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NEWSLETTER 2024 WEEK 9 TERM 3

Kia ora e te whānau,
Wow! What a week we had last, with so much to celebrate for the achievement of our tamariki! The good news started with the fabulous turnout of our EPro students qualifying for the finals this week in Whanganui, followed by Abigail Harker taking out the Northern Cluster speech competition. Finally, our Rip Rugby team earned a bronze medal at the Aims games. We are so super proud of all these achievements and the effort put in by all of the students at AIMs games.

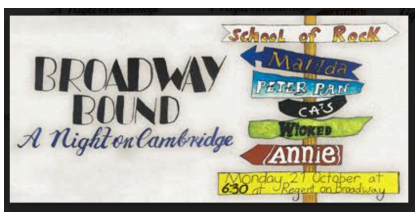
Comedy Night - PTA Fundraiser

Tickets are now on sale for the PTA fundraiser. We have put out table tickets this week and will happily take bookings for single tickets, so just contact the office, and we will help you organise this. Corporate tables are $1500, Normal tables are $550, and single tickets are $55. Please call the office if you want to book. It would be great to see our school community support this event. The funds we raise from this event are going towards the AIMS games and the development of the BMX track on the far side of the field. We are looking to seal the track and develop it so that children can ride their scooters. We can only do this project with your support, so come along as a single, double or group. Tickets are on sale at the office!

Production

Tickets are now on sale from Ticketek

A Night on Cambridge tickets | The Regent on Broadway | Ticketek New Zealand



A Message from the Board of Trustees

Dear Parents Caregivers, and Whānau,

As we move through the school year, we are seeing lots of exciting and positive events happening within the academic, sporting and extracurricular activity spaces.

Many of these events would not be possible without the input of our staff, lots of which are on top of their day to day teaching duties and are carried out in their own time.
Our teachers and senior management work tirelessly to ensure our tamariki receive the best education and learning opportunities, and we kindly ask for your cooperation in fostering positive relationships with them.

Respectful communication between whānau and staff is important for the success of our tamariki. We ask that any interactions, with any members of our staff, are considerate and respect the values of our school, as well as the hard work our staff carry out - just as we expect our tamariki to uphold these values.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to remind our whānau that all calls to and from the school are recorded for accuracy and protection purposes of all parties.

Your courtesy and consideration set great examples for our tamariki.
Working together will ensure we are creating the best, supportive learning environment for them.

Kind regards,
Ashhurst School Board of Trustees

Aims Games 2024

On the 8th of September we had 3 sporting teams travel up to Tauranga to compete in the NZAIMS Games - which hosts over 12,000 intermediate aged athletes.



Rip Rugby -3rd out of 60

Our Rip Rugby team had a strong start to their pool play, winning 7 games and drawing 1. This placed the team in Division one for the first time. The hot streak continued as they made their way through the top 16 and quarter finals. A narrow loss in the semi final meant they played off for the bronze medal match vs Helensville School. An exciting game played under lights saw Ashhurst win the game 3 tries to 2 and claim the school's first ever medal at the NZ AIMS Games. A very proud moment for the school, and one that will be remembered forever!

Team - Rocco, Aidan, Connor, Carter, Alex, Troy, Ashley, Maya, Molly, Tiana, Tiaan, and Gloria.

Coach - Reece Brosnan



Netball - 113th out of 136

Our netball team began their grading games on Sunday. As they got deeper into the week, they matched up against teams in their pool. Winning 3 games straight lead the team to play off for 113th vs Woodford House. A strong final minute allowed the team to secure the win by 1 point. The team grew stronger each game, as their combinations began to gel.

Team - Astasia, Ava H, Ava L, Briar, Zoey, Āria, Darah, Draven, Ryan, Devarney, Kwayde, Sam

Coach - Catherine Chittenden

Manager - Kelly Larsen



Golf - 19th out of 68

Madden competed well across 3 separate 18-hole courses all based in the Bay of Plenty. He was consistent with scores of 84, 85, and 85. This was a great learning

experience for Madden, and he should be excited about returning for this event next year.

Coach - Heath Chittenden

Weetbix TRYathlon

We have set up a school group for this event which is being held at Ongley Park, Palmerston North on Tuesday 20th February 2025. Use this link: Weetbix Tryathlon to register your child(ren) under our school banner.

JOINING YOUR SCHOOL GROUP

- After you enter the participants details on the entry form, you will be asked if you would like to "join a School Group". Search for your School Group when prompted and click on the group to add the participant to it.
- When joining your School Group your School Coordinator will be notified that you have entered and it will help make your school eligible to win prizes.
- If your School does not have a School Group, then please continue with your registration as it will not affect your entry into the TRYathlon.



Elite Sports Basketball -

The Elite Sport Basketball team competed at the Arena on Tuesday 17th September. The team performed extremely well by winning all 3 pool games, and winning their semi final game. They then played a back and forward game in the final vs Roslyn (who they had narrowly beaten 34-33 in pool play). The game went down to the wire. Roslyn scored in the final minute to secure the win 44-42. The team should be very proud of their efforts for the whole day, placing 2nd out of the 8 Elite Sport teams.



Lamb and Calf Day 2024

The date is set for Lamb and Calf day - Tuesday 29th October. Registration is now available via Kindo and there is a small fee of $3 which is paid directly to the Manawatu Oroua Boys and Girls Ag Club.

Once you register via kindo, your child will be sent information that we have put together with tips and information for a successful day.

Calving Dates: Born between 1st July and 15th September. A student may only exhibit one calf.

Lambing Dates: Born between 1st July and 15th September. A student may only exhibit one lamb per year.
We have been fortunate to have received some Lamb and Calf Day products from Farmsource Feilding. There is dry feed for calves and starter packs including leads, brushes etc.

Garden Entries 2024

- Gardens must be no bigger than 9 square metres in area eg: 3m x 3m
- Plots may be at home or on an area at or near the school.
- Please keep a record/diary about your garden

Cohort Entry Consultation

Thank you to all those people who responded to our Cohort Entry Consultation Survey. The consultation process has now closed. The results of this consultation will now be given to our Board of Trustees to discuss. The community will be notified of the results of this consultation process at the beginning of Term 4.

Heath Chittenden
Principal
PN East Kahui Ako
Co-Lead Principal

Karyn Giles
Deputy Principal

Instructions for reviewers

Encourage your school community to participate in reviews. Certain review topics will be more relevant to some reviewers than others.

You can use the text below to help advertise open reviews.

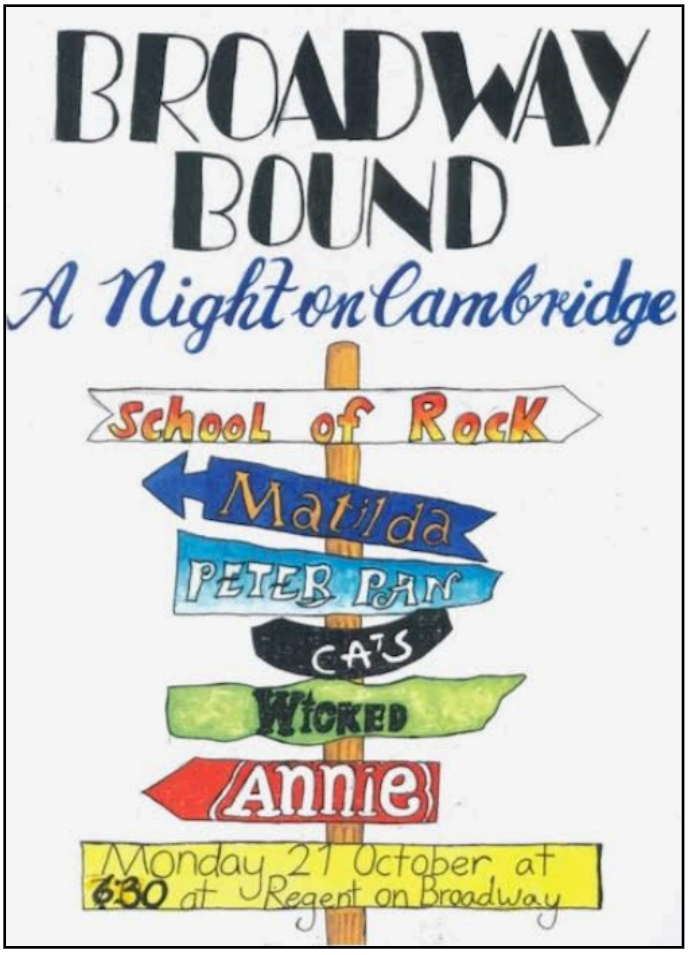
All reviewers

1. Visit the website *https://ashhurst.schooldocs.co.nz/1893.htm*
2. Enter the username (ashhurst) and password (team).
3. Follow the link to the relevant policy as listed.
4. Read the policy.
5. Click the **Start your review** button at the top right-hand corner of the page.
6. Select the reviewer type.
7. Enter your name (optional).
8. Follow the prompts to show that you've read the topic and enter your feedback if you'd like to comment.
9. Agree to the privacy statement and click "Submit review".

If you don't have internet access, school office staff can provide you with printed copies of the policy and a review form.

Term 3 Review topics are:

- Concerns and complaints policy
- Media
- Performance Mangement
- Professional Development
- Protected Disclosure
- Staff Conduct
- Staff Leave

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Notices

Ashhurst School Calendar & Term Dates 2024

Term 3
Monday 22 July - Friday 27 September
Thursday 26 September - BOT Meeting
Friday 27 September - Last day of Term 3

Term 4
Monday 14 October - Friday 20 December
Saturday 19 October - Comedy Night Fundraiser
Monday 21 October - School Production
Friday 25 October - Teacher Only day
Monday 28 October - Labour Day
Tuesday 29 October - Lamb & Calf Day
Wednesday 30 October - Senior School Athletics
Thursday 31 October Lamb & Calf Postponement Day
Friday 1 November - Senior School Athletics Postponement Date
Friday 15 November - Teacher Only Day
Tuesday 26 November - Junior Athletics
Thursday 28 November - Junior Athletics Postponement Date
Tuesday 17 December - Domain Day, Leavers Dinner
Wednesday 18 December - Junior Prizegiving 9.30am
Wednesday 18 December - Senior Prizegiving 6.30pm
Thursday 18th December - School Finishes 12.30pm

Absences

Please remember to phone or email the school if your child is absent. If we have no contact from a parent or caregiver, and we are not given a reason for absence, we have to mark it as truant.
If you know your child will be away in the future, please let the office staff know and it can be marked down as a future absence.
Thank you!

Summer Soccer registrations for Years 0-8 close on Friday!
Register through Kindo.



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Lamb & Calf Day 2024
Home Activity

This year for our Lamb and Calf Day Home Activity, we would like children to make a scarecrow. There are lots of different ways these could be constructed - from simple to more complex, from small to large! Scarecrows created must be able to stand up unaided. Below are some illustrations which may give you some inspiration.

Please note: This is an OPTIONAL activity.

We would like scarecrows to be bought to school on Tuesday 29th October. These can be bought to the office area and Senior Management will organise for them to be displayed. They will be judged during the day by the Senior Management team.

We appreciate your time and effort in guiding your child in their scarecrow creation. Happy creating!






Please remember to check the lost property box before the end of the Term

Northern Cluster Speech Winner



Last week Abi and Liyana competed in the Northern Cluster Speech Finals. It was a great evening of very high quality speeches all based on the topic of technology being our friend or foe. Liyana received a special mention from the judges for a memorable moment in her speech and Abi won the Year 7&8 category. Here is her award winning speech:

Just imagine getting home from school, plodding down on the couch and turning the TV on. Relaxing, right? Well did you know that the average person spends 4 hours on their device daily?! That's 28 hours a week, and 840 hours a month! What a waste of a life! In this speech I will be talking about some negatives and positives of technology, apps we should and shouldn't be using and the interesting topic of AI. Let's get into it.

You've probably heard the theory that AI is listening to you. Well, in some cases you would be correct. Studies from 2022, show that AI is constantly recording and listening to you, but not for bad purposes. What is the reason then? AI is always listening to you because that's what it's meant to do. AI is at your every need, waiting for you to say something like, "hey Siri order me a pepperoni pizza from Dominoes!" Does anyone know what Siri stands for? Siri stands for Speech Interpretation and Recognition Interface. That's a mouthful! So is AI really evil? Well, really the answer is up to you. I'm going to leave you with a question. Is it the AI that is bad, or is it the user asking it to do bad things? Only you can control how you use it. (Domino's pizza arrives from outside)

What if there was no technology? What do you think would happen? Well I wouldn't have pizza here for one! If you're thinking about WiFi being turned off and the world turning bad and pitchforks and sacrifices to bring WiFi back, that is not what I'm talking about at all. I'm thinking, transport. I'm thinking, communication, entertainment. Power. Factories to make products we use daily. Medical advancement. Did you know the method 500 years ago for amputation was ***with a saw***?! People use saws to cut trees nowadays! Basically, they sawed your limb off then left the open wound to heal by itself. As there was no anaesthetic, you were left with the excruciating pain of someone sawing your leg off! Research shows that 310 million life saving surgeries are performed each year! It is clear that technology is beneficial to us in the medical field.

Did you know that the most toxic social media platform is ***Facebook!*** I thought Facebook was just the app all the Mums go on. I know *my* Mum sure does! Mark Elliot Zuckerberg created Facebook in August 2005. Now, Instagram and YouTube. Who in here uses one of those apps? Did you know that people are selling actual human body parts on Instagram! A man called Henry Scragg sells skulls on Instagram. Creepy right? After Instagram and YouTube, it's Snap-chat. A creepy thing about Snap-chat is that the app doesn't prevent people from saving your snaps. How many of you here use social media? And how many of you are 13? Yes exactly. The age rating on some apps are 13+ which means you shouldn't *really* be using those apps. Some effects on children from social media are: cyber bullying, Addiction, disruption to sleep, mental health issues, depression and much more. 78% of parents believe that restrictions should be set up on their child's social media. And 31% of parents believe their child should not have social media at all. It is proven that social media is addictive. And my guess is that it contributes significantly to that 840 hours a month that we spend on devices.

Wow this topic sure was interesting. In this speech we talked about AI, some pros and cons of technology and some different apps that might not be the best for us. There's still so much to explore! *But* there's a four minute time limit so I should wrap this up. I will leave you with one more question. Can we class technology as a friend or a foe or does it depend on who's using it and the responsibility of the person?



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Lamb & Calf Day

29th October 2024 | 10am
Preschool Lamb Experience

Come and join us at Ashhurst School for this non competitive experience.

Practice walking in the ring and tell us a special fact about your lamb.

Guest Judge Tracey Smith.

Enter through the gate on Sailsbury Street.
Please contact Kaz if you would like to join in.

Ph: 027 445 0772 Email: kgiles@ashhurst.school.nz

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GIRLS WE NEED YOU!



Feilding Junior Cricket are setting up a girls only Year 7 & 8 team this term 4.

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Season games start 2nd Nov.

Send Catherine Larsen a message on Facebook or email: feildingjuniorcricket@gmail.com

KELLY CLUB WEEK 10, Term 3

KELLY CLUB

THEME: Game Masters

Term 3 Week 10, 23rd September 2024

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 Pasta & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Cheese Toasties & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Sammies & Fruit	Intro & Afternoon Tea Homemade Cookies & Fruit
3:30 – 3:45 pm	Game: Tap Ball	Game: Snowball Tag	Game: Stuck in the Mud	Game: Quick Fire Cricket	Game: Capture the Flag
3:45 – 4:30 pm	CRAFT Design a Board Game	GAME Animal Master Tag	DISCOVERY Tower Masters	SPORT League of Legends	COOKING Mini Quiches
4:30 – 4:35 pm	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up	Tidy Up
4:35 – 4:50 pm	Snack Time Popcorn	Snack Time Biscuits	Snack Time Crackers	Snack Time Vege Chips	Snack Time Baking
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: Mother's May I? & Projects	Game: Where's Wally? & Projects	Game: Sharks, Islands & Fish & Projects	Game: Sheeps & Wolves & Projects	Game: Slide Tag & Projects

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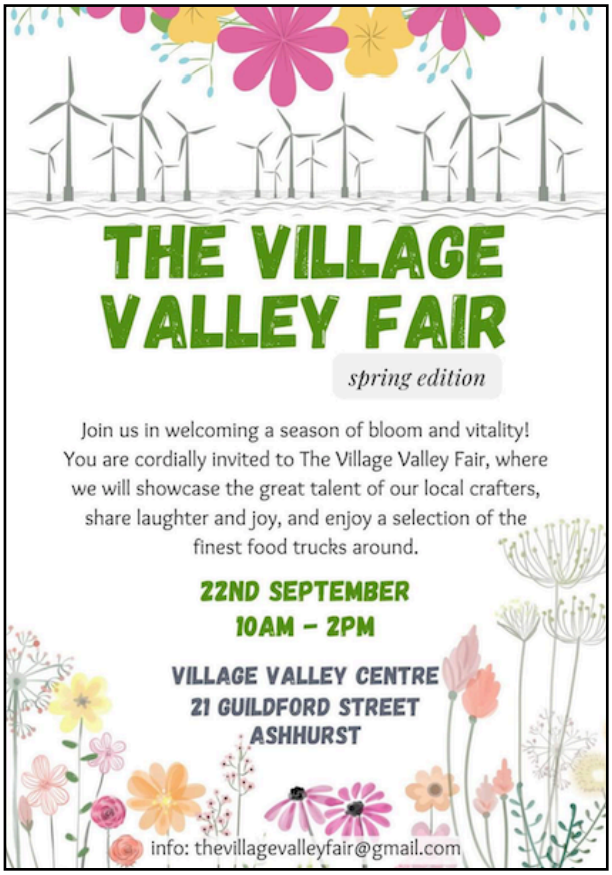





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