Week 2, Term 4

Kia ora koutou

#### **START OF SCHOOL DAY:**

Ashley Rakahuri

24th October 2024

As we move to the end of week 2 I would like to remind you all that children are welcome at school from 8.30am. We encourage children to be arriving by 8.45am so that they have time to be able to settle into their class, get their bag sorted and jobs done, and say goodbye to you if this is a hard transition for them. When children and whānau are coming into spaces at 8.55am this becomes very disruptive to getting the day started when they struggle to let you leave.

I would also like to remind you that **school starts at 9am**. We are getting an increasing number of families who are using "glide time" and arriving at school up to half an hour late. While I understand that this happens as a one off and is unavoidable, when it becomes a regular thing it disrupts not only their learning but also that of their peers and the flow of teaching for the teacher.

Tonight, I have the privilege of going to watch the **School Choir** perform at the Christchurch Town Hall. They have been there for most of the day today rehearsing and have come back in awe of the venue and some of the performances that are part of tonight's event. Special thanks to Suzy Parker, who has worked during lunch breaks to get this group ready.



#### Scholastic Loop Book Orders

These close on the 31st October so get your orders in on line so you don't miss out.

### **PTA UPDATES:**

With only about eight weeks of the term left we have a lot going on and alongside this the PTA are very busy looking for ways to secure funding for our learning assistants for 2025. Please support them by getting involved and/or buying and selling things on their behalf when you can.

We have: Our Colour Run (information below), Gumboot Friday, Whittakars Chocolate bars to sell, a Christmas raffle and a Christmas mufti day



# ASHLEY FOREST COLOUR RUN & WALK

#### SUNDAY 3RD NOVEMBER

2km loop around the Ashley Forest. For event details and tickets visit Eventbrite.co.nz



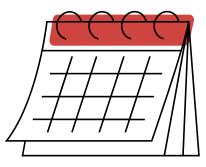
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## Dates For Your Diary!

28th October - LABOUR DAY **30th October Rakahuri Athletics** 1st November -Gumboot Friday 3rd November - Colour Run 14th November - Teacher Only Day 15th November - Canterbury Show Day 24th November - School Working Bee -9.30-12pm 24th November - Tūhono Kapa Haka Festival 10th December Year 8 Leavers Dinner 12th December School Reports Go Out 13th December Christmas Mufti Day 16th December Whole School Prizegiving 17th December End of School Year 28th January - School open for whānau hui only 29th January - School open for instruction 6th February Waitangi Day Holiday 11th April - End of Term 1 28th April - Term 2 starts **30th May -Teacher Only Day** 2nd June - King's Birthday Holiday 20th June - Matariki Holiday 27th June - Term 2 Ends 14th July -Term 3 Starts 22nd August -Teacher Only Day 19th September - End of Term 3 6th October -Start of Term 4 27th October -Labour Day 10-12th November -Year 5 and 6 camp to Woodend 13th November - Teacher Only Day 14th November -Show Day Holiday 2nd-5th December -Year 7 and 8 camp to Living Springs Finish date to be confirmed



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