



Growing Together For Success

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Dear Whānau

We hope you all had a lovely break with your family and enjoyed the lovely weather. The teachers are all ready for another busy term with your tamariki and are excited about our upcoming events.

Values - This term our STAR focus is Attitude / Wairua. We are excited and looking forward to working with our tamariki and building up their knowledge on how this looks and feels at Ashgrove School and in the Pihinga Team.

Learning Focus - Our topic this term is "What do I want to be when I grow up?" We are looking at incorporating this into writing and reading where possible. Our main focus will be a small production held at the end of the term. Thank you to the parents who have offered to come in and talk to the children about what you do for a job. If anyone else would like to support us with this please let us know.

Oral Language / News (Wednesday) - This term we would like the children to bring a favourite book to school to share. It would be nice if your child could help to read the book and tell us why it is special to them. We will give your child a note when it is their turn to bring this to school.

Dates for Term 2

Production - Monday 1st July, 2.15pm. This is to replace our normal termly assembly.
Trip to Rest Home - Wednesday 3rd July

Reminders

Lunches - We would appreciate your child having items / packets / containers they can open independently. If they cannot open it we recommend that it is eaten at home. As we are an Enviro school we are encouraging no rubbish in our lunch boxes. Any rubbish will be returned home with your child for you to dispose of. Please make sure your child has enough food for the school day to keep their energy levels up.

Home Learning - Please read with your child every day after school, this is very important. Make sure you fill in the yellow reading log book so we can see you are reading at home. This should be returned to school the following day with the reading book. Keep learning letters, sounds and words at home. When your child can read them they can then spell them and write them into sentences. If you need any ideas to help with learning at home feel free to ask us. Some extra learning will be given to you soon if you would like to have a go together at home.

School starting time - Please remember the school day does not start until 8.30am as teachers use this time to prepare and have meetings. Please wait by the gate on the field or near the main gate off Seddon Street until the bell rings.

Clothing - As we are coming into cooler weather all children must have a named jersey or polar fleece at school every day. It is also a good idea to have a jacket and hat so we can get some fresh air on cooler days. Sunhats are optional this term.

If you have anything you would like to discuss throughout the term please contact your child's homeroom teacher.

Ngā mihi
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Pihinga Team