



13th September 2023
Week 9, Term 3
"Better Together"
"Mahi Tahī"



Ashley Rakahuri School Health and Physical Education Survey 2023

Thank you to the 44 people who have responded to our survey so far - that still means that we have not heard from many of you. Please ensure you have your say by clicking on the link below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1oh4j-AYPqiPqy5f3H2J4hovW5hC7oza_N_k0VdqiSK4/edit?ts=64d19f6d

This survey closes on the 18th September

Please have your voice heard.



Friday 15th September - Character Dress up/ Fancy Hat Day

Children to come dressed as favourite book character

There will be a Parade will be around 9.30am - please stay and watch

Last two days for the Book Fair are today and tomorrow so please come on in.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

I'm writing to share an update from the Board of Trustees and provide an opportunity for community input. The Board is currently in the starting our strategic planning cycle, wherein we reflect on goals and objectives for the coming two years.

Part of this process involves consultation to gain insight from our diverse school population. The Trustees are dedicated to fostering open dialogue and making informed decisions that serve students and families. With the Board's guidance and support, I believe we've made terrific progress in many areas.

We'd be interested to hear your perspectives on what's working well from an educational standpoint, and conversely what aspects could potentially be enhanced or strengthened further. Your thoughtful opinions will help shape the Board's planning discussions and ensure we consider each stakeholder viewpoint.

We will be running this consultation in two ways - at the learning conferences, on Monday, tables will be set up in the hall with questions for you to provide feedback on. We want as much feedback as we can and so welcome you all in before or after your conference with the teacher to share your thoughts on how we have been doing and your goals and aspirations for our tamariki moving forward.

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Please come and have your say.

There will also be a google form sent out for those who would rather have time to reflect and share feedback privately.



School Board Parent Mid Term Election 2023

Nomination round

Our school will be undertaking a mid term parent election for **3 School Board vacancies**. This process will start with the issuing of nomination papers to our caregiver community by **Friday 22nd September 2023**.

We have employed CES to undertake the election process on our behalf. This year with legislative change, our nomination form and full instruction on how to place your nomination into our own School's Election website will be emailed to you if we have your email address in our database or you will receive it by post if we don't have your email in our database.

Nomination papers will also be available at the school office. The school will send those on to CES for processing upon receipt from candidates.

Nominations close on Wednesday 11th October at 12 noon. Election day is Wednesday 15th November.

We look forward to your participation in this process.

Wayne Jamieson

Returning Officer

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Learning Conferences Week 10

These Conferences are on **Monday 18 September 2023**.

School will close at 12.40 pm.

Interviews start at 1.30 pm with the latest time slot being - 7.45 pm. Each meeting is 15 minutes long.

Please bring your child with you.

Parents can log on and book the time that suits them as a family on

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.nz/> using the school **code qd8ew**

Go to the top right and make a booking.

Bookings will open on Wednesday 6 September 2023 and will close on Friday 15 September at 9am.

If families do not have access to the internet, bookings can be made through Tanya. Please email Tanya

office@ashleyrakahuri.school.nz

Please contact Tanya at the office if you need to cancel or change your bookings. Please don't go through the teachers or we will end up with double bookings.



To **Artisan Bakery** for the slice they donated to us for the Art Show. It was very tasty and a nice addition to our afternoon.

Thank you also to everyone who attended - it was a lovely afternoon of sharing with you all how creative our tamariki are.



Thank you to those of you with children in Years 5 - 8 who have already paid their donation for school camp for your child/children.

If you have not yet could you please start to get these payments in and reference them with your child's name and camp beside them. If you want to you can set up a payment plan to pay it off over time.

School Bank Account number 030 855 0437419-00





ASHLEY FOREST COLOUR RUN & WALK BACK FOR 2023

We need your help!
If you or someone you know would be interested in business sponsorship for this years event please get in touch for further details.

pta@ashleyrasahuri.school.nz



This week is all about...

How 'sharenting' influences your child's online identity

First coined as a term in the early 2010s to describe parental oversharing of a child's personal information, sharenting has become such a worldwide phenomenon that its definition has officially made it to the [Collins Dictionary](#).

While most agree with Collins and associate the word with parents who use social media and other public platforms to find solidarity and connection when documenting the ups and downs of parenthood (or those seeking an acceptable outlet for a humble brag or two), some, like author and sharenting expert [Leah Plunkett](#), extend the definition to include any adult who digitally shares any private information regarding the children in their care.

Regardless of how you define it or how innocent and well-intended your sharenting may be, one thing is certain: Sharenting raises questions around a child's right to privacy. Additionally, it has several potential risk factors, which can significantly influence their online safety and identity.

For more information please follow this link:

<https://ashleyrasahuri.onlinesafetyhub.nz/parent/blogs-articles/how-sharenting-influences-your-childs-online-identity>

This is our kīwaha for the week.

Have a go and see if you can use it during your week somewhere.



Kōrero mai..
-Tell me/talk to me

Term Dates for 2023

Term 3: 17th July - 22nd September
Term 4: 9th October - 15th December
Term 1 2024 Start Date: 30th January

NOTE: Teacher Only Day will be 16th November

This Week's focus: Think Before you Speak

THINK
BEFORE YOU SPEAK

T is it **TRUE**?

H is it **HELPFUL**?

I is it **INSPIRING**?

N is it **NECESSARY**?

K is it **KIND**?

What does it mean to think before you speak?

- It is important to think before you speak to consider the consequences of what you are about to say. You might accidentally hurt someone's feelings or say something you don't mean.

Before you speak, think about the following:

- How will it make other people feel?
- Will it make you or someone else feel bad once you've said it?
- Do you really believe what you said?
- Did you mean to say it like that or could you have said it a better way?
- Was it the truth?

FREE DENTAL CARE

EVERY YEAR FROM 0 TO YOUR 18TH BIRTHDAY

Whether you are at preschool, home school, primary or High school, a training course, working or are unemployed - you can receive free dental care every year. That should give you something to smile about!

comm dental@cdhb.health.nz
0800 846 983



COMMUNITY dental service
Te Whatu Ora
Health New Zealand

- Community Dental Clinics are closed from
 - Monday 25/09/2023 reopening on
 - Monday 09/10/2023.

We have limited appointments available over the Holiday period.

- Please call **0800 846 983** or email: comm dental@cdhb.health.nz to book an appointment.
- If you cannot attend your booked appointment, please let us know so we can book another child.

5 Tips for Healthy Teeth

- Brush morning and night
- Use a toothbrush with soft bristles and full-strength fluoride toothpaste (1000ppm)
- Spit don't rinse!
- Brush your baby's teeth as soon as they appear
- Supervise brushing until eight years old

DATES TO REMEMBER

8th September

Ashley Rakahuri School Art Show 2.30-4.30pm Children welcome

11-15th September	Book Week and Scholastic Book Fair
15th September	Book Character Dress Up Day 9.30am Whole School Parade
15th September	Bob Bickerton to visit Te Ao o Taonga Presentation whole school
18th September	Learning Conferences - 12.40pm school finish
22nd September	End of Term 3
9th October	Start of Term 4
19th October	Whole School Photos
23rd October	Labour Day Holiday
29th October	Ashley Rakahuri School Colour Run
3rd November	Christchurch Schools Music Festival
13-15th November	Year 5 and 6 Woodend School Camp
16th November	Teacher Only Day
17th November	Canterbury Anniversary Day Holiday
20-22nd November	Year 7 and 8 Living Springs Camp
8th December	Christmas Mufti Day
12th December	Whole School Prizegiving 7pm Baptist Church Hall East Belt
15th December	End of Term 4

Linda Horne

Principal/Tumuaki

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