School Newsletter Term 4 - Week 8

Cornerstone Christian School - 8 December 2022

Luke 2:10-11

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord."

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

This will be the last school newsletter for 2022 and I would like to take a moment to say a huge thank you to our school community for their support and perseverance through what has been quite a challenging year! We are looking forward as a staff to putting a 'full-stop' on this year and restarting 2023 afresh.

This week I spent some time up at the year 10 Camp at Highland Home in the Pohangina Valley. What a great bunch of students we have in year 10 and great to see them ending this year on a fun and positive note. A huge thank you to our middle school Assistant Principal, Ian Groube for organising this awesome event! (see pictures below)







Thank you also to year 9 and 10 Team Leader, Heslia Swanepoel for organising the year 9 Activity Week which has also been running this week.

Here are a few need-to-know messages for the end of this year and start of next year:

Year 13 Graduation Supper Saturday 10th December

This coming weekend we will graduate our fifth ever class of year 13 students from Cornerstone Christian School and we are looking forward to celebrating this on Saturday evening in the gymnasium.

Top Tribe Day Wednesday 14th December

On Wednesday next week we will be holding our annual Top Tribe Day here at School with lots of fun challenging events for students to take part in. All students need to wear tribe colours and bring a hat and sunscreen as we will be outside most of the day.

End of Year Celebrations Thursday 15th December

Please remember that on Thursday 15th December we are holding our Primary and Secondary End of Year Celebrations. The Primary (year 1-6) event will begin at 1:00pm in the gymnasium and the secondary (year 7-13) event at 6:30pm. **Students please be there at 6:00pm.** All parents and whānau are welcome to attend. There is a general expectation that ALL students will attend their respective prize-giving.

Students must wear their neatest and tidiest school uniform to reflect the formality of these two events. This includes:

- Regulation School Uniform only (see school website if clarification is needed)
- Year 11-13 Students Blazer and tie (if students own this).
- Secondary boys must be clean shaven and all students have neat and tidy hair.
- Shoes should be cleaned and polished for the occasion.
- Parents, if you are having trouble getting your young person's white shirt or blouse clean, remember 'Napisan Vanish' or in extreme cases Bleach can help with this.

Reports and Class Lists

Reports and class lists will be sent out mid-week next week. Remember for the Primary School this is a paper 'End-of-year Report' and a paper Class List for 2023. For secondary students this will be an electronic Report and Class List, accessed via the Student / Parent KAMAR portal. If you are unsure how to logon to this, please contact the school office.

Stationery for 2023

OfficeMax will again be handling our stationery for 2023 and this ordering process may be accessed via the school website (www.cornerstone.ac.nz). Can I please suggest that you order your child's or young person's stationery this year rather than waiting until 2023 and therefore experiencing the inevitable delivery delays.

School starts back next year on Monday 30th January 2023. Remember that the start time for year 7-13 students will move forward to 8:50am in 2023. For year 1-6 students this will remain at 9:00am. The Ashhurst and Feilding buses will run at the normal times and the normal locations from Day One.

We will beginning the term with a (welcome) and Karakia (prayer of blessing) led by our School's Mana Whenua, Wiremu and Trieste Te Aweawe (Rangitane Iwi). We would like all new students, families and staff to gather at 9.00am at the gym end of the school carpark. Please meet with the two school staff members wearing fluoro vests and you will be given a briefing and directions for this Pōwhiri. We expect that this Pōwhiri will end at around 10:30am with customary food and drink. We will also be taking this opportunity to ask the Te Aweawe's to open and pray a blessing on our new I-block secondary facility. You are welcome to come and have a look around this new space at that time. This pōwhiri is for all new students, staff and families in 2023 however if you missed out on being welcomed to Cornerstone in 2022 due to COVID, and would like to be formally welcomed as a manuhiri (visitors) to our school, please feel free to attend this event.

Have a fantastic Christmas and New Year. Please rest well and celebrate with your whānau the birth of our saviour, Jesus, who really is God with us, Emmanuel!

Mere Kirihimete!

Chris Mitchell Principal

Email: principal@cornerstone.ac.nz

SCHOOL NOTICES



NZ Uniforms Shop Closed

Thursday 15th December

NZ Uniforms shop will be closed for Training on Thursday 15th December.

This is a key time they spend with new recruits to ensure they are as equipped as possible to help school families get the right products during the Back to School period.



Last Day of School - Feilding/Ashhurst Buses

Friday 16th December

Our last day of school for all students is on Friday 16th December at **12pm**. Please note the Feilding and Ashhurst buses will run at the earlier time of 12:10pm on that day. There will be no supervision available for students after this time.



School Leavers - Notice re ezlunch / Kindo School Shop

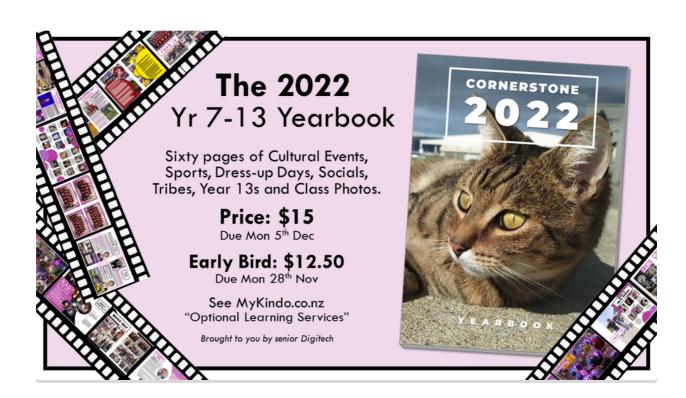
If your family is leaving our school and has been using ezlunch or Kindo, please make sure to stop any regular automatic payments that have been set up before the school year finishes. You may also need to transfer or close your account which can be done as follows:

- Not sure if your new school is using Kindo? If you're not sure if
 your new school is using Kindo, you can either ask them directly
 or go to "My Details" in your Kindo account and click on the list
 of schools to see if your new school is listed.
- New school <u>IS</u> using Kindo. If your new school is using Kindo, simply click on the new school from the list in "My Details" of your Kindo account and you'll be attached to the new school's menu. Any balance on your Kindo account will remain available to spend with the new school.
- New school is <u>NOT</u> using Kindo, or you no longer need Kindo.
 If you need to close your Kindo account, use the "Close Account" button within the "My Details" section of your Kindo account. You can either withdraw your account balance or choose to donate your balance to the school. Please note that all withdrawals will be made via electronic payment to your New Zealand bank account. Kindo is unable to process cash withdrawals.

If you are wanting to withdraw your Kindo account balance or make a donation that exceeds Kindo's threshold (currently more than \$10,000 total within one year), Kindo may need to undertake some identity checks on you to comply with its obligations under the Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Countering Financing of Terrorism (CFT) Act 2009. Please action the withdrawal or donation in your Kindo account as outlined above and if these AML checks are necessary Kindo will advise of the next steps required in this regard. Kindo has endeavoured to make this process as pain-free as possible and appreciates your patience.

Order Your 2022 Yr 7-13 Yearbook

Orders are still open for the 2022 Yr 7 - 13 Yearbook. Go to MyKindo "Optional Learning Services" to order your copy.





OfficeMax MySchool Stationery for 2023

Order your stationery in December to be in to win. See detail below. Order by the 13th January to ensure delivery before school starts.





Breakfast Club - Finished for the Year

Breakfast Club has finished for the year. There will be ${\bf NO}$ breakfast club tomorrow morning.

Thank you to Veronica and Grace for Arise Church for assisting with this programme.



Lost Property

Please check the lost property if you are missing any items, it is overflowing with school jersey's and polar fleeces as well as lunchboxes and other items! It is located in the Student Administration office corridor. Any items unclaimed by the end of the term will be added to the second hand uniform rack.

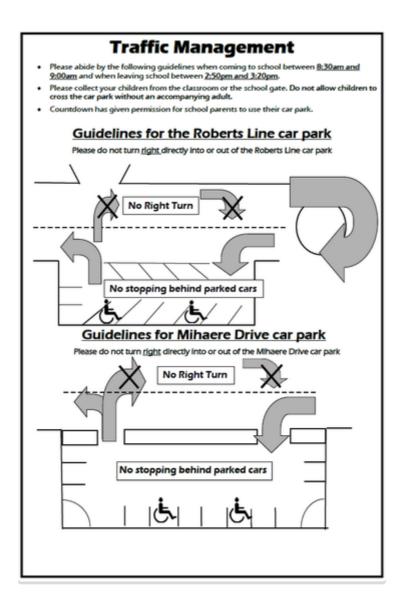


Missing Wireless Earbuds

Zane dV is missing a pair of light blue/grey JBL wireless earbuds. If you find them please hand them into the office.

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.



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 <u>dalenadevries@gmail.com</u>.

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 CCS 2023

If you are interested in piano lessons at CCS in 2023 please contact Robyn Good: goodonthepiano@gmail.com or 021 046 3105

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.

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

New To Volleyball Player Holiday Camp

26th January - 27th January 2023

https://www.volleyballmanawatu.co.nz/development#play

This is a one- or two-day player camp for our new to beginner volleyball players of Intermediate-Junior SS and Senior SS levels (ideally not our Past Rep Players). Athletes may pick one or both days to join us and develop as a player and learn from other coaches the basics of volleyball.

There are limited entries so get in quick. One day (26th Jan) is \$20 or both days (26th/27th Jan) is \$30. 9am-4pm roughly. Register online through the DEVELOPMENT TAB>PLAY>HOLIDAY PROGRAMME/CAMPS to find the details and register.

Volleyball Coaching Course

January 2023

If you are interested in doing a volleyball coaching course during January, please email <u>jannell@cornerstone.ac.nz</u> for more info.

This is a great session for any parents, staff or senior students who might be considering helping out our CCS teams for next year.

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

- 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. Students to arrive at 6:00pm
- Final Assembly & Carols Friday 16 December 11:15am
- School Finishes for 2022 Friday 16 December 12pm
- First Day of School 2023 Monday 30th January 2023

2022/2023 TERM DATES

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

Term Dates 2023

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

Term 2: Wednesday 26th April - Friday 30th June

Term 3: Monday 17th July - Friday 22nd September

Term 4: Monday 9th October - Thursday 14th December



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)

19th - 23rd December 2022 16th - 27th January 2023

We are running a holiday programme from 19th - 23rd December and then again from 16th January until school starts. If you would like to enrol or require more information, please email 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.



Tots To Teens Issue

Dec 22 - Jan 23

Summer's here, and the latest Tots to Teens digi-magazine is live... https://issue2212.totstoteens.co.nz/



Ngā Manu Nature Reserve, Waikanae

Lots to do at Ngā Manu Nature Reserve these school holidays - see https://ngamanu.org.nz/ for more details

- A Nature Scavenger Hunt and Colouring competition go into win Ngā Manu annual family passes
- New Wildlife Experiences including Native Bird Close Encounter, Reptile Guided Tours, Kiwi Night Encounter (gift vouchers available)
- Junior Ranger Experience special offer \$60 (usually \$75) if purchased in December (gift vouchers available)



Manawatu GymSports Holiday Programme

Manawatu GymSports has a super holiday programme running, this is a great way to try out our club if you are keen to enrol next year, or just book in to have some fun! Head to

www.manawatugymsports.co.nz

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.



Coding NZ Holiday Activity

Coding NZ is offering free tutored coding holiday activities again this summer. The activities are fun for ages 10 to 15.



Gumboots Brass and Wind Summer Camp

12th January - 14th January 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 arrangemen

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



XRace 2023

26th February 2023





Brain Play Online 2023

Brain Play teaches online after-school science & technology classes to Kiwi kids aged 5 - 13, from right across the country! Online topics this term include 3D printing, coding, animation, STEM experiments, LEGO & more. Free trials available for new students. Get Term 1 2023 sorted! Check out our timetable on our website and use the form to get in touch - https://www.brainplay.co.nz/.



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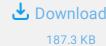
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Our Website





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