



12th October 2023  
Week 1, Term 4  
**"Better Together"**  
**"Mahi Tahī"**



**Welcome to Term 4!!!**

This term is so full of exciting opportunities for all our tamariki starting with whole school athletics next Wednesday. By now you will have received a notice with all the details of this event. The children have been practising daily at school and are making such great progress in their techniques at each event. We would love some more parent helpers for this event so please get in touch with John on:

[j.lynskey@ashleyrahamuri.school.nz](mailto:j.lynskey@ashleyrahamuri.school.nz)

if you are able to help out.

It is a long day, and looking like the forecast is a warm day so please ensure that you pack extra food, water and sunblock for the day.

Following on from athletics we have school photos, an enviro trip, two school camps and a walk up Maukatere for the seniors, a trip to Saltwater Creek for Harakeke, choir performance at the Town Hall, Kapa Haka competition at the Town Hall, Jump Jam nationals and a whole of of really cool learning opportunities in the classroom.

At the end of the term you will receive written reports on your child's progress and where they are at academically and socially.



As we near the end of this term we need to start preparations for next year. To help us do this we are wanting to know if there are any children, other than year 8's, who are leaving at the end of this year?

Equally, if you know of any siblings or local children who are starting school but may not yet have enrolled could you please let us know?

If, for any reason, your child is leaving can you please let me know by eMailing me on:

[principal@ashleyrahamuri.school.nz](mailto:principal@ashleyrahamuri.school.nz)



**Orders close on the 16th October for this. Please go online via the link you were sent and pop in your code to purchase these. The children worked so hard on these to produce some high quality work.**




# ASHLEY FOREST COLOUR RUN & WALK

SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER

2km Loop around the Ashley Forest.  
For event details and tickets visit  
[Eventbrite.co.nz](http://Eventbrite.co.nz)

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The Annual Colour Run is fast approaching so please follow the link on Eventbrite to purchase your tickets. It is a great morning out with the family and you can go around the loop track as fast or slow as you want, and as many times as you want.

**If you are able to volunteer to help on the day can you please contact the PTA on:**  
[pta@ashleyrasahuri.school.nz](mailto:pta@ashleyrasahuri.school.nz)



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



Holidays in term time are starting to affect our overall attendance in a negative way. While I understand the reason families take the time off when it is cheaper to travel, I would ask that you consider the disruption that this causes to your child's learning, especially if they are receiving extra support. A week out of the classroom means that the children are missing the connections that are made in learning.

A holiday is classed as an unjustified absence and make up 22.4% of all absences for Term 3 across the school.



A huge thank you to Ryan Fairbrother for taking time after work last week to dig us a long jump pit, clean up around the gaga dodgeball pit, collect sand for both and fill them and also use some of the soil to start the restoration of the back field from the hangi.



We have some leftover sand that has been put in the old bus bay on Fawcetts Road that needs to make its way to the sandpit.

If you have a spare hour or two and a



wheelbarrow, shovel and some planks of wood so that your wheelbarrow can get over the playground edge we would love to be able to get this sand shifted...during school time is fine.

This is our kīwaha for the week.

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



**Tino pai!**  
**-Great work!**

### Term Dates for 2023

**Term 4:** 9th October - 15th December  
**Term 1 2024 Start Date:** 30th January

**NOTE:** Teacher Only Day will be 16th November

### Our REACH value focus for the week...

#### This Week's focus: Integrity



Integrity is doing the right thing even when it's hard or **when no one is looking.**

True integrity is following by the rules because you know that it's the right thing to do.

It also means behaving in ways that earn the trust of people around you, as well as standing up for yourself and for others in social situations.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

<b>12th October</b>	<b>PTA Meeting 7pm Staffroom - New Members Welcome</b>
<b>18th October</b>	<b>Whole School Athletics at Loburn Domain</b>
19th October	Whole School Photos
23rd October	Labour Day Holiday
<b>25th October</b>	<b>Tri School Athletics - Loburn Domain - Year 4-8</b>
29th October	Ashley Rakahuri School Colour Run
<b>1st November</b>	<b>Rakau hikoi up Maukatere</b>
3rd November	Christchurch Schools Music Festival
<b>4th November</b>	<b>Jump Jam Nationals for Year 5 and 6 Team</b>
<b>12th November</b>	<b>Working Bee 10am - 1pm</b>
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
<b>25th November</b>	<b>Tūhono Kapa Haka Competition at Christchurch Town Hall</b>
<b>5th December</b>	<b>Year 8 Leavers Dinner</b>
8th December	Christmas Mufti Day
12th December	Whole School Prizegiving 7pm Baptist Church Hall East Belt
<b>13th December</b>	<b>End of Year School Reports Out</b>
15th December	End of Term 4

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