

# PIHINGA TEAM PANUI

## TERM 2, 2024

Kia ora e te Pihinga Whānau,

Welcome back to term 2 at kura to our Pihinga students and whānau. From the 27th of May we welcome Mrs Tasker to Pihinga 4.

**Kia Kaha, Kia Māia, Kia Manawanui!**  
**Be Brave, Be Strong, Be Confident!**



### Learning in Pihinga

This term we continue learning in our core curriculum areas of structured literacy and maths as well as library, discovery, Nana club, cross country, North Canterbury Sport lessons, digital technology, Mātariki and a visit from our community for Road Safety week.

Please remember to support your child each night sharing their reading book, having discussions and enjoying together. For oral language this term we would like to children to bring a favourite toy from home to share with their peers. A notice will come home about this soon.

### Things to note in Pihinga

- Please ensure your child has a named polar fleece at school each day incase of colder weather. Sunhats are now optional. If your child's hair is longer than their shoulders (boy or girl) it needs to be tied back.
- A fruit or vegetable snack is needed each day for a quick healthy snack. Please put this in a small named container.
- Only water is to be had in drink bottles please. No juice at school.
- We encourage litter free lunches where possible. Please open your child's packets or put into an easy to open container so they can be independent. No lollies or chocolate.
- School starts at 8.30am and with the weather getting colder please arrive as close to this time so your child isn't waiting in the cold outside.
- Library Days - P1 - Tuesday odd weeks, P2 - Monday even weeks, P5 Monday odd weeks, P6 - Tuesday even weeks and P7 Tuesday odd weeks.



**Being Active in Pihinga**

We are participating in a short version of the Cross Country on Wednesday 15 May beginning at 12pm.

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### Taking Notice of the World Around Us



For Road Safety week we have a visit from NZTA who are coming to share information and teach us about how to be safe around road work sites. This is on the 22 May and there is no cost.

We are so lucky to have our beautiful Pihinga space. This term with the help of the Nana Club we are going to work on our gardens and finishing making the space even better for us all to enjoy.



### Connecting with Us

#### **Matariki Breakfast**

We look forward to welcoming you all to our Matariki breakfast on Tuesday 25 June. Along with hosting our school whānau, we will be hosting local iwi, Ministry of Education and other invited guests to proudly share the te reo enhancement to our existing name.

#### **Contacting Us**

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.

We can be contacted via email: [kayeroberts@ashgrove.school.nz](mailto:kayeroberts@ashgrove.school.nz); [yvettedowdall@ashgrove.school.nz](mailto:yvettedowdall@ashgrove.school.nz); [bridgetduplessis@ashgrove.school.nz](mailto:bridgetduplessis@ashgrove.school.nz); [emilyhenry@ashgrove.school.nz](mailto:emilyhenry@ashgrove.school.nz); [ashleabennett@ashgrove.school.nz](mailto:ashleabennett@ashgrove.school.nz).

Ngā mihi nui

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### Important Dates

Book Fair - 13-17 May  
Cross Country - Wednesday 15 May  
Pink Shirt Mufti Day - Friday 17 May  
Teacher Only Day - Friday 31 May

King's Birthday holiday - Monday 3 June  
Matariki Breakfast - Tuesday 25 June  
Matariki holiday - Friday 28 June

