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MĀHURI TEAM KAWERONGO TERM 4

Kia Ora Māhuri Whanau,

Haere mai back to our wharekura and to a busy term 4. We hope you had a great hararei / holiday and managed to enjoy some whanau fun and activities in what puna / spring sunshine we had.

Ashgrove School 50th Jubilee - The Ashgrove School 50th Jubilee is being held this Labour weekend. Celebrations kick off with an assembly on Friday 20 October at 2pm in the hall.

Festivities start on Saturday 21st October with an assembly showcasing the Kapa Haka and other arts talent within Ashgrove, followed by a tree planting. Attendees will then have an opportunity to view our spaces. Māhuri will be showcasing our Science Fair for the jubilee. Thank you to all Māhuri ākonga / students who are able to attend and support us on Saturday.

AKO IN MĀHURI

Uiuinga / Inquiry Ako - The start of this term will see the conclusion and celebration of our Pūtaiao/Science Fair. Ākonga have been working hard on their experiments and investigations. We invite all whanau to come and view our work in Māhuri on Friday 20th October from 12:30-1:30pm.

Our focus this term is Rato / Service. Following on from Pūtaiao / Science Fair, we are completing a Māhuri Service Volunteer Army project. Ākonga will learn about the Student Volunteer Army, serving our hapori whānui / community and nation and plan and complete a project within our local community. We will pledge our projects and hours to [Serve NZ](#). We look forward to our Māhuri Student Volunteer Army making a difference in our hapori whānui.

Literacy Ako - Ākonga will continue to work across their hub for Pānui / Reading and Tuhiuhi / Writing. Our Pānui will be based upon texts that tie in with our topic, the students interests or what is happening in the world around us. Your child will have specific learning goals according to their needs and level.

This term we delve into the world of Toikupu / Poetry. Ākonga will learn about and write in a variety of toikupu forms and create their own anthology.

Pāngarau / Mathematics Ako - Ākonga will continue to work across their hub for Pāngarau / Mathematics. Ako in Numeracy will be around addition / subtraction, multiplication / division and / or proportions and ratios, according to your taitamaiti / child's needs. It will also have a practical focus, based upon using known strategies and knowledge in problem solving tasks. We will conclude the term with measurement.

Please continue to encourage your tamariki to practice their basic facts regularly. Please see your taitamaiti's pāngarau kaiako if you would like some ideas around this.

Marutau Eke Paihikara / Safe Cycling - In week 8, the Māhuri Year 6 ākonga will take part in Marutau Eke Paihikara / Safe Cycling. All ākonga are expected to take part in daily paihikara sessions over the wiki. They will work on road rules in Ashgrove Park for the first couple of days. When competent, ākonga will then take these skills and put them into practice on the roads around Rangiora. We need a large number of pakeke / adults to help us with this so that we can spend as much time

out on the roads as possible. Please let your taitamaiti's kaiako know if you are able to help. A safe cycling letter with more details will be sent out to Year 6 ākonga in a few weeks.

Please take the time to ensure your taitamaiti has a roadworthy paihikara / bike for the wiki. Ākonga are also required to wear a safety helmet at all times on their paihikara. Please see a kaiako if you need assistance in finding a paihikara and helmet for your taitamaiti.

Waioira / Health - In week 8, Uiuinga / Inquiry Ako will be based upon Waioira / Health with the Year 6's undertaking ako about Positive Puberty. There will be a Puberty heinga / parent hui on **Rāpare / Thursday 23rd Noema / November at 3:20pm in Māhuri**. The Positive Puberty programme will be covered and your questions will be answered. We look forward to seeing you.

Wāhi noho ako / Home Learning - Wāhi noho ako / Home Learning in term 4 will continue to compliment our Ashgrove STAR's, with this term focusing on Rato / Service. As previously detailed, our inquiry focus will be on our Māhuri Student Volunteer Army service projects. The majority of the planning and preparation for this will take place at kura. However, there may be times when your taitamaiti is required to complete some tasks at home. Your taitamaiti will gain their Rato / Service award through their participation and completion of the Māhuri Student Volunteer Army project.

We do encourage ākonga to continue their personal reading at home and basic facts practice.

HĀKINAKINA / SPORT

Hākinakina Whakaako / Sports Coaching - We will continue with our fortnightly sports coaching again this term. Each class has a half hour slot in which they receive coaching from the two experts from the North Canterbury Sports and Recreation Trust every Rāpare / Rāmere.

Pukapuka / Stationery 2018 - We are currently planning ahead to 2018. As part of this, you will receive information regarding our stationery requirements for next year. All ākonga will be required to have the correct stationery to begin the year, either by purchasing it through the kura as was done this year or by collecting a stationery list from the office and purchasing items independently.

One of the requirements for all Māhuri ākonga in 2018 is a lanyard. This year, each ākonga has had a coloured lanyard. This has been a valuable tool for them to have a sense of belonging to their ngahere and promote ākonga agency within Māhuri. As your taitamaiti moves to a different ngahere in 2018 (and thus, a different colour), a new lanyard will need to be **purchased through the kura office / Kindo**. This will be detailed on the stationery list. Please **do not** purchase this independently.

Each Mahuri ākonga will require **one small** pencil case for 2018 to keep their pens and pencils safe in their tubs. There will be no central resources as we had this year. Spare pens, pencils, glue and exercise books will be held by the ngahere kaiako in a named plastic bag for your taitamaiti and given out when necessary.

We also welcome BYOD of devices and headphones for 2018. We do have a number of chromebooks available, however if your taitamaiti has their own device, they are able to access ako on it when required at any time. A set of personal headphones would also be beneficial for health reasons.

End of Year Whakanui/Celebration

At the end of Term 4 we are inviting our taitamaiti to a day out to whakanui / celebrate the end of a very busy and successful year. The activities we have planned are swimming and the Wonder movie at the Rangiora theatre. We will book the theatre for our exclusive use. The Whakanui / Celebration Days will take place on Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th December. More information will follow nearer to the time. We will require heinga / parent help, so please keep this in mind if you are available.

Please note, this is an optional activity. If your taitamaiti does not wish to participate, there will be an alternative programme at kura.

Rā Pōtae / Sun Hats - Please remember that Ashgrove is a Sunsmart Kura, therefore Pōtae Rā / sunhats are compulsory for all of Term 4. Please make a blue, wide brimmed or bucket hat available for your taitamaiti as they must wear this when they are outside at all times. Kia ora for your cooperation with this.

Mahuri Term 4 Wātaka

Wiki	Rāhina	Rātū	Rāapa	Rāpare	Rāmere
1	16 October RHS Cricket Coaching (Kowhai Year 5-6)	17 October RHS Cricket Coaching (Rata Year 5-6)	18 October RHS Cricket Coaching (Kowhai Year 5-6)	19 October RHS Cricket Coaching (Rata Year 5-6)	20 October Science fair celebration - 12:30- 1:30pm Jubilee assembly- 1:30pm
2	23 October Labour Day	24 October	25 October	26 October	27 October School Assembly Athletics
3	30 October Athletics postponement	31 October	1 November	2 November	3 November Year 4 BDO Mufti day
4	6 November	7 November Rakahuri Athletics	8 November Rakahuri Athletics postponement	9 November	10 November School Assembly
5	13 November	14 November	15 November	16 November Teacher Only Day	17 November Canterbury Anniversary
6	20 November	21 November	22 November	23 November	24 November School Assembly
7	27 November Safe Cycling check (Year 6)	28 November	29 November	30 November	1 December
8	4 December Safe Cycling/ Puberty/ Healthy Food/ First Aid	5 December Safe Cycling/ Puberty/ Healthy Food/ First Aid	6 December Safe Cycling/ Puberty/ Healthy Food/ First Aid Canterbury Athletics	7 December Safe Cycling/ Puberty/ Healthy Food/ First Aid	8 December Safe Cycling/ Puberty/ Healthy Food/ First Aid School Assembly Reports home
9	11 December Mahuri Celebration Day	12 December Mahuri Celebration Day Senior Prize Giving	13 December Mahuri Celebration Assembly 2pm	14 December House games	15 Last day of school (3pm finish)

If you would like to make contact with any of us, please feel free to come into class, email (kaiako first and last name@ashgrove.school.nz e.g. jokeane@ashgrove.school.nz) or phone the kura to make an appointment.

We look forward to another great term working with your taitamaiti.

Ngā mihi nui

Mahuri Team

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