School Newsletter Term 3 - Week 3

Cornerstone Christian School - 11 August 2022

2 Corinthians 4:16

"Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day."

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

Today's column from me is a bit of a smorgasbord – lots of little bits of information that are all important to communicate to our wider school community. Let me start first of all with an apology: as most of you will know we had to make the difficult decision last Friday to close two Primary classes due to the inability to staff these two classrooms. COVID continues to have a significant impact on our school and Friday was a perfect storm of sick teachers and sick relief staff. While our assistant principals, Raleen, Ian and Tarsh, have done an incredible job stitching staffing together this year, last Friday, despite Raeleen's best efforts, we just couldn't find any teachers to put in front of two Primary classes. Apologies if the late notice around this closure put some families out.

BOT elections

A wee reminder that we are fast approaching the triennial Board elections on the 21st September 2022. If you are interested in putting your name forward for election as a Cornerstone Christian School Board member, remember that nominations close at noon on Wednesday 17th August 2022. Please get your nomination form into the school office by this date.

Teacher Only Day coming up

We have a schoolwide Teacher Only day coming up on Tuesday 23rd August 2022. Please remember that the school is closed for instruction on this day to allow teachers to undertake a range of professional development including the NCEA refresh programme.

Food Tech Teacher needed

We are currently looking for a part time secondary Food Technology teacher to start at Cornerstone Christian School as soon as possible. If you are an NZ registered teacher and have experience in teaching Food Technology at a secondary level, we would love you to apply. Please see our website <u>https://www.cornerstone.ac.nz/staff-vacancies/</u> for further details.

Teacher Aide needed

We have an urgent need for a teacher aide to work in our middle school area (year 7-10). If you have an interest in pursuing a career, teaching and helping young people with their learning, I would encourage you to apply. Please see <u>https://www.cornerstone.ac.nz/staff-vacancies/</u>

A huge thank you to year 8 student Charli Weel for her selfless efforts to raise funds for the Cornerstone Christian School Library. Charli has been selling 'Bee-Safe' Hand Sanitizers and has donated the profits from these sales to our school - so that we can expand the range of books in our library. What an incredible young woman you are Charli!



Charli still has a few of these Bee Safe hand sanitizers left over if you would like to purchase one (or two!).

NCEA Measures due to COVID disruptions

News came through yesterday from NZQA that the following measures have been put in place due to Covid disruptions in 2022:

- Learning Recognition credits (LRC or LR credits) will be reinstated for 2022 on the following basis: 1 LR credit for every 5 credits gained up to a maximum of 10 LR credits at Level 1, and 8 LR credits at Level 2 and 3.
- Certificate Endorsement threshold reduced to 46 credits instead of 50 credits at each level for Merit or Excellence endorsement (no change to subject endorsements).
- University Entrance has been reduced to 14 credits in two approved subjects, and 12 in a third approved subject.

If you have any questions, please approach your young person's LifeLab Teacher. We will be tracking student progress in NCEA very closely for the remainder of the year to ensure that we enable as many students as possible to pass their NCEA, 1,2 and 3.

Loose Parts Shed

Last of all, I just had to share this photo from lunchtime in the Primary School this week. When the sun came out, we decided to open up the loose parts shed and let the students, build, design and create to their heart's content! Here is a photo of a few of our students and their creations.



Blessings, Chris Mitchell Principal Email: <u>principal@cornerstone.ac.nz</u>

SCHOOL NOTICES

Family Photos - TOMORROW Friday 12th August

Brendan Lodge Photography is here tomorrow morning, Friday 12th August, at 9am to take Family Photos. If you have ordered a Family Photo your children will need to go to C1 after the roll has been taken at 9am. Older siblings will need to make sure younger siblings have been



collected from class. They will then wait until their photo is taken before returning to class.

JOB VACANCY

Teacher Vacancies

We are advertising several teaching positions, for NZ registered teachers to join our staff:

- Secondary Food Technology Teacher part time, permanent
- Middle/Secondary Maths Teacher part time, permanent 2023
- Secondary Digital Design Teacher part time, permanent 2023
- Y 0/1 Teacher full-time, fixed term 2023
- Y 5/6 Teacher LTR (Maternity) 2023
- Y 5/6 Teacher full time, permanent 2023

Please refer to the school website for full details of these positions.

Teacher Aide Vacancy

We require a Teacher Aide to work in the Secondary School part-time, fixed term – immediate start. Please refer to the <u>school website</u> for full details.

Job Vacancies - Cleaners Wanted

Opportunity to join the cleaning team at Cornerstone. We are seeking a cleaning supervisor for 3.5 hours per afternoon and also relief cleaners to be available on call as and when required. If you would like to find out more about this role please contact Vicki Scoggins <u>vickis@cornerstone.ac.nz</u>

Closing Date For Applications for 2023 Enrolments

Applications for 2023 enrolment close at 4.30pm on Monday 5th September 2022. Details about the likely number of places available for preference students who live outside zone 1 are outlined on our

<u>enrolment processes</u> page. Priority for these places will be allocated in the order set out in the school's <u>enrolment scheme</u>. The enrolment scheme may be viewed online, or a copy collected from reception.

Planning for 2023

We are planning for 2023! If your child will **<u>not</u>** be returning to Cornerstone in Term 1 2023, please email <u>enrol@cornerstone.ac.nz</u> or let someone in the office know asap. Thank you.

Primary Cornerstone Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded a Cornerstone Award this week. Well done!

Aroha

A1: Harrison A2: Aiden and William A3: Eliana and Josiah A4: Elise and Shiloh A5: Judah and Isabelle D1: Catherine and Luka

Manahau

D2: Luca and Liana D3: Dinique and Jason D5: Mieke-Mari and Luke D6: Emily and Noah

Tumanako

C2: Stella and Emily C4: Tahlia and Benjamin C6: Mason and Sarah

Thank You From Senior A Basketball Team

The Senior A Basketball team would like to thank everyone who purchased a sausage last week. We were overwhelmed by the support of our community. We would also like to thank Countdown Kelvin Grove for their kind donation of food towards our sausage sizzle. We look forward to representing Cornerstone Christian School at the Central Cup at the end of August.





Vocational Studies

Vocational Studies students connecting with the Work Collective recruitment agency, for opportunities ranging from factory jobs to IT and admin positions.



Tree Planting

Year 9 boys help Mr Sextus with tree planting.



The Primary Musical - Danny and the Shaks

The Primary Musical, Danny and the Shaks, is being performed this term at the Wallace Development Theatre. This theatre is being pulled down, so this will likely be one of the last shows performed in it.

The children are hard at work learning catchy songs, dances, actions and words to create a fun 45 minute show based on the Bible story Daniel and the Lion's Den.

We need to fill the theatre twice to cover our costs so parents, siblings, grandparents, aunties, uncles, need to pay only \$10 each for a fun-filled evening from 6:30pm. Performers will need to be there at 6pm after having rested at home and having a good meal.

After the show every child will get to keep their Danny and the Shaks T-shirt, which is in the child's tribe colour... very handy for tribe days.

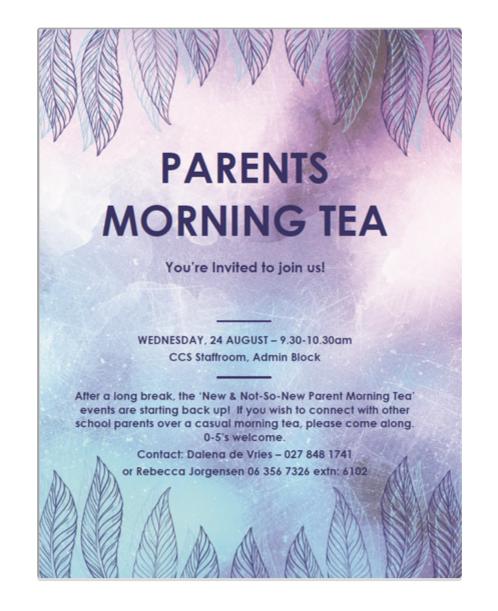
The C-Block students are doing most of the acting and drama, with the Year 1-4 students providing the beautiful singing voices, some cool actions and the occasional Roar. NB: THE YEAR 1-4 STUDENTS WILL ONLY BE PERFORMING ONE NIGHT. ½ ON THURSDAY AND THE OTHER ½ ON FRIDAY.

Look out for the bookings on MyKindo from next week, and book in quick. Check out the flyer to see when your child's class will be performing so you don't miss your child's performance.

You can load up your MyKindo account now ready to buy your tickets.



Parents Morning Tea - Wednesday 24th August



Nathan Wallis Parenting Seminar - Thursday 25th August





The Human Brain



Thurs 25 August 2022: 7:30pm - 9:00pm Cornerstone Christian School - Palmerston North

Cornerstone Christian School is proud to announce that Nathan Wallis, the host of the documentary "All in the Mind", and co-host of the TV Series "The Secret life of Girls", is coming to our community with his talk - The Human Brain - An Instruction Manual

Captivating audiences over 200 times per year to sell out events, Nathan has a profound reputation as a lively and engaging speaker. He uses humour and plain language to make this complex topic burst into life!

In this presentation, Nathan provides an informative narrative on how our day-to-day interactions with children and young people, significantly the early years, plays a critical role in defining later outcomes for our children. In this talk, Nathan will guide you through the stages of brain development from the first 1000 days and into adulthood. He will reveal little tricks that will hopefully make parenting easier, and help you open up communication with your child. You will walk away with a much better understanding of how both your child's brain and your own brain works.

Dont miss this opportunity to see Nathan live.

Tickets are available at www.eventfinda.co.nz. Early bird prices available Get in quick as tickets will sell out!



CFG Quiz Night - Saturday 27th August



FAQ's about the Quiz night

Where is the School Gym?

Located at 119 Mihaere Drive, look for the big building on the town side of the school.

Will there be food or drink for sale?

Yes! We will have a selection of snack foods including fizzy drinks at reasonable prices. We will also be offering desserts including Dairy free and Gluten free options, and coffee and tea all for purchase. (This is an alcohol-free venue.) You will also be able to pre-order a Cheese Platter for your table. This can be done though My Kindo.

Can my children come?

No. This quiz has been designed for year 13's (17-18 year olds) and up, so please book a babysitter and enjoy a night out with other quiz-loving adults.

How do I buy a ticket/s?

- You can purchase tickets (individually or for your whole group) using the app My Kindo. Select 'CFG Fundraising / Community Event Fundraisers' then choose the Quiz night and the + button to purchase tickets.
- If you do not have the app, please contact <u>vicki@cornerstone.ac.nz</u> and we will organise the purchase of tickets for you.

Will there be door sales?

To secure your spot and to help us with catering, we would like to have tickets pre-purchased. We have capped the numbers so if we sell all the tickets online, there will be no door sales (we won't know that we are sold out till very close to the quiz) so do not miss out – <u>buy your tickets!</u>

What time do I need to be at the Quiz?

The doors will open at 6.30pm. You have 30 minutes to get settled into a table before the quiz begins, and to have a look around at the food options, the silent auction and the major auction items to bid on. You do not have to be in a group. You can arrive on your own, or as a small group and will be added to a group where there is space. The maximum number at each table is 10.

What else will be happening on the night?

Loads of Auctions! As well as the quiz, we will be having an auction of big ticket items that have been donated as well as a silent auction of other items. We will also have a bottle auction! This event is all about raising funds for our school, so please come prepared to bid on something! Is there a theme? Can I get dressed up?

There isn't a theme, but you can definitely get dressed up. There will be spot prizes for groups who come dressed up in a theme. You will need a group name too!

Who can I invite?

Anyone! The more, the merrier! They do not need to be associated with the school. What time will it finish (so I can tell my babysitter)?

We hope to be finished with results and wrap up by 10pm or so.

What are we raising funds for?

As a non-gala year, we are looking at raising funds for the dance troupe, extra-curriculum activities and sports teams.

Any queries, please email: vicki@cornerstone.ac.nz

Newpaper Wanted

The art department would appreciate any donations of unwanted newspapers. Thank you.





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.

Please Support Our Valued Sponsors

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

Streetwise Coffee Palmerston North



SPORTS NOTICES

Badminton Manawatu - Shuttle Time NZ Term 3



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 Ross Intermediate Students)

For more information about Shuttle Time, visit <u>www.bwfshuttletime.com</u>

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: Thursdays, Merit/Bronze 3.45-4.30pm Silver/Gold 4.30-5.15pm

Venue: Ross Intermediate School Gym, Freyberg St Date: August 18th – September 29th (7 sessions)



BADMINTON

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Family Photos Friday 12 August 9am C1
- Senior Ball (Year 12-13) Saturday 13 August 7pm 11pm
- Year 7 & 8 Immunisations Monday 15 August
- AIMS Sausage Sizzle Friday 19 August Lunchtime
- Teacher Only Day Tuesday 23 August
- BOT Meeting Tuesday 23 August 6.30pm
- Parent Morning Tea Wednesday 24 August 9.30am 10.30am Staffroom

- Nathan Wallis Parenting Seminar Thursday 25 August 7.30pm 9pm School Gym
- Inter-Tribe Bible Quiz Friday 26 August
- CFG Quiz Night Saturday 27 August 6.30pm 9.30pm

2022 TERM DATES

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.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE Looking for after school care? KELVIN KIDS is the place to be! Please call or email us today to book your spot! Mobile 021 038 2661 | Facebook Kelvin Kids Ernail kelvinkidsaftercare@gmail.com

Job Vacancy - Legacy Housing

Administrator – Casual We are looking for someone who can do some admin work. Quick learner and detailed. Hours adjustable to suit.

If you are interacted placed contact Eloise on 027 5279144 for more information

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Full Calendar

Our Website

