MAHURI TEAM NEWS

TERM 1 2024







TEAM NEWS

Welcome to the Mahuri Team!

Welcome to Term 1 2024 and all of the possibilities it holds. As a team we are looking forward to the year ahead. We continue to have 4 Year 5/6 Ngahere (classes) in Māhuri. Māhuri 1: Mr., Dave Hickin; Māhuri 2: Mrs., Nicky Kelso; Māhuri 3: Mrs., Anya Galbraith; Māhuri 4; Mrs., Shallie Doney. Mrs., Jo Keane will be the Māhuri 4 teacher on Fridays for Term One.

If you are wanting to make contact with us, please see our email addresses at the bottom of this letter. If you need to meet with us face to face, please make an appointment as our time before and after school is often filled with meetings and planning sessions.

Swimming

Swimming Sports will be held on Tuesday 20 February at Dudley Park. We will be having 2 practise swims on Wednesday 7 and Wednesday 14 February. Please keep an eye out for a notice going home this week.

Back to School Picnic

We warmly welcome parents / whānau to our Back to School Picnic on Wednesday 7th 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!

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 9 February.

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

Māhuri 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, your child 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. Our positive behaviour matrix, linked with our STAR values, showing our expectations for behaviour is updated. These expectations are taught, role modelled and referred to on a regular basis throughout our school.

We use restorative practices 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 look forward to meeting many of you for the first time and are looking forward to seeing familiar faces back in our space

Warmest regards

Māhuri Kaiako: Dave Hickin; Nicky Kelso; Anya Galbraith; and Shallie Doney



RTANT DATES

Tuesday 6 February - Waitangi Day

Wednesday 7 and 14 February - Swimming Sports practise

Wednesday 7 February - Mihi Whakatau (11am)

Wednesday 7 February - Back to School Picnic

Wednesday 13 February - Whānau meetings (school closes at 2pm)

Tuesday 20 February - Swimming Sports

Monday 11 - Friday 15 March - Māhuri Camps

Friday 29 March - Tuesday 2 April - Easter break

Friday 12 April - Last day of term 1

