

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 morning as I left my house to come to school, I walked past a large wrought-iron cross that hangs on the wall near our front door. I was struck anew by the thought of how strange it is that this ancient instrument of brutal torture has become today, an object of beauty that we wear as jewellery or hang as an ornament. I don't know about you, but I had a fantastic Easter Break, celebrating both the agony and beauty of this 'cross' with my family and wider church family. This year I happened upon a reading from Father Kenneth Tanner, an Episcopal priest in Michigan, USA, that really challenged my thinking about Easter and the Cross. Father Tanner writes:

The cross is not the appeasement of an angry and retributive god. The cross is not where Jesus saves us from God, but where Jesus reveals God as saviour. The cross is not what God inflicts upon Jesus in order to forgive, but what God in Christ endures as He forgives. The cross is where the sin of the world coalesced into hideous singularity so that it might be forgiven en-masse. The cross is where the world violently sinned its sins into the body of the Son of God, and where He absorbed it all, praying, "Father forgive them." The cross is both ugly and beautiful. It's as ugly as human sin and as beautiful as divine love – but in the end, love and beauty win.

Thank you once again God, for Easter and for the forgiveness that you freely offer to all of us.

Last week was a special week in the life of our school. It was great to see so many of our School Community here at the Family Fun night last Wednesday evening. Even more so, given that the weather was wet and cold and windy. Thank you to our Cornerstone Fundraising Group for all of the candyfloss, coffee, sausages and goodies on sale!



I know Josh Couperus gave a plug for the Cornerstone Fundraising Group on the night, but yes, we are always on the lookout for more parents to help out. Please email: couperusjosh@gmail.com. Next term we are running a community quiz night, which should be a whole lot of fun! Watch this newsletter for more information.

Last Thursday we held a Teacher Only day, where we hosted around 230 teachers, Boards of Trustee members, teacher aides and support staff from all of the Christian Schools across the lower North Island. Our keynote speaker was Dr Bev Norsworthy. It was good to be reminded of the core purpose for Christian Education. Bev challenged us to continually be thinking, how is what I am teaching helping students to Know God, Love God and Serve God more?

School Notices

Mufti Day – Thursday 15th April

Next week is our awesome School Guidance Counsellor, Mrs Delwyn Crowther's final week with us. Delwyn is taking up a Guidance Counsellor position at Freyberg High School next term and so to celebrate her huge contribution to our school, we are holding a mufti day in her honour. Delwyn is known for her awesome bright and colourful dress-sense (and personality) and to honour her we are asking all students to come dressed in something bright and colourful! Please bring a gold coin donation or make a \$2 donation via the MyKindo app. Donations will go to Tracks for Life, Globe Tutoring and World Vision 40-hour famine.

Tribes Bible Quiz and Summer Games

On Friday 16th April (the last day of Term 1) we will be holding our traditional Tribe Bible Quiz in the morning and Summer Games in the afternoon. All students should come dressed in their tribe colours.

Thank You Rangitikei Flooring!

A note of thanks to Rangitikei Flooring for their wonderful contribution to our school, of a very large carpet mat which is in G6.



Student ID Photos

Student ID's have been ordered and we expect these to arrive early next Term. Students will be notified via the Kamar notices upon arrival and they will be given to Life Lab Teachers to distribute.

Small Jars with Lids Wanted

The Art Department would love any donations of small jars (plastic or glass) with lids. These can be dropped off to the school office. Thank you.

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

Please keep your child at home if they have a persistent cough, constant runny nose, sore throat, has vomited or had diarrhoea within 48 hours or are generally feeling unwell. (If you have any concerns, please phone the Healthline or make an appointment with your GP). Students must be symptom-free for 48 hours before returning to school. **Healthline: Ph: 0800 358 5453.**

Lunch Online to Kindo School Lunches - Subway

This is the last week for you to use your credit on lunch online. Next Term we will be moving over to Kindo's School Shop lunches (Subway). Lunches are delivered to each of the Primary School classes. Students in Year 9-13 please collect your lunch from G6.

Piano Lessons

Robyn Good (ATCL and Registered Music Teacher) offers private piano lessons at Cornerstone Christian School and has a few spaces available during school time in Term 2. Fees are \$25 per half hour lesson payable at the start of each Term. If you are interested please contact Robyn on 021 046 3105 or email goodonthepiano@gmail.com.

Student of the Week

Week 8

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded the Student of the Week Certificate:

- A2 Astron Jeevan & Landen De Beer
- A3 Ella Kingsbeer
- A4 Keziah Anderson & Mowriyah Fouva'a
- D1 Vikram Pandey & Erceena Cabantug
- C1 Caleb Henderson & Seth Ruihi-Lewis
- C2 Kaea Pereka & Rhys Woodmass
- C4 Ebenezer Muli, Isla Cabuay & Olivia Malcolm
- C6 Nathan Jiminez & Levi Poulton



Week 9

- D2 Sovereign John & Blake Shewell
- D3 Talia Kuntharayil Thomas & Lehann van Heerden
- D5 Antonio Budd, Stella Balason & Emily Couperus
- D6 Scarlett Woods & Lucy Smith

Cornerstone Awards

Term 1

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

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| 7CD | Lachlan Ross & Tapaita Matakaiongo | 11AN | Yanne Vicente de Souza & Samuel Thompson |
| 7NS | Harrison Rose & Elizabeth Thatcher | 11HE | Damien Henn & Richard Good |
| 8PA | Tayla Ah-Chan & Samuel Codd | 11HS | Lucas Rowland & Luke Reid |
| 8TR | Anita Anish & Jireh Tautau | 12BE | Matthew Smith & Benjamin Grant |
| 9MX | Fynn Cranshaw & Caleb Meyer | 12WU | Jared Wellington & Anna Taylor Brock |
| 9SE | Boaz Taylor-MacLean & Kyle Hamilton | 13DO | Liam Woodmass & Lourdes Fouva'a |
| 10CH | Corban Christensen & Caitlin Duke | 13SI | Sharon Titus & Abigail Dore-Wright |
| 10JA | Ben Murdoch & Olivia Stewart | | |
| 10MT | Lily McDonald & Gabriela Hammoud | | |

Sports Notices

Futsal Practices

Futsal practices on Tuesday afternoons have been cancelled for the remainder of the term due to the coach having a change in personal circumstances. Apologies for this change.

Junior Girls Volleyball Fundraiser

The Junior Girls Volleyball team is fundraising for the Volleyball Nationals Tournament in Auckland in November.

They are selling:

- Bags of DRY firewood (900mm high x 520mm wide). \$15 per bag or 3 bags for \$30.
- Boxes of dry Totara kindling \$10 per box. Perfect to start your fire.
- Dry bags of pinecones (900mm high x 520mm wide) \$7 per bag.

If you would like to support our Volleyball girls, you can pre order via MYKINDO under CFG fundraising – Volleyball fundraiser. The volleyball girls will be filling your orders during the school holidays, ready for pickup in Term two from Cornerstone Christian School.

For further information or any queries, please contact Amanda Oldfield on 027 206 6018.

Sports Notices Cont'd

Manawatu Table Tennis

Manawatu Table Tennis are holding a Secondary Grade (Year 7-13) Tournament on Wednesday 30th June for individuals. Cost is \$10. If your child is interested in registering please email jannell@cornerstone.ac.nz for more information.

Cornerstone Christian School Golf Team

Congratulations to the Cornerstone Christian School Golf Team (Jerome Robinson, Oliver Southall, Liam Southall and Fynn Cranshaw). Winning 1st Net at the Secondary Schools 18-hole Golf Tournament on Thursday 1st April. The team competed against Secondary Schools across Manawatu and Wanganui at the Marton Golf Club. They represented CCS very well with their great sportsmanship and attitude. Many thanks to Cherie Southall who is a constant support and encourager of Golf in our school and region.



Manawatu GymSports

Manawatu GymSports is offering holiday classes. These are a great way to try gymnastics out if you are keen on registering for Term 2. Also fantastic if you just wish to burn off some energy and have some fun during the holidays. Holiday and Term timetables are available on their website www.manawatugymsports.co.nz. Enrolments for new members for Term 2 open on 9th April.



Aroha team with their buddy classes from C1, C2 and C4 reading together.

Ezlunch Lunch Orders via MyKindo


From **Friday 26 March**, you can order **Subway's** delicious and healthy subs, wraps (including gluten free wraps) and more, while supporting our school through **mykindo** by simply [clicking here!](#)



Please note: *This will be run alongside the lunchonline service until the end of Term 1 so if you have funds on your lunchonline account, use these up before the end of term and then start ordering through mykindo.*

You can order (or cancel) **any time before 9am** on the day or schedule in advance. Your child's lunch will be delivered to the school in time for lunch. Click [here](#) to view the menu.

Orders are made online through your myKindo account. One account for the whole family! Get started now and be ready... [Click here](#) or go to www.mykindo.co.nz to start ordering!

 for Apple and Android users
download the mykindo app.

Help? Visit support.mykindo.co.nz or tel. 0508 4KINDO (0508 4454636) weekdays 8am-4pm.
www.mykindo.co.nz or www.ezlunch.co.nz

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Click the link for our short 3-minute tutorial to guide you through. [Online tutorial](#)

Topping up your myKindo account

Either choose the top up account option at any time, or top-up at the checkout when you make your next purchase. No minimum top-up amounts.

- POLi – links to internet banking – FEE FREE. Funds are instantly transferred.
- Bank transfer – FEE FREE. Allow two days for processing of funds.
- *NOTE: Orders will not be placed until the funds have cleared.*



Police Studies students watch on as a fleeing motorist is road spiked then arrested in a scenario at the Police College Open Day in Porirua last Thursday.



Destiny Te Mataki, Loisi Halaifonua and Diane Kaufusi come to grips with the harsh reality of road policing during the Police College Open Day.

Community Notices

Girls' Brigade

Looking for a fun and affordable activity for your daughter? Then come along and give Girls' Brigade a go. Programmes are starting now. We have companies in:

Milson (Thursday 4.30pm-6pm) – Joanne Ph: 355-3124 or
Highbury/Takaro (Tuesday) – Suzanne Ph: 356 1974 or
Feilding (Tuesdays 5pm to 7pm) – Lynne 027 254 6840.

aPlus School Holiday Programme

aPlus has your autumn school holidays sorted! Age specific activities and quality, affordable care for 5–14-year-olds. Based at Hokowhitu School, 7:15am to 6pm from 19th to 30th April. Follow us on Facebook or head to our website for more details and to book www.aplus.kiwi.nz or collect a flyer from the school office.

Hokowhitu Football Club

New player registration and pre-season now open. Spaces available in all junior age groups: First Kicks (4-5yr olds), 7th-13th Grade Girls Teams. Please contact our Football Co-ordinator: Phil Riley: Ph: 021 166 3486 or email footballcoordinator@hifc.nz.

Study Smarter (Study Tips and Memory Strategies Workshop)

Learn the powerful strategies that make a difference to your study. Through the use of simple, easy to apply, practical ideas, you can boost your own performance and your exam results. Sitting and passing exams is supposed to get you ahead in life - not make you a nervous wreck!

With simple and effective techniques described in this seminar you can massively increase your ability to pass exams and even reduce your study time. In this one day fast-paced interactive presentation, international presenter, Karen Tui Boyes from Spectrum Education will share many simple and practical ideas. Education is the key to the future... working smarter not harder is the key to success.

When: Tuesday 20th April (Second day of school holidays)
Time: 9.00am-3.00pm
Venue: Palmerston North Girls High School
Cost: \$149 per person (Bring a friend for FREE)

For further info and to book, please click on the below link:

[Study Smarter Workshop in Palmerston North April School Holidays \(mailchi.mp\)](http://Study Smarter Workshop in Palmerston North April School Holidays (mailchi.mp))



Key Dates:

Monday 12th April

Manahau Team Assembly

Tuesday 13th April

Fire Drill (10.45am)

NCEA Performance Evening 1

Wednesday 14th April

Y11-13 Road User Safety Day

Thursday 15th April

Mufti Day

Friday 16th April

Last Day of Term 1

Bible Quiz (9.00am)

Summer Games (1.40pm)

Y7-13 Academic Summaries

Distributed

Term 1: 1st Feb-16th April

Term 2: 3rd May-9th July

Term 3: 26th July-1st October