

TŪREPO TEAM NEWS

TERM 1 2023



TEAM NEWS

Welcome to the Tūrepo Team!

Welcome back! We hope you have all had a lovely holiday with your whānau. We are excited to be back at school and looking forward to a fun filled term of learning. We have a teaching team of four Year 7/8 Ngahere/homerooms. As a group of four kaiako, we meet frequently to collaboratively plan and work together to ensure consistency within the hubs and to care for the learning and pastoral needs for all our students.

Our school wide theme for 2023 is **What was, What is, What can be...** In term 1 we will be beginning our journey with New Zealand Histories curriculum with Mrs Roddis leading us. We will inquiry about the history and geography of the Banks Peninsula in preparation for our camps to Wainui. We will get to know each other and where we came from, who we are and what we want to achieve this year and beyond. One of our collaborative art projects we are working on will need the students to have some photos of whānau, pets or things special to our tamariki. If you can send in via email and/or we can make colour copies for students to use in this project.

Technology

In term 1 and 2 our Year 8 students will attend Technology at Maukatere Technology Centre at Te Matauru School. Tamariki will travel to and from technology by bus leaving at 9am and arriving back to school by 3pm. Mrs Bester will attend technology with the tamariki. Technology will begin this week on Thursday 2nd February.

Swimming

Swimming Sports will be held on Tuesday 21 February at Dudley Park. We will be having 2 practise swims on Tuesday 7 and Wednesday 15 February. Please keep an eye out for a notice going home this week.

Top Teams

We are excited to have Sport Canterbury bringing Top Teams back to our school on Monday 20 February. We will require parent help for this event. More information will follow.

Back to School Picnic

We warmly welcome parents / whānau to our Back to School Picnic on Thursday 9 February. Come along to the hall at 5pm for introductions and a brief welcome / welcome back to Ashgrove then out to organised games, music and fun activities for all the family. Bring a picnic dinner. We will have the BBQ going with some sausages too! More information to come.

Assemblies

We will be hosting our full school assemblies every fortnight on a Friday at 9:15am in the hall. We warmly invite parents to join us at these. We will present our STAR certificates, teams may share some of their learning, will sing songs and have our popular STAR Drop. You will receive an email if your child is receiving an award. Our first assembly will be in week 2 on Friday 10 February.

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

Tūrepo team are looking forward to engaging in BYOD again this year. Learning will incorporate the use of devices to enhance learning experiences where applicable. This will complement 'traditional' methods of learning. If your child would like to bring a device, please ask your child to see their teacher for a BYOD Acceptable Use Agreement. Please note, devices will not be charged at school, so please ensure your child takes care of this at home.

Cellphones

If your child needs to bring a cellphone to school, they must complete a Cellphone User Agreement. Cellphones are required to be handed in to the teacher at the start of the day and will be held in the school office until the end of the day.

Positive Behaviour for Learning

For students and staff at Ashgrove School this is usually talked about as PB4L. We have been on our PB4L journey for many years. Last year our positive behaviour matrix, linked with our STAR values, showing our expectations for behaviour was updated. These expectations are taught, role modelled and referred to on a regular basis throughout our school.

We use restorative practice to address behavioural issues at Ashgrove School and build and sustain relationships.

We have numerous incentives to promote excellent student behaviour such as Star certificates, Star awards, Star drop and Star shop.

We are excited to be continuing on our Tier 2 journey this year. This work focuses on the implementation of additional behavioural support and intervention when required.

Look out for information letters regarding Camp and William Pike Challenge coming out soon!

Ngā manaakitanga

Fiona Bester, Nigel Seaton, Kirsty Anderson and Megan Cherry

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 6 February - Waitangi Day
Tuesday 7 February - Swimming Sports practice
Thursday 9 February - Back to school picnic
Friday 10, 24 February, 10, 24 March - Whole school assembly (9:15am)
Wednesday 15 February - Swimming Sports practice
Monday 20 February - Top Teams
Tuesday 21 February - Swimming Sports
Wednesday 22 February - Mihi Whakatau (10am)
Wednesday 22 February - Whānau meetings (school closes at 2pm)
Friday 24 February - Whole school assembly (9:15am)
Monday 27 - Friday 3 March - Tūrepo camps
Tuesday 7 March - PCT challenge
Tuesday 7 March - John Parsons Digital Technology information evening
Wednesday 15 March - Māori and Pacifica Whānau Hui (5:30pm)
Thursday 6 April - last day of term 1

REMINDER

We are a



A blue school sunhat is compulsory outdoors

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