NEWSLETTER 2024 WEEK 4

TERM 2

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Another fabulous week of learning at Ashhurst School this week. Unfortunately, we couldn't get the Cross Country done this week but look forward to next Wednesday to complete this event.

Staffing

On the staffing front, we are pleased but saddened to announce Whaea Hayley in Room 22 has been accepted to a permanent position at Carncot School in Palmerston North. This will mean that Miss Ashcroft will be returning fulltime into Room 22 from the beginning of Term 3. Congratulations to Hayley and we wish her all the best.

Disco

We are getting ready again for a big night tonight as we have our first disco for all of the school's children. This time it is a PJ-themed disco, so you can bring the children down for a great evening. DJ Fresh is in the house with his DJ apprentices from the Whārite team. There will be a gold coin donation for entry and plenty to purchase from the PTA shop. This is an important fundraiser for the school, and we appreciate the support from the community.



Hauora Day - 24th May 2024

This Friday we are excited to hold our first ever Haoura Day. A chance for tamariki to express themselves and wear non-uniform clothes on this day. Gold coin donation with all money raised going directly to Youthline.



Cross Country

Just a reminder to whanau that the Cross Country is now Wednesday 29th May. This is such a great event, and we love seeing tamariki challenge themselves. All classes practice regularly, and all students will have taken part in a run-through down at the Domain to familiarise themselves with the track, as there are a few changes this year. Grillhaus will be set up for adults to purchase hot food and drinks on the day. If you would like to take your child home after the event, you are more than welcome to do so, but please ensure that you sign them out with the Team Leader or the teachers supervising students. If you have arranged for someone else to pick up your child, please ensure you have organised this with your child's teacher.

TECH Open Day

It was wonderful to open our doors today for our whānau to come and see what our Whārite children were doing during Tech time. We



appreciate those of you who could make it in to look around and hope you enjoyed seeing what we get up to during TECH time.

Banger System and Sterling Bucks

We're thrilled to announce some updates regarding our Positive Behaviour 4 Learning reward system here at Ashhurst School.

As part of our ongoing commitment to providing a well-rounded education that prepares our students for the future, we are combining the teaching of financial literacy with our reward system. We are enhancing Sterlings with the Banger platform. Our Year 5-8 students will receive a basic income called Sterling Bucks. Alongside this basic income, students can earn additional Sterling Bucks by demonstrating our school values. These Sterling Bucks will be recorded online via the Banger platform. Students will have the opportunity to use their Sterling Bucks to purchase items from the Banger reward shop. Just like in the real world, they can accumulate their Sterling Bucks over time and make choices about how to spend them. It's important to note that with this new system, students will also face expenses, just like in the real world. These expenses are designed to provide a realistic experience in managing finances and budgeting effectively. Inflation and interest rates are also included to provide a real economy for the children.

We encourage you to take an active interest in your child's Banqer account. You can discuss the importance of responsible money management and help them set goals for their Sterling Bucks.

If you have any questions or concerns about this transition, please don't hesitate to contact us. We're committed to supporting our students and their whānau every step of the way.

Elite Sport Netball

Our next CES Sport event is Netball. This will be held in Masterton on June 11th and will be hosted by Lakeview School. Trials for this event will be held on Monday, 27th May. Whaea Becs and Whaea Kaz will be taking the team to Masterton to compete. The Elite Sport Competition is a great opportunity for our senior students to showcase their skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship across a range of sports. We wish the team all the very best of luck!

School Photos

This is a reminder to our families that we had school photos on Tuesday. Your child would have brought home a slip that allows you to still purchase the photos. You can do this online by following the QR code. If you did not order prior to the photos you are still able to view and order these online.

Garden Club

We would like to once again acknowledge the work that takes place in the Garden Club and thank Chris from RECAP and Whaea Paula, who works tirelessly to provide this opportunity for our tamariki. Once again, we have been lucky enough to have additional donations from a member of our school community and cannot express our gratitude enough. This is extremely kind and will be put to great use.

William Pike Challenge

On Friday last week the year 7 & 8 students taking part in the William Pike Challenge completed their first outdoor activity. They completed the Manawatū Gorge Tawa Loop. It was great to see all of the students doing their best and supporting each other. A great time was had by all.







Term Two Teacher Only Days

This term, we have two teacher-only days. The first TOD day (31st May, which is the Friday before King's Birthday public holiday) is a ministry-informed day where staff will focus on professional development in structured literacy and creating resources to support the As many of you may know, programme. Structured Literacy is now mandatory for schools to implement in the 2025 school year. We are confident in meeting those deadlines as we are well into professional development. The last day of the term (5th of July) is an in-school teacher-only day. These days need to be made up, hence why we will finish later in the year to ensure our school is open for instruction as per the ministry requirements. Professional development will continue with structured literacy in our Year 1-4 teams and the Writer's Toolbox in Years 5-8. We will be engaging with professional development providers on those days at school.

We are incredibly excited by the progress of our structured literacy programmes and the Writer's Toolbox. We want to share these practices with our parents to keep them informed about what is happening at school. Below are sessions for parents to come along and learn more about the programmes running at school.

Structured Literacy / Writer's Toolbox Parent Information Sessions

On Thursday 13th June we will be running information sessions about literacy programmes we are currently implementing in our school. If you have questions about Structured Literacy (Years 1-4) or Writing (Years 5-8), please come along and see how we teach these areas of Literacy and ask any questions you may have. We are offering three different session times (each session will cover the same content) to allow parents to attend both sessions from the Junior and Senior school if they wish.

The session times are:

Session 1

Thursday 13th June 2:15pm - 3:00pm Structured Literacy Session (Years 1-4): Run in

Writer's Toolbox Session (Years 5-8): Run in Room 2

Session 2

Thursday 13th June 5:00pm - 5:45pm Structured Literacy Session (Years 1-4): Run in Room 6

Writer's Toolbox Session (Years 5-8): Run in Room 2

Session 3

Thursday 13th June 5:45pm - 6:30pm Structured Literacy Session (Years 1-4): Run in Room 6

Writer's Toolbox Session (Years 5-8): Run in Room 2

Heath Chittenden Principal PN East Kahui Ako Co-Lead Principal Karyn Giles Deputy Principal





Kelly Club Information

Hi Ashhurst School community,

Jo and Mike Dunn have operated Kelly Club Ashhurst since its inception in April 2019. Jo and Mike have decided to move on to a new chapter in their lives, and Kelly Club NZ will take over the day-to-day running of the programme.

Although there may be the odd change in personnel, including Jo and Mike's absence, we are looking to largely keep the same fun and caring team of staff.

Kelly Club's structure, systems and processes are set nationally, including the activities run at our programmes, so other than a few tweaks and changes here and there we should see a smooth transition.

The change of ownership will take place from the July School holidays, and we will have some more information in the next couple of weeks about our upcoming July holiday programme.

We look forward to seeing you at Kelly Club soon.

Kind regards
Paul Jamieson
Managing Director
Kelly Club

Notices

Ashhurst School Calendar & Term Dates 2024

Term 2

Monday 29 April - Friday 5 July.
Thursday 23 May - PTA Disco
Friday 24 May - Mufti Day for Youthline
Wednesday 29 May - Cross Country
Friday 31st May - MOE Teacher Only Day
Monday 3rd June - King's Birthday
Friday 28th June - Matariki
Friday 5th July - Teacher Only Day

Term 3

Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September Friday 27th September - Teacher Only Day

Term 4

Monday 14 October - Friday 20 December Monday 28 October - Labour Day

There will be one additional day in 2024. This will be between October 21st to the 15th of November.

Out of Zone Applications

The board of Trustees invites applications from parents who wish to enrol their children at Ashhurst School in Term 3 2024. Enrolments at Ashhurst School are governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office or the school website. Applications are available on the Ashhurst School website: www.ashhurst.school.nz click on Enrolment. Please fill in both the enrolment form and the out-of-zone application form. The deadline for receipt of applications, for out of zone places is 3.00pm on Friday 21st June 2024. The exact number of places for out of zone students will depend on the number of applicants from students who live within the school's home zone. If the number of out of zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot. If a ballot is required, it will be held on Monday 24th June . Parents will be informed of the outcome of their applications by 3.00pm Tuesday 25th June 2024.

Absences

Please remember to phone or email the school if your child is absent. If we have no contact from a parent or caregiver, and we are not given a reason for absence, we have to mark it as truant.

If you know your child will be away in the future, please let the office staff know and it can be marked down as a future absence.

Thank you!

Statements were recently sent out through Kindo. There are a number of outstanding amounts from last year. We would appreciate it if these could be settled as soon as possible. Thank you.

THE ROAD TO VICTORY

On Sunday May 19th 2024, I won the Foxton Open Golf Tournament. I played at Foxton Golf Club in Foxton. The tournament was filled with spectacular golfers and I knew I had to play well to win Foxton open. When I finished, I got my scorecard and saw 77 on it. I won a 50 dollar voucher for a golf shop in Palmerston north and bought some new golf shoes.



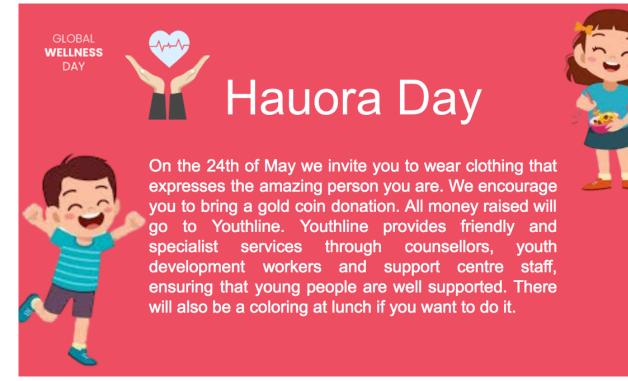
By Madden Chittenden

SCHOOL CLOSED

A reminder that school will be closed all day on Friday 31st May. This is a teacher only day.









Kelly Club Week 5

KELLY THEME: Staff Choice "D Week" Term 2 Week 5, 27th May 2024					Weekly Activities Plan Kelly Club Ashhurst
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:00 - 8:15 am	Staff Choice & Structured Free Time	Staff Choice & Structured Free Time	Staff Choice & Structured Free Time	Staff Choice & Structured Free Time	Staff Choice & Structured Free Time
8:15 - 8:30 am	Game: Staff Choice	Game: Staff Choice	Game: Staff Choice	Game: Staff Choice	Game: Staff Choice
3:00 - 3:10 pm	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time	Sign In & Structured Free Time
3:10 - 3:30 pm	Intro & Afternoon Tea DIY Corn Fritters	Intro & Afternoon Tea DIY Popcorn	Intro & Afternoon Tea DIY Sammie	Intro & Afternoon Tea DIY Piklets	Intro & Afternoon Tea DIY Rice bubble Slice
3:30 - 3:45 pm	Game: Staff Choice	Game: Staff Choice	Game: Staff Choice	Game: Staff Choice	
	DISCOVERY Dough	SPORT Disc Golf	COOKING Disco Cookies	CRAFT Disco Rocks	Teachers Only Day
3:45 - 4:30 pm	2 7 2	2 2 2	2 7 2	282	We have a programme planned from 7am to 6pm
4:30 - 4:35 pm	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Still Hiwinui pick up and drop off as normal
4:50 - 5:15 pm	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	
5:15 - 6:00 pm	Game: Staff Choice & <mark>Projects</mark>	Game: Staff Choice & <mark>Projeds</mark>	Game: Staff Choice & Projects	Game: Staff Choice & Projects	
E: ashhurst@kellyclub.co.nz kellyclub.co.nz/ashhurst				P: 021 215 7863	

would you like to be a Host Family?

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2 groups of International Students from China are visiting Whakarongo School.

Option 1: 22 July - 11 July (week 1,2 & 3 for 20 nights)
Option 2: 22 July - 30 August (week 1 to 6 for 39 nights)

Can be shared with 2 families (3 weeks each)

Option 3: 28 July - 17 August (week 2,3 & 4 for 20 nights)

July & August

July & August
Term 3

What you need to do as a host family.....

- Just need a room for an international student to stay. The room can be shared with your child or another international student.
- Receive payment of \$45 p/night/student. (\$315 p/week; \$630 if 2 students)

If you are interested in, please get in touch with me.



Contact: Ayako Munford

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