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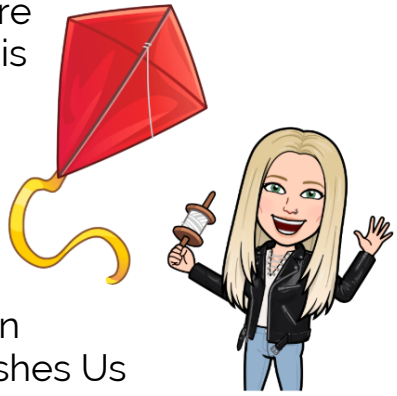
NEWSLETTER | Term 3 | Week 10

Kia ora e te whānau,

It has been another busy term here at Ashhurst School, filled with learning, activities, and achievements to be proud of. Our Year 7 and 8 students headed off to Tui Ridge Camp in Rotorua, taking on challenges and building lifelong memories. We successfully completed a whole-school lockdown practice, showing how prepared and calm our students can be. A group of our senior students went off to NZAIMSGames in Tauranga and competed alongside other athletes from across the country and beyond. Alongside these big events, classrooms have been buzzing with exciting projects and new initiatives, all supported by the enthusiasm and hard work of our staff and students. It has been a term to celebrate! We are grateful for the energy, commitment, and teamwork shown across our school community. It has been a joy to see our students growing in confidence, embracing challenges, and celebrating their successes together. A huge thank you to our staff and whānau for the support you give each day—it truly makes a difference. We're looking forward to finishing the term strongly and carrying this momentum into the rest of the year.



ASHHURST SCHOOL SPEECH FINALS

Last Thursday evening we hosted our Speech Finals. All of the students did an amazing job and the quality of speeches were exceptional. The Whārite students delivered speeches on the topic Breaking Barriers: What Holds Us Back and What Pushes Us Forward? The Tararua Team delivered on the topic Voices for Change: Can

WHĀRITE TARARUA RUAHINE



One Person Make a Difference?







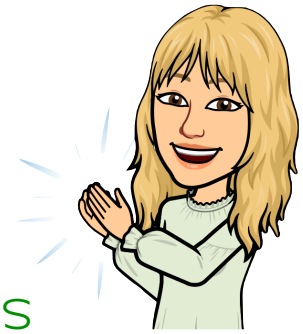
Year 4
Participation - Bowie
Participation - Taika





Year 5 & 6
1st Place - Imogen
2nd Place - Iris
3rd Place - Jasmine
Participation - Lauren
Participation - Eli







Year 7 & 8
1st Place - Mercedes
2nd Place - Ethan
3rd Place -Ava
Participation - Tiaan
Participation - Melissa

YUMMY STICKERS

We will be sending our collection of Yummy Stickers in the first week of October. If you have sticker sheets at home, can you please send them in to the school office. If you would like a sticker sheet please come to the office.

Thank you all for helping our school get new sports equipment by collecting stickers. We appreciate your support!!

TROPHIES

Could we please get all cups and trophies returned to school as soon as possible so they can be cleaned and engraved ready for this year's prizegiving.

SANITARY PRODUCTS

We have bags of free sanitary products available for our school whanau & friends. We have plenty of bags so please call into the office and collect a bag or two.

LOST PROPERTY

Please remember to check the lost property before the end of Term 3. Please ensure you name all items.

LAMB AND CALF DAY:
A Day of Fun, Farming, and Friendship!

Mark your calendars! The much-anticipated Lamb and Calf Day is just around the corner on Friday, October 24th.
Whether your child has a pet lamb or a calf, we encourage them to get involved and be a part of this memorable day. They'll have a chance to showcase their animal care skills and learn valuable lessons in responsibility.

How to Enter:
Registrations are now open on Kindo. A small $3.50 fee is required, which supports the wonderful work of the Manawatū Oroua Boys and Girls Ag Club.



Important Details:
Calf Entries: Calves must be born between July 1st and September 15th. Each student can exhibit one calf (dairy or beef). All calves must have a NAIT tag.
Lamb Entries: Lambs must also be born between July 1st and September 15th. Each student can exhibit one lamb.
Judging: Students will be judged on leading and care and attention. Lambs will also be judged on calling.

We can't wait to see our students and their animals. Get ready for a day packed with fun, community, and pride!



LAMB & CALF DAY

Parent Information






Lamb, Calf, Craft & Competition Day 2025
Information for Families

Viewing Arts & Crafts Created

This year, we will be displaying the arts and crafts created by each class on the blue court. Parents will be able to view these anytime from 11am. Classes will view these as part of their rotations around the rural games.

Lunchtime Organisation 1:10 - 2:00pm

We will be having a sausage sizzle on the day. Children will be able to pre-purchase these through Kindo. These will be delivered to classes by 1:10pm. Children will eat these and remaining lunch in classes.

Once children have been dismissed, they may go to Room 6 and purchase a cupcake for a gold coin if they wish.

Home Tasks

Home tasks are OPTIONAL, but can be a great way to join in with the fun on the day, and help support our school fundraising efforts. This year we have 3 options. You may wish to do one, two or all three - it's totally up to you.

Make a Scarecrow ***Bring to the office on the day.***
These can be any size, can be simple or more complex. The scarecrow needs to be able to stand up unaided.



Grow Your Own Garden ***Bring to the office on the day.***
Students design and grow their gardens at home, then bring them to school on Lamb and Calf Day for judging. Judging will look at plant choice, plant health. Students need to keep a journal which includes what plants they planted and why, if they gave plants any extra fertiliser, if they had any problems with pests and how they dealt with that, and any other reflections or learning.



Bake and Decorate Cupcakes ***Bring to Room 6 on the day.***
We would love for people to support us with this. We will be selling these during lunchtime on the day for a gold coin each. All money raised will go towards sealing our pump track.



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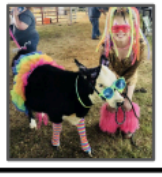
11:00 - 11:30 - Lamb & Calf Dress Up Parade & Judging

This year, we're excited to introduce a Dress-Up Parade for our lamb and calf contestants! After the formal judging, students are invited to get creative and dress up both themselves and their animals! Whether it's a superhero calf or a lamb in a tutu, we can't wait to see the imaginative outfits on display! The Dress-Up Parade will be a light-hearted addition to the day. Prizes will be awarded for participation, originality, and effort – it's all about having fun! We look forward to seeing our lambs and calves strut their stuff on the day!

11:30 - 1:10pm & 2:00 - 2:45pm - Competition Time

This year, students in Ruahine & Tararua will rotate around a series of rural themed, fun activities:

Gumboot throwing **Wheelbarrow Races** **Egg & Spoon Races**

Pin the Tail on the Donkey **Sack Races** **Lollies in Haystack**

During this competition time, students in Whārite will either be helping with the above activities, or competing in a "Young Farmer" competition. The Young Farmer competition will involve students completing hands on activities. These may range from a small building project to setting up a temporary fence. The aim is to test their problem solving ability in a supportive yet challenging environment.

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9:00 - 10:30 - Lamb & Calf Formal Judging

If you are showing a lamb or calf, please arrive at school from 8.15am. The gates on Salisbury Street that open to the school field will be open.

Judging will take place from approximately 9.15 until completed. We aim to have this done by 10.30am.

9:00 - 10:30 - Crafts in Classes

If your child is not showing a lamb or calf, then during this time slot they will be making the following crafts in their classes:

Ruahine: Sand Saucers

Tararua: Sock Puppets

Whārite: Animal themed crafts & arts

Please see below for the equipment your child needs to bring to school on the day.

Ruahine Children - Equipment

- Saucer -named underneath. Please no paper or plastic plates
- A selection of flowers and foliage to share

Tararua Children - Equipment

- One crew sock
- Any materials your child wishes to bring to decorate their sock puppet. We will provide eyes, wool, pipe cleaners, pompoms.



Whārite Children - Equipment

- No required equipment needed from home.

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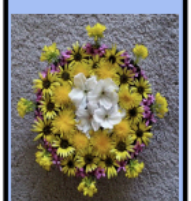


Lamb, Calf, Craft & Competition Day 2025
Information for Families

Kia ora e te whānau,

Lamb & Calf Day this year is being held on ***Friday 24th October***. We are excited to let you know that this will look a little different this year. We are planning a full-filled rural themed day. We would love for parents and caregivers to join us from 11am on the day. Please find in this pamphlet information about the day and what your child will be involved in.

If you have any questions please feel free to speak with your child's classroom teacher, or contact:
James Lowry: jlowry@ashhurst.school.nz
Megan Wilson: mwilson@ashhurst.school.nz

Date:
Friday 24th October.
Postponement Date: Wednesday 29th October.

Timetable Overview:
9:00 - 10:30: Lamb & Calf Formal Judging | Children making crafts in classes
10:30 - 11:00: Morning tea
11:00 - 11:30: Lamb & Calf Dress-Up Parade & Judging
11:30 - 1:10: Competition Time for Ruahine & Tararua. Young Farmer for Whārite
1:10 - 2:00: Lunch Eating | Sausage Sizzle | Cupcake Purchasing | Playtime
2:00 - 2:45: Competition Time for Ruahine & Tararua. Young Farmer for Whārite

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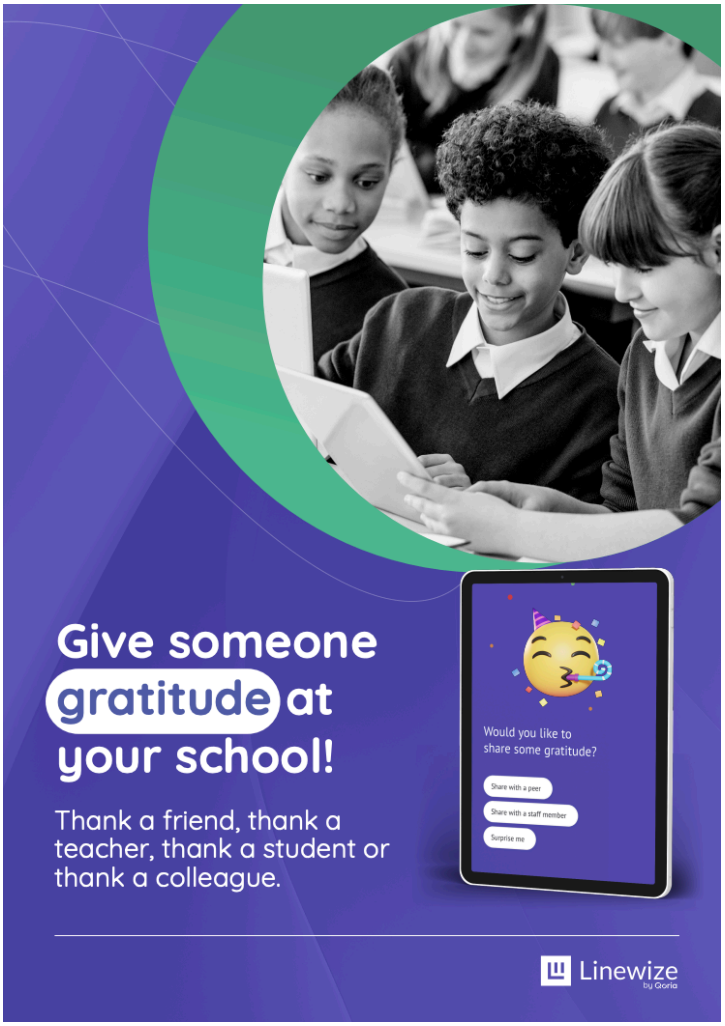
LINEWIZE PULSE

This term we've started using Linewize Pulse to help us gain a better understanding of student and staff wellbeing across our school. Each week, usually a Monday, students complete a wellbeing check-in, but they also have the option to check in more often whenever they feel the need. This link is available to all students on our Morning Mahi slides. The check in process begins with a simple question: "How are you feeling today?" While this first question is associated to students directly so that teachers can monitor individual and group wellbeing and provide support when needed, all of the follow-up questions are completely anonymous. The school receives a 'Heat Map' of data associated with year groups, classes, and the school in general so that we can provide resources to support how our students are feeling. Students can also reach out directly to any staff member through the platform if they would like extra support, giving them a safe and confidential way to ask for help. Another exciting feature is the ability for students to send messages of gratitude to staff and peers, which helps foster positive engagement and strengthen relationships across our school. So far, we've been really encouraged by the way our students are engaging with Pulse, and it's already proving to be a valuable tool in supporting wellbeing at Ashhurst School.





CELEBRATING STUDENT WORK

Castaway - A snippet of writing by Iris Knowles

Day 1
It was another boring old day when I was working my day job when my boss gave me an important package to deliver to Malaysia. To be honest I didn't really wanna go. I'm a pretty lazy person but I didn't have much of a choice. "The plane leaves tomorrow morning" my boss said to me in his usual murmured voice. I was out delivering packages until about 8:45Pm. I went home and laid out my outfit for the plane on my floor like I used to when I was little. I don't think I've matured at all, I work at FedEx and don't plan on doing anything else with my life.

Day 2
I woke up and put on my clothes, brushed my teeth, and ate breakfast and by breakfast I mean a marshmallow dipped in peanut butter. Ready. I thought. I walked out my front door, keys in hand. My car was an old beat up H
onda that barely worked but it managed. The car made an ugly sound before turning on and I drove to the airport; I had actually never been on a plane so this was different. "Hey Chuck!" My boss yelled from across the room. As I turned around to look he kept yelling at me. "Chuck Chuck we're super late, hurry up!" I started running, dragging my black and white polka dot suitcase behind me. "Wait up!" I yelled at him. After 2 minutes of pure and utter panic we finally made it to our gate. The plane to Malaysia was about 6-7 hours. I had been asleep for about 3 and a half until I awoke to the sound of beeping and flashing red lights burning my dizzy eyes. It took a while for my brain to lock in and realize what was happening. I stood up and looked through the window, the plane was drifting down, and down, and down. I flew down the aisle holding my breath as the plane filled with smoke. I broke open the door and jumped out into the cold dark sea.



TERM 4 HATS

All students need to wear a hat in Term 4. If students don't have a hat they will be asked to play in the shaded areas.

SPORTS

All teams have been finalised for sports starting in week 1 of Term 4. We have 28 teams representing Ashhurst School in 5 sports codes! Ashhurst School is one of many schools to receive new uniforms for the 2025 Touch season. This is a token of gratitude, from The Highbury Whanau Centre, to the community and to those who have contributed their time and energy to the success of their kaupapa and the many connections between our groups. We appreciate being selected and can't wait to see the teams on the touch field next term. The new uniforms will be issued to the U10 and U12 grades.



Ashhurst School Term Dates

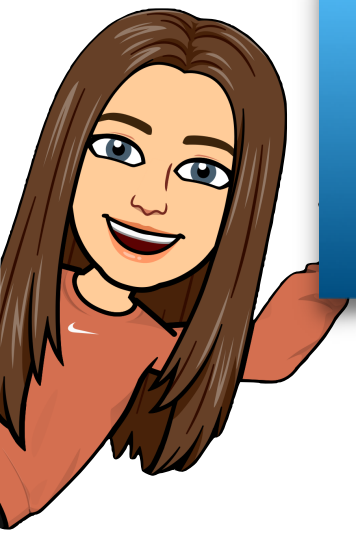
	Start / Finish	Key Dates
Term 1	Thursday 30 Jan - Friday 11 Apr	* Waitangi Day - Tuesday 5th Feb * Easter and ANZAC Day are in the School Holidays
Term 2	Monday 28 Apr - Friday 27 Jun	* King's Birthday - Monday 2 June * Matariki - Friday 20 June
Term 3	Monday 14 Jul - Friday 19 Sep	
Term 4	Monday 6 Oct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

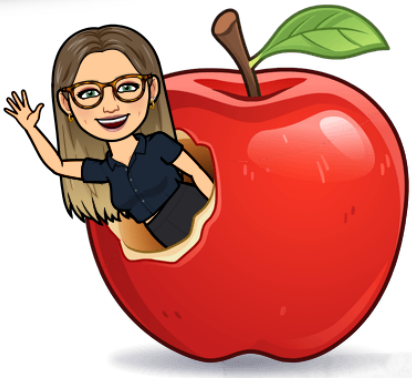


SCHOOL LUNCHES

Monday / Wednesday / Friday - Ashhurst Dairy
Thursday - Subway

Please use the Kindo app to order your child's









Ashhurst School Calendar & Term Dates 2025

Term 3

Monday 14th July - Friday 19th September

Friday 25th July | Teacher Only Day
18th - 22nd August | Tui Ridge Camp Year 7/8
28th August - Parent Teacher Conferences 2:15-8:00pm
1st - 5th September | NZAIMS Games
Thursday 11th September | Ashhurst School Speech Finals

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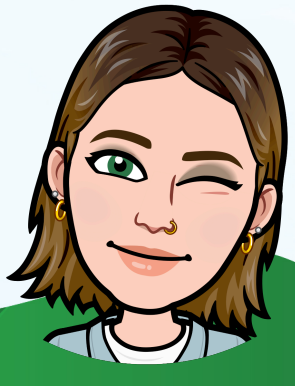

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