



**Newsletter
Week 5
Term 2 2024
Leading Our Learning - Whai Akoranga**

**Let's stay
on...
Together
Respectful
Adaptable
Creative
Kind**

Thursday 30 May 2024

Kia Ora Parents, Caregivers, and Ward School Whānau,
It is hard to believe we are nearly halfway through the term already.

Ride on Bike Programme

This week the students were lucky to participate in the Ride on Programme. A big thank you to the team for making all of our students more confident riders! It was great to see the students learning important road safety rules and how to keep themselves safe while riding.



Rippa Rugby

On Wednesday we had 2 teams take part in the Year 4/5/6 Marlborough wide Rippa Rugby tournament. Both of our teams were very successful in the Have a go grade that they played in. Thank you to the volunteers who gave up their time especially Millie and Charlotte for coaching and also Rachael Broadhurst for helping to supervise. With out these volunteers we can't make the most of these opportunities. Also a big thank you to Miss Cochrane for her organisation.



Teacher Only Day

Just a reminder that tomorrow is a Teacher Only day. Teachers will be undertaking Professional Development on culturally responsive assessment. The school will be closed for instruction

Rural Principal Conference

I am writing this Newsletter From Wellington. It has been a great opportunity to meet colleagues from around the country who have similar-sized schools with similar issues and challenges. It has also been a great opportunity to get some new perspectives on the challenges facing education in our fast-changing political landscape

Ski Trip

I am very happy to confirm a date for our annual ski trip to Mt Lyford. We will be going in Term 3 on August 16th with a postponement date the following week of August 23rd

Reef Class

We are still searching for a teacher for Reef Class. Unfortunately, Mrs Davies has resigned from her role, teaching 2 days a week. From next week I will be teaching in Reef from Wednesday until Friday with Mrs Phillips continuing to teach on Mondays and Tuesdays. It has been a challenging time for our Reef Class students and we appreciate the understanding and continued support of the whole Ward community to make sure our students are still getting the best learning opportunities.

Netball Sponsorship

A massive thank you to Blackwell contracting (\$1000) and Mudhouse wineries \$500 for their amazing donations to support the purchase of Hoodies for our Ward netballers. Your generosity has blown us away



Just for Laughs! (aka Mr Sangster's Dad Joke of the week!)

What has four wheels and flies?

A garbage truck!

Ngā mihi nui,
Aaron Sangster - Principal/Tumuaki

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Important Term 2 Dates

Date	Event
May 31	School Closed for Teacher Only Day
June 3	Kings Birthday
June 5	National Young Leaders Day - Christchurch
June 7	Reef Assembly
June 27	School Cross Country
June 28	Matariki Holiday
July 3	School Performance
July 5	End of Term 3

Ward School

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AFK RURAL LADIES DINNER DATE

COME JOIN US

AFK Dinner Date is for rural ladies from the **Awatere, Elaxbourne, & Kekerengu communities**. We meet for dinner every 3 months.

It's all about connecting with women in your community for a fun night out, a few laughs and a good ole catch up.

Plus enjoy yummy food and a drink or few, hear from an awesome mystery guest speaker, and go away feeling uplifted, recharged and lots of warm fuzzies.



THE AFK COMMITTEE WITH OUR MAY GUEST SPEAKER DR ALIA BOJILOVA

We welcome new members anytime. To find out how to join check out our Facebook group - **'AFK RURAL LADIES DINNER DATE'** or get in touch with one of the committee.



OCT 2023 SPEAKER - GLORIAVALE ESCAPEES ELIJAH & ROSIE - SUCH AN AWESOME COUPLE WITH AN INSPIRING & INTRIGUING STORY OF MASSIVE COURAGE!



FEB SPEAKER - KATE IVEY FROM KATE IVEY FITNESS SHARED HER INSPIRING BUSINESS STORY & TIPS FOR A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE.



MAY SPEAKER - PSYCHOLOGIST DR ALIA BOJILOVA SHARED RESILIENCE TIPS FROM HER YEARS IN THE NZ DEFENCE FORCE & HER HARROWING EXPERIENCE OF BEING TAKEN HOSTAGE IN SYRIA

AFK COMMITTEE :

Tanya Hawley, Koko Lambert, Nadine Hickman, Kate Forsyth, Heather Yianakis