

Kia ora whānau



On Tuesday I sent an eMail with how to join up for our READTHON fundraiser. If you did not get this then please follow the link below to sign your child up. Every bit of money raised helps us get closer to the total we need to get the playground built.

<https://ashleyrakahurireadathon.raiseit.co.nz/>

Ashley Rakahuri Readathon 2026 - Online Fundraiser 18th August - 11th September

Get ready to turn the page on an exciting adventure... it's the Ashley Rakahuri School Readathon!

Students are collecting online sponsorship for their efforts in the Readathon to help raise funds for our school while encouraging a love of reading. Whether they're discovering new stories, exploring different worlds, or reaching their personal reading goals, every page read helps support our school community.

Funds raised from this year's Readathon will go towards our new school playground. We are working hard to raise the funds needed to purchase playground equipment, and every donation brings us closer to making this exciting project a reality. The more we raise, the more play equipment we can include, helping create a fun and engaging space for all our students to enjoy.

This is a fantastic opportunity for families, friends, and the wider Ashley Rakahuri School community to support our students, encourage their reading journey, and help us reach our goal of completing the new playground.

How will this fundraiser work? We have partnered with online fundraising company Go Raise It. Collecting sponsorship online makes it super easy for everyone - no more door knocking, your child can collect more donations from further afield (friends & family living overseas, work colleagues etc) and no need to worry about handling cash!

How do I sign my child up to fundraise online? Each child can sign up for their very own fundraising web page to send out to collect online sponsorship from anyone, anywhere! Just go to our Fundraising Hub page at: <https://ashleyrakahurireadathon.raiseit.co.nz/>



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.

Entries for this close tomorrow ... please chat to your children and see if it is something they want to give a go.



GRAZING: Do you have or know of anyone who needs grazing land for a few cattle? We have some paddocks which need chomping down and are happy to provide free grazing for 4-6 weeks for up to 6 beasts. Water available in main paddock, all well fenced - Carrs Road.

Contact Chris Meehan on 021 215 9887.

Calendar of Events

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)