

# MĀHURI TEAM NEWS

TERM 2 2023



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Greetings Parents and Caregivers of Māhuri Students,

Welcome to Term 2, It is hard to believe that the year is moving along so very fast. We have another busy term coming up, starting this week with Constable Ken Terry joining Māhuri for two days to work with the students and the Keeping Ourselves Safe programme. This programme is well established and has been in schools for many years now and it is beneficial beyond measure. The students have a relationship with Constable Ken and are very comfortable with asking questions and trusting the answers he gives them. We are grateful that he has been able to fit us into his busy and demanding schedule. Do ask your children how the sessions have gone and what they have learnt.

Our annual Winter Sports will be starting on Friday of Week 3. This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to participate in a sport they haven't tried before, or to use skills they have learnt in another sport to support their peers to 'have-a-go'. We have teams entered into Rugby, Ripa Rugby, Netball, Hockey, football, Indoor Bowls; Futsal and Tennis. We would not be able to allow our students these opportunities without parent help and support. Thank you to all parents who have offered to manage/coach/support a team. If you haven't but think you may be available, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance.

Māhuri Toru are lucky to be collaborating with Annette Searle from the University of Canterbury on a drama and literacy unit with a focus on NZ Histories Curriculum. Annette has created the unit around the book *This is Where I Stand* By Philippa Werry, where students explore ideas and thoughts that are sparked from the book. Māhuri toru are working with Annette twice a week for the first four weeks of term 2.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you about safety to and from school. We have had members of the public call us recently, stating that they have observed Māhuri students on bikes without their helmets on, kerb jumping and not paying attention to road rules or traffic when riding on or crossing the road. Could you please have a chat with your child to remind them about how to stay safe to and from school. Where possible, it would be wise to have your child wear a helmet when scootering also.

This is also a great opportunity to remind you that if your child wants a play-date, they need to organise it between parents and not themselves. Children making plans to meet/play have caused a few difficulties of late. Please also discuss this with your child.

We look forward to the term ahead and sharing it with you and your child.

Warmest Regards

Shallie Doney, Georgia Dunn, Nicky Kelso and Kylie Forrest



This term our Ashgrove Whētu Hauora focus is  
**BE ACTIVE**

We have an exciting 'AshGO! Challenge' coming up to help us to move our body, explore the outdoors and play in different and fun ways.



### NZ TRUCKING ASSOCIATION TRUCK SAFETY

The NZ Trucking Association are bringing their big truck and programme, 'Share the Road with Big Trucks' to Ashgrove. Their purpose is to help raise awareness of truck blind zones, stopping distances and give participants an engaging and interactive experience to help them understand how big trucks are and how to be safe with them on the road.

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ★ Mihi Whakatau - Tuesday 2 May
- ★ Cross country - Tuesday 9 May
- ★ Friday winter sport starts - Friday 12 May
- ★ NZ Trucking Association Safety Truck - Monday 15 - Tuesday 16 May
- ★ Pink Shirt Mufti Day - Friday 19 May
- ★ Māhuri Wero Clip and Climb trip - Thursday 25 May
- ★ King's birthday holiday - Monday 5 June
- ★ NZ Playhouse - Wednesday 7 June
- ★ Last day of term 2 - Friday 30 June



We are usually available before and after school if you have a question or information to let us know. We do ask however that if you need more than a few minutes that you make a time to meet with your child's homeroom teacher.

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