

Kia ora koutou

Thank you to everyone who came and helped out at our working bee on Sunday... some even gave up the chance to watch the rugby test match live to attend. Your efforts on the day were amazing and the school is looking so much better for it. We are always looking for support in this area and it doesn't need to be a working bee that it is done on - if you want to take on a garden, or area to keep tidy that would be wonderful. Traditionally we have had whānau keen to do this and it makes a difference as our caretaker Gary only has part time hours and at the moment has a lot of time tied up with the STAR room plastering, painting and staining and then getting what we need done in Mānuka before the refurb, alongside all his other jobs.

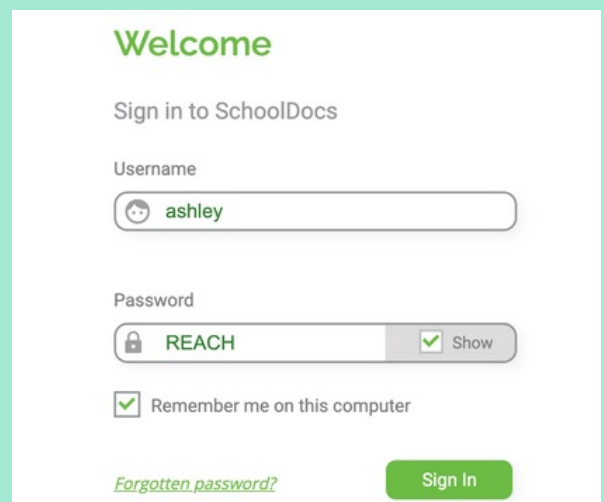
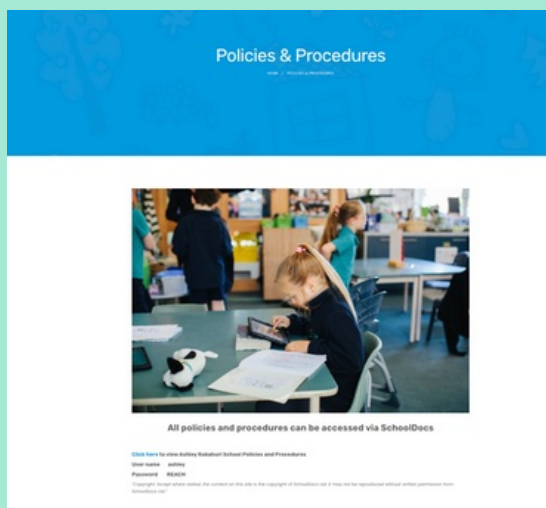
Tomorrow we have our senior school heading on a hikoī up Mount Thomas. This has been a huge logistical exercise that Mr T has taken charge of. There are around 75 students and 34 adults going on this. Our pbyn is that by the time your child is finished at Ashley Rakahuri School they will have walked four peaks in our local Puketeraki ranges. Last year was Maukatere (Mt Grey). I am impressed with the enthusiasm amongst the staff and community for this walk.



Thank you to everyone who has sold their chocolates and returned the money or paid it into the PTA account. If you are struggling to sell them please return them in the named box to the school office. Close off for this is 3rd December.

## Policy and Procedures Reviews

Please head over to our website and follow the drop down menu to find Policies and Procedures. From there click the link and log in as shown. Once in the page click "Current Review" to have your say.



Ashley Rakahuri  
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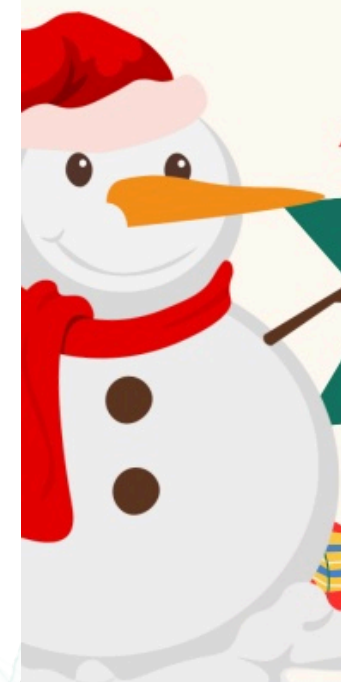
# Merry CHRISTMAS

## ★ OWN CLOTHES DAY ★

JOIN US AND COME DRESSED IN YOUR  
CHRISTMAS THEMED OUTFIT! (NO COST)

FRIDAY 13TH  
DECEMBER

FUNDRAISING SAUSAGE SIZZLE  
LUNCH. ORDER VIA KINDO BY  
WEDNESDAY 11TH DEC



**Scholastic Book Orders**  
**Orders due online by 29th November**



# CULTURE

WE WANT YOU TO DRESS UP IN A WAY THAT CELEBRATES YOUR CULTURE. HERE AT ASHLEY RAKAHURI SCHOOL WE HAVE MANY DIFFERENT CULTURES!

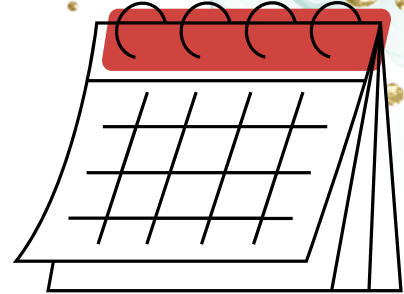
**WHEN: FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER**

**COME ON AND REP YOUR CULTURE!**

**“NO DONATION JUST CELEBRATION”**

# Dates For Your Diary!


6th December Cultural Celebration Non-Uniform Day  
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



## REACH ASSEMBLY FOCUS FOR THE WEEK

### This Week's Focus

## Positive Role Model



### Examples

**A role model is someone others look to as a good example.**

**A Role Model:**

- ★ A role model is a person someone looks up to- this means thinking really great things about them and maybe even wanting to be a little like them.
- ★ Role models can be someone you know or maybe someone famous which you've seen, heard or read about.
- ★ Role models set examples for how to do good things
- ★ Anyone can be a role model when they show respect for other and treat people kindness.


### Karakia Timatanga

Horahia te marino  
Kia aio te rā  
Manaakitia mai mātou  
i ā mātou mahi  
mō tēnei rā  
Tihei mauriora!



*May peace be widespread to bring calm to the day ahead  
Bless all tasks which lay before us  
Let there be life!*

### Kiwaha



## Kia atawhai!

## -Be kind!

Our karakia for this term - this is how we start our day and also any assemblies. This was chosen this time by our Kaitātaki and Mrs Standen.

Each week we have a new kiwaha (saying) that we practice as a way to build up our reo. This is introduced on a Monday at assembly.