

School Newsletter

Term 1 - Week 2

Cornerstone Christian School - 10 February 2023

Hebrews 4:12

"For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

It was good to have all of the school back together this week and get classes in years 9 to 13 underway for the year. All of the new classrooms in I-Block are now fully occupied and there is a real buzz of learning around the school.

I thought to take a moment to let parents know how our school performed academically last year as I often get emails from our school community asking for this information. While we are still processing results from the Middle School (year 7-10) for 2022, I can let parents know how our year 11-13 students performed in NCEA 1, 2 and 3 and a peek at our Primary School baseline Reading, Writing and Mathematics data for 2022:

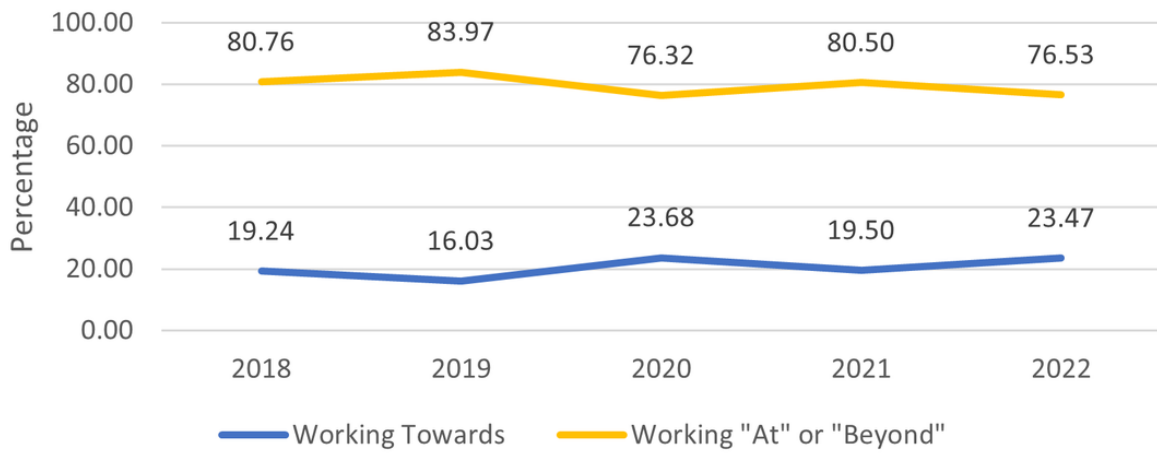
- Level 1 (31 students in the data): 29 students achieved NCEA 1 including 7 merit and 6 excellence overall endorsements. 2 students who left during the year show in the data as Not Achieved.
- Level 2 (45 students in the data): 42 students achieved NCEA 2 including 13 merit and 4 excellence overall endorsements. 3 students show in the data as Not Achieved including 2 leavers during the year.
- Level 3 (23 students in the data): 22 students achieved NCEA 3 including 3 merit and 4 excellence overall endorsements. 1 student who left during the year shows in the data as Not Achieved.
- UE: 11 students gained University Entrance, 12 did not meet the requirements.

This is a very good set of results for 2022 for our school despite a challenging COVID affected year, and is a credit to all of our year 11-13 students who worked hard - and our incredible teachers who bent over backwards to ensure our students did well.

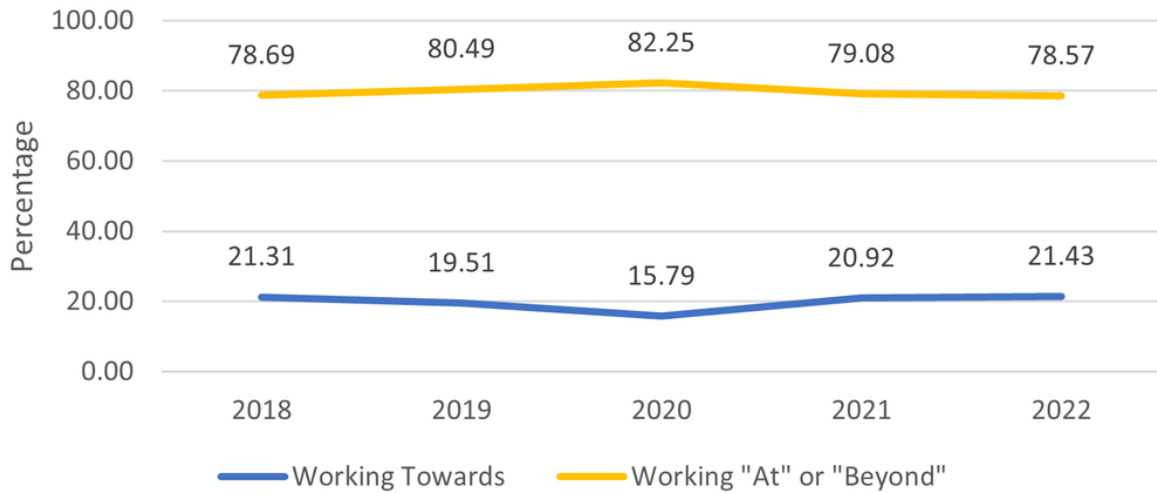
We will be focusing on lifting our University Entrance results in 2023.

I have shown our Primary School (year 1-6) Assessment results below in graphical form so that parents can see longitudinal performance back to 2018.

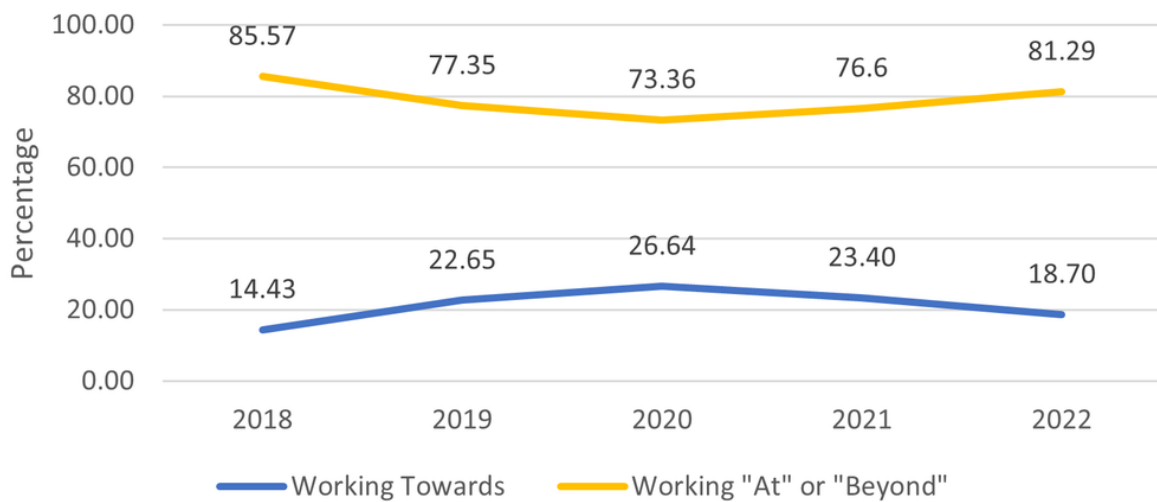
Reading 2018-2022



Writing 2018-2022



Mathematics 2018-2022



It is pleasing to see that between 77% and 81% of our year 1-6 students are working at or beyond expectation in Reading, Writing and Mathematics. Likewise, we are seeing a general improvement in Mathematics. This is mainly due to the much-improved results at the year 1 level with 96% of students achieving "at" or "above" in 2022 compared with 50% achieving at the same level in 2021. Our Reading results for 2022 are slightly lower than 2021 and sit at around the 2020 level. This could be the result of the continued interruption of structured teaching of Reading due to student absence especially in the first half of the year. We will be watching this space closely and to try and combat this slight drop in performance. We have put in place a year 1 / 2 and a year 3 / 4 targeted reading programme for small groups of students that need a little boost.

Two reminders

Can I please take a moment to remind our school family about two small but important issues:

1. Please familiarise yourself with our traffic plan in this newsletter. We need to ensure that we are being good positive role models for our community when dropping off and picking up students. Please do not block the roadway when waiting to turn into the school carparks. Please do not turn right out of the carparks after pickup. Please use the school road patrol crossing when they are operating and do not cross with your children at the roundabout. This sets a dangerous example for our littlies.
2. Please ensure that when your child or young person leaves home that they are wearing the correct uniform. We will be much tighter about uniform requirements this year. Senior students must wear the regulation school jersey or cardigan with a white shirt or blouse. A black jacket may not be worn over the top of the school shirt or blouse.

Blessings,

Chris Mitchell

Principal

Email: principal@cornerstone.ac.nz

SCHOOL NOTICES

Student of the Week Certificates

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

Aroha

A3: Hannah and Evan

A4: Noah L and Johan J

A5: David and Jericho

D1: Olive



Welcome Certificates:

A2: Anahera, Evie, Brooklyn, Enoch, Sofia, Bridget and Elijah

A3: Eternity, Zianell, Luna, Amelia, Imogen, Aidan A, Aiden M, Nina, Aahir, Steven and Penelope

A4: Matthew

Congratulations Nerine on Trinity Piano Exams

Nerine recently passed the Trinity Grade 4 Piano (practical) exam with a merit – 83% and she passed the Trinity Grade 4 Piano (theory) with a merit – 84%.

She will be working on Grade 5 this year.

Congratulations Nerine, what an amazing effort!

Breakfast Club Starts Monday 13th February

Breakfast Club starts on Monday 13th February from 8:15am to 8:45am in L2 and will run each day of the week Monday to Friday at this time.

A selection of nutritious breakfast foods will be available to any students who wish to come.



Please note new location - L2.

Vision/Hearing Screening Tests

Monday 27th February

The Vision/Hearing Technician will be visiting our school on Monday 27th February.

Children to be screened during this visit are:

- New Entrants who have not had/completed their B4 School Check
- Year 7 Students
- A number of Year 8 Students - those who have previously not been screened as a year 7
- Children who have no previous screening record.

If any parent/guardian does not wish their child to be checked please inform the school office on office@cornerstone.ac.nz

Juicies for Sale

The Cornerstone Fundraising Group (CFG) will be selling Juicies Friday lunchtimes during term 1.

A yummy treat on a hot sunny day.

Juicies are \$2.50 and can be preordered via MyKindo or bring cash on the day.

Aroha team can collect their Juicies from the table outside A block.

Rest of Primary from the table outside C block.

Secondary from table outside G block.

If any parents are free on Friday lunchtimes (12.50pm to 1.30pm) to help assist with the pick up of Juicies, please contact Anna Fletcher on annaf@cornerstone.ac.nz



Scholastic Book Club #1

The first Scholastic Book Club brochure for the year (#1) is available now and can be viewed online at:

<https://www.scholastic.co.nz/parents/lucky-book-club/> Orders must be placed online in their Loop system and **orders must be placed by the end of week 4 to get free delivery to school.** Any questions? See Mrs Sutherland in D3 or email janes@cornerstone.ac.nz Thank you!

Lost Property

In order to keep on top of the lost property we will be sorting and clearing out the lost property once a month.

Any named items will be put aside and parents contacted, any unnamed items will be placed on the second hand rack.

Please check the lost property regularly.

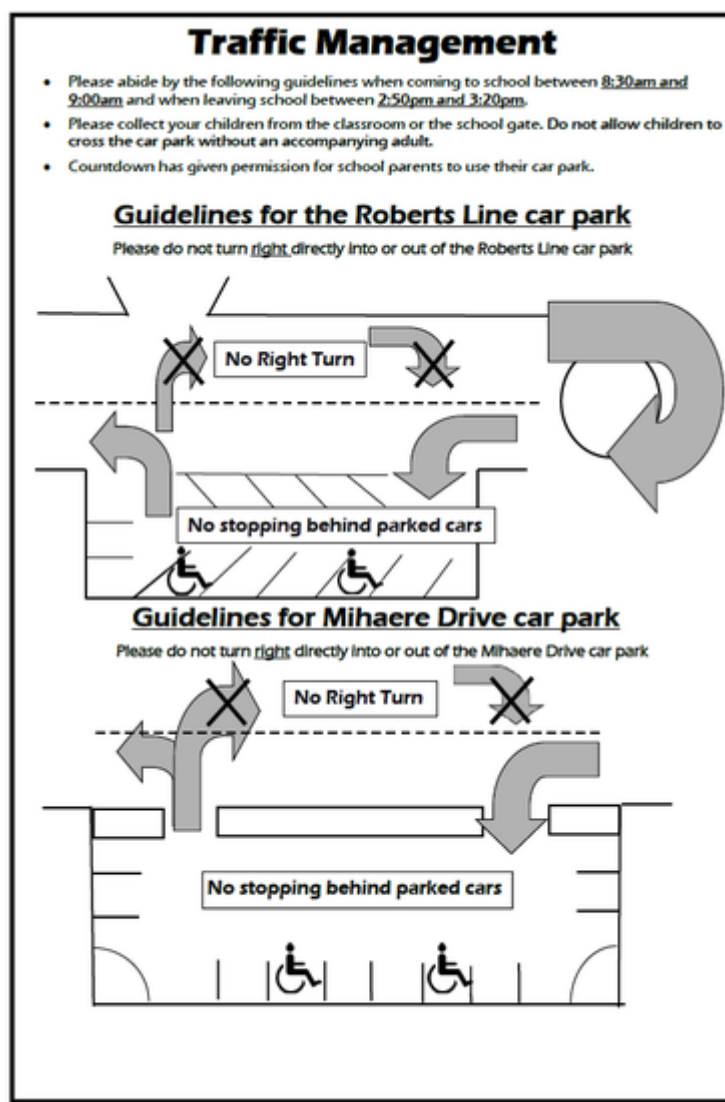
Prayer Group

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.



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.



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

Year 7-13 Inter-Tribe Swimming Sports 2023

Friday 17th February



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Inter-Tribe Swimming Sports 2023

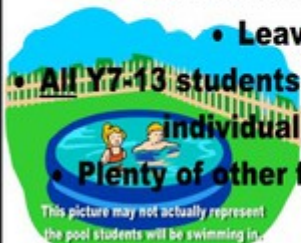
Lido Aquatic Centre

Friday 17th Feb

Overall Tribe	
2014	Naphtali
2015-16	Issachar
2017	Naphtali
2018-21	Issachar

Swim Shop not
available for
students sorry.

- Wear tribe colours. (include a hat)
- Bring your togs and lunch.
- Prebook BBQ sausages on **MYKINDO. \$2.50.**
 - Juicies available on the day.
- All students bussed to Lido. (no cost)
- Leaving @ 9am returning by 3pm.
- All Y7-13 students will register for at least one individual event at your tribe meeting.
- Plenty of other fun events on the day, plus a swim at the end if time.
- Pool depth - 0.9m to 1.6m (most activity in shallow end)



This picture may not actually represent
the pool students will be swimming in.

Croquet Term 1

If your student would like to play Term 1 Croquet, please contact Jannell no later than Friday 10th February.

Representative Badminton

Anyone interested in playing representative badminton should check out the Badminton Manawatu website for details for upcoming events and training.

Preparing For High School Level Hockey

If your student is in years 7, 8 or 9 they can join up with a local club to play in a Monday night hockey competition.

11 A SIDE – ONE HOUR GAME A NIGHT

Monday Evenings 5.30 – 7.30pm

Beginning Feb 20 for 6 weeks

COACHES PROVIDED BY CLUBS

ENTER ONLINE WITH A CLUB – go to www.hockeymanawatu.org.nz

United Junior Cricket Club



United Junior Cricket Club is a family-friendly club where children can learn, love, and have fun playing cricket. We foster a strong team spirit, encourage sportsmanship, and enjoy healthy competition. We have spaces left in our year 2,3,4 dual pitch cricket teams, played on Tuesday afternoons 4.45 – 5.45pm at Ongley Park.

We'd love you to join us for the 2023 season, starting February 14th.

Email Aimee McGregor for more information unitedjcc.pn@gmail.com

Facebook [United Junior Cricket Club](#)

Manawatu Kiwi Canoe Polo Junior Development

During Term 1 students can sign up to Manawatu Kiwi Canoe Polo Junior Development. It's suitable for students who have already played before and for new players wanting to learn how to play.

Sign up go to: <https://forms.gle/tSWe2oen79MKyhNZ9>

Thursday nights at Freyberg Pool

Term 1 - 9th February to 6th April

Sessions run between 7pm-9pm

All playing equipment is supplied (boats, helmets, paddles, balls).

You just need to have swimming gear, including a rash top.

Cost is \$60, payable after we confirm your place (as places are limited).

Players are organised into groups of similar ability which are cycled through the different session times so that late times are shared around.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Breakfast Club Starting** - Monday 13th February - L2 - 8:15am - 8:45am
- **Yr 7-13 Swimming Sports** - Friday 17th February - The Lido Pool
- **Vision/Hearing Screening** - Monday 27th February
- **Yr 7&8 Elite Sports Touch** - Tuesday 28th February
- **School ID Photos** - Tuesday 28th February
- **Mufti Day** - Friday 3rd March
- **Yr 6 Camp** - Tuesday 7th March - Friday 10th March
- **Yr 7-13 Athletics** - Monday 6th March - Massey Track
- **Weetbix Tryathlon** - Tuesday 21st March
- **Yr 7&8 Elite Sports Volleyball** - Tuesday 21st March
- **School Gala** - Saturday 25th March
- **Secondary Summer Sports Week** - Monday 27th March - Thursday 30th March
- **Yr 1-6 Cross Country** - Thursday 30 March
- **Teacher Only Day - School Closed** - Friday 31st March
- **Inter-Tribe Summer Games (Tribe Mufti Day)** - Thursday 6th April

- **Last Day of Term 1** - Thursday 6th April
- **Good Friday - School Closed** - Friday 7th April
- **First Day of Term 2** - Wednesday 26th April

2023 TERM DATES

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

Teacher Only Days - School Closed

Friday 31st March

Friday 2nd June

Friday 30th June

Monday 28th August (TBC)



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

ACROSS Triple P - "Fear-Less" Anxiety Programme

9th February - 30th March



ACROSS Triple P - "Fear-Less" Anxiety Programme



"Reducing your 6- to 12-year-olds anxiety"

NOTE: We also have a daytime 3 session course for parents of 4- to 6-year-olds – contact ACROSS for more details

Who is it for and what is the cost?

For parents and caregivers of children aged 6 to 12 years of age. If your child **often** feels worried, fearful, nervous, anxious, or scared, then this programme can help you to reduce your child's anxiety. FREE for all parents and caregivers who are in the MidCentral region (Palmerston North, Feilding, Tararua, and Horowhenua). More than one adult involved with a child can attend – they just need to be in the "parent" role or attending with someone who is in the "parent" role.

There is no cost as the Ministry of Health is funding this programme.

How many sessions and what time are they?

Parents/caregivers need to attend all 6 sessions, delivered over one school term. Sessions are interactive with everyone given opportunities to share and ask questions at each session. 2 programmes run each term, both starting on the same week (Usually start on week two or three of the term). One programme runs on Thursday afternoons (12.15pm – 2.30pm) and the other on Thursday evenings (7.00 – 9.30pm). Parents choose which one works best for them. Parents can swap between sessions if they need to e.g., if you have an evening function, you can attend the afternoon session.

Where is it held?

All sessions are delivered on ZOOM where you are given an internet session link the day before each session. So, no need for babysitters or travel time/costs! All you need is a laptop/tablet/phone with internet for 2.5 hours for each session. Phones need to have a screen so you can see the videos.

NOTE: A laptop/tablet is not needed between sessions, meaning you can organise to use someone else's device for the sessions.

Some parents who haven't had devices or internet use, have gone to a business or friend they know, and that business/friend has supported them by allowing them to use their internet and a device for the sessions. If this is a problem, please talk to the presenter who is happy to problem solve this with you. We want this programme available to all parents.

Who is delivering the programme?

Programme is being delivered by Prue Savill. Prue has been delivering Triple P "Positive Parenting Programmes" since 2017. Prior to this Triple P role, Prue worked for the Ministry of Education Learning support for 10 years, working directly with families and school teams to create individualised plans and programmes for children with additional needs. Prue loves to see all children succeed, and delights in seeing the adults around a child gain the knowledge and skills to be a child's long-term support. It's all about empowering those already in a child's world.

What does the programme cover?

Session Topic	Session Content	2023 Term 1 dates
Session 1 – Understanding anxiety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understanding what anxiety is, what may have caused it and what might be keeping it going ➤ Setting a goal and bringing your family on board 	Parent chooses afternoon or evening sessions 9 February 2023
Session 2 – Promoting emotional resilience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Learning about the building blocks for developing emotional resilience ➤ Supporting your child to recognise and verbalise their feelings 	16 February 2023
Session 3 - Setting a good example and encouraging realistic thinking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Looking at how parents can model behaviours and ways of thinking, to help their child/ren ➤ Understanding how you can move your child towards more flexible and realistic thinking 	(NOTE 2 weeks between) 2 March 2023
Session 4 - Overcoming avoidance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Looking at how avoidance comes about and what we can do to overcome it. ➤ Learning how to develop a fear ladder with your child 	9 March 2023
Session 5 - Responding to children's anxiety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Understanding the advantages and disadvantages of the most common ways parents respond to children's anxiety 	16 March 2023
Session 5 – Constructive problem solving and maintaining progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Learning how to guide our children through a step-by-step problem-solving approach ➤ How to maintain progress and plan around hurdles 	(NOTE 2 weeks between) 30 March 2023

To register either click on the link to the registration form or Phone/Email ACROSS

- Fear-less 2023 Term 1 Registration link: <https://forms.office.com/r/TTZQjix1w>
- ACROSS Phone and Email: 06 356 7486 or reception@across.org.nz

Children's Drawing Classes with Mike Ryan - Term 1 2023

Does your child love to draw? Mike Ryan is an experienced art teacher and portrait artist, with spaces available this term for children to develop their drawing skills across a range of subjects e.g, people, animals, birds.

Classes are held at the Chinese Association 98 Napier Road, Tuesdays 3.30 – 5.00, \$150 per term. For more information or to enroll please contact Rachel Summers on 021 624 892 or Mike Ryan 022 460 7311. <http://artforartsake.co.nz>

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/>.



Coding NZ

AGES 9 TO 18

CODING LESSONS



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Coding NZ Lessons

- Learn coding languages to create technology.
- An expert tutor is online to help during lessons.
- 1 hour per week at 4pm, 5pm or 6pm weekdays.
- Try a free trial lesson at codingnz.com

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

26th February



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

What is XRACE?

www.xrace.co.nz



- 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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ADDITIONAL \$20 OFF YOUR FAMILY ENTRY.

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Saturday Music 2023

Starting Saturday 4th March

Saturday Music

Music education classes for children at primary and intermediate level.

8:30 am - 11:45 am
Saturday mornings.
\$130 per student per class for 2023!

Classes begin 4th
March 2023.

Teaching keyboard, drums, guitar, violin, cello, clarinet, flute, saxophone, trumpet, ukulele, choir and orchestra



To enrol: visit saturdaymusic.org.nz

Tots to Teens

Everything is back into swing after the summer holidays, and the latest Tots to Teens digi-magazine is live go to: <https://issue2302totstoteens.co.nz>



Full Calendar

Our Website



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- electronic version (003).pdf

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