

Principal's Message

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

Well done! You all made it to the end of term! It has certainly been a different one with all that has happened around lockdown and then transitioning back to school. I have to confess that I am looking forward to a good break over the next couple of weeks and being able to put my feet up for a few days; go on a long walk in the bush, or curl up by the fire with a good book!

I was reminded today in my scripture reading of God's gift of rest and relaxation. My reading was Psalm 62:1: *Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him.*

I don't know about you, but I often waste energy and exhaust myself with needless worry. Worry about things that never happen. I like a definition of worry I recently came across: 'Worry is interest paid on a debt we may never owe'. That is a definition worth remembering because it exposes the stupidity of worry! Today is Thursday not Friday. How much of today did you spend imagining Friday? I don't mean the good use of imagination: wondering, dreaming, thinking up new possibilities. I mean the negative use of your imagination: mentally rehearsing difficult or stressful circumstances from your make-believe future. Have you (like me) been wasting Thursday by mentally "trying on" what it might be like to get through your forecast for Friday? God doesn't give us grace for our imaginations. God gives us grace for today, grace for what's right in front of us. Today is Thursday. And today God has given us the supply of grace we need for navigating Thursday, 2nd July 2020.

So, my sincere prayer is that all of our students, teachers, parents, and whanau find rest and the grace for just one day over the July holidays. Can't wait to see you all back bright and sparky in the new term!

Kia tau ki a koutou te aroha noa, me te rangimarie, he mea na te Atua, na to tatou Matua, na te Ariki hoki, na Ihu Karaiti. Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (Philippians 1:2).

Chris Mitchell
Principal
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School Notices

School Carnival Day Tomorrow

We will be having a Carnival Day tomorrow Friday 3rd July. Please come dressed in your Tribe colours. At 2.15pm we have a whole school assembly (parents welcome). School will finish for all students at 3.00pm.

Years 7-13 Open Afternoon

Our Year 7-13 open afternoon will be held on Tuesday 11th August, starting at 1.40pm. The afternoon is designed to provide our current Year 6 and Year 8 students with an introduction to the opportunities in the secondary school next year. Parents are encouraged to come along and join the tours. Prospective students and their parents are also invited to join us for this event but should be aware that we will have limited places for new students in 2021.

IMPORTANT NOTICE - L Block Driveway

Parents ***PLEASE DO NOT*** drive down the L Block driveway to drop off/pick up your child/ren before or after school. Instead please drop them off from the curb side. This is a **STAFF ONLY** entrance.

NZ Covid Tracer

Posters displaying Cornerstone Christian School's **NZ Covid Tracer QR Code** have been placed at the school entrances. Parents coming on-site should use either the **NZ Covid Tracer QR Code** or the **School App** or sign in on the VizTab at reception when coming onto the school grounds. Learn more about [NZ Covid Tracer](#).

Rain Jackets

If you would like to place an order for a Cornerstone School monogrammed rain jacket, please contact Ilona at ilona@cornerstone.ac.nz or 06 356 7326. The cost of these are \$46 for Junior sizes and \$60 for Adult sizes. We have some samples available in the office to look at or try on. Please place your order/s by Friday 3rd July. ***(Please note that we require a minimum order of x10 jackets in order to place an order with our supplier).***

Scholastic Book Club

Scholastic Book Club have a huge brochure of books available for the rest of this term! Orders can be placed online only between 2 June and 11 July with free delivery to the school. View the brochure on the Scholastic website: <https://www.scholastic.co.nz/toolkit/>. For further information, please see Mrs Sutherland in D3 or email janes@cornerstone.ac.nz.



Nuts

As we have a number of Primary School students with severe nut allergies, we request that you please do not send any food with nuts in your child's lunchbox if they are in Year 1-6. Students in the Secondary School (Year 7-13) are permitted to have peanuts/peanut butter in their lunches, as students at this age with nut allergies, are able to manage this themselves.



Our new Year 7 & 8 Woodwork classes at Cornerstone with Mr Nate Sextus.

Contact: office@cornerstone.ac.nz | 06 356 7326 | cornerstone.ac.nz

Absences: absent@cornerstone.ac.nz | Text: 027 315 7764

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School Notices Cont'd

Sickness – When to keep your Child/ren Home from School

If your child has a persistent cough, constant runny nose, sore throat or are generally feeling unwell, please keep them home from school. (If you have any concerns phone Healthline or make an appointment with your GP). Students must be symptom-free for 48 hours before coming back to school. **Healthline: Ph: 0800 358 5453**

Lost Bicycle

Orange and Grey Merida bike with white writing. Also lost, a bike helmet with black gloves in it. If found, please report to the office.

Cornerstone Awards

June

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

Aroha Team

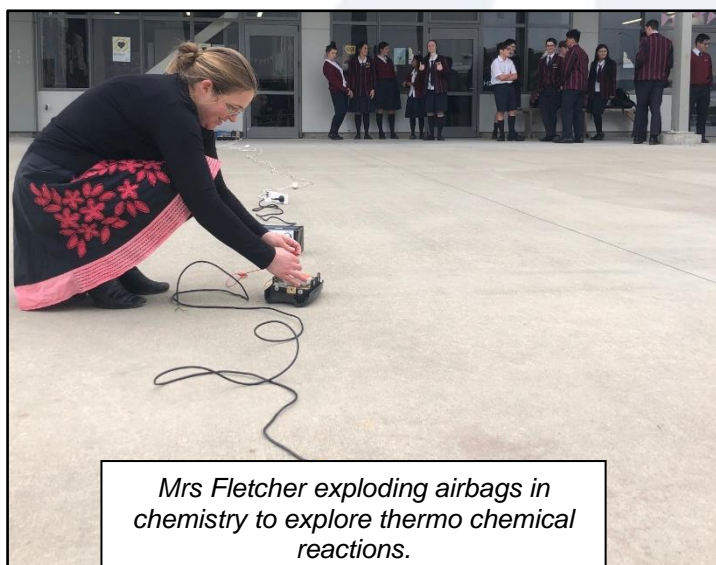
- A2 Jack Gray, Vikram Pandey & Melody Burns
- A3 Nicola Venter, Brooklyn Murcott-Dowers & Kenzie Gray
- A4 Jasmine Nolan, Selita Halaifonua & Finn Bannister
- A5 Blake Shewell, Isabell Dore-Wright & Sovereign John
- D1 Oliver Henderson, Helena Kaufononga & Gabriella Varghese Bose

Manahau Team

- D2 Sian Sanal, Benjamin Bosman & Brooklyn Allan
- D3 Sofia Anderson, Charlotte Brookes & Matthew Grapentin
- D5 Penelope Wrenn & Sarah Codd
- D6 Seth Ruihi-Lewis, Mana Ozdemir & Benjamin Quitiquit

Tumanako Team

- C1 David Soo, Zoe Faiz & Joshua Murdoch
- C2 Ngaire Baxter, Jeremiah Jeff & Aiden McGregor
- C4 Nerine Ferreira & Alastair McIvor
- C6 Phoebe Oldfield, Brianna Parsons & Finn Bannister



Mrs Fletcher exploding airbags in chemistry to explore thermo chemical reactions.



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Sports Notices

Term 3 Badminton for Years 4, 5 & 6 Students

- Competition runs for 7-8 Weeks (TBC)
- Day: Tuesdays at Arena Manawatu from 28 July-15 Sept
- Time: Between 4pm-5.30pm
- Cost: \$55 per player (2 player teams. Please find your playing partner then register interest to jannell@cornerstone.ac.nz). Teams can be either boys, girls, or mixed teams.



Our youngest basketball team - CCS Red - with their coach Timothy Muli, after their first game of the season!



CCS BLUE year 6 basketball lads had a good first game last Thursday - showing perseverance and great sportsmanship. A big than you to Tarryn Rose for coaching these boys!



Our C4 students have been busy making kites. Here are some of their awesome designs!

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Community Notices

aPlus School Holiday Program

aPlus has awesome, age specific activities and affordable care for 5-14-year olds, 7:15am to 6pm from the 6th to 17th of July.

Go to www.aplus.kiwi.nz for further details and to book. Printed copies of their programme are available from the school office.



Key Dates:

Thursday 2 July

Primary School Assembly - 2.15pm
in the Gym (All welcome)

Friday 3 July

Carnival Day – Please wear Tribe Colours

Whole School Assembly - 2.30pm
in the Gym (All welcome)
Last Day of Term 2

Term Dates for 2020

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

Organic Farm Tours

Looking for something to do these holidays? Want to see the inner workings of an organic farm in action? Alt Energy Farm at Rongotea are giving family tours these holidays. The tour is packed full of exciting farm experiences, including cheese or yoghurt making. \$25 per family, bring a picnic lunch along (no food for sale on site) for an affordable fun, family activity. Spaces are limited to 4 families a tour, with limited days available so they won't last long. Contact: Susan at Alt Energy Farm dekmatt@outlook.com for bookings.

Sport Manawatu Indoor Holiday Program

6-8 July

Years 8-13 (Ages 13-17)

13-15 July

Years 5-8 (Ages 9-12)

Time: 9.00am-2.30pm

Cost: \$60 per child

Register at: www.sportmanawatu.org.nz
or collect a form from the school office.

6-8 July

Years 5-8 (Ages 9-12)

13-15 July

Years 9-13 (Ages 13-17)

Time: 9.00am-3.00pm

Cost: \$60 per child

Pita Pit sub provided

Register at: www.sportmanawatu.org.nz or collect a form from the school office.

Thank You

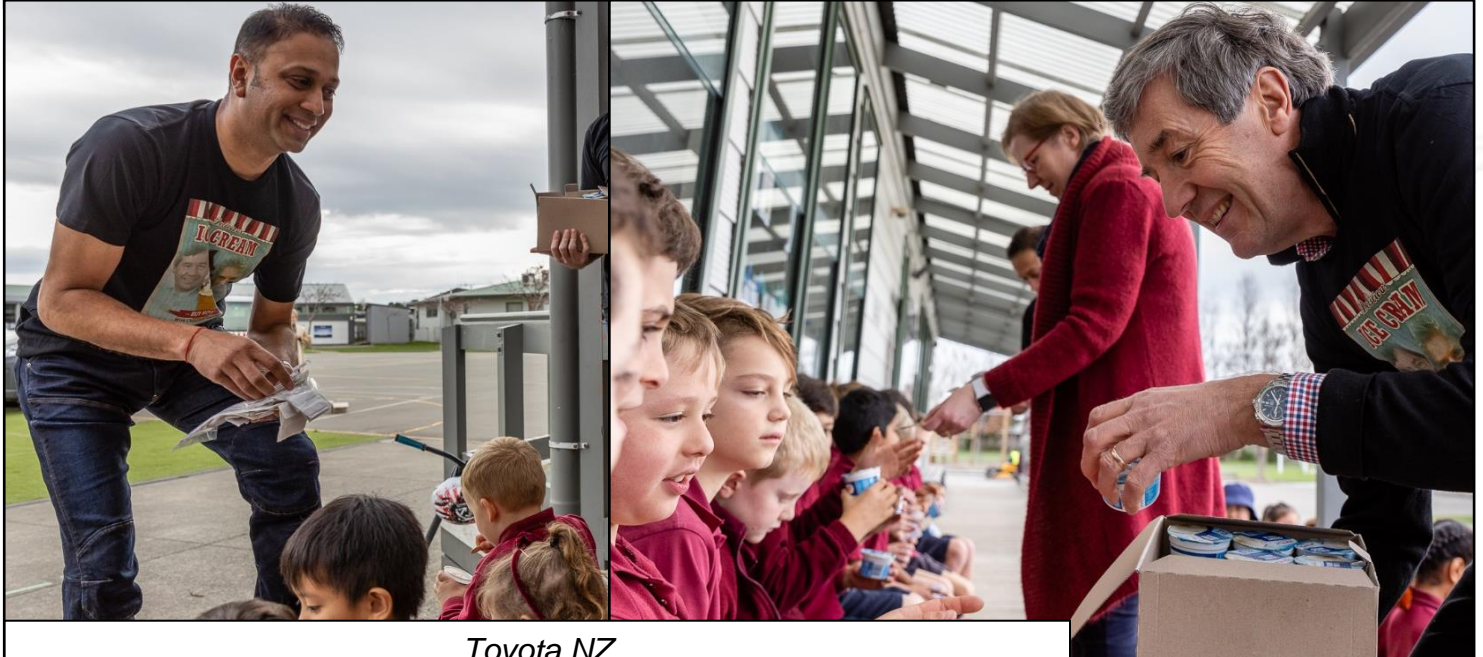
A big thank you to Toyota NZ who visited our school on Monday and handed out ice-creams to our Primary School students. This was organised by Toyota NZ as a surprise for their retiring CEO Alistair Davis. Alistair loves ice-cream and together with Toyota NZ has been a tremendous support to Cornerstone Christian School over the years. Toyota NZ donated the beautiful cherry blossom trees that put on a beautiful show in spring each year and are on many of our school's publications. They have also provided sponsorship for a number our Gala's and had in the past sponsored one of our PE Uniforms. We wish you all the very best for your retirement Alistair and God's richest blessings. We would also like to welcome new CEO Mr Neeraj Lala to our community.



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*Toyota NZ
Retiring CEO Alistair Davis and New CEO Neeraj Lala handing out ice-creams to our Junior Students*

