first and most powerful influence on children's learning, development, health and wellbeing. Families bring diverse social, cultural and linguistic perspectives. Families should feel that they belong, are valuable contributors to their children's learning, and deserve to be engaged in a meaningful way."

I completely agree with this statement and look forward to continuing to work with you, our parents, and to have strong links between home and school.

I wish you and your children a wonderful term ahead, even though we may have periodic issues with the weather, the traffic in the carparks, things not going how we think they should etc. The good news for us is that all these irritations are just part of life, and what we are doing at Cornerstone is trying to guide our students, as they grow up, in how to find their God in the midst of their very real lives (the ups the downs and the in-betweens).

Many blessings,

Peter Ferrar



Final assembly for Primary
School for Term 2

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

Vision: "To be confident followers of Jesus Christ, equipped and inspired to creatively impact our world."

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Calendar

Thur 25 Jul	Primary Maths Info Evening (Tonight 7.30pm-9.00pm)
Mon 5 Aug	Cook Islands Language Week
Tue 6 Aug	Year 7 & 8 Elite Basketball
Wed 7 Aug	Year 7-13 School Open Day

Important Dates Coming Up

Fri 16 Aug	School Photos
26-30 Aug	Year 11-13 Examinations
9-13 Sep	AIMS Games
Sat 14 Sep	Senior School Ball

Class Awards

Week 1

D1	Gida Venter & Siobhan Leauanae
D2	Mason De Vries & Kobe Bannister
D3	Joshua Woods & Litong Qu
D5	Clinton Chow & Isaac Stanford

Praise Awards

C2	Lily McDonald
10BE	Joshua Ah-Chan
10BE	Matthew Smith
10WU	Hannah Ashburner
10WU	Asher Jorgansen
11DO	Kate McDonald
11SI	Abigail Dore-Wright
11SI	Monty Feulufai
12HE	Faith French-Odering
12HE	Nikita Martin
12HE	Jonathan McDonald
12JA	Benjamin Murray

School Notices

Planning for 2020

As a result of the high demand for places that our school is experiencing, it is important that we know whether any students (other than Year 13's) are planning to leave Cornerstone at the end of the year. If you plan to enrol your child elsewhere, please let the Principal's PA know of your plans by Friday 30th August (so that we can advise families on the waiting list whether there is a place available for them during September). Please email sandra@cornerstone.ac.nz, txt 027 604 0064 or phone 356 7326 extn: 6102.

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Primary Maths Information Evening - Tonight

We would like to invite parents of all primary aged children (Year 1-6) to an information evening with Pearson Maths expert Charlotte Wilkinson. Charlotte is very knowledgeable and helpful in giving advice on how to support primary children in their Maths learning journey.



When: Thursday 25th July (tonight)

Where: Cornerstone Staffroom

Time: 7.30pm – 9.00pm

This will be a fun practical learning evening. Some of the topics that will be discussed are addition and subtraction, the importance of estimation, multiplication and division and how parents can support their child with this. Please inform your child's teacher if you are interested in attending.

New Entrant Enrolments



We are experiencing significant pressure on our roll and have waiting lists at most year levels. Enrolling your pre-schooler **before they turn 2** will help to ensure there is a space for them when they are ready to start school, and will avoid the sad situation some parents have experienced whereby their child is not able to be enrolled due to the year level being full. Enrolment forms may be picked up at reception or downloaded from the website: <http://www.cornerstone.ac.nz/enrolment/forms>.

If you do not have a letter from the school offering your pre-schooler a place, please enquire whether they are pre-enrolled by contacting Sandra either by phone 356 7326 Ext 6102 or email sandra@cornerstone.ac.nz.

School Gardener Vacancy

We are currently on the lookout for a new school gardener. This role is for someone who loves to garden, and has a general knowledge of plants. The successful applicant will be responsible for the general appearance of the gardens, including weed control, trimming shrubs and planting new plants. This role will be periodic, with days worked to be negotiated. For more information or any expression of interest, please contact: Angela: angela@cornerstone.ac.nz



School Notices

Congratulations Mitchell Webb

Congratulations to Mitchell Webb, who has been successful in securing a berth on the Spirit of Adventure sailing ship which departs from Tauranga in September. This is a fantastic opportunity for Mitchell and will unlock potential and develop lifelong skills. Mitchell has done very well to be awarded a place on it.

Congratulations Ella Pedley

Congratulations to Ella Pedley (Year 7) for recently achieving a "Highly Commended" and "Most Potential Overall" performing arts award in the Manawatu Speech and Drama Competition. Ella performed a characterization of Luna Lovegood (Harry Potter) in the Under 13's section. Ella fully memorized her piece and performed exceptionally. Well done Ella!



Found

A silver cross and chain, a silver award badge and a key on a jandal keyring with Hawaii on it have been found this week. If any of these belong to you, please collect them from the school office.

Second Hand Uniform for Sale

Size 12 PE Uniform: \$10

Girls Cardigan - Size 92cm: \$40

Girls Skirt - Size 61: \$30

Please phone Claire: 021 703 798



Mrs Casey & Mr Henderson at the Living Stones Tribes Competition – Go Asher

Sports Notices

Team of the Week – Week 1

Team of the week this week is our Year 10 Basketball team. Here is one of our secondary sports teams that show all the values of our school.

They have made three home-schooled students feel very welcome in their team and their results are showing that 'team work makes the dream work'. They play for each other, include every player, never give up and have fun while they're out there doing it! Many thanks to our Senior A Basketball player, Timothy Muli, who coaches this team during his lunchtimes. We appreciate students who 'give back' to our school in this way.





REMEMBER our KickStart Breakfast club is open
Tuesdays & Thursdays
from 8am and everyone is welcome to come in for a bowl of Weet-Bix & milk!

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