

26th February 2025

School closures: Fairton School will be closed this Friday 28th February for a Teacher Only Day. Teachers will be off-site at St Joseph's School working with some other schools in our Hakatere cluster on Mathematics in the morning and Relationships in the afternoon.

Sunhats – We have a “no hat no play in the sun” school policy. Our school sunhats can be purchased from Tots to Teens in the Arcade. Please make sure they are named. Thanks.

Swimming – Could you please make sure that children have their togs and towel with them each day for our class swimming programmes. If they're in a named bag that would be very helpful.

Assembly: Please join us for our first School Assembly of the year, tomorrow at 9.15am in the Library.

Library books: A reminder to please remember to bring library books each week and to look after them like they are your own.

Donations for Whiska: Any cat food (soft meat) donations would be gratefully accepted for our dear friend Whiska.



Fairton Home & School

Easter Raffle Fundraiser

Fairton Home & School are organising an Easter Raffle. This fundraiser is to help the school buy much needed new reading resources. They are also accepting donations. Watch out for the raffles that they will be selling in the next few weeks.

AA Big Little Sponsorship Grant 2025

AA Insurance has a Big Little Sponsorship grant running at the moment, where parents and community can nominate a school to receive \$10,000 towards children's participation in sports. We would love to get new soccer nets for our school. The more entries we get, the stronger our nomination. It only takes 10 minutes, if that.

Link: <https://www.aainsurance.co.nz/big-little>

Term 1 Dates to remember:

Thursday 27th February

Wednesday 26th March

Thursday 10th April

Friday 11th April

Assembly 9.15am Library

BoT Meeting

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Last day of Term 1

Kind regards
The Fairton School Team

Allenton Netball

Yr 3-6

Players will be placed into teams

Register by the 14th March 2025

Any questions please contact the Junior Convenor Ashleigh Robertson on 0276593485



Waiata Mai PLAYGROUP

Join us in this Te Reo Māori focused playgroup for tamariki (children) aged 0 to 5, where we'll offer waiata (songs and music) kori (games and free play opportunities), kai (food) and lots of fun!

Everyone welcome!

When: Tuesdays 10 am - 12pm (fortnightly)
Where: Plunket Rooms 44 Cass Street, at Community House







Incredible Years® Parenting Programme

Date, Time & Location*
14 week programme
25 February - 10 June 2025 (with 2 week break for school holidays)
Tuesdays - 10 am - 12.15 pm
Senior Centre, 206 Cameron Street, Ashburton.

Registration
Erin Sturman - Ministry of Education
incredibleyears.canterbury@education.govt.nz
NB: Spaces are limited and bookings are essential. Waitlist and referrals are managed by the Ministry of Education.

Course Details
Incredible Years is a parenting programme for parents of 3-8 year old children who would love to connect with other parents and learn some new parenting strategies.

Outcomes you should expect:

- Building a closer bond between you and your child/children.
- Growing your child's social and emotional skills so that they can make friends and manage those BIG emotions!
- Understand your child's learning and help them persist with challenging tasks.



Looking to upskill on your parenting, or just have more fun in it?

Join us for Parenting at Your Best!

4 x 1.5 hour online weekly sessions designed to support you to have more energy & fun in your parenting, know how to support your kids with their big emotions, look after you too and grow happy, resilient kids. These sessions are facilitated by Anna Mowat. Anna is a Mum of 3 with an extensive background in psychology and has lent her knowledge to national wellbeing campaigns as an advisor and content writer, including All Right?, Tākai, NZ Institute of Wellbeing and Resilience, Manahau, and previously project led Sparklers for over 7 years.

EMAIL US YOUR INTEREST AND FOR UPCOMING DATES: HELLO@REAL-PARENTS.ORG





Tuning in to Kids™

DATE, TIME & LOCATION*
25 February - 1 April (6 weeks)
6 pm - 8 pm
Presbyterian Support, Ashburton
215 Tancred Street, Ashburton

REGISTRATION
Please refer through
www.psuppersouth.org.nz or email
midcant@psusi.org.nz to enrol.

COURSE DETAILS
Tuning in to Kids™ is an evidence based programme designed to teach parents & caregivers:

- Awareness and regulation of their own emotions
- Awareness of their children's emotions
- To use their children's emotional experiences as an opportunity for closeness and teaching
- Skills to assist children with problem solving and labelling and managing their emotions
- To guide children's behaviours with appropriate limits

NB: Changes can occur depending on registration numbers.

Sessions include:

- Group discussions and exercises
- Participants sharing their own experiences
- Practices of new learning
- Watching video material
- Home activities to practice responding to children's emotions



LOOKING FOR A NEW CHALLENGE?

Molloy Agriculture Adventure Race

Sunday 2nd March 2025

3 and 6 hour rogaine options available for teams

This event is a fundraiser for the Methven Community Pool Committee. Held at Mt Alford Station expect hills, farmland, pockets of native bush, rocky outcrops, and awesome views over the plains!



Visit crazykaeevents.nz for more information, or find Crazy Kea Events on Facebook




Women's Health Expo

Sunday 2nd March 2025
at Trott's Garden 10am - 4pm

Expo & Garden \$20 - 2 Seminars \$5 each

Tickets available from St Johns Shop (Tancred St) also from Annette Beeston 0274209820 and Gate Sales on the day

Seminar 1
Endometriosis & Premenstrual tension
Seminar 2
Peri Menopause & menopause
By Dr Tara King

Limited Etpos available. Mostly cash sales

Food & Drink available to purchase

Health Promoters

Health & Fitness

Produce Stalls & Raffles - Cash sales

Fashion, Beauty & Jewellery



Lions Club of Ashburton County Charitable Trust with support of Trott's Gardens. Proceeds to St Johns Mc Canterbury & other charities

MID CANTERBURY CHILDREN'S DAY 2025

Te Rā O Ngā Tamariki

Sunday 02 March

10.30AM - 2.30PM

Food, Bouncy Castles, Paintball, Dino Dig, Mini Golf, Go Carts, Paddle Boats, Tug of War, Fire Museum, Under 5's area, Emergency Services, Music, Trains, Games, Moglein, Face Painting, Lego, and so much more! Come and join the fun!

At the Tinwald Plains, 20 Maronan Rd, Tinwald

Kindly Supported by the Ashburton Community and

