

Equipping Learners to Explore and Thrive Together

## SCHOOL FAIR SUNDAY 28 MARCH 11am - 2pm

# Wednesday 17 March 2021 Term 1 Week 7

#### A MESSAGE FROM OUR ACTING PRINCIPAL

Kia ora te whānau

You will notice a change in author in this week's newsletter, as Kate is off site with her Kāhui Ako leadership. So in my Acting Principal role, I get this opportunity to connect with you all.

A huge milestone is occurring in my home this week. My son went on his first ever school camp. Like many of you have also experienced, this is a time of mixed emotions.

On his departure day we ate breakfast and discussed, for the final time, the strategies for when he may feel anxious. We talked about the need to breathe and use positive self talk. We discussed visualising the pride he would feel when he achieved the 'Giant Swing', his first activity. My husband reminded him that sometimes we only get one opportunity to try something new and even when we are anxious we need to seize the opportunity to help us grow. How having a Growth Mindset is essential to being a success and to develop self confidence.

After I dropped him and his luggage off to school, I made connections to this moment in his life as one that is quite pivotal. We, like so many of you, had equipped him to be successful and feel confident in his own ability to take on the next four days at camp without us.

These very values are the same as our Cashmere Avenue values for our learners. Everyday, I have the privilege to see these same conversations happening in classes, as staff safely stretch our tamariki to use a growth mindset and be more resilient. They explicitly teach them strategies that equip them in those moments they need to have a can do attitude. I take pride in our staff for their efforts to build our Values in their daily programmes to best equip our tamariki.

I can't wait until Friday afternoon, to hear all about my son's adventures.

Ngã mihi - acknowledgements Jo Staite

#### **HAERE MAI - WELCOME...**

A warm haere mai to all those parents and children who are new to our school. We look forward to getting to know our new students: **Bella** and **Ruby**.





**TODAY'S ROLL NUMBER - 301** 

### **COMING UP**

Tuesday 23 & Wednesday 24 March Wednesday 24 & Thursday 25 March Sunday 28 March Senior Syndicate Trip to Wellington City Art Gallery World of Maths visiting School Fair

#### STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

It's been a very busy few weeks across the school with fun and interesting learning going on.

On Monday we were able to hold our first pōwhiri for 2021 to welcome new tamariki and their whanau to our kura. Ka pai to our kaikorero boys **Xander**, **Jacob**, **Harry**, **Te Arahi**, **Liam K** and **Levi** and our karanga girls **Kate**, **Matilda**, **Ysabella**, **Kumin**, **Pippa**, **Maeve**, **Ava B**, **Sophie H**, **Lucy W**, **Lucy M**, **Jia** and **Sahana**. It was ataahua to see so many new families attend and thank you to those of you who spoke.







#### **Middle Syndicate:**

It was a glorious morning last week for the middle syndicate students to walk up Mt Kau Kau. It was a great success with our tamariki enjoying the experience, connecting with their maunga and overcoming a challenge. Thank you to the teachers and parent helpers for walking up the 'hill'. They finished off the morning with lunch or a play at Khandallah Park.









#### **Junior Syndicate:**

The Junior Syndicate is part of a new Creatives in Schools Programme, a joint venture between the Ministry of Education and Creative NZ. For the rest of Term 1 and the beginning of Term 2 Java Dance will be working with each Junior class on movement, music, stories, role-playing and dance culminating in 2 performances by the Junior School in Term 2. The project, called *The Tantrum*, is specially designed for children aged between 5 and 7 years old, supporting them to explore emotions in a safe and creative way. Our tamariki are loving the programme and are so engaged in the activities!

Rooms 14 and 15 had Bug Day last week with lots of learning and dressing up.









## **Senior Syndicate:**

The Senior Syndicate has been busy with their Swimming programme and finished it with a fun carnival. Here is a selection of some of the amazing writing that has resulted from camp.

Speaking of kayaking, it was hilarious when I needed help to get out of the bush! My favourite game was probably the game where you have different parties and we battled over the election! My party

represented Scotland. In the end Scotland and one other looked like they were tying. In the shark game little old me managed to get people to think I was a shark when I was a fish. At the end of that one someone figured out that I was a fish and an army was after me, Orlaith and Barnaby. It was so fun!!!!!! - Ella

My absolute favourite activity was the giant swing! When I was pulled up it was the most wonderful sensation in my stomach. While I was up there my hands were sweaty and shaking and then I heard the countdown. 3 2 1! And I pulled the pin. It was so so fun. I wish I could have done it over and over. - Pippa

Probably my favourite activity was rock climbing because I tried my best and that's what counts for me. I loved encouraging my teammates as they climbed to the limit. All in all we had so much fun on the rock climbing. - Axel

Archery was also really fun. I got some decent shots on the target, and our team was good at all the games we played, winning the first game and getting decent shots in blind dating! - Xander







# SCHOOL FAIR 28 MARCH 2021 - 11am - 2pm

Our School Fair is **next week**, on Sunday 28 March. Our tamariki are looking forward to the event. Thank you to everyone for all their hard work behind the scenes. Don't forget to book your slot to help out. Please remember to read the hard copy of the Fair newsletter which came home with your child yesterday.

# **WHĀNAU HUI**

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou. Thank you to the whānau that came to our last Whānau Hui and contributed to our robust conversations about some of our practices at Cashmere Ave School! One key outcome that our community may notice is that we, as a kura, will



**strive towards recognising our local maunga, Mt. Kaukau, by its original name, Tarikākā**. Our next Whānau Hui will be Week 5 Term 2 Wednesday 2 June at 5:30pm. All are welcome! Please contact Liam Jansen in Room 5, if you have any queries.

## **WORLD OF MATHS**

World of Maths is visiting our School on 24 and 25 March. Each class will spend a session doing a range of maths activities. A charge of \$6.50 will be added to your account.

#### SCHOOL PHOTOS

We have had a number of requests over the years to try something new with our School Photos. This year we will be giving Inspire Photography a trial for our class and individual photos. The photos will take place over two days on **Wednesday 5 and Thursday 6 May**. Further information will be sent out nearer the time.

### LIBRARY FAMILY EVENING



#### **WEDNESDAY 31 MARCH 6PM - 7PM**

Our wonderful library will be opening for a Family Evening. We welcome all school families to join us, browse the books and enjoy our library. The librarians will be available to help with selections for you and your child(ren). Parents can borrow up to 6 books per child in addition to the students borrowing.

#### **TUMMY BUGS**

There are stomach bugs doing the rounds at present. If your child has vomited please remember they are to stay at home for 24 hours after their last vomit.

#### **ROAD SAFETY**

Thank you to everyone who assists our road patrollers by following their instructions. We are aware it is very tempting to run across the road (with your child/ren) when the weather isn't the best but it is **very important** to wait for the patrollers to call **cross now**. Our patrollers stand out there in all weathers to keep our tamariki safe. There have been a few incidents recently around the suburb of Khandallah.

#### **VOLUNTARY DONATIONS TAX RECEIPTS**

Any contribution is greatly appreciated. Thank you to all those families who have contributed to date. All voluntary donations are tax deductible. Any payment made by 31 March 2021 is eligible for a claim against this year's return. For those who wish to direct credit the school account details are ASB Wellington - Cashmere Avenue School Board of Trustees - 12 3478 0070722 00. Please state 'child's name' and 'Donation'. Receipts will be issued. If you cannot locate a previously issued receipt we will be happy to provide a duplicate.

Recommended voluntary donation is 1 child - \$300, 2 Children - \$500, 3 or more Children - \$650.

### **PARENT HELP**

Can you help out for half an hour putting away reading books or helping a junior class with their sight words? Teachers are also always on the look out for help with laminating and photocopying. Please see your child's teacher if you can help.

### **READING VOLUNTEERS PLEASE**

#### Have you got half an hour or an hour to spare in the morning?

We are looking for people who would like to come and spend some time listening to children read and talking with them about what they have read. Great for all ages; college students working on their Duke of Edinburgh awards or thinking of training as a teacher, as well as parents and grandparents. Please contact Jo, our SENCo, on <u>i.staite@cashmere-ave.school.nz</u>

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS TO THE END OF TERM ONE**

Week 7	Wednesday	17 March		
	Thursday	18 March		
	Friday	19 March		
Week 8	Monday	22 March	7.30pm	Home & School Fair Meeting - Staffroom
	Tuesday	23 March		Senior Syndicate trip to Wellington Gallery
			7.30pm	Board of Trustees Meeting - Staffroom
	Wednesday	24 March		Senior Syndicate trip to Wellington Gallery
	Thursday	25 March		
	Friday	26 March		
	Sunday	28 March	11am - 2pm	SCHOOL FAIR
Week 9	Monday	29 March		

	Tuesday	30 March		
	Wednesday	31 March	6.00pm-7.00pm	Library Family Evening
	Thursday	1 April		
	Friday	2 April		GOOD FRIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Week 10	Monday	5 April		EASTER MONDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
	Tuesday	6 April		EASTER TUESDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
	Wednesday	7 April		STAFF ONLY DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
	Thursday	8 April		
	Friday	9 April		
Week 11	Monday	12 April		
	Tuesday	13 April	7.30pm	Board of Trustees Meeting - Staffroom
	Wednesday	14 April		
	Thursday	15 April		
	Friday	16 April	2.00pm	Assembly - Cochran Hall - All welcome.
				LAST DAY OF TERM 1
TERM 2	Monday	3 May		Start of Term 2
	Tuesday	4 May		
	Wednesday	5 May		School Photos
	Thursday	6 May		School Photos

	TERM DATES 2021					
Term 1	Wednesday 3 February 2021 - Term 1 Begins Friday 16 April 2021 - Term 1 Ends School holidays: Saturday 17 April to Sunday 2 May Waitangi Day Observance Monday 8 February Good Friday 2 April, Easter Monday 5 April, Easter Tuesday 6 April, Teacher Only Day Wednesday 7 April					
Term 2	Monday 3 May 2021 - Term 2 Begins Friday 9 July 2021 - Term 2 Ends School holidays: Saturday 10 July to Sunday 25 July ANZAC Observance is Monday 26 April (during the holidays) Queen's Birthday Monday 7 June					
Term 3	Monday 26 July 2021 - Term 3 Begins Friday 1 October 2021 - Term 3 Ends School holidays: Saturday 2 October to Sunday 17 October Teacher Only Day: Friday 27 August					
Term 4	Monday 18 October 2021 - Term 4 Begins Wednesday 15 December 2021 - Term 4 Ends School holidays begin Thursday 16 December Teacher Only Day: Friday 22 October, Labour Day Monday 25 October					

# **TEACHER ONLY DAYS/EASTER**

This year we have three Teacher Only Days scheduled - Wednesday 7 April, Friday 27 August and Friday 22 October.

Easter, this year, is scheduled during Term 1. All schools in New Zealand observe Easter Tuesday on 6 April. With a Teacher Only Day on Wednesday 7 April, it means an extra long weekend for you all. The Teacher Only Days in April and August will be the same across the Northern Cluster for Schools who are part of the Kāhui Ako. These are days when the staff from the schools will come together for professional development.

#### **HOME AND SCHOOL LUNCHES**

#### Place your order by Tuesday evening – lunch delivered on Wednesday

Don't forget to postpone/cancel your order in case of sickness. Remind your child that lunch orders can be collected from the hall at 1.10pm.

**Pita Pit:** Orders must be paid in advance via <u>www.lunchonline.co.nz</u>. - select preferred options. Please remember to change the child's classroom number when you order.

**Sushi - ezlunch:** Sushi Lunches starts the first week of term. Place your order for WEDNESDAYS via www.ezlunch.co.nz. A link to the menu:

https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/pdf/school/cashmere\_avenue\_school/Menu.pdf

#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

These are provided as a service to the community and may not reflect the policies and practices of the school.

https://www.cashmere-ave.school.nz/information/community-notices/

#### **Lunchtimes At Cashmere Avenue School**

Guitar & Keyboard - Tuesday to Thursday

Please note there will be no French or Chess classes running in Term 1. Chess will restart in Term 2 and, depending on the numbers, French will start in Term 2.

## Khandallah School Kau Kau Challenge - Sunday 11 April 9am-1pm

A Kids' Fun Run/Walk, hosted by Khandallah School

You can register at: www.kaukauchallenge.com

#### **OUR VALUES**











#### **TOP 10 BEHAVIOURS**

These are the 'Top Ten' that you may have heard about through your child's discussion on school business!

## **Building Positive Relationships**

#### The 'Top 10'

- 1. Control and manage our feelings
- 2. Have meaningful conversations PATCH IT
- 3. Invite and include others
- 4. Cooperate, share, take turns
- 5. Use good manners and friendly talk
- 6. Accept that others may think and feel differently
- 7. Use humour (be funny) without offending others
- 8. Be kind helpful and sympathetic
- Negotiate and problem-solve
- 10. Admit to mistakes and apologise when in the wrong



