ASHHURST SCHOOL
EKE TAUMATA

NEWSLETTER | Term 2 | Week 3

Kia ora e te whānau,

We are incredibly proud of all our students for their fantastic efforts in today's cross country event! From the determined runners at the front to those who pushed themselves to finish with a smile, every student showed resilience, perseverance, and great sportsmanship. It was wonderful to see everyone giving their best and supporting one another. A huge thanks to Pā James for the organisation of this event and to the staff and our community for your support.
As the winter sports season gets underway, it's fantastic to see so many of our students getting involved, showing commitment, and giving their best on the field and court. Whatever the sport, your energy and enthusiasm are awesome to see! A massive thank you to the staff and whānau who coach, manage, and transport our teams each week. Your time, support, and encouragement make all of this possible – we couldn't do it without you!

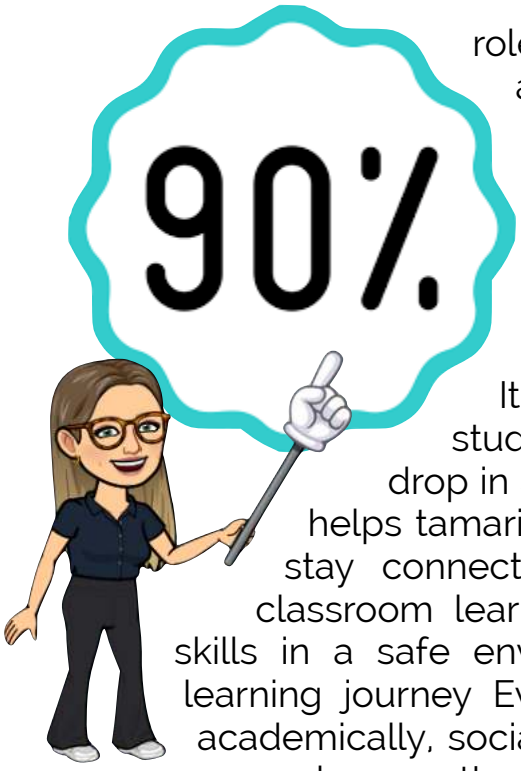
We're also incredibly proud of the students who have represented us at an elite level in volleyball. Competing at such a high standard is a huge achievement, and you've done our school proud with your skill, determination, and teamwork.



This Friday, we celebrate Support Staff Day, a special opportunity to recognise the amazing team of people who keep our school running smoothly behind the scenes. From teacher aides and office staff to caretakers and support workers, each one plays a vital

WHĀRITE TARARUA RUAHINE





role in supporting our students, staff, and wider school community. Thank you for your hard work, dedication, and the care you bring to everything you do — Ashhurst School is a better place because of you!

ATTENDANCE - EVERYDAY COUNTS

It's has been a tough week as we have had many students away due to illness - this is indicated in the slight drop in attendance rates for Week 3. Being at school regularly helps tamariki, build strong routines that support lifelong learning, stay connected with their peers and teachers, keep up with classroom learning and avoid gaps, develop social and emotional skills in a safe environment, and feel confident and capable in their learning journey Every day at school supports your child's success – academically, socially, and emotionally. Together, let's continue to make every day count!



PINK DAY

This Friday we will be having Pink Day, a time to raise awareness about kindness, respect, and how we interact positively with others.

As part of our learning, we are focusing on the acronym THINK, which stands for:

T – Is it True?
H – Is it Helpful?
I – Is it Inspiring?
N – Is it Necessary?
K – Is it Kind?

This is a non-uniform day – tamariki are encouraged to come dressed in PINK to show their support and help promote positive, respectful relationships.

SECURITY - BIKES AND SCOOTERS



While our school grounds are monitored by security cameras, we kindly remind students and whānau to take bikes and scooters home at the end of each day. These are valuable and often essential for getting to and from school, but unfortunately, we cannot guarantee their security outside of school hours. Thank you for helping us keep your belongings safe.

LIFE ED MANAWATŪ



We are so excited to be coming back to Ashhurst School and seeing all our amazing friends again! Being around all your energy, kindness and warmth is always a highlight of our year - we can't wait!
We feel extremely privileged to be sharing in the students learning around human biology & nutrition and how we can develop practices to promote healthy bodies & healthy minds with Tararua, and how being accountable for our decisions helps us to show integrity and responsibility when communicating online with Wharite.



Life Ed is a charitable trust that aims to inspire learners and their families to make positive decisions about their wellbeing, and receives no government funding. If you would like to support our worthy cause, we will have the following items available from Friday:



Harold flag pens @$1
Harold lanyards @$3
Harold Jibbitz @$5
Soft toy Harold keyrings @$7
Harold drink bottles @$13
Harold notebooks @$15
Large Harold soft toys @$24

These can be purchased from me at anytime (cash only please)
- please come and tell us of any learning being shared at home
- take care everyone and have a spectacular rest of the day!

Love from Tim and Harold!

OUT OF ZONE APPLICATIONS

The board of Trustees invites applications from parents who wish to enrol their children at Ashhurst School in Term 3 2025. 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 16 May 2025. 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 19 May 2025. Parents will be informed of the outcome of their applications by 3.00pm Tuesday 20 May 2025.

DISCO

We are excited to announce that we will have a special Puanga Matariki Disco on Wednesday 18th June. It will be held in the school hall - Years 1-4 6-7pm and Years 5-8 from 7-8pm. It will be a gold coin entry and there will be lots of goodies to purchase once inside. Come in your best space galaxy outfit!



STUDENT PROFILE SHEETS

If you have not yet returned your child's Student Profile Sheet, please do so as soon as possible. This information is important to ensure our records are accurate and up to date.
If you need a new copy of the form, please contact the school office.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Congratulations to the following students who were presented with certificates last week:

Room 1 - Sarah, Ultan
Room 2 - Tony, Tiaan
Room 3 - Madden, Hector
Room 4 - Brooke, Fletcher
Room 8 - Clara
Room 9 -Stephanie, Akein
Room 10 - RJ, Cynthia
Room 11 - Alyssa, Emily
Room 12 - Katelyn, Hudson
Room 13 - Finn, Teddy
Room 14 - Mia, Alfie
Room 15 - Savanna, Otis
Room 16 - Jaxon, Caitlin
Room 17 - Peyton, Hazel
Room 18 - Tate, Reico
Room 19 - Ailey, Aleksander
Room 21 - Emmerson
Room 22 - Hazel, Alex

Head Boy - Reiko
Head Girl - Beatrice
Deputy Head Boy - Aliviah
Deputy Head Girl - Cassidy

MANAWATŪ STRIDERS

Come join us for a fun run/ walk this Sunday the 18th May starting at Massey University.

Manawatu Striders is hosting their annual Marathon, Half Marathon, 10km, 5km and kids 2.5km Marafun this Sunday. All abilities welcome, this is a great chance to get out and enjoy some fresh air in the beautiful Manawatu. To register and sign up to join this event, please head to our website https://www.manawatustriders.org.nz/full-and-half-marathon. For kids under 12 the 2.5km Marafun is a free event.



STUDENT SUCCESS

Last Saturday, Christopher and Cynthia took part in the Pianoforte & Instrumental Festival 2025, hosted by Whanganui Performing Arts – Competitions & Academy at the Whanganui War Memorial Centre. Christopher competed in the Under-8 category for both Solo (1 piece) and Mini Concert (3 pieces) performances, and was thrilled to receive three awards: Most Promising, Most Entertaining, and Highest Score. Cynthia also performed in the same age group. While she didn't place this time, she was recognised with a merit certificate for her lovely performance.
This was their very first music competition, making the experience all the more exciting and memorable for them.

Rowan is 3rd in the Manawatu and 7th Nationally for carting.







TERM 2
Planning and Preparing for Emergencies, Disasters, and Crises (board)
Communication During an Emergency, Disaster, or Crisis (board)
School Closure (board)
Emergency Management
Disaster Management
Crisis Management

POLICY REVIEW

These are the next round of policies that are up for review. Remember at any time you can access School Docs, search for Ashhurst School.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos are available for purchase through the LCScott Photography link below. You can access the photos online through this link - LCScott Photography The website will ask for an access key, which is on the card your child will bring home.

ELITE VOLLEYBALL

On Tuesday our Elite Sport Volleyball Team headed to Cornerstone Christian School to compete in Term 2's first Elite Sport. The team grew in confidence game by game, and showed they could compete with the best as they narrowly lost to 3 schools in tie breaker sets, including eventual winners Lakeview. The team had two solid wins over Takaro and Cornerstone.
We look forward to Elite Sport Netball later this Term, hosted in Masterton.
Thanks to Pā Reece for coaching the team. We are super lucky to have such a talented sports person on staff that can help build skills with our students.











AIMS GAMES

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Ashhurst School Term Dates

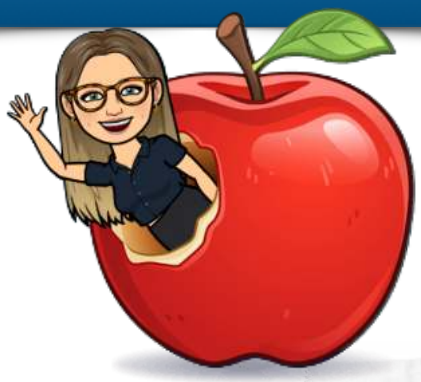
	Start / Finish	Key Dates
Term 1	Thursday 30 Jan - Friday 11 Apr	* Waitangi Day - Tuesday 5th Feb * Easter and ANZAC Day are in the School Holidays
Term 2	Monday 28 Apr - Friday 27 Jun	* King's Birthday - Monday 2 Jun * Matariki - Friday 20 Jun
Term 3	Monday 14 Jul - Friday 19 Sep	
Term 4	Monday 6 Oct - Friday 12 Dec	* Labour Day - Monday 27 Oct

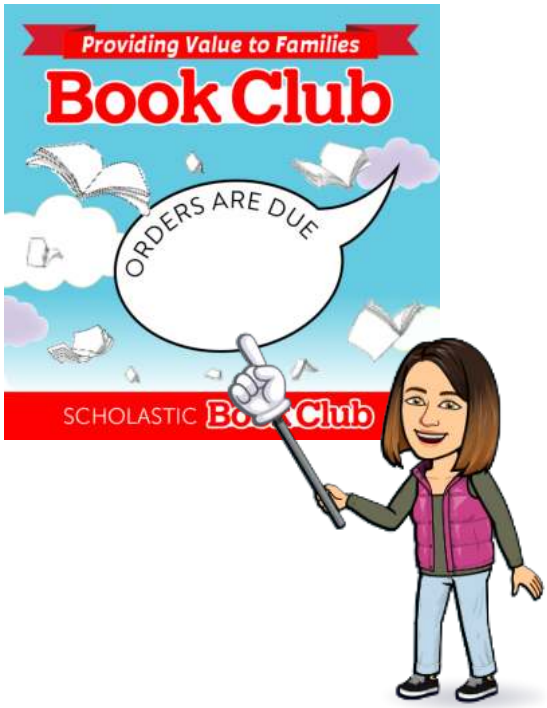


SCHOOL LUNCHES

Monday / Wednesday / Friday - Ashhurst Dairy
Thursday - Subway

Please use the Kindo app to order your child's lunch





Ashhurst School Calendar & Term Dates 2025

Term 2

Monday 28th April - Friday 27th June
Teacher Only Days | Friday 30th May and Friday 25th July

Friday 20th June - Matariki (Public Holiday / School Closed)
Thursday 15 May - Ashhurst School Cross Country
Monday 2nd June - King's Birthday (Public Holiday / School Closed)
Wednesday 11th June - Interschool Cross Country (Year 5- 8)







KELLY CLUB

THEME: Peacekeepers!

Term 2 Week 4, 19th May 2025

Weekly Activities Plan
Kelly Club Ashhurst

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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 Rice Bubble Cakes & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Tomato Pasta & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Homemade Cupcakes & Fruit
3:30 – 3:45 pm	Game: Human Paper Scissors Rock	Game: Duck Duck Goose	Game: Toilet Tag	Game: Follow the Sergeant	Game: Cat & Mouse Tag
3:45 – 4:30 pm	DISCOVERY Build a House of Cards	SPORT Island Hopping	COOKING Camo Cupcakes	CRAFT Dove Finger Painting	GAME Riot Control
4:30 – 4:35 pm	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up
4:35 – 4:50 pm	Snack Time Potato Sticks	Snack Time Corn Thins	Snack Time Baking	Snack Time Raisins	Snack Time Muesli Bars
4:50 – 5:15 pm	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time	Homework & Quiet Time
5:15 – 6:00 pm	Game: Concentration & Projects	Game: Dance Comp & Projects	Game: Doggy Doggy & Projects	Game: Flee Chase & Projects	Game: Foot Volleyball & Projects



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