

23 April 2010

Newsletter No 10

## Dear Parents

Welcome back to one and all – we are heading into another exciting learning time here at Coatesville.

## Term Dates

May – Literacy Focus

3 – 14 Book Fortnight

Mayor's Reading Challenge, Library Roadshow

11 Board Meeting

17 Book Fair

19 School Cross country

26 Interschool Cross country

June 1 Super cluster Cross country

7 Queen's Birthday

16 Photolife

\*21 Teacher only Day \*

July 2 End of term

## Board of Trustees Election for Parent Reps

Voting papers will be posted early next week. They can be returned by post or delivered to the office but they must be in the envelope that is enclosed with the voting papers.

*Chrissie Dunn – Returning Officer*

## Hong Kong Adventure

I have had expressions of interest by the parents of five students, with three or four other children assuring me they and their parents are keen. Certainly another boy or two would be good. Please contact me or the office to confirm interest in going in November.

I am arranging for Dominic So, the agent who brought the students from Hong Kong here last term, and who will organize arrangements in HK, to come to the school next week to talk to the parents of the children keen to go.

## New South Wales pre-tests

These will begin next week for those who have indicated they wish to challenge themselves. If your child achieved 60% in last year's test/s, they will not have to sit a pretest. Along with those who pass the benchmark in the pretest, you will be notified of your child's eligibility/options.

## Cross Country

The school cross country event (for all children) will be held on the reserve on the afternoon of Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May. The interschool event (chosen from 8 years and up) will be held at Coatesville the following Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May.

## Iron Brion

Tuesday's visit from the Iron Brion team was well received – both their message and the delicious burgers served to all who wanted to participate. A big thank you to Fiona Maxwell and her team of parents who helped with the preparations. *Sheila Helleur*

Just after music Mrs Brocherie said "Line up guys". We didn't know where we were going. It was a big surprise.

We were going to Iron Brion's show. First we clapped our hands so Iron Brion would come out. He was changing in the boys' and girls' bathroom. His head was big and his costume was funny. He talked about four important food groups - meat and meat alternatives, dairy products, fruit and veges, and cereals.

We played a few games and our team won so we got to have our burger first. It wasn't my favourite burger, I like my home made ones better. *Izabella Jurlina*

Before morning tea some people started to line up. I thought, What's going on? When we got to the Artec Room I knew what was happening. A man came running into the room. He was called Iron Brion. He wanted to talk about oxygen and some other things. If we got an answer right we would get a prize. After all that was finished we all got a burger. They were good!! *Troy Patten*

## PFA

The PFA are meeting in the Artec Room at 7:30pm on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April. You are all very welcome to attend.

The school sausage stall at the Coatesville Market on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May will be run by the parents of Room 6. Come and support the school and many other local businesses.

Don't miss the Coatesville Trivial Quiz evening on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May. Mark your calendars. More details to follow.

## Other Upcoming Events

- \* 26<sup>th</sup> April Lunchtime sausage sizzle - from 12:30
- \* 27<sup>th</sup> April PFA Meeting - 7:30pm Artec Room
- \* 2<sup>nd</sup> May Market Day - 10am-2pm
- \* 3<sup>rd</sup> May Lunchtime sausage sizzle - from 12:30

### Photos – Class and Individual

These have been scheduled for Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June. Pre-pay envelopes will be sent home with your newsletter on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

### Scholastic Books

The first order for this term was sent home earlier this week. It is due back to the office before school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. A reminder that you only need one cheque or credit payment for the entire order. Cheques to Scholastic NZ please.

### Successful Past Pupil

Congratulations to Paris Brocherie who was the youngest member selected for the New Zealand Cheerleading team which is competing in the World Champs in Florida this weekend. You can view the New Zealand team by visiting <http://cheerunion.org/Content.aspx/Championships/icuvideocoverage.xml>

Kind Regards

**Kids Bike Jam – Woodhill Forest** – Mon 10 May, early bird entries close Mon 26 April. For details or to enter visit [www.kidsbikejams.co.nz](http://www.kidsbikejams.co.nz)

### Parent and Child Dyslexia Workshop

Sun 30 May, 12:30-4:30pm at Rydges Hotel, Auckland. \$95 per person. For parents of children that show signs of dyslexia or other learning difference, and their 8-18 year old children. To register go to [www.4d.org.nz/workshops/](http://www.4d.org.nz/workshops/)  
*Workshop Description* – Staying connected to your child and their learning can be difficult when the challenges of dyslexia or other differences arise – especially when it comes to homework and learning for tests. Ensuring that your child knows that you understand and are willing to support them is critical for their self esteem and future opportunities as is actually knowing how and what to do. Focusing on aspects of reading for meaning, spelling tricky words and organizing ideas on paper, this unique workshop teaches parents some of the “tricks of the trade” and gives them the opportunity to try them out on their children – while being supported by experienced teachers. While it is best if parents can bring a child (or two) it is understood that this may not always be possible, so please feel free to come along and maybe support another instead. This workshop is very interactive and also very relaxed.

**The Green Gym** – Come and see us at the hall on Tuesdays 8:15am or Thursdays 9am. For more information ph Tarnia 0272723722.

**Pilates in Coatesville Hall** – Monday 9am and Thursday 6pm. For more details ph Abraham Pardo on 0211221530 or email [pilateskinetics@gmail.com](mailto:pilateskinetics@gmail.com)

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## The Entertainment Books are here and they're well worth taking a look at!

Please take the time to view the sample copy in the foyer or if you'd like one sent home to look at, fill in the form below. Don't forget to ask friends, family, neighbours and workmates if they'd like to purchase one. They also make a great gift - *Mothers Day*, birthdays, thank you etc.

- \$65 (with \$13 retained by the school).
- Can be used from now through until 1<sup>st</sup> June 2011.
- Over \$15,000 in offers (two for one or 25-50% off) including cafés, restaurants, leisure activities, hotels (in NZ & Australia), magazine subscriptions, car hire.
- Many offers in our own backyard - including Avenue 28, Thai Rainforest, The Winebox, Aubergine, GPK, Solstice, Euro Deli, Khun Pun, Millie's Thai, Carriages, Altura, Pickles on Apollo, New Brew, Bees On Line, Snow Planet, Tree Adventures (Woodhill Forest), Albany Mini-Golf, Eve's Pantry, Sky City Cinemas, NZ Breakers, North Harbour Rugby, and many more.
- Use only 2 or 3 vouchers to recoup the cost of your book.

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### Entertainment Book

Please send an Entertainment Book home with \_\_\_\_\_ Rm \_\_\_\_\_

Attached is \$65 (cheques payable to Coatesville School) \_\_\_\_\_ *or*

I wish to look at the book before deciding whether to purchase \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_