



Support Our School - PTA Quiz Night Fundraiser!

Thank you to those of you who have entered a team for the quiz. We would really love more of you involved in this fun filled night.

Please enter your teams using the code or eMail the PTA: pta@ashleyrakahuri.school.nz





Please start dropping off items for our quiz night as mentioned in the flyer to the side. We are also looking for items we can auction so if you have a company that can donate something we would be very grateful. Please make contact with the PTA if you have anything you can give as an auction prize. The more items that are donated means the PTA have less expense in running the event. Every block of choclate brought in contributes to the bigger fundraiser so please bring what you can. Every bottle or voucher make the event more exciting and in the end mean more funds for the school.

pta@ashleyrakahuri.school.nz

PAID UNION MEETING EARLY FINISH....21ST AUGUST 12.30-3.00PM

PLEASE ENSURE YOU EMAIL ME ON: principal@ashleyrakahuri.school.nz

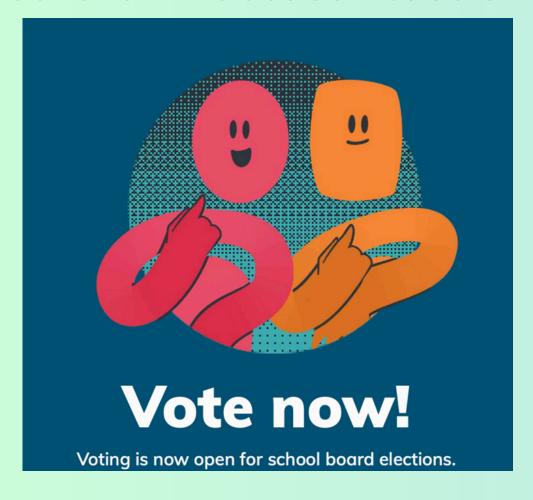
IF YOUR CHILD REQUIRES SUPERVISION ON THIS AFTERNOON WHILE THE

STAFF ATTEND THE MEETING.

TEACHER ONLY DAY

22ND AUGUST SO THAT STAFF CAN COMPLETE MOE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE REFRESHED MATHEMATICS CURRICULUM.

Board Of Trustees Elections



Please find attached Mike Noad's blurb for elections as this did not make it onto the election sheet



My name is Mike Noad and I am a proud parent of Archer (Year 6, Tī Kōuka) and Georgia (Year 4, Harakeke Tūī). I am standing for election to the Board of Trustees to contribute to the continued success and wellbeing of our school.

Together with my wife Haley, we own and operate Tussock Creek Apparel and I work full time as

Mechanical Team Leader at Daiken New Zealand.

My professional and business experience has equipped me with strong leadership, financial management and strategic planning skills and I am practical and solution focused and know how to cut

through complexity and get things done.

I understand the importance of clear communication, accountability and working collaboratively to achieve shared goals. Just as important, I am approachable, open-minded and someone who values input from others and will work hard to ensure every family feels heard and represented.

If elected, student wellbeing and achievement will come first, together with supporting our teachers and staff to deliver high quality education.



REACH ASSEMBLY FOCUS FOR THE WEEK



This Week's Focus

Appropriate Language

Lately we've noticed, that the language we are using sometimes at school is not appropriate and can be unkind or disrespectful to other students and staff.

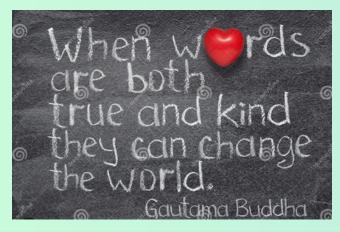
We need to do better! Our focus this week (and beyond) is to think before speaking. We want to be praising the kind, encouraging and thoughtful way you interact with others.

Let's make this happen!

Why Using Appropriate Language Matters

Using kind, respectful language—avoiding swearing, name-calling, or hurtful remarks—is vital in primary school because it directly protects children's emotional and mental well-being. Hurtful words can leave lasting scars: children who experience verbal bullying often feel worthless, depressed, or anxious, and may even develop serious psychological problems lasting well into adulthood.

At school with the children we often talk about "code switching" which means that we want them to adhere to the language we deem appropriate in school no matter what family and friends see as the norm.



KARAKIA TIMATANGA

Matua te tihi Matua te kaha Matua te āio Matua te mana Whiua te hā kino Tokia te hā ora Ki ruka, ki raro Ki waho, ki roto Hui e, tāiki e

Connect to strength
Connect to energy
Connect to peace
Connect to mana
Strip away the negative
Instill the positive
From above, from below
From outside and from within
United and connected



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.

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.

Dates For Your Diary!

16th August PTA Quiz Night 19th August Year 5 and 6 One Day Winter Sports Tournament 21st August Early finish for PUM 12.30pm 22nd August -Teacher Only Day 4th September 'Take the Floor' Speech Finals - Year 4-8 5th September Ruataniwha Kapa Haka Performance 10th September Quad School Speech Finals 12th September Ashley Rakahuri Wearable Arts Show 16th -18th September Koru Games Year 7 and 8 19th September - End of Term 3 6th October -Start of Term 4 23rd October Whole School Athletics at Loburn Domain 27th October -Labour Day 29th October Tri School Athletics at Loburn Domain 10-12th November -Year 5 and 6 camp to Woodend 11th November Rakahuri Zone Athletics 13th November - Teacher Only Day 14th November - Show Day Holiday 26th November Canterbury Athletics

30th November Tūhono Kapa Haka Performance 2nd-5th December -Year 7 and 8 camp to Living Springs 9th December Whole School Prize giving at Baptist Church Hall 10th December Year 8 Leavers Dinner at RSA 15th December - End of School Year 29th January 2026 - Whānau Hui 30th January - School Open for Instruction

6th February Waitangi Day Holiday 9th February Teacher Only Day - MOE Maths PLD