

24th October 2024

Swimming Pool – A huge thanks to Quentin Staggz from Might Staggz Ltd for all his hard work on getting our school pool back up and running. It is looking great! It will be filled over the next few days and we look forward to some nice hot days to get it heated and ready for swimming.

Whiskas fundraiser: We are holding a fundraiser for Whiska who will be having a summer holiday at a cat hotel. We ask if all families could please donate two non perishable items for our Whiskas fundraiser raffle. These could include, chocolate, wine, cereals, biscuits, chips, crackers, fruit pastes, toiletries or something else you would like in a raffle. Please place them in the box in the school office. Families will then be asked to help sell raffle tickets. We really appreciate your help with this.

Kids Art Works – Going home with your child today is an order form for your child's art work to be turned into calendars/cards/diaries/mousepads and sketch pads. These will make great Christmas gifts. This is a great fundraiser for our school. The due date to have all orders back in is **Monday 4th November**.

Pet Day : We have Pet Day coming up on Wednesday 13th November. Getting ready for Pet Day our children must create, construct or complete 3 of the following:

1. Animal Construction (using lego) taken to the **Library on Monday 11th**
2. Animal baking (A cupcake, cookie or other baked item in an animal shape taken to the **Library on the day**
3. Agricultural Artwork, such as animals or machinery, can be painted or sketched (named on back) taken to the **Library on Monday 11th**
4. Agricultural Photo – Can be landscape, animals, machinery etc (named on on back) taken to the **Library on Monday 11th**.

Room Two Camp: This will start on the afternoon of December 4th until December 6th. We will be camping at school again, but for 2 nights this time. Thank you to everyone who has made their donation. Big Day Out for the whole school will be on Friday December 6th. More information to come for this

Library: A reminder to please bring your Library books back to school each Friday.

Term 4 - Dates to remember

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| Monday 28 th October | <i>Labour Day</i> |
| Wednesday 30 th October | <i>BoT meeting</i> |
| Friday 1 st November | <i>Counties Athletics Day</i> |
| Monday 4 th November | <i>Calendar Art order due back</i> |
| Wednesday 6 th November | <i>Life Education</i> |
| Wednesday 13 th November | <i>Pet Day</i> |
| Thursday 14 th November | <i>Teacher Only Day</i> |
| Friday 15 th November | <i>Canterbury Anniversary Day</i> |
| Tuesday 19 th November | <i>Marae visit</i> |
| Wednesday 27 th November | <i>BoT meeting</i> |
| Wed 4th- Fri 6 th December | <i>Room Two Camp</i> |
| Friday 6 th December | <i>Big Day Out</i> |
| Wednesday 11 th December | <i>End of Year Assembly</i> |
| Thursday 12 th December | <i>Last Day of Term 4</i> |

Kind regards
Jude Irwin
Principal

Calling all school-aged adventurers! Join us for an exciting new event designed to inspire camaraderie, fitness, and fun on our scenic coastal/farmland trails. The Schools Challenge at the Ruralco Longbeach Coastal Challenge is for students Years 5-8 to get active and take on the challenge of our rugged trails... all while competing for the prize of our 'Longbeach Tile' trophy!

Details

Year 5-8 students only (can be mixed year group team e.g. consisting of x2 Year 5s and x2 Year 8s)
 12km course
 Maximum of 5 students per team
 To be entered under school name e.g. Longbeach School
 Can be a composite team, but must be entered under one school name e.g. a Longbeach School and Hinds School composite team would be named Longbeach School
 Time will be recorded digitally through Training Splitz
 Official time will be taken by the first three in the team to cross the line

PRIZES

1st Place: Winner of the School Challenge trophy, a certificate and bragging rights!
2nd Place: 2nd place certificate for each team member
3rd Place: 2nd place certificate for each team member

Race Day: Sunday 24 November 2024
Entry Fee: \$20 per person (maximum of 5 team members)
Distance: 12km



DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE A FOOD ALLERGY?

Kai for Kids are running a FREE session with loads of information, plus...

1. Meal ideas and recipes covering gluten free, egg free and dairy free
2. How to simplify cooking and still make the same meal for the whole family
3. What foods are naturally allergen free
4. How to interpret food packaging and confusing marketing messages

Thursday 7 November
 12.00pm - 2.00pm
 Rūma/Pohowera - Banded Dotterel Room
 Ashburton Public Library

Please RSVP via the Facebook event by 6 November

it's SHOW TIME!

Horses Shearing Dancing
 Free photo props
 Pony rides Pet parade
 FREE Facepainting Feed the animals
 Fruitbat throwing
 Cooking demos
 Teddybear Picnic
 Live show characters
 All new Bar and Food Court
 & so much more for the whole family!

ASHBURTON SHOW
 1 & 2 NOV 2024

Gate entry \$15 Kids school age & under FREE
 FREE Entry to the carnival 5-9pm Friday

ASHBURTON SHOW GROUNDS BRIDGEFIELD AVE
 ASHBURTONSHOW.CO.NZ

WANT TO PLAY CRICKET?
 CHECK OUT YOUR OPTIONS BELOW

Beginners Join Smash Play
 at Ashburton Oval Tuesday 4pm - 5pm
 Starts Nov 5th 2024

Friday Bash - 4pm - 5pm
 Starts Nov 8th 2024

Club Grades
 Boulton 6th Grade - softball matches
 Southee 5th Grade - hard ball bat in pairs
 Williamson 4th Grade - Yr 7 & 8 hard ball

CONTACTS
 Smash Play & Bash Register @ <https://mccricket.co.nz>
 or with Shaun Stagg 027 842 1390 or Mark Medicott 027 2698654

Club Contacts
 Allenton Cricket Club, Jane Fowles 027 942 1500
 Coldstream Cricket Club, Andrew Bennett 021 137 6148
 Lauriston Cricket Club, Jacqui Quinlan 021 0247 2535 or Amy Young 027 866 7988
 Methven Cricket Club, Dave Grogan 0273330135

Ashburton District Council has just gone live with their Youth Hub. This is a place where young people are able to voice their thoughts and opinions on how well they feel the council is catering to their needs.

Here is the youth hub
<https://itsourplace.nz/youth-hub>

Here is the news story
<https://www.ashburtondc.govt.nz/news/2024-news/youth-voices-sought-for-digital-hub>