

19th October 2026

Athletics Day: This is taking place tomorrow at Netherby School. The weather is forecast to be warm, so a sunhat is an absolute must for all students, along with sunscreen and a full water bottle. Please note that all children must be dropped off and picked up directly at Netherby School. For full details regarding the schedule and requirements, please refer to the information attachment that was sent out last week, I have also attached it to this email.

IEP Appointments: Individual Education Plan (IEP) meetings will be taking place over the next two weeks. Livia will be contacting the relevant parents directly to arrange a suitable time to meet with your child's teacher and Jude Irwin. Please keep an eye out for her message to schedule your appointment.

Room Two Camp: Excitement is building for Room 2 Camp, taking place on Thursday 5th and Friday 6th November! An information notice with details was sent home with children last week. If you are interested in being considered as a parent helper overnight, please get in touch with Jude as soon as possible. Huge thanks to the Fairton Home & School for the fundraising BBQ held at Mitre 10 over the weekend!

Sunhats: Now is the time to bring sunhats back to school. Our Term policy is no sunhat, no play.

Labour Weekend: Please note that school will be closed on **Monday, 26th October** for Labour Weekend. Enjoy the long weekend with family and friends.

Fairton Home & School Notices

Whittakers chocolate fundraiser – All unsold chocolate and money to be returned by this Friday 23rd October. There are still 5 boxes if anyone would like another to sell.

Seasons Best Talley's BBQ: This annual fundraising event will be held on Saturday 7th November. We require parent helpers to help on the day. An availability sheet will be sent home with your child this week.

Family Fun Night: Mark your calendars! The Fairton Home & School "Family Fun Night" will be held on Friday 11th December. It promises to be a wonderful event for our whole school community. Keep an eye out—more information and details will be coming soon!

Thank you for your ongoing support and for helping us raise funds for our wonderful little school!

Term 4 Dates to remember

Tuesday 20th October

Monday 26th October

Friday 30th October

Wednesday 4th November

Thurs 5th & Fri 6th November

Tuesday 10th November

Thursday 12th November

Friday 13th November

Tuesday 17th November

Friday 20th November

Tuesday 1st December

Wednesday 9th December

Thursday 17th December

Friday 18th December

Athletics Day

Labour Day (School closed)

Life Education visit

BoT meeting

Room 2 Camp

Year 6 visit to Ashburton Intermediate

Teacher Only Day (School closed)

Canterbury Show Day (School closed)

Pet Day

School Photos

Big Day Out

BoT Meeting

End of Year Assembly 1.30pm

Last day of 2026 (12.30pm close)

Kind regards
Fairton School Team



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Hakatere Haumaru
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TERM 4
2026
STARTS
19TH
OCTOBER

AGE 10-14

- FINDING YOUR STRENGTHS AND ABILITIES
- BECOME FITTER AND STRONGER
- FUN AND MOTIVATING ACTIVITIES
- OVERNIGHT CAMP
- ABSOLUTELY FREE!!!!!!

TERMS 1, 3, 4
8 WEEK PROGRAMME
MANIA-O-ROTO SCOUT PARK
MON & WED 3.30PM-5PM

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A FREE SUMMIT KIDS EVENT

GLOW Party

COME DRESSED IN WHITE
OR NEON TO GLOW!

6.00PM - 7.30PM
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 6TH

- AN EVENING OF FUN!
- DINNER PROVIDED
- FOR KIDS IN YEARS 6-8
- FAITH BASED ELEMENTS

ASHBURTON NEW LIFE
58 MELCOMBE ST, TIMWALD

For all the details & to complete the registration form:

- Scan the QR Code
using your phone camera or QR app
- Find us on Facebook
Summit Kids Ashburton
- Email Us
summitkidsashburton@gmail.com

Registrations are essential and close Monday November 2nd



Helping tamariki find their school rhythm again

Returning to early starts, busy days and familiar routines can bring excitement, tiredness and big feelings. A little extra support at key times can help.

1

When they come home

Offer kai and a little quiet before asking questions.
Transitions take energy. Give them time to land.

2

Through the evening

Keep plans light and use fewer instructions.
Tired brains cope better when there is less to process.

3

Before the next day

Choose one anchor: bags ready, clothes out or a story together.
Knowing what comes next helps tamariki feel settled.

A SIMPLE TIP

Expect a little wobble
A tricky first few weeks doesn't mean everything or anything has gone wrong.

You're all finding the rhythm again. A little steadiness is enough.

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Real Parents offers practical, evidence-informed support to help parents understand what's happening beneath behaviour and respond with confidence and connection.

Netherby, Chertsey, Tinwald and Fairton

Athletic Sports

Thursday 15th October, 2026

pp. Tuesday 20th October, 2026

Held at Netherby School

Counties: Wednesday 4th November, 2026



Programme 2026

9.00am	Arrival & Welcome Find teacher and get marked for the roll, get organised for the relay
9.15am	Relay Line up in year levels and gender
9:30am	First Event - finish 10.05am
10:10am	Second Event - finish 10.45am
10:45am	Morning tea and Y5 & 6 long distance
11:15am	Fourth Event - finish 11.50am
11:55am	Fifth Event - finish 12.30pm
12:30pm	Lunch
1:00pm	Sixth Event - finish 1.35pm
1:40pm	Seventh Event - finish 2.15pm
2:15pm	Line up under shade cloth Farewell & Thanks

Events

Shot Put

Discus

High Jump

Long Jump

Short Sprint

Long Sprint

Long Distance (Y5&6) - During Morning Tea.

Timetable

Time	Y0/1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
9.30-10.05am	Shot Put	Short Sprint	Long Sprint	High Jump	Long Jump	Discus
10.10-10.45am	Short Sprint	Long Sprint	High Jump	Long Jump	Discus	Shot Put
10.45-11.15am	Morning Tea - Y5 & Y6 Long Distance					
11.15-11.50am	Long Sprint	High Jump	Long Jump	Discus	Shot Put	Short Sprint
11.55-12.30pm	High Jump	Long Jump	Discus	Shot Put	Short Sprint	Long Sprint
12.30-1pm	Lunch					
1-1.35pm	Long Jump	Discus	Shot Put	Short Sprint	Long Sprint	High Jump
1.40-2.15pm	Discus	Shot Put	Short Sprint	Long Sprint	High Jump	Long Jump

Maps will be displayed on the day to show where the events are to be held.

Further Organisation

Meet and Greet

At the start of the day children are to assemble on the netball court in their classes by their school signs where there will be a short welcome. Following this the children are to meet with their classroom teacher in order to take the roll. The teacher will then organise where the class can sit to watch the relays. After the relays the children will then be asked to sit back on the netball court (in front of the hall) in their year and gender groups.

First Aid

Children requiring attention should report to Mrs Duffell in the school office.

Parents

Please drop your child off directly at Netherby School by 8.50am. Children can be picked up from Netherby School from 2.15pm. If your child requires a ride to and/or from the event, please contact the school office as soon as possible so we can arrange transport.

Parents are welcome to spend time watching their children taking part and are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch. We also ask that parents keep well back from the area where children are competing.

Postponement

We are hoping that we will not have to postpone, however if we do it will be moved to Tuesday 20th October. A postponement notice will be made on Hokonui (92.5 or 95.5 FM) between 7.00am and 7.30am on the morning of the day.

Clothing

Children will be issued with a Fairton Sports T-shirt on Wednesday to wear on the day. Please ensure they wear **black shorts** to go with it. Please apply sunscreen to your child before they arrive in the morning. Teachers will bring extra sunscreen along so it can be reapplied throughout the day.

Food

Kai for Kids will be providing lunch for the Kai for Kids children. Children have pre-ordered a drink, ice block or a sausage and bread. Please can all children bring a big bottle of water and additional lunch/snacks. A coffee van and ice cream van will be on site.

Toilets

Please use the toilets that are through the other side of the classrooms. These will be signposted.

- All students to use classroom toilets
- Parents & Visitors - Hall

***Thanks for your support and encouragement of the children's efforts during Athletics Day 😊 ***