

School Newsletter

Term 2 - Week 2

Cornerstone Christian School - 12 May 2022

1 Corinthians 2:9

"No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love him."

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

This week has been a good solid week of heads-down focusing on schoolwork. There is a definite feel that we are heading into the winter months after a warm extended Autumn season.

Book-week

Next week here at school we have our biennial Book Week. This is where we highlight the importance of books and reading in our school and at home. Room C1 has been set up as our Book-week room with a huge range of items from Scholastic Press and Manna Book Store on sale for parents and students to purchase. The school receives a percentage of every book sale which then allows us to purchase new resources for our library space. We are still looking for parents, grandparents, big-siblings, celebrities, stars and past students to come in and read their favourite books to our students. If you can spare an hour to do this, please email raeleen@cornerstone.ac.nz. We will also be holding a book character day on Friday 20th with a parade and awards for the most creative costume character!



The All-purpose Turf

A few parents have asked me this week if the new blue turf on the quad area outside the staffroom is 'The Turf' that so many of our parents fundraised for via past Gala days. The answer is no – this one is still coming and will be a much larger turf area that basically covers most of the field area in between the gymnasium and L-Block. The smaller turf on the quad area was installed as the sealed surface was starting to break up and needed replacing as part of our ongoing school maintenance programme. It worked out cost effective to cover the existing sealed area with artificial turf and doesn't it look great!

Gala 2023

Just a heads up that we are looking to hold another School Gala-day in March 2023. As always, we are on the lookout for parents who can help with the huge job of organisation these events always take. If you can spare even a little time for this, please email our Cornerstone Fundraising Group Chairperson, Mr Josh Couperus (email: couperusjosh@gmail.com).

Staffing Changes

This week we placed advertisements on our School Website (and other forums) for three Teaching positions here at Cornerstone Christian School. These are:

1. A new entrant teacher for terms 3 and 4 due to roll growth in Room A1
2. A long-term relieving teacher for Room A5 for when our lovely Mrs Penelope Smith goes on maternity leave later this term
3. A Secondary Commerce and Business studies teacher. Mrs Wucherpennig has recently won a position at PNGHS in their Commerce department. Congratulation Louise! While we are sad to lose a teacher of Louise's immense calibre, I know that God knows exactly the right person to join our teaching team in this critical learning area.

Please join with me in praying that God brings the right people to fill these positions. Feel free to pass these vacancy notices on to your teacher friends and relatives!

Rugby

Did you know that Cornerstone will be fielding its first ever 15-a-side Rugby Team this year? This team is being awesomely coached by Mr Theo Tavita (Teacher Aide) and managed by our Middle School AP, Mr Ian Groube. I can't wait to see our team in action next week as they play their first competition game.

EPRO-8

A huge congratulations to the Nuts 'n' Bolts EPRO-8 technology team who came second at last week's regional finals (see article later in this newsletter). Congratulations to Year 7 and 8 students: India, Levi, Jason and Sophie - and coach Mrs Narrelle Soong. Well done team. We are all very proud of your awesome mahi!!

Loose Parts Shed

We have a new addition in the Primary School playground called the 'Loose Parts Shed'. This garden shed contains all sorts of building materials – wood, tarps, cardboard, tyres, tubes; you name it, it has it for students to build structures and projects during break times.



A huge thank you to school Mum, Larina van der Werff for all her hard work getting this project off the ground together with builder-Grandads: Phil Lyne (Grandpa Phil), John Barker and Ian Stevens. Thank you also to our junior school council for their ideas and initiative.

COVID-19 Cases

Since school started back, we have had only two student cases of COVID-19 reported to the school. Currently our records indicate that just under 44% of students at Cornerstone have had COVID-19. I am thankful to God for keeping our staff and students safe during this season.

Blessings, and have a great weekend!

Chris Mitchell
Principal

Email: principal@cornerstone.ac.nz

SCHOOL NOTICES

Teaching Vacancies (3)

We are advertising for three NZ registered teachers to join our staff:

- Secondary Commerce teacher
- Y2 teacher (fixed term, maternity leave)
- New entrant (fixed term, roll growth)
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Please refer to the [school website](#) for full details of these positions.



Book Week 2022 - 16 May - 20 May

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/whanau are welcome but can we please ask you to wear a mask.

Student of the Week Certificates

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

Manahau

- D2: Liana and Diederick
- D3: Joel and Erceena
- D5: Sarai and Luke
- D6: Noah and Cecilia



Prayer and Praise

HIGHLIGHTING OUR CCS STAFF

This week we are highlighting Claire Thompson; a super creative Manahau Team teacher!

Here are some things you might not know about Claire:

- She likes to be tidy and organised
- If she wasn't a teacher, Claire would love to be an interior designer
- Claire and her husband make the most of their holidays and have made a point of seeing as much of New Zealand as they can with their children - sometimes in a caravan 🚐
- She enjoys watching good British drama on TV
- Paddington is a special member of the Thompson family – he is a very large Golden Retriever and loves having Claire's undivided attention when she takes him for walks!

Please remember Claire in your prayers. She is an inspirational teacher and a real blessing to our school.

Thanks Claire for being such a faithful member of our Cornerstone family.



PSALM 16:11

*You will show me the way of life,
granting me the joy of your presence
and the pleasures of living with you forever.*

EPRO-8 Regional Finals

2022 E-Pro 8 Regional Semi-Finals and Grand Final were held at Whakarongo School hall last week. The Year 7's and 8's participated in the four-day engineering and problem-solving competition. Each heat runs for 2.5 hours. The competition consists of themed tasks and several challenges within each of them.

We sent two teams to the semi-finals this year. Levi, Jason, India and Sophie; Samantha, Robin, Noah and Amber represented Cornerstone Christian School. Both teams worked very hard coming 5th and 11th respectively in their semi-final heats.

Samantha reported, "E-Pro 8 is so much fun. It helped grow the engineering part of my brain and helped me learn to co-operate with others. It helped me grow as a leader, team player and as a person in general".

There was excitement as one of our teams made it to the Grand Final. The Nuts & Boltz team were the first team to ever 'clock' (complete every challenge) in the drum task, receiving additional points. Levi said "We had a quick celebration"! This assisted them in moving from 8th place to 2nd equal, taking home certificates. Levi commented that "It was great fun and he can't wait to do it again".

A big congratulations to all students who participated and we look forward to sending students next year.



Life Ed Manawatu

THANK YOU FROM TIM AND HAROLD!!

What a stunning 7 days we had at Cornerstone Christian School! The Upstanders focus brought out so many wonderful ideas and honest responses to problem solving - there were so many super

contributions and examples of kindness - it was just spectacular! Remember as Upstanders that it requires a lot of energy and thought - that wonderful quality of Integrity will keep you very busy - but what glorious results come from it!

Don't forget to keep practicing at home as well - our amazing brains love habits! We can't wait to see you all again in October when we come back to work with Whakapono - thank you so much for having us at your amazing school - take care and have a spectacular rest of the term!

Love from Tim and Harold!



GODSPELL

19 MAY - 4 JUNE



CONCEIVED & ORIGINALLY DIRECTED BY
JOHN-MICHAEL TEBELAK

MUSIC & NEW LYRICS BY
STEPHEN SCHWARTZ

ORIGINALLY PRODUCED ON THE NEW YORK STAGE BY
EDGAR LANSBURY | STUART DUNCAN | JOSEPH BERUH

TICKETS FROM ACTTHREE.CO.NZ 

Introducing Godspell the musical (Act Three Productions) coming up very soon...

Theatre is a powerful way to convey a message, and what better way to bring a friend along to witness the gospel story in an authentic way. We have a live band made up with some of the finest musicians in Palmy churches, including one of our teachers David Papworth and School parent Tony Aspden. It is a family friendly show that would be good for any age.

We have a few of our own that are involved in putting the show together, including musical direction by the amazing Bronwyn Boddy. Featuring our students Benji Grant and Lily McDonald fresh from Esther last year and experienced staff member Katie Monaghan who make up some of our awesome cast members. Our CCS tech team is also helping with the technical side of things.

Godspell is a modern day take on the gospel. It's about the forming of a community, formed from the foundation of Jesus' love. It follows through part of the gospel of Matthew, from when Jesus comes on to the earth up until the easter story. It is a chance to bring mainstream musical theatre to meet the

of Jesus Christ.

We have been working on it for the last three months and it is going to be a really great show that leaves a lasting impression on audience members.

To purchase tickets, click on the link below

<https://actthree.sales.ticketsearch.com/.../salesevent/52720>

Wanted - Paper Bags For Book Week

We are needing paper bags (ie Countdown) for Book Week sales next week. If you have any you can donate, please drop them off at the school office. Thank you.

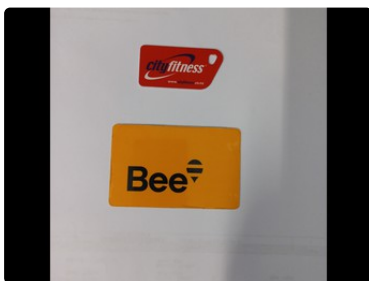


Blazer For Sale

Male regular 96cm Blazer. NEVER WORN, just received order, and noted to be too small for growing teenager. Purchase price \$200.00 (discounted by \$30 versus new). Please see Ilona in the School Office to try on and purchase.

Lost PE Uniform

PE uniform number 76 shirt and shorts size small, have been lost in the gym at the end of last term. If found please return to the office.



Lost Cards

A Bee bus card and City Fitness keycard have been found and handed into the office. If either of these items look familiar please come to the office to view and collect.

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.



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).

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

SPORTS NOTICES

Tuesday Morning Badminton Cancelled

Tuesday Morning Badminton will no longer run this term

Please Return Sports Uniforms

If any students/coaches/teachers still have issued CCS sports uniforms from last term, can they please be returned to the gym office uniform box ASAP.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **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)
- **Inter School Cross Country** - Tuesday 7 June
- **Itinerant Music Concert** - Tuesday 7 June - 7pm
- **Hastings/LAC/CCS Sports Exchange** - Thursday 9 June - Friday 10 June
- **Police Studies Trip** - Wednesday 15 June
- **Pasifika Fono** - Thursday 16 June - 5.30pm - Staffroom - Shared dinner
- **Manawatu Careers Expo** - Friday 17 June - Central Energy Trust Arena

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)



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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.



The advertisement for Shuttle Time New Zealand features a red background with a badminton racket. The text includes: "SHUTTLE TIME NEW ZEALAND", "Shuttle Time is a worldwide programme that aims to give kids of all ages & abilities an enjoyable & accessible badminton experience. Get your kids involved in the world's fastest growing racquet sport!", "This programme is for children 7 - 18 years. The Merit/Bronze class is perfect for beginners, while Silver/Gold progress in level & are perfect for aspiring Rep players or anyone wanting to develop their skills.", "COST: \$50 (\$40 for LAC Students)", "For more information about Shuttle Time, visit www.bwfshuttletime.com", "For enquiries about the programme and to register your child, contact Josh Curry, josh@manawatubadminton.org.nz, or 02102435085", "Shuttle Time Merit & Bronze/Silver/Gold Classes", "Time: Wednesdays, Merit/Bronze 4-4.45pm, Silver/Gold 4.45-5.30pm", "Venue: Longburn Adventist College School Gym, 100 Walkers Rd", "Date: May 18th - June 29th (7 sessions)".



Red Cross Book Sale

Red Cross Book Sale coming up! Time to start saving your pocket money.

When - Queen's Birthday weekend, Barber Hall, Waldegrave St.

When - Friday 3 June to Monday 6 June.

What - Masses of books (Children's to Teens') \$2 and less. Plus games, jigsaw puzzles and posters.



For more information go to

<https://www.redcross.org.nz/get-involved/fundraise-help-others/join-an-event/palmerston-north-book-sale/>

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