

School Newsletter

Term 2 - Week 1

Cornerstone Christian School - 5 May 2022

Psalms 18:2

*"The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer;
my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold."*

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

It was so good to see all of our students back on Monday this week and to hear the buzz in the playground as students caught up with each other and shared stories from the holiday break.

I have received a lot of positive comments about our newly refurbished turf area and school entrance on Mihaere Drive.



A huge thank you to our school proprietors (Cornerstone Christian Education Trust) for all of their work to make this possible, and to Mr Craig McDonald who coordinated the install of the turf over the holiday break.

We are also thankful for the remedial work that was carried out in the gymnasium over the holidays to re-sand the floor flat and re-mark all the lines. It looks fantastic.

Parents Onsite and after School Pickups

In case you missed the message, parents may now come onsite to drop off and pick up their children. If you come into class to meet with your child's classroom teacher, can we please ask that you wear a mask. As a very low number of our teachers have had COVID-19, our ability to keep the school open this term depends on our ability to keep our lovely teachers healthy. Please view the inside-classroom-space the same as going into Countdown across the road – mask on please.

In order to encourage parents to come back onsite and meet and chat as a school community, we have decided to stop bringing the year 3 – 6 students to the Mihaere Drive gate at 3pm (so parents can pick-up students without getting out of their cars). Thank you for your understanding around this matter.

Congratulations to our EPRO-8 Teams

On Wednesday night this week two of our year 7/8 teams took part in the EPRO-8 competition. The EPro8 Challenge is an inter-school science and engineering competition. Every year over 22,000 students from throughout New Zealand take part and students participate in a series of events: firstly within school and then inter-school. These events are designed to promote science and engineering. Our two teams were placed 5th and 11th in the competition which is pretty incredible for our first year. The fifth placed team will now go through to the finals at Whakarongo School later this week. A huge thank you to Mrs Narrelle Soong for organising this event at Cornerstone Christian School.

May the Fourth!

'May the fourth' has become international Star Wars day and we decided to have a little bit of fun with this – asking our students to come dressed as one of the Star Wars book and movie series characters. Thanks everyone for getting into the spirit of this day. Here is an awesome photo from Mr Henderson's class – room C6:



Have a fantastic weekend!

God Bless

Chris Mitchell

Principal

Email: principal@cornerstone.ac.nz

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Star Wars Day - May the 4th

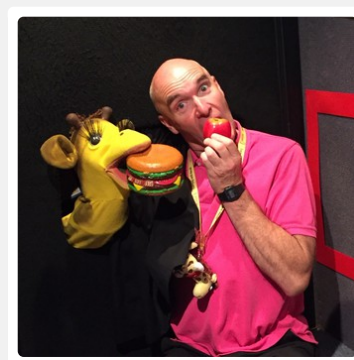
We had fun on Star Wars Day with lots of students dressing up. Here are some highlights.



Life Ed Manawatu

HI FROM TIM AND HAROLD @LIFE ED MANAWATU!

We are so excited to be back at Cornerstone Christian School and seeing all our friends again! Being around all your energy and friendliness is always a highlight of our year - it is simply the best! We feel very privileged to be sharing in the students' learning around being an Upstander by focusing on friendships, conflict resolution and resilience with Aroha, what makes us special and unique as individuals and as team members with Manahau, and leadership, teamwork & resilience with Tumunako.



Life Ed is a charitable trust that aims to inspire learners and their families to make positive decisions about their wellbeing, and receives no government funding. If you would like to support our worthy cause, we will have the following items for sale until next Tuesday:

Harold flag pens @\$1

Harold lanyards @\$3

Soft toy Harold keyrings @\$7

Harold drink bottles @\$10

Large soft toy Harolds @\$24

These can be purchased from me at anytime (cash only please). I look forward to hearing about any learning being shared at home - take care everyone and have a stunning rest of the day!

Love from Tim and Harold!

Student of the Week Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who received the Student of the Week Certificate.

Manahau

D2: Catherin and Jackson

D3: Graham and Bethany

D5: Harriet and Alexander

D6: Noah and Amelia



Congratulations to Allasandra (Year 9)

Congratulations to Allasandra from year 9 who spent her holiday at the Yoobee design school in Wellington and was chosen as their student of the week.



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

ALLASANDRA MARTIN



TELL US A BIT ABOUT YOURSELF

"My name is Allasandra, Alla for short, I'm from Palmerston North and I'm doing the Digital Painting Holiday Programme. Art has been something I've been interested in for a while now, and I really want to learn as much as I can!"



WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO DO THE DIGITAL PAINTING HOLIDAY PROGRAMME AT YOBBEE?

"Because I've been doing art for years and I've recently taken interest in painting, I'm very new to painting and I hope to improve. This class looked like a great opportunity for me to develop my knowledge in a cool new environment! I also thought it was a great way to meet people who are interested in the same thing as me - make some friends and have some cool experiences."



TELL US WHAT YOU HAVE CREATED

"For my final painting I have made a girl silhouette against a sunset ocean, with lots of pink and purple colours. I was experimenting with contrast and values. For me, I really enjoy using confident and bright colours in my work, it gives the sense of life and energy that I really love."

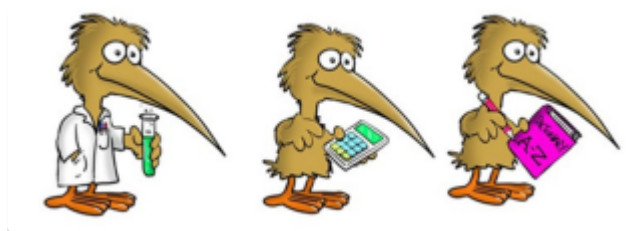
WHAT HAVE YOU ENJOYED MOST ABOUT THIS COURSE AT YOBBEE?

"I most enjoyed making friends and doing the projects. I've learnt more about values and environments, colours, contrast and so much more! I've learned a lot. It's super interesting how all the different fundamentals work together to build and create our designs. It's definitely something I'm going to continue to explore after this class."

Whole School Assembly - Friday 6 May

We are excited to be holding our Whole School Assembly tomorrow Friday 6 May at 10:20 - 11:00am. Parents are welcome to attend but can we please ask that you wear a mask and remove your shoes to look after the refurbished gym floor please.

2022 Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science Competitions



We will be running the Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science Competitions exams this year for those who wish to opt in. Please note these exams are replacing the ICAS exams.

Entry forms are available from classroom / life lab teachers and at the student window at the school office.

Please return the forms to the school office. **The closing date for entry is Thursday 12th May.** All money (via MyKindo) and entry forms need to be in by this date – there is no allowance for late entries.

Please see below for further information:

The University of Canterbury is offering your child the opportunity to participate in the Kiwi English, Mathematics and Science competitions. These competitions take place annually and are designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students based on the New Zealand Curriculum. For further information, please consult the CAM website www.canterbury.ac.nz/cam.

The competitions are open to all Year 5-10 students in English, Mathematics and Science. Students can enter in one or more subjects. Each competition will provide parents/caregivers with an individual student report of their child's overall performance. These are available through your school. The supervised online tests will take place in the last 3 weeks of Term 2 and the first week of Term 3.

All participating students will receive a certificate and a prize will be awarded to the top student nationally in each competition. If two or more students share the same top score then the prize is awarded to the student with the highest speed and accuracy.

NOTE: Our policy is **not** to release test papers. The tests are provided primarily as a competition and not as a teaching resource.

Entries are administered by the school. For further information, please consult the CAM website www.canterbury.ac.nz/cam

Book Week 2022 - Week 3

Book Week 2022 is back in Week 3 with a "Dive into Reading / Under the Sea" theme.

The Scholastic Books and Manna Christian Stores Bookstalls will be open for book purchases in classroom C1 during Book Week, 2.30-3.30pm Monday 16th May to Friday 20th May. (Please no cash, EFTPOS sales only). If you are available to assist with sales on the bookstall, or help to set up (Friday afternoon, 13th May) or pack down (Friday 20th May) please email raeleen@cornerstone.ac.nz.



Whole School Book Character Parade – Friday 20th May. Come dressed as your favourite book character and win prizes.

Book Week competition! If you would like to enter, please make a sea creature OR an ocean scene out of recycled materials. Bring it back to your class teacher by Friday 13th May. (Please no lego or toys to be included). Each class will choose one artwork to be displayed during Book Week. At the end of Book Week, the best sea creature or scene from each team will be chosen to win a special book prize.

Primary Cornerstone Awards Assembly - Wednesday 18 May

There will be a Primary Cornerstone Awards assembly on Wednesday 18th May, at 1.45pm in the gym. Parents/whānau are welcome but can we please ask you to wear a mask.



Prayer Group

Parents and whānau are warmly invited to join our prayer group. This group meets between 9:00am and 9:30am on Monday mornings to lift the school and community before the Lord in prayer. Please join us in the Meeting Room off the main office reception area.

Acrylic Jersey/Cardigan Orders for 2022

We are aware that some students cannot wear 100% wool items.

Please would you let Ilona know if you require an **Acrylic jersey or cardigan**. **We would need to know by 6th May 2022.**

There is a sample of the Acrylic jersey/cardigan at the office.

Contact Ilona on ilona@cornerstone.ac.nz or 06 356 7326 or simply pop into the office.



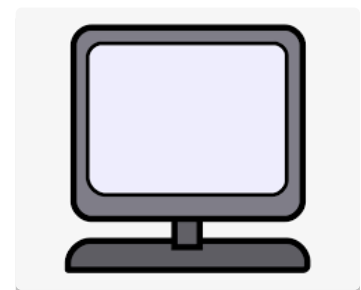
Scholastic Book Club #3

The next Scholastic Book Club brochure for the year (#3) is available now. Orders can be placed online only. **Orders for free delivery to school close at the end of week 3.** View the brochure on the Scholastic website. Any questions? See Mrs Sutherland in D3 or email janes@cornerstone.ac.nz Thank you!

Desktop PC's For Sale

The school has one final batch of Desktop PC's for sale for **\$100 each**, to families who are interested. These are well-built and reliable 'HP' brand, they are no longer required in our classrooms.

They are not the fastest computer in the world but will be superb for basic office tasks and web browsing, etc. These will come with everything you need – 19" LCD Screen, Keyboard, Mouse & cables. They also have **Windows 11** installed and ready to go.



Please be aware that they **do not have WiFi**. If you can't plug this directly into your WiFi Router (3 metre cable provided), you will need to purchase a 'USB WiFi Adapter' (readily available on TradeMe – around \$5-10).

If you are interested in purchasing one or more of these computers, please contact Paul Jorgensen (paul@cornerstone.ac.nz).

Please Support Our Valued Sponsors

Please support Streetwise Coffee and Mouthwater Coffee Company, valued sponsors of Cornerstone's Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L) programme!



SPORTS NOTICES

Term 1 Badminton Competition Results

Congratulations to the following students who placed in the local badminton competition in term one.

Elizabeth, Charli and Annabelle came 2nd in the Kakapo Year 5-8 division.

Caleb, Elijah and Cristin came 4th in the Fantail Year 5-8 division.

An excellent effort from all of these students.

A colorful poster for a badminton competition. The text "Tuesday Morning" is at the top in a bubbly, purple font with yellow outlines. Below it, "Badminton" is written in a larger, bold, purple font with yellow outlines. A blue-bordered box contains the text "Fun and Skills for any students of Cornerstone Christian School. (no cost)" in blue. Below this box, the text "8am-8.45am" and "Weeks 2-9" is written in blue. To the right of the text is an illustration of two blue badminton rackets and a yellow shuttlecock on a green base.

Tuesday Morning
Badminton

*Fun and Skills for any students of
Cornerstone Christian School. (no cost)*

8am-8.45am
Weeks 2-9

School App Notices

Please remember to download the school app on your phone – lots of sports, arts, school notices come out to parents this way, especially last minute things. It's a shame to miss out on changes and urgent notices.

See bottom of the newsletter for instructions.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Whole School Assembly** - Friday 6 May - 10.20am - Parents welcome
- **NCEA Level 2 Biology Trip** - Wednesday 11 May
- **Book Week** - Monday 16 May - Friday 20 May
- **Primary Cornerstone Awards Assembly** - Wednesday 18 May - 1.45pm
- **Book Week Dress Up Day** - Friday 20 May
- **BOT Meeting** - Tuesday 24 May - 6.30pm
- **Samoan Language Week** - Monday 30 May - Thursday 2 June
- **School Cross Country** - Wednesday 1 June - Thursday 2 June
- **Maori Whanau Hui** - Thursday 2 June - 5.30pm - Staffroom - Shared dinner
- **Teacher Only Day** - Friday 3 June (No school)
- **Queen's Birthday** - Monday 6 June (No school)
- **Pasifika Fono** - Thursday 16 June - 5.30pm - Staffroom - Shared dinner

2022 TERM DATES

Term 2: Monday 2nd May - Friday 8th July

Term 3: Monday 25th July - Friday 30th September

Term 4: Monday 17th October - Friday 16th December (Finish at 12pm)



Translate the School Newsletter to your own Language via School App

If English is not your first language, you can now translate our school newsletter to your own language:

1. Go into the School App (if you don't have this, please see the bottom of this newsletter for further instructions).
2. Click on newsletters.
3. Click on the newsletter you would like to view.
4. Click on the person icon on the bottom right.
5. Click on translate newsletter.
6. Click on the down arrow and select the language you would like it translated to.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Kelvin Kids - After School Care

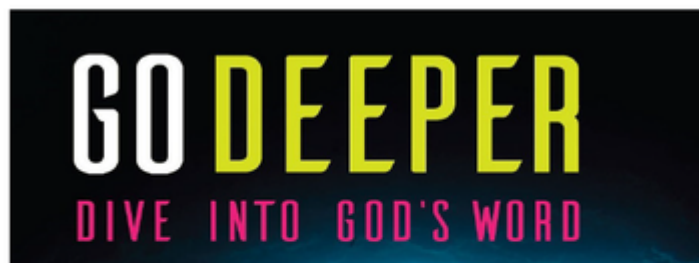
We have our very own onsite after school care programme here at Cornerstone from Monday to Friday 3pm - 6pm.

We have been operating for 4 years and love serving our community. Our staff have a heart for working with children, whilst honouring God. We love what we do, and would love to meet with you.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact **Chantelle on 021 038 2661**.

Cost: \$21 per afternoon. This includes afternoon tea, homework, crafts and activities.

We are Oscar approved.



TERM 2 COURSES AT EMMAUS

For Professional or Personal Spiritual Development

Block Course: Exploring Spiritual Growth

Pauline Simonsen (Thurs am, 8 weeks) early bird \$250

12 "One-Anothers": Unity and Conflict in Jesus' community

Mick Duncan (Tues pm, 6 weeks) early bird \$65

King David—Heart After God

Dave Belesky (Tues pm, 8 weeks) early bird \$95

Discovery Seminar: Uncovering your natural giftedness

Presented by Dave Belesky (June 25th) \$50

TUESDAY 10 May TO TUESDAY 28 Jun

7.30 PM to 9.30PM

www.emmaus.net.nz admin@emmaus.net.nz



[Full Calendar](#)

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