



ASHGROVE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Whānau,

It has been lovely meeting you and the children of Pihinga 4 over the past few weeks.



Since school has started, I thought it would be a good time to get in contact to ensure that you and your child are ready for term 3 and starting school. Below is some information you may find useful.

Break times

The children will eat a healthy snack of either a fruit or vegetable at approximately 9.20am each day. Please ensure that this snack is easily accessible and is of small size, for example; an apple or carrot cut up and placed in a small named container.

The children have morning tea at 10.20am. They play first then sit down for a morning tea snack.

Lunchtime is at 11.50am. The children play first again and then sit down to eat lunch. Please ensure that all food that children come to school with is easy to access for them, e.g. not in packets that need scissors etc. Please also be mindful that we promote a litter free school and all rubbish is taken home in lunch boxes.

Afternoon break is at 1.30 for 20 minutes giving the children time to play, go to the toilet and have a snack if needed.

Library day, home learning and other days to note

Pihinga 4 will visit the school library every Thursday afternoon. Your child will be able to bring 2 books home to share each week. Please ensure that books are returned to school in reading folders on Thursdays.

Poetry books and home learning books will also be coming home in reading folders each week. Information about these books will be put into the books to support you and your child at home. Please make sure they are in reading folders each Friday.

The children will attend North Canterbury Sport each fortnight. This will take place on a Thursday.

Each week we attend either a Whole School Assembly or a Team Hui to celebrate learning, sing and have fun together. You are welcome to attend the Whole School Assemblies in the hall at 9am each fortnight.

It can also be helpful to have a change of clothes in your child's bag if needed at school.

At Ashgrove we have values that we focus on and teach throughout the year. These are our STAR values. S for Service, T for Trust, A for Attitude and R for Respect and Responsibility. Each term we focus on teaching one of these areas.

Please download the school app so you can be kept up to date with things that are happening at school like mufti days and cancellations of activities. When you download the app please select Pihinga so you don't receive information for other teams.

If your child is sick or has an appointment please notify the office via email, phone or the app. If you are needing to take your child out of school for longer than a week please notify the school in writing.

I look forward to seeing you all tomorrow between 8.30-8.55 so we can be settled and ready to begin our first day together.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.
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Ngā mihi nui

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