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NEWSLETTER 2024 WEEK 1 TERM 4

Kia ora Koutou

It is hard to believe that we are already into Term 4, 2024. This is a reminder to all parents that the sun is shining on everyone again this term, and therefore, children are required to wear a suitable hat in the playgrounds at all times.

Getting Ready for the 2025 school year

Many parents will know that schools will introduce a new curriculum in 2025. As it currently stands, we have four curriculum levels: Level 1 is Year 0-2; Level 2 is Year 3-4; Level 3 is Year 5-6; and Level 4 is Year 7-8. This will change to phases from 2025 onwards. Phase 1 covers Year 0-3, Phase 2 covers Year 4-6, and Phase 3 covers Year 7-8.

As a result, we will be required to change our team organisation for planning and material purposes. Ruahine will be Year 0-3, Tararua will be Year 4-6, and Whārite will be Year 7 and 8. This means we will see changes in composite classrooms, with the possibility of Year 2 and 3 children learning together and Year 4 and 5 children in the same class. We see large benefits to this both academically and also socially.

The big question for parents is what will this mean for their children. Except for a potentially different blend of year groups, it will mean little for children in any of the classes. Our curriculum content is tailored to the child based on their assessment. Just because your child is a Year 5 in a Year 4/5 class does not mean the work will be easier than a class of Year 5&6 students. Much of our classroom placements are based on the child's social relationships with other children. This is one of the most significant deciding factors on the makeup of the classes. Children in Year 4 cannot go to Ricoh Sports or Camp Makahika. The Year 4 children's camp will be a Highland home.

We will again be surveying the children about their friendship groups for 2025. Children in Year 2 can also pick friends from Year 3 and vice versa, and children in Year 4 can pick Year 5 friends in 2025. It is a great time to talk to your child about the friendship choices they will make. Each child gets to choose five friends with whom they think they will learn well. We guarantee they will be in the class with one of those friendship choices.

The classes@ashhurst.school.nz email is again open for parents to write about any concerns relating to children's current or previous issues with previous students or potential staff. We ask that all parents please only use that email. We get a lot of correspondence through this time, and channelling it to the one email is the best filter. Do not see your current classroom teacher about this; sometimes, these messages can be misplaced. A full list of the teaching staff for 2025 will be in next week's newsletter.

If you are also moving away in 2025 and your child will not be attending Ashhurst School, please email classes@ashhurst.school.nz so we do not assign your child to a class. This is very important, especially if another child picks your child as their friendship choice. It could result in other children not having friends in their class in 2025.

Cohort Entry 2025

Thank you to all who responded to our survey about implementing Cohort Entry at Ashhurst School in 2025.

As part of our consultation process, we consulted with the major Early Childhood Centres contributing to Ashhurst School. All of these Centres (100%) supported our proposal.

Our community responded with 31 responses. 27 out of 31 (87%) of these responses supported our proposal.

Our Board of Trustees has therefore approved the implementation of Cohort Entry beginning in 2025. This means that if you have a four-year-old, they will only be able to begin school (after they turn 5) on the following dates in 2025 (the Ministry of Education specifies these dates):

- First day of the school year 2025
- 10 March 2025 (mid point Term 1)
- 28 April 2025 (beginning of Term 2)
- 26 May 2025 (mid point Term 2)
- 14 July (beginning of Term 3)
- 18 August (mid point Term 3)
- 6 October (beginning of Term 4)
- 10 November (mid point Term 4)

If you have any further questions about this, please feel free to contact Megan mwilson@ashhurst.school.nz

A reminder that any child who is previously enrolled in a school and wants to enrol can immediately start and do not have to wait for the entry dates.

Staffing updates

On the staffing front, we are pleased but saddened to announce Mr Gerber in Room 17 has been accepted to a permanent position as Principal of Waikaia School in the deep South. This position will begin in 2025. Congratulations to Phillipus and his lovely family and we wish him all the best for his new journey.

Comedy Night

Tickets are still available for our Comedy Night which is this Saturday. Please contact the office.



Production

"BOUND FOR BROADWAY - A Night on Cambridge"

There are lots of things to update you about Ashhurst School's whole-school production.

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 21 October, 2024, 6.30pm at the Regent Theatre for the performance of our school production "**Broadway Bound- A Night on Broadway**"
A lot of work has already gone into the making of this production by school staff as well as the students. We hope you enjoy watching it as much as we have enjoyed putting it together.

PLEASE read the following information

It is essential we have **every child** attending on the night, barring illness of course. If you are not able to come to the production and are unable to make arrangements to take your child into town for the event, **please contact the school a.s.a.p**. Conversely, if you have a vehicle with spare seats and would happily transport children to and from the venue, please contact the school office.

PERFORMANCE DAY - Monday, 21st October

DRESS REHEARSAL: at the Regent Theatre, Palmerston NorPth, (9.00 am - 2.00 pm).

Children will

- be transported to and from the Regent Theatre rehearsal by buses.

- need to have a packed morning tea and lunch. Please **NO YOGHURT** or similar foods as the children will be wearing their costumes. We need to keep them, and the Regent, clean and tidy.

A reminder there will be NO BOUGHT LUNCHES on that day.

- need to bring a full drink bottle with **WATER ONLY**. Juice and fizzy drinks are not allowed.

- keep all lunch rubbish in their lunch boxes after they have eaten, and bring it home.

- need to bring and wear their **FULL COSTUME** at the rehearsal. Please ensure that your child has what is required for this.

Teachers will let you know further details about what this may involve.

The Night of the PERFORMANCE:

- We require children to be dropped off at the meeting points listed below at 5.30pm. This allows time for teachers to take their classes to changing rooms to get students ready. Parents will be unable to go into the changing rooms.

- The foyer will be open from 5:45 pm, although the Regent seats are not available for access until 6.00 pm; 30 minutes before the show begins. This is the Regent Theatre policy. We anticipate the show being finished by 8:15 pm.

- Your child's teachers will let you know what they are expected to come to The Regent wearing on the night.

- Please do not send bags etc with children on the night. Children will perform a final whole school song on the stage and will be dismissed from there. Students will be unable to go back to dressing rooms.

- Instructions will be given at the end of the performance about where to pick up your children from.

- **Please support us and ensure that your child is checked off with your child's class teacher before leaving. This is important.**

Meeting Places to drop your child/children off where teachers will meet them on the night.

Room	Item	Meeting Place
2	Matilda- Revolting Children	Broadway - Trade Aid
7 & 11	Hairspray	Regent- Back door
20	High School Musical	Broadway - Hair products shop
15	School of Rock	King Street Outside Brew Union - entrance
4	Stomp	Broadway - Ballentynes
13	Annie	King Street- Outside Danceworks Studio
18	Willy Wonka	Broadway - Ballentynes
6.8.9	Peter Pan	Regent - Back door
1	Mama Mia	Broadway- Outside the Golden Tulip
14	Shrek	King Street - Outside GROOM
22	The Enormous Crocodile	King Street - UCOL
10 & 12	Queen	Regent - Outside Niche
3	Wizard of Oz	Broadway - Outside Cotton On
16 & 19	Aladdin	Broadway - Outside Cotton On
17	Lion King	Broadway -Events Cinema
21	Cats	King Street - Across the road from the Regent back door

VIDEOS AND CAMERAS

On the night camera flashes are discouraged as they distract the children's performance. We have professional filming happening on the night and once this is completed, we will be able to send out to families via a Google Drive video link.

WE ALSO ASK THAT FAMILIES DO NOT DO SHOUT-OUTS TO THEIR CHILDREN DURING THE PERFORMANCE!

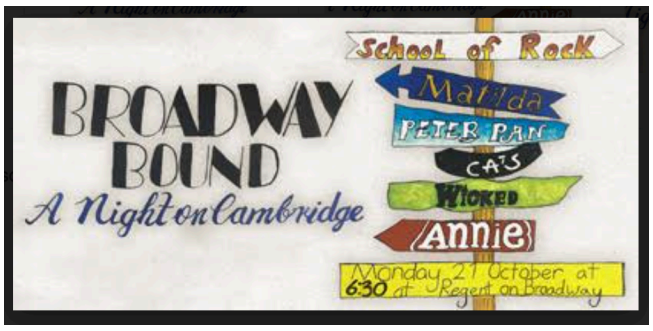
TUESDAY MORNING SLEEP IN

We are happy for children to sleep in on Tuesday morning **if necessary.** School will be open as normal for children who come at the usual time. Students do need to be at school by 10:00 a.m. for the roll.

If your child is going to be absent that day, please phone or email the school as normal.

Thank you to everyone for your support in all aspects of getting "**Broadway Bound**" on the stage.

Let's have fun and celebrate with the children! Let the show begin!



Tickets are now on sale from Ticketek

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

Class News

During Term 2 Room 21 read David Williams - “Gangster Granny Strikes Again” which they all loved. Mrs Pearce went to see “An Audience with David Williams” during the holidays and took the letters Room 21 had written to David Williams telling him how much they enjoyed his book. Today we received this video from him so we are all super excited.

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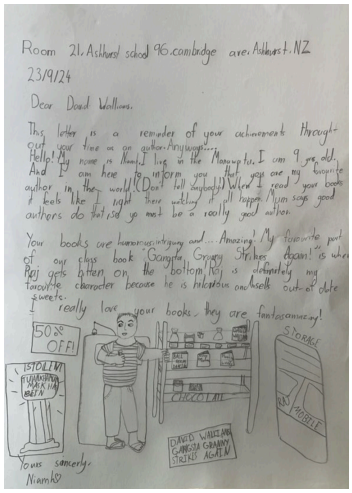

Heath Chittenden
Principal
PN East Kahui Ako
Co-Lead Principal

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 4 Review topics are:

- Finance and Asset Management Policy
- Managing Income and Expenditure
- Financial Conflicts of Interest
- School Donations and Student Activity Payments / Attendance Dues and Other Income
- ExpenditureAsset Management and Protection
- Property Planning and Maintenance
- Prevention of Bribery, Corruption, Fraud, and Theft

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Notices

Ashhurst School Calendar & Term Dates 2024

Term 4

Monday 14 October - Thursday 19 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 19th December - School Finishes 12.30pm

KINDO

Kinda Statements have been emailed this week. Please contact the office if you have any queries.



Orders close on Friday 25th October
Books make the best gifts, so you will see that the gift function is available in LOOP.
If your item is a gift we will contact you to pick it up from school. If you are using the paper student order form please write "gift" on it.

Term 4 Hats

All students need to wear a hat in term 4. We don't have a uniform hat, any hat will do. If students don't have a hat they will be asked to play in the shaded areas.

School Lunches

Monday - Ashhurst Dairy

Wednesday - Ashhurst Dairy

Thursday = Subway

Friday - Ashhurst Dairy

Lunches need to be ordered through Kindo

Student Success

Mason has recently competed in a number of Motor Cross Events around the country during the school holidays and had some wonderful results/

Taupo series - 3rd and 4th
Schools challenge held in Rotorua in the school holidays- 1st and 2nd
And Nationals held in New Plymouth
2NZ and 5NZ

Well done Mason!!



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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!









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KELLY CLUB WEEK 2, Term 4

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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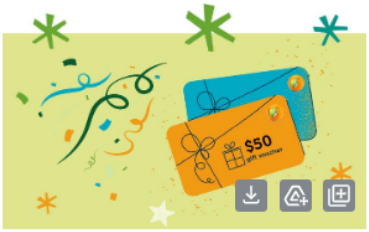

Term 4 ezlunch Promotion

Every week for the first **five weeks** of term 4, customers who order ezlunch will be in the draw to win one of two $50 ezlunch vouchers! Staff can order too!

All ezlunch orders placed for delivery between **Monday 14th October and 15th November** will automatically be entered.





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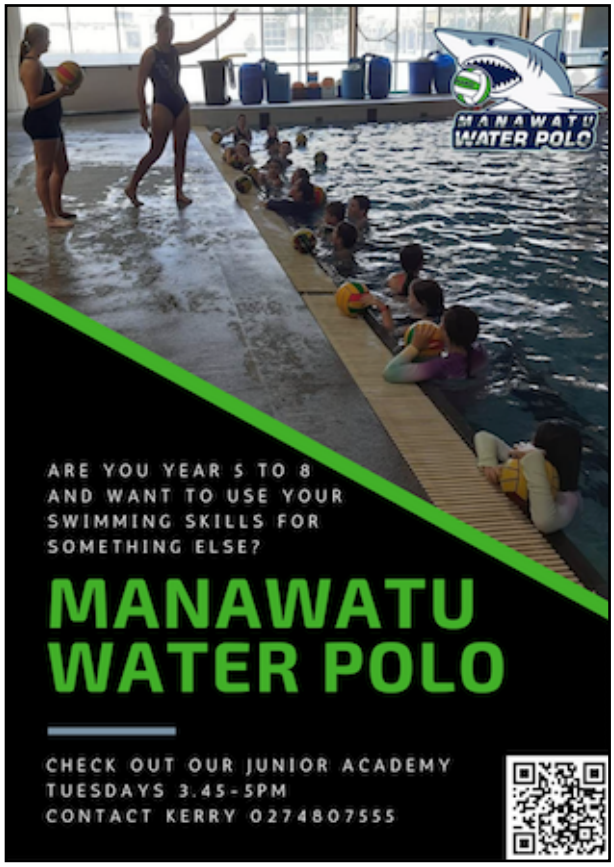
WHAI NGĀKAU TŪ TANGATA MANAWAROA

SMASH CRICKET

MANAWATU CRICKET



WELCOME TO THE MARIST "HOT SHOTS" TENNIS PROGRAMME!

Tennis played on kid's terms!



Smaller courts and rackets! Softer tennis balls! A fun challenging programme with lots of friends! Thanks for checking out the award winning "Hot Shots" Coaching Programme at the Marist Tennis Club (Vautier Park) . It is open to any junior player of any ability, 5 years and older. It is run by Manawatu's #1 Tennis Coach and our head coach, John Salisbury (Big John).

The programme is a structured skill development program which focuses on maximum participation and having fun, whilst teaching the fundamental skills of the game. The programme is delivered in 2 coloured stages. The children all move through each colour with skill drills and games which increase in complexity and movement.

It is a Saturday morning programme where we offer a 50 minute group lesson in Term 4 2024. It is a 6 week programme at Vautier Park commencing on **Saturday 2nd November 2024.**

- **Stage 1** - Red Squads (5-8 years) – **9am - 9.50am**
- **Stage 2** – Orange Squads (9- 12 years) – **10am – 10.50am**

To confirm your child's place in the programme for Term 4 a **$ 110** fee is required. Payment via internet banking: ANZ 01-0745-0198533-00 Reference: Child's name. Could you also please email Big John confirming your childs participation and colour squad and that payment has been made.Please enrol A.S.A.P (johnsalisbury@xtra.co.nz)

Don't panic if you don't have a racket, we have them for you to use free of charge until you are ready to purchase your own. Again, see Big John for a correct fitting, he will have them available to purchase at the coaching sessions. Rackets are approximately around $50 mark. We will provide the other equipment, just bring yourself and a friend and we will put you in a draw to win an awesome spot prize!!

The wet weather rule is to phone Big John before you leave home, if you are unsure if the coaching is on. Contact him on 0274 808 808 .

The Marist "Hot Shot" Team -Manawatu's #1 Hot Shot Club!
Big John (John Salisbury)
Hot Shots Head Coach
0274 808 808
johnsalisbury@xtra.co.nz

County Fayre Incorporated

Pohangina Downhill Walk

Saturday 9th November 2024

8:00am – 2:00pm

Take an easy walk down The Branch Road Walkway through 6kms of native bush and farmland back to the Pohangina township, where a light lunch awaits you (all included in price) at the County Fayre.

Buses leave County Fayre every 45 minutes at the following times: **8:00am; 8:45am; 9:30am; 10:15am; 11:00am; 11:45am; 12:30pm; 1:15pm and 2:00pm**.

YOU MUST BOOK and PRE-PAY for this event

To book your ticket email:
countyfayre@inspire.net.nz

Adults $30, Children $15 (5 to 15yr),
Family $100 (2 Adults & 4 Children), under 5's free

NO Dogs or **Pushchairs/Prams** allowed on the track

County Fayre is run by local volunteers for the benefit of the beautiful Pohangina Valley, your support is very much appreciated

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