Kaihautu Korero Week 7 Term 4 2026

Important Dates

Ham Night – Tuesday 15th December

Prize Giving – Wednesday 16th December

Term 4 Ends – Friday 18th December

Term 1 Begins – Monday 1st February 2027

Waitangi Day Observance – Monday 8th February 2027

Assemblies this Term

There is one school assembly left for this term. It will be in the Ladbrooks Hall starting at 2.15 –

1 December

Everyone is welcome to come along to this assembly.

The next assembly after that will be our annual Prize Giving on the back field on Wednesday 16 December starting at 6pm.

PALS

PALS are an important part of the success of our school. Their often unnoticed work in organising events like the quiz night, providing the Friday lunches, running events like the Sound of Thunder, garden tour and the sunflowers, mean our children are supported in ways that they wouldn't be without the work of people in this group.

If you think that working with PALS might be for you, have a chat to Sean and he can help you to make contact with the right people to help you.

Congratulations Erika

Erika has been working at Ladbrooks School in a fixed term role to cover for Shelley while she is on maternity leave. We are pleased to announce that Erika has won a permanent position at Weedons School from next year. We are very pleased for her and wish her all the best as she begins the next part of her journey to becoming fully registered.

Aquabots

All the best to Madi Genet and Austin Budd who head to Blenhiem this weekend to take part in the National Aquabots Robotics finals. Madi and Austin qualified at the Canterbury regionals earlier this year. The top team from this weekends competition will get the chance to take part in the World Finals in America.

Teachers for 2027

Now that staffing has been finalised, we can let you know how staffing will look for next year.

Weka – Amy Year 0&1

Tuatara – Year 2

Term 1 Shelley and Anne

Term 2 onwards Shelley and Gemma

Kakapo – Sam Year 3

Toroa – Ali Year 4

Kowhai – Tash Year 5&6

Pirita – Sarah Year 7&8

Athletics

From our Brookside Athletics sports we were able to then have 30 children attend the



Lincoln Zone Athletics day at Nga Puna Wai. After this event, 5 children have qualified for the Canterbury Primary Sports Athletics day, also at Nga Puna Wai. Well done to Eli Kambuta, Jack Genet, Andre Burdett-Clark, James Laurensen and Archie Cadigan. An especially big well done to James Laurensen who placed in 3 events for Year 7 boys. 1st in shotput, 2nd in 100m and 3rd in discus.

Equestrian Team



6 children took part in the Canterbury Primary Schools Equestrian Competition over the weekend. The team of Skylar Fagg, Lucia Sheat and Adelaide Roy took 2nd place in their division.



Meanwhile, Heidi Roy, Benji Uprichard, Ruby Shipston and Emily Curd received 3rd place in their competition. Well done to you all.

Board Meeting

The School Board are holding their regular meeting at 6pm at the Lincoln Events Centre on Monday 30th November.

PAT Testing

These tests are now complete. If you would like to know about your child's results, please contact their teacher for more information.

End of Year Reports

These are currently being written by teachers and will be available on Hero from Friday 11th December. These reports are now in line with the refreshed curriculum and will look different from reports over the last few years.

This new format is in line with the current New Zealand curriculum. There will be a number of sliders indicating where your child is at in various areas of their learning. At the top of the report is a set of progress descriptors for the 5 levels of attainment in the refreshed curriculum. They are – Emerging, Developing, Consolidating, Proficient and Exceeding. These 5 levels are now consistent across New Zealand and all schools will be reporting in a similar way to what you will see in a few weeks. More about the current reporting expectations can be found here .

At any time before the end of the year, you are welcome to talk with your child's teacher about their learning and progress.

There is also a scale for overall effort. This is a good reminder that while children will not always be exceeding, that they are often working well in their learning.

If you receive an email before this date saying a report is ready for you to view, please ignore it. This is occurring due to some teething issues we are having while we use a new style of reporting.

Beginning of the Year Whanau Hui

In previous years, we have held whanau hui on the day before all children return to school. This year we are looking to make a change to this as we are now required to keep our school open for all children from the 1st of February. As a result we will not be holding whanau hui as we have done in recent years.

We will hold an evening event in the first week of school for those parents who would like to talk with their child's teacher. We are finalising the date for this and will have it to you as soon as we can.

Turou Hawaiiki

Sean