



9th June 2022  
Week 6, Term 2

## “Better Together” “Mahi Tahi”

Kia ora whānau

### New School Website



Last night we launched our new website. It was one of our strategic goals to create a better, clearer way to communicate with whānau and community and we hope that this is a step in the right direction. This site is an insight into all we do at school and how, and also will have the latest news via my weekly newsletters, and a Facebook feed where we will celebrate what is going on here at school.

I would like to thank Becky and Brendon from <https://3web.nz> for their commitment and patience in getting this together.

If you haven't already please take a look. We would love your feedback on this, and if you feel there is any information that we could have put on then please let me know. Feedback can be provided via my eMail: [principal@ashleyrasahuri.school.nz](mailto:principal@ashleyrasahuri.school.nz)

Please follow this link to take a look: <https://ashleyrasahuri.school.nz>=

### **This week we have had 4 positive cases of Covid in the school.**

Please continue to contact me if your child tests positive or becomes a household contact. I have to report to the MOE each day so they can track numbers and it also helps me keep track of case numbers. My contacts are: 027 22 33 959 or [principal@ashleyrasahuri.school.nz](mailto:principal@ashleyrasahuri.school.nz)

Last week I found this handy tracking tool to see who needs to isolate and who doesn't once you have had Covid in the house but not all have had it. It has proved useful to try and work out who needs to stay home and who can be out and about....

### **Your household isolation timeline**

Create an isolation timeline for your household if someone has COVID-19. This will let you know who needs to isolate, the dates they need a test, and when they can leave isolation. It will also give you self-isolation dates for those in your house who have COVID-19. There is no cap on the number of people you can add.

[https://covid19.health.nz/advice/household/create-isolation-timeline?\\_ga=2.137953712.1463242384.1654655404-1976610281.1653338207](https://covid19.health.nz/advice/household/create-isolation-timeline?_ga=2.137953712.1463242384.1654655404-1976610281.1653338207)



## Matariki Breakfast

**When: 23rd June 2022**

**Where: School Hall**

**Time: 7.15am**

Please come and join us to celebrate the start of Matariki. This is such a special year for Matariki celebrations as it is the first year that New Zealand will be recognising Matariki with a Public Holiday. We want to bring in a breakfast on the alternate year to our hangi.

As our first foray into serving breakfast we'll be keeping it simple with cereal, tinned fruit, possibly pikelets and jam, and a sausage sizzle. We will also be serving hot chocolate for the tamariki and coffee and tea for the adults.

In order for your children to attend they must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Please bring your own plate, cup and cutlery.

**We will be charging \$5 per person for this with a maximum of \$15 per family to cover the costs. We are doing this instead of asking for food donations per class like we do with the hangi. To register and pay to attend this event please go to Kindo (instructions below). Please register and pay by Tuesday at 12am.**

**Please follow the link below to register and pay for this event.**

**[https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?shop=Ashley%20Rakahuri%20School&service=matariki breakfast](https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/q2.shtml?shop=Ashley%20Rakahuri%20School&service=matariki%20breakfast)**

**Kindo - Ashley Rakahuri PTA payments online...more information here if you need to sign up.**

[Click Here](#) to view Kindo Instructions

## Whānau Hui

At 9am - after the Matariki breakfast we invite whānau to stay on and discuss the direction of Māori education within our kura. Please stay on and have a chat with Rochelle and myself to share your dreams, aspirations you have for your tamariki and any questions you may have. We would love to hear your thoughts.

Any questions please feel free to contact myself or the PTA.

## PTA Working Bee When? 19th June 2022 10am

Can you help? Do you have a strong claw hammer, crowbar or a battery powered grinder? If so we would love your help for a couple of hours to remove some nails and staples from some half rounds. These half rounds have been generously donated to the school with the intention that we build the children a long awaited, and much requested Gaga Dodgeball Pit (see attached picture for the vision of what we want to create in the next few months). The first step...get the half rounds ready for use. If that's not your thing but you are free we ALWAYS have gardening to do...and leaves to pick ..the car park garden needs a weedeater to get rid of the vine and some general tidying. Please contact the PTA if you are able to help. [pta@ashleyrakahuri.school.nz](mailto:pta@ashleyrakahuri.school.nz)



Congratulations to our debate team who have won again! The moot this time was "School prize givings are beneficial". The debate was against Waipara. Emily was speaker of the day. In two weeks time the team will take on a new topic in the semi finals. Thanks to Ms Meehan for being part of the judging panel and Gus for his fantastic chairing of this debate.



# Cookie Fundraiser



Sales start 10th  
June, see email for  
more details



Contact [pta@ashleyrasahuri.school.nz](mailto:pta@ashleyrasahuri.school.nz)

## Totara Class - Year 7 and 8 take on the 40 Hour Famine

Kia ora tatou

As part of our Poutama Tamariki (Children's Voyage) Journey this year Totara are 'Giving to others' by participating in the World Vision 40 hour famine. This is happening from 4pm 1st July - 8am 3rd July 2022. There are multiple things we can do, instead of the traditional 'no food for 40 hours'. Such as:

- No screen time for 40 hours (no phones, tv, tablets)
- No furniture for 40 hours (no chairs, beds, tables = set up a tent or hang on the floor)
- 40km in hours (complete 40kms worth of exercise in 40 hours)
- 40 litres for 40 hours (use a maximum of 40 litres of water over 40 hours= limited water supply)
- 40 acts of kindness in 40 days.

As part of this challenge each child is seeking sponsorship to go towards their efforts. Each child will be creating a form, stating what it is they are 'giving up for 40 hours' and to track who has sponsored them. If you would like to donate to classes efforts you can get in touch with the classroom teacher Mr Taylor, you can donate online via this link <https://my.worldvision.org.nz/ss/7B8ZFD/lance-taylor> or you can wait for children from the class to approach you and ask.

All money raised goes to World Vision which helps children in Africa who are living with the essentials of food, water and shelter. By completing this task as a class it is also bringing us closer together.

Totara Class

## School Hours

Please note that the **school is not open until 8.30am**. We have had a number of children arriving at about 8.15am. This is not safe as the teachers are preparing for the day and there is no one to supervise your child. Please ensure that the drop off time is adhered to.

Thank you to **Ray White Morris and Co Real Estate**. With some of the money they have donated we have brought some new games for the library that the tamariki can use at lunchtimes. Thank you also to Jan, our Librarian extraordinaire, for purchasing these on the weekend.



## Requests from the PTA for upcoming fundraising events

Please contact the PTA on: [pta@ashleyrakahuri.school.nz](mailto:pta@ashleyrakahuri.school.nz) if you are able to help out with the following.

**Bar Managers License:** for our upcoming quiz night on the 13th August we need someone with a Bar Managers License to run our bar for us. If you have one or know someone who might be able to help us out could you please get in touch?

**Donations of services or products:** for our quiz night we need to get together auction items and prizes. If you are able to donate a service (e.g. building hours, digger hours, firewood, care service, accommodation, or the like) we would love to hear from you.

If you are able to donate a prize for a raffle or “balloon prize” for the night then we would also like to start gathering these together. You may have a business you know that you can approach that can donate a prize.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Please note: new additions to this are highlighted so it is easy for you to see.

9th June	PTA Meeting
10th June	PTA Cookie Dough Fundraiser starts
13th June	BOT Meeting
19th June	PTA Working Bee 10am
23rd June	Matariki Breakfast 7.15am and whānau hui 9am
24th June	Matariki Public Holiday
1st July	Fish and Chip Lunch and Mufti Day PTA
8th July	Term 2 Ends
25th July	Term 3 Starts
13th August	PTA Quiz Night
17th August	School Photos
30th September	Term 3 ends
17th October	Term 4 starts
24th October	Labour Day Holiday
30th October	PTA Colour Run
11th November	Canterbury Anniversary Day Holiday
13th December	Whole School Prizegiving 7pm Rangiora Baptist Hall
15th December	Term 4 ends



We are a locally owned company with a strong commitment to giving back to our community.

Our daughter Eve attends Ashley Rakahuri School and as part of its family we want to give back to all of our children, but we all need to work together to make it happen.

For every house sale made by Stuart that is referred by a member of the Ashley School tamariki we will donate \$500 direct to Ashley School (Terms and Conditions Apply).

Phone Stu 0274 226 395, email [stuart.morris@raywhite.com](mailto:stuart.morris@raywhite.com) or pop up to our office and ask for Stu or Claire for more information.

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