

Kia ora whānau

PTA NEWS

Just a friendly reminder that our Bake Sale, Produce and Craft Market is happening this **Friday 14th August from 2.30pm!**

A huge thank you to everyone who is able to contribute. We'd love donations of home baking, fresh fruit and vegetables, preserves and homemade goodies, flowers and plants, or handmade crafts. Donation drop-off:

- **Thursday 13th August at 2:30pm - please bring contributions to the School Hall**
- **Friday 14th August - contributions can be dropped off at morning school drop-off**

When you come along to the market, if possible, please BYO bags and containers to take your purchases home. This will help us cut down on packaging and make things a little easier on the day.

Just a reminder that the market will be cash only, so please bring some cash along if you'd like to purchase any goodies.

All proceeds from the market will go towards additional Teacher Assistant hours, providing extra support for our tamariki at school.

Thank you so much for getting behind this fundraiser. We're looking forward to seeing all the wonderful homegrown, homemade and handmade goodies on Friday!



Ashley Rakahuri School Raffle - Ford Ranger!!

We are incredibly grateful for the support for the raffle and to those who are stepping up to help handing out flyers or going to events to get the word out. We are in the last six weeks now and have about 1750 tickets left to sell. This is where the difference now lies as to how soon we can build the playground for your children. Every bit helps - every flyer delivered, social media post shared or person approached makes a difference. Let's work together to get them sold!



SAVE THE DATE!!!

For the first time in many years we are having a second disco this year and funds raised will go towards our wonderful teacher aides.

Please save the date: 4th September 6pm - 7.30pm

There will be no theme this time as it is only a week before book character dress up day and we don't want to put pressure on families to be finding too many "costumes".

Excitement is building and entries are starting to come in for the first talent quest in many years. We have such a variety of ideas coming in for what children will be doing.

This is intended as a fun event with all practices happening in break times, free time or at home. Thank you for your support with this.

We will accept entries next week - the more the merrier...please chat to your children and see if it is something they want to give a go.



READATHON

On Tuesday next week we will be launching a READATHON.

This is an online fundraiser for the playground that has been in the pipeline since last year. A note will come out with details about how to sign up next week.

School Photos are next week
20th August

Please check your eMails and follow the link if you are wanting sibling photos.

Calendar of Events

- 14th August - PTA Bake Sale
- 20th August - School Photos (Note change of day)
- 26th August - Junior Poetry Finals
- 3rd September - Talent Quest Finals
- 4th September Whole School Disco
- 7th - 11th September Scholastic Book Fair and READATHON
- 10th September - Dress up Book Character Day (change of day)
- 11th September - Ruataniwha Kapa Haka Festival
- 14th September - Learning Conferences
- 21st September - Learning Conferences
- 23rd September Quad School Speech Finals
- 25th September - Raffle drawn for Ford Ranger
- 25th September - 11th October - Term 3 School Holidays
- 26th October SCHOOL CLOSED - Labour Day
- 6th November - Gumboot Friday
- 13th November Canterbury Show Day Holiday
- 25th November Tūhono Kapa Haka Competition
- 9th December Year 8 Leavers Dinner
- 11th December - Hotdogs/Non Uniform Day - Christmas
- 14th December - Whole School Prizegiving
- 16th December - Last Day of Term 4 (note change of day)