

School Newsletter

Term 4 - Week 7

Cornerstone Christian School - 1 December 2022

Psalms 130:5

"I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope."

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

Last night we held our final whole staff meeting for the year to ensure that we had all of our ducks in a row leading up to December 16th. It seems hard to believe that we have only twelve days of school left in 2022! I am really looking forward to our Primary and Secondary End of Year Celebrations and Prize-giving on Thursday 16th of December and also to the graduation celebration for our fifth ever graduating class on Saturday 10th December. In a media environment that is dominated daily by bad press around our nation's youth, I feel an overwhelming sense of hope when I look at our year 13 cohort that is graduating this year. In a couple of weeks' time, we will graduate 22 outstanding young men and women from Cornerstone Christian School who I know will make their mark on New Zealand (and the world), in a significant way. While that may sound a bit like a trite cliché, this truly is the reason why our school exists and why so many Palmerston North parents are beating down our doors to try and get their young people into Cornerstone Christian School. We definitely don't get it right all the time, but by and large we have a body of passionate staff who are helping shape the next generation for good. For this I am thankful that I daily get to come to work in a place that really matters!

This week on Monday our Cornerstone Choir Director, Mrs Vicki Campbell led our school in a fantastic and heartfelt end of year choir performance at Central Baptist Church. Well done students for your beautiful voices joined in harmony and praise to God. A special thank you to Mrs Campbell for her superb work guiding and coaching and directing our school choir this year!



Here are a few other key messages that we would like to communicate to parents:

1. [2022 Student Reports and Class Lists for 2023](#)

We will be sending out all final school reports for the year in the last week of term. In years 1 to 6 this will be a paper-based report in an envelope. In years 7 through 10 this will be an electronic report that is posted to the parent/student KAMAR portal. This year we have made the decision to post the 2023 class lists in with the final report (a paper copy in years 1-6 and on the KAMAR portal in years 7-10). In the past we have posted all class lists on our Cornerstone website however we have chosen to cease doing this due to the privacy issues this raises around release of private student information. Year 7-13 parents, if you have lost your KAMAR parent portal login information, please contact the school so we can re-send this out to you by email.

2. [Manahau Team Leadership / Secondary Learning Support](#)

Our year 3 and 4 Team / Syndicate here at Cornerstone Christian School is called the 'Manahau Team' and has been ably led by Mrs Jane Sutherland. Jane has decided to step down from this leadership role at the start of 2023 and has passed the baton to Mrs Vicki Campbell. Jane will be staying in her role as year 3 teacher in room D3. Thank you Jane for your incredible years of service and leadership!

Our SENCO (Special Education Needs Coordinator), Mrs Clare Long will be assisted in the secondary space in 2023 by Mrs Christina Havill whom we have appointed to the Learning Support Coordinator role (Secondary). This role fits well with the growing ESOL work that Christina carries out schoolwide. This year Mr Carl McIntyre has been assisting Clare with secondary learning support, however next year Carl has opted to focus more on his superb work around Careers and Tertiary (Gateway) placements and assisting Mr Craig McDonald with our tribes competition.

3. [End of Year Celebration Uniform and Lost Property](#)

Please remember that all students will need to wear their best school uniform for their respective end of year celebration / prize-giving on Thursday 15th December. If your child is missing part of their school uniform, please come and take a look in the lost property in the office. There are a large number of expensive Cornerstone senior jerseys and cardigans sitting in there that are unnamed and that we can't find homes for – not to mention jackets and shoes and lunchboxes and all-sorts!

Remember please that we no longer sell uniform through the office (other than school hats). All uniform must now be purchased at the NZ Uniforms Shop, 589B Tremaine Avenue, Palmerston North Central. Remember this shop is open on Saturday morning which we hope may be more convenient for our school parents.

Have a great weekend!

Blessings,
Chris Mitchell
Principal
Email: principal@cornerstone.ac.nz

SCHOOL NOTICES

Primary School Student of the Week Certificates - Week 6

Congratulations to the following students who received the Student of the Week Certificate in Week 6.

Manahau

D2: Luca M and Elijah G

D3: Kaydee L and Zaine N

D5: Talia KT and Mikaylah M

D6: Eleaczar (EJ) and Hanno E



Primary School Choir Concert 2022

We had an amazing night for our first ever Concert by the CCS Choir with more than 150 people attending. Thank you to those who came to support and cheer our students AND who gave generously to the gold coin donation – we raised \$149.50 for the PN Foodbank.



Congratulations Piano Duets

CONGRATULATIONS to Daniel S and David S, Luke F and David S, Andrew I and Penelope W. They all performed piano duets at the annual Manawatu registered music teachers' Duet Fun Fest last weekend and were all awarded gold medals. We're so proud of you and it was neat to see the teamwork skills you gained in duet-playing.'

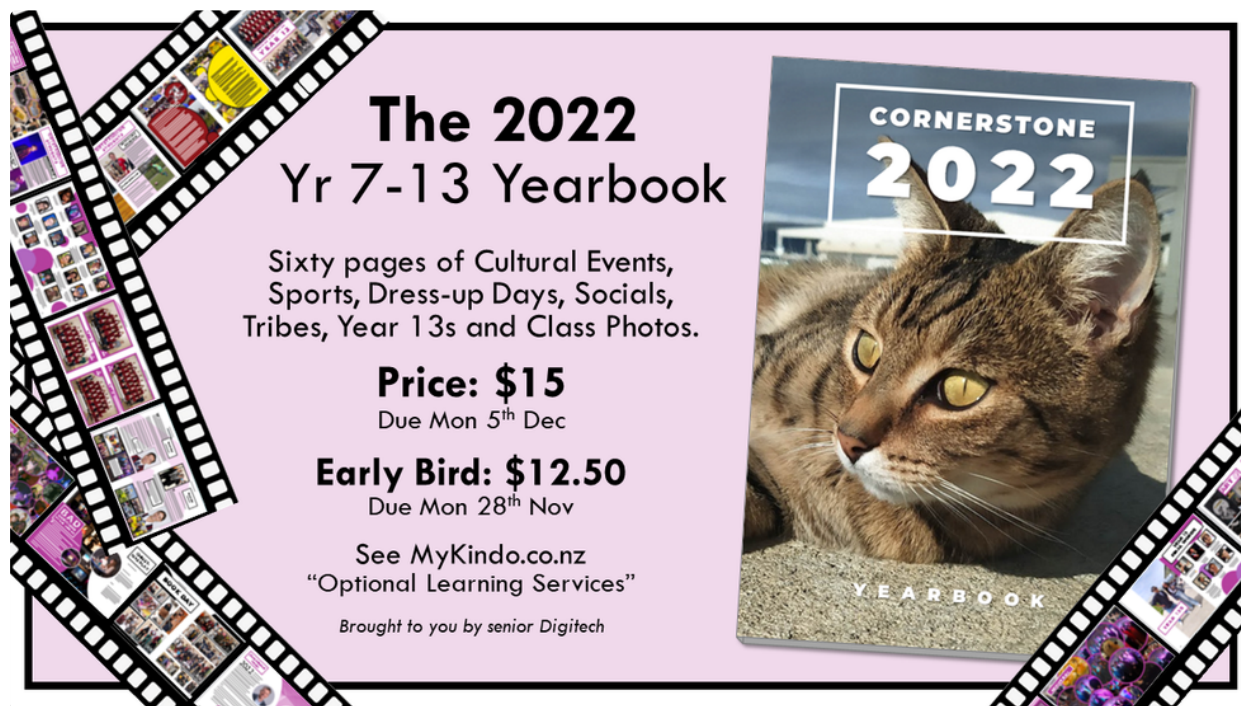


Donation of Scrap Fabric

Mrs Fletcher is wanting donations of scrap/left over fabric for making crafts during the year 9 activity week next week. If you have some that you are not needing can you please drop it into the school office. Thank you.



Order Your 2022 Yr 7-13 Yearbook



The 2022
Yr 7-13 Yearbook

Sixty pages of Cultural Events,
Sports, Dress-up Days, Socials,
Tribes, Year 13s and Class Photos.

Price: \$15
Due Mon 5th Dec

Early Bird: \$12.50
Due Mon 28th Nov

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CORNERSTONE
2022
YEARBOOK

Arrival Time for All Students

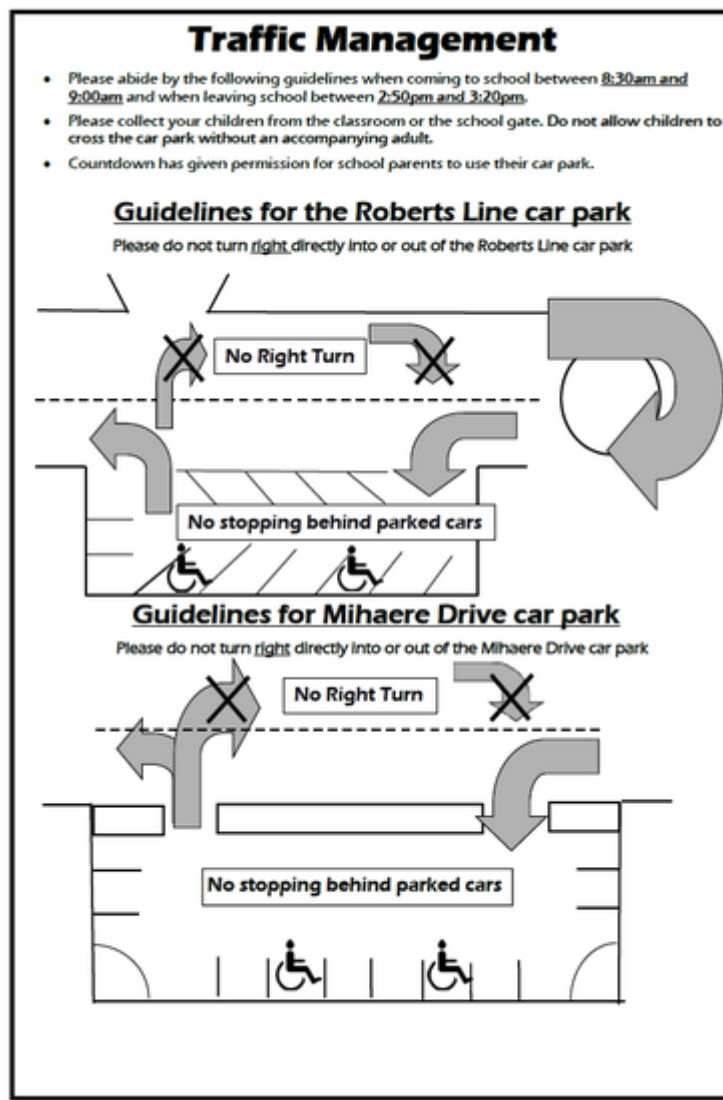
Students are not to arrive or be dropped off at school before 8:30am as teachers are not available for supervision before this time. We have noticed a significant increase of students arriving between 8am and 8:30am.

Primary School Aroha Children Being Collected After School

If you have arranged for someone different to collect your child from their Aroha class (year 1-2) after school, please notify their teacher so they can release your child knowing they are going home with the correct person. Aroha students can be collected by older siblings who are year 5 and up.

Traffic Management Guidelines

Please take note of our traffic management guidelines below which operates at peak traffic times before school between 8:30am and 9:00am and after school between 2:50pm and 3:20pm. For the safety of our students and families please abide by these guidelines.



All School Breakfast Club on Friday Mornings

Breakfast Club is running again on Friday mornings this term. Students are invited to come to G2 from 8am on Friday mornings to enjoy some yummy breakfast together.

Thank you to Arise Church for assisting with this programme.



Cornerstone Gala 2023

Saturday 25th March 2023

Food Trucks and Stalls

We are starting to book food trucks and stalls for our food village at the Cornerstone Gala on Saturday 25th March 2023.

If you run a food truck and are interested in coming along, or if you are keen to volunteer to run a food stall and have a cuisine in mind please email dalenadevries@gmail.com.

General Stalls

Attention kids and family members!!

Would you like to have a stall at the gala?

Children can set up their own stalls (bring their own table) and sell items they have made/planted/created and sell them at prices they have set themselves (cash only).

If adults have items, they have made/planted/created, they are welcome to book a stall too.

To secure your stall please join our gala Facebook page "Cornerstone Gala" and send us a message with your interest. There are limited spaces available so get in quick!



Private Piano Lessons at Cornerstone Christian School 2023

Robyn Good (piano teacher-AIRMT) is offering piano lessons again at CCS in 2023. Lessons are individual half-hour sessions costing \$25 and will be held in school time in G1.1.

To find out more information, book a place for next year and start your child's musical journey please contact Robyn 021 046 3105 or goodonthepiano@gmail.com

Also, congratulations to Josh R for gaining Distinction in his recent Grade 1 Trinity piano exam and Nerine F for Merit in Grade 4. Best wishes also to Daniel S, David S, Luke F, Andrew I and Penelope W who will be taking part in the registered music teachers' Duet Fun Fest on Sunday 27th November at Freyberg High.

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.

Why Pray?

We gather to pray together because:

- We need Jesus!!!
- There's Power in the name of Jesus
- Our children desperately need prayer covering in this day and age
- Christian education is a privilege that we must guard in prayer, including covering our teachers
- We are called by Jesus

Blessings to those who pray at home.

Our numbers at prayer group are down, sometimes to one person. We welcome parents & grandparents who can come.

You don't have to commit to every week, please come when you can. If you're passionate & willing you're qualified, you don't have to consider yourself a prayer warrior.





All School Planning for 2023

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

Preferred Payment Method

Our preferred method of payment is EFTPOS or online payments. Our account details are:

Cornerstone Christian School Account: 02-0727-0154852-00 (PLEASE DO NOT USE THIS ACCOUNT FOR ATTENDANCE DUES)



We can only accept cash if it is the exact amount of your payment. We are unable to give change as we no longer hold a cash float.

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

Marist Cricket - Tuesday Lunchtimes for Term 4

Neil Barnett from Marist Cricket is coming to school on Tuesday lunchtimes for the remainder of the term to run cricket skills and small games with any interested year 3-5 students. Meet him on the field by the senior playground.



Marist Cricket have spaces in their fast paced Dual Pitch format which features soft balls, plastic equipment, shirts provided and continuous play for 45 minutes. Beginners Years 3-5 are most welcome to join. Games begin on 1st November at 5pm at Orley Park. Neil Barnett will be present

See Marist Junior Cricket-Palmerston North Facebook page for more details.

United Junior Cricket 2023



United Junior Cricket Club is a family-friendly club where children can learn and have fun playing cricket. We foster a strong team spirit, encourage excellent sporting conduct, and enjoy healthy competition. We have teams for years 2-8 with games on a Tuesday afternoon, Friday evening, or Saturday morning in 2023.

We'd love you to join us for the 2023 season, starting February.

Enquire now!

Email unitedjcc.pn@gmail.com Facebook [United Junior Cricket Club](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Road Patrol Orange Day Parade** - Friday 2 December
- **Itinerant Concert** - Friday 2 December - 4pm - L5
- **Yr 9 Activity Week** - Monday 5 December - Friday 9 December
- **Yr 4-7 Swimming Lessons** - Monday 5 December
- **Yr 10 Hospital Career Trip** - Monday 5 December
- **Yr 10 Camp** - Tuesday 6 December - Friday 9 December
- **Yr 5 Beach Safety Trip** - Thursday 8 December
- **Yr 6 Beach Safety Trip** - Friday 9 December
- **Yr 13 Graduation Supper** - Saturday 10 December - 7pm - 9:30pm
- **Yr 4-7 Swimming Lessons** - Monday 12 December
- **Yr 10 10-5 Call Centre and Police Dog Base Trip** - Monday 12 December
- **Yr 10 Forestry Big Day Out** - Tuesday 13 December
- **All School Top Tribe Day** - Wednesday 14 December - **Please wear tribe colours**
- **Primary School Prizegiving** - Thursday 15 December - 1pm
- **Middle School and Senior School Prizegiving** - Thursday 15 December - 6:30pm
- **Final Assembly & Carols** - Friday 16 December - 11:15am
- **School Finishes for 2022** - Friday 16 December - **12pm**

2022/2023 TERM DATES

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

Term 1 2023: Monday 30th January - Thursday 6th April



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 After School Kids (ASK)

We are running a holiday programme from 19 - 23 December and then again from 16 January until school starts. If you would like to enrol or require more information, please [email christina@afterschoolkids.co.nz](mailto:christina@afterschoolkids.co.nz) or phone/text 021357864.

We are also now taking enrolments for our After School Programme for 2023 with the potential to offer before school care if there is enough interest. Please don't hesitate to contact us, to find out more about our programme.

PN Christmas Parade

Sunday 4th December



PALMERSTON NORTH CHRISTMAS PARADE

Hey kids! Want to take part in the Christmas Parade?

We have a category for decorated bikes. So get you and your bike all looking like Christmas and you could win a prize. All entrants get to take part in the parade.

Entry conditions—you need to be between 4 and 12 years old, and have a bike that you can ride around the parade route (approx. 900m). You can bring a big person to walk with you if you need one. You will need to wear a helmet, so plan your design around that.

Only 50 bikes can go in the parade, so be quick to save your place! Go to www.pnchristmasparade.org.nz to enter online.

4th December 2022

2pm Parade Start



City Library Summer Reading Programme

Monday 5th December 2022 - Thursday 26th January 2023

TŪ MAIKITE TĀKARO! GAME ON!

Ngā Paki o Rēhua 2022-2023
Summer Reading Programme 2022-23



PĀNUI, TĀKARO, PIRO!
READ, PLAY, SCORE!

*THIS SUMMER
with our
reading programmes*

Summer Reading for ages 4-10
&
iRead for ages 11-13

Monday 5 December 2022 to
Thursday 26 January 2023

Registrations open
9am Monday 21 November 2022

visit citylibrary.pncc.govt.nz

Limited Places Available

Kelly Sport Holiday Programme

The Kelly Sports Manawatu holiday programme is back, held at College Street Normal School. The programme is designed for ages 5-13 and is action-packed fill games, sports and activities. We want to see as many children as we can getting active and give every child a sporting chance.

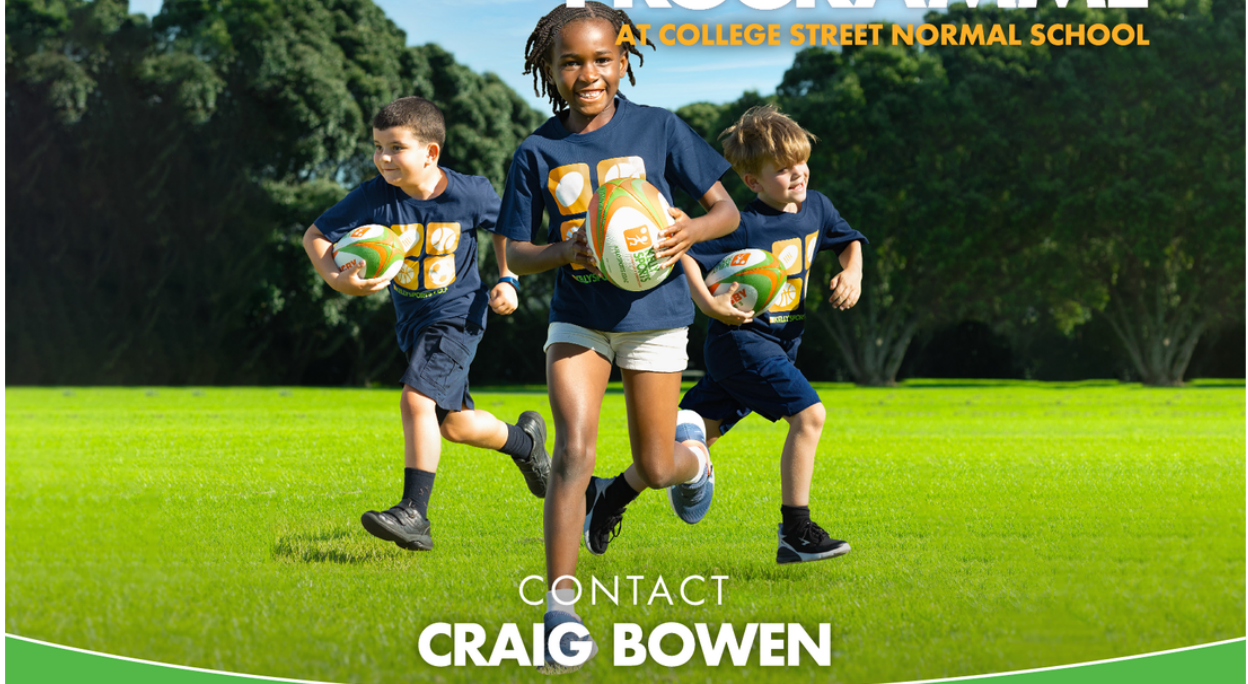


**KELLY
SPORTS**

DECEMBER 2022
JANUARY 2023

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

AT COLLEGE STREET NORMAL SCHOOL



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027 668 0636

BOOK ONLINE AT

 **KELLYSPORTS.CO.NZ**

Gumboots Brass and Wind Summer Camp

Thursday 12th January - Saturday 14th January 2023

GUMBOOTS BRASS AND WIND ENSEMBLE 2023

SAVE THE DATE SUMMER CAMP



Thursday 12 January to Saturday 14 January 2023

Where will it be? Help us choose the best spot for your band

Taihape OR Palmerston North OR ???

Cost per player \$100 for tuition and lunch over three days.

Seats are limited, so register your interest early

Register your interest **by 15 November 2022** to be in the draw
for a free lesson with Harmen Vanhoorne*

*details of lesson to be by mutual arrangement

REGISTER NOW Text your name, your choice of location and GUMBOOTS
to 021 689 005 or email us at gumbootsbrassandwind@gmail.com

About our lead tutor **Harmen Vanhoorne**

Renowned across the globe as one of the world's finest brass players and educators, Harmen conducts Auckland's premiere A Grade brass band, North Shore Brass and was the musical director of the 2020/2021 National Secondary Schools Brass Band. In September 2021, Harmen has partnered with a team of passionate individuals across the Lower North Island to create opportunities for young players in their region through a network of workshops, concerts and camps.

COVID-19 government guidelines will apply to this event.

For further information about the Gumboots Brass and Wind Ensemble project
e: gumbootsbrassandwind@gmail.com or Kathy 021 689 005



Palmy Kid's Tri Series

February 2023



I Tri'd the Tri Series

KIDS TRIATHLON

For Kids 4-12 Years

Register at
www.triclub.co.nz

XRace 2023

Sunday 26th February 2023



NZHL XRACE

XRACE is the perfect experience to strengthen your child's self-esteem and empower them to be the best kids they can be. Best of all, you get to be their team mate, racing together, side-by-side to the best finish-line ever!

Our school gets a \$20 per family entry discount.
Use this promo code at the checkout to claim your discount.

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Enter now at www.xrace.co.nz

NZHL XRACE

What is XRACE?

www.xrace.co.nz

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- XRACE is a fun-filled family event - where mum or dad must team together with one of the kids and take on the XRACE course and 10 mystery challenges.
- A team is one parent and one child aged between 6 and 14.
- Teams can choose their own pace, flat out from the start or a fast walk - the choice is yours.
- Challenges range from physical like tug-of-war to puzzling puzzles to artistic challenges like the paint challenge.
- Buy tickets at www.xrace.co.nz

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FREE Conjunctivitis Service at your Local Pharmacy

Has your tamariki got a sticky, puffy eye?

Bacterial Conjunctivitis is very common, particularly among younger children, and can be easily treated with eyedrops.

**You don't need to
go to your GP.**

You can get **free treatment** for tamariki aged 2-13 from your local participating pharmacy.

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