



Wednesday 22 September 2021 Term 3 Week 5

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Ni hao.

It might be Level 2, but we'll take it! School life is pretty great. Our learners have returned calmly with plenty of lively stories about their time in lockdown, and what they did differently this time around. They are energised by the classroom environment again, finding joy in sparking ideas from each other. Hand sanitising has become part of our children's routines, as has their gentle reminders to others to physically distance. When we first implemented these Level 2 public health measures back in 2020, I think we all wondered how our young people would maintain the new ways to school life. But everyday I am reminded by them how resilient they are, how routines offer safety and how catching their zest for learning is.

The reality we have accepted is that Level 2 will be here for a while, and that when we return to Level 1, we could change levels at any time. Therefore we are forging ahead with school events that can continue to operate within the restrictions of Level 2 and we are planning future events with a Plan B.

Everyone on our team contributes to keeping our children safe. I'd like to give a shout out to our Before School and After School Care Service, Y Central, who have their own stringent implementation of the public health measures. I have noticed their careful manner with the children reminding them to physically distance at times of the day when fatigued behaviour bubbles to the surface. Ka pai tō mahi!

Next week we are celebrating! Student Led Conferences are on Wednesday. You will enjoy hearing your child talk with pride about their achievements and the choices they make to learn. We see the evening as an opportunity for whānau to celebrate their child/ren as learners. Next week is also a time to recognise the Chinese Language Week. For our Chinese community, hearing their culture celebrated creates a belonging and connection. Could you as a family have a go with this useful trilingual phrases graphic?



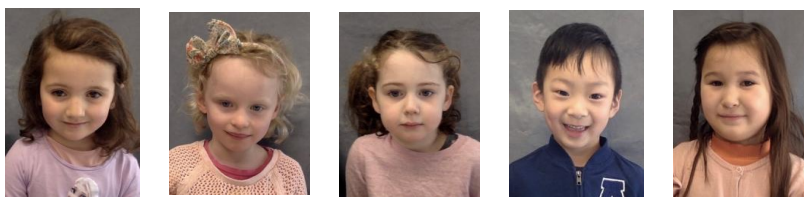
Hello	Nice to meet you	May I have your name please?	My name is
你好! Nǐ hǎo! Pronounced Nee - how	很高兴认识你 Hěn gāoxìng rènshí nǐ Pronounced Hen - gaow - shing - renshí - nee	请问你叫什么名字? Qǐngwèn nǐ jiào shén me míngzì? Pronounced Ching wen - nee - jeeow - shemma - mingzi	我的名字是 Wǒ de míngzì shì Pronounced Waw - de míng-zi - si
Te Reo: Kia ora! (informal) Tēnā koel! (formal)	Te Reo: Ka pai te tutaki ki a koe	Te Reo: Ko wai tō ingoa?	Te Reo: Ko.....tōku ingoa.

Zàijìàn

Kate Christie

HAERE MAI – WELCOME...

A warm haere mai to all those parents and tamariki who are new to our school. We look forward to learning all about our new students: **Amelie, Evelyn, Lily, Walker** and **Annabel**.

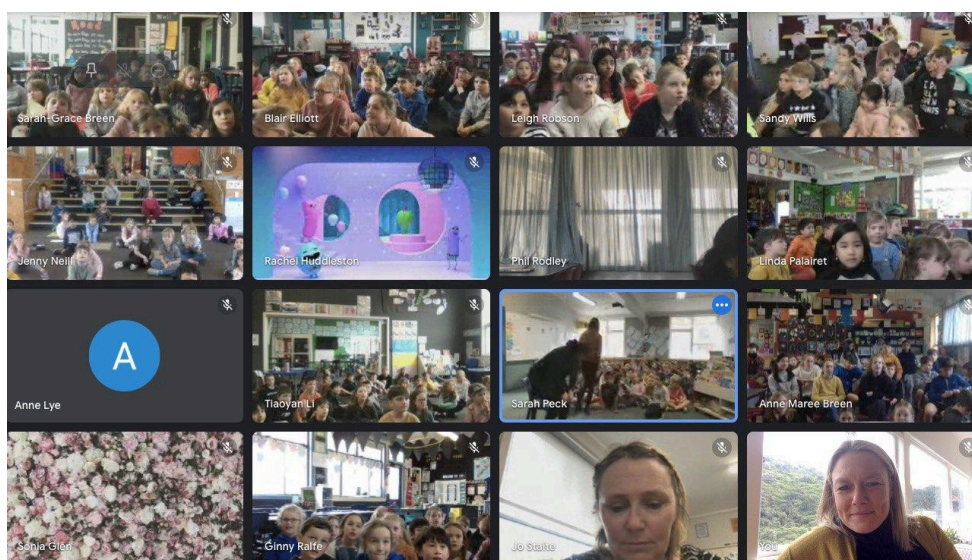


TODAY'S ROLL NUMBER – 339

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Virtual Assembly: Thank you to Room 19 and Mr Elliott for preparing our virtual assembly during lockdown. It was wonderful to see what many of our tamariki had been up to. One **value award** was presented to the **Essential workers of the Cashmere Community**. To those of you who are essential workers and worked so hard during Level 4 and Level 3, we thank you all.

Māori Language Week: Last week it was Māori Language week. On Friday the whole school met via zoom with each class taking part and sharing what they had been learning during the week. Ka pai Ginny Ralfe, Tricia Will and Sonia Glen for their organisation and technical expertise to make sure the event went ahead smoothly.



LOCKDOWN PHOTOS

This is a small selection of photos we have received as to what our tamariki have been up to over lockdown. Ka pai!



ICAS Results:

Prior to Lockdown some of our tamariki participated in the Digital Technologies and English ICAS exams. It was another amazing year from our CAS learners. Ka pai to everyone who took part.

Digital Technologies			
	High Distinction	Distinction	Credit
Y4			Laura
Y5		Neel	Phoebe
Y6		Barnaby, Jacob	Sahana
English			
Y3			Connor
Y4			Imogen, Zoe M, Laura
Y5	Neel		Gus, Mia, Olivia H, Phoebe, Ashleigh, Abigail
Y6		Sahana, Jacob	Levi, Ella, Barnaby, Alexandra

Junior Syndicate: Room 14 has been writing fabulous stories about tree houses. Below are just a couple of their stories.

My Amazing Tree House by Hannah

My tree house has two swings so you can swing high and low.

My tree house has a bridge so you can get to the other side. My tree house has a zip line so you can have some fun.

My tree house has a house for my cat. His name is Peanut. He gets pulled up into the tree house by a bucket on a rope. If there is a window open he can jump up and go up the stairs to his own house.

I want my tree house to stay up forever.

My Fantastic Tree House by Nhi

WOW!!! This tree hut is amazing.

My tree hut has a swing and also a zipline. The thing I like the most is the zip because it goes left and right. It is so cool.

It also has a slide, and a ladder to get up and another house. It has another ladder to get up to the next level. I also have a door and some fairy lights and a chimney. It has fairy lights so I can see at night. I also have a swing so I can enjoy the view, and a zipline to have fun and enjoy the weather.

CASE Garden:

Last week, senior student Aaron brought in a gecko to school. Both Teacher Aide, Maria and Aaron then released it into the CASE garden, where there is a lizard hotel. Aaron showed some great kaitiaki and growth mindset by bringing the gecko to School and gently releasing it into the CASE garden.



Keeping Ourselves Safe:

Our tamariki have started their enquiries into *Keeping Ourselves Safe*. The Junior and Middle Syndicate children have been on walks with Constable Dann and Constable Masun to learn about 'sneaky driveways' and how to cross a road safely. There was a parent meeting held on Monday with the two police officers at the beginning of the day. Some parents wanted some titles of books to support starting conversations at home. These are:

- 'Your Body Belongs to You' by Cornelia Spelman
- 'I said No' by Zach and Kimberly King



CREATIVITY

At school we are encouraging our children to be more curious and creative, and this year part of our staff professional learning has been around encouraging ways to make this magic happen. So just how curious do you think your children are?

"But Why" is a great free podcast that you and your family could listen to, that will inspire your child to ask curious questions. It involves children (ags 4-12) from all around the world, asking curious questions about their world. Experts then answer them. Questions like Why do elephants like peanuts? or Why are fireworks bright? or Are seeds alive? Is it OK to break a rule? or Why are cactuses spiky and what do you call a group of these plants...cacti, cactuses or cactus? Listening to it will encourage great questions from all the family, and we're sure, interesting discussions. Download the app "But Why" and enjoy further exploring curiosity with your children.



LIBRARY FAMILY EVENING

Unfortunately our Library Family evening scheduled for this evening has been cancelled.

STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES WEDNESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 3.20PM - 8.20PM

Our Student-Led Conferences will now take place on Wednesday 29 September. As we are currently at Level 2, we will have just three families in a class at a time and 20 minute slots.

To book: schoolinterviews.co.nz and use the code zww9r

This is an opportunity for a child to articulate their progress and achievement through selecting pieces of work to talk about, as well as pointing out tools for learning and areas in the classroom of interest. These are celebratory learning conversations. If there are specific issues you wish to discuss with the teacher, please arrange a separate meeting or phone call.

Childcare Facilities:

These will be available in the **School Library**, under the following Level 2 conditions:

- ★ It is a cashless system: your school account will be charged \$2 per child;
- ★ No under 5s allowed;
- ★ No siblings from other schools;
- ★ One parent to drop off and pick up at the library door - parents are unable to enter the library;
- ★ All children must sanitise their hands on entering and exiting the library.

ASSEMBLY

If we are still at Level 2 on Friday 1 October, our assembly audience will be our tamariki only. Due to physical distancing constraints, we are unable to have parents attend if we are not at Level 1.

LOST PROPERTY

There are many items in our lost property including clothes, drink bottles, hats, fairy lights and even a scooter. Please ask your children to check the lost property to see if any of the items belong to them. Any items still in our lost property area when the holidays begin will be given to charity.

DENTAL VAN

The Bee Healthy dental van was due to come during Term 4. However, we have been advised they will now have to come early in 2022 due to a Covid backlog. If your child was due for a checkup it may be wise to contact Bee Healthy directly on 0800 825 583. The nearest Bee Healthy Clinic is located at Rāroa.

HOME AND SCHOOL

Sausage Sizzle: Thank you to our Home and School Committee who are running their popular sausage sizzle this Friday.

BOARD SHORTS

COVID19 Lockdown:

The board wishes to acknowledge our staff, community, families and students, for their support and calm acceptance of procedures through Level 4 and 3, and now in Level 2, as we move through Alert levels. Your support is most appreciated.

Staff Wellbeing:

Staff wellbeing is an important priority for the board, and even more so in these current times when Alert levels bring extra challenges to be managed and navigated by staff. We are working with the school leadership team to ensure that workload is realistic and manageable.

Home & School Committee:

It is great to see the Home & School Committee back in action with a busy end to this week and over this coming weekend. We know our children are very excited about the sausage sizzle on Friday. Thank you to all those parents assisting with the massive task of cooking 600+ sausages.

Once the barbeques are packed away, a number of our families are also booked in to get their photo taken during the Inspire Family Photo Day this weekend. Thank you to all those parents assisting with the planning and delivery of the Inspire Family Photo Day event.

IN-ZONE ENROLMENTS 2022 & STUDENT LEAVERS

It is nearly that time of year when we start to plan classes for 2021. Having a clear picture of *leavers and arrivers* helps us to plan class placements and keep classes to an appropriate size.

If you have a child who will be starting Cashmere during 2022 or know of any who will be, can you please fill in our pre-enrolment form on our website as this gives us an indication of our class numbers. Ngā mihi. Web address: www.cashmere-ave.school.nz/starting-school/enrolments

Leavers: Do you have a child (Year 1 to Year 5) leaving our school at the end of 2021? Please advise the school office so that we can prepare the appropriate transfer information.

OUT-OF-ZONE ENROLMENTS

Applications for out-of-zone places are now being invited for **new entrant** students who will be eligible for enrolment during Term 1 and 2 2022. Applications are made on the official enrolment form, which is available at the school office.

The deadline for receipt of applications for out-of-zone places is 5pm, **Friday 24 September 2021**. If a ballot for out-of-zone places is required, it will be held on Monday 27 September 2021. Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three school days of the ballot being held.

Please contact the School office, phone **04 939 4700** for details regarding the application process or email office@cashmere-ave.school.nz

HAVE YOU MOVED?

If you have moved house since the beginning of the year, please make sure the office has your correct information. You can let the office know by emailing either office@cashmere-ave.school.nz or admin@cashmere-ave.school.nz

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS TO THE END OF TERM THREE

The following is a list of our upcoming meetings and events to the end of Term Three. Please note that the following events are dependent on what level we are at. Our Community Calendar can also be viewed on our website: <https://www.cashmere-ave.school.nz/> look for Important Dates.

Week 9	Wednesday	22 September		Library Family Evening - CANCELLED
	Thursday	23 September		
	Friday	24 September		
Week 10	Monday	27 September	7.30pm	Home & School Meeting - Room 3 and 4
	Tuesday	28 September		
	Wednesday	29 September		
	Thursday	30 September		
	Friday	1 October	2pm	Assembly END OF TERM 2
Term 4	Monday	18 October		TERM 4 STARTS

TERM DATES 2021

Term 3	Monday 26 July 2021 - Term 3 Begins Friday 1 October 2021 - Term 3 Ends <i>School holidays: Saturday 2 October to Sunday 17 October</i>
Term 4	Monday 18 October 2021 - Term 4 Begins Wednesday 15 December 2021 - Term 4 Ends <i>School holidays begin Thursday 16 December</i> Teacher Only Day: Friday 22 October, Labour Day Monday 25 October

Below is an outline of the term dates for 2022. There will also be two Teacher Only Days, dates of which are to be confirmed.

TERM DATES 2022	
Term 1	Tuesday 1 February - Term 1 Begins Thursday 14 April - Term 1 Ends Waitangi Day Observed: Monday 7 February Good Friday: Friday 15 April
Term 2	Monday 2 May - Term 2 Begins Friday 8 July - Term 2 Ends Queen's Birthday: Monday 6 June Matariki: Friday 24 June
Term 3	Monday 25 July - Term 3 Begins Friday 30 September - Term 3 Ends
Term 4	Monday 17 October - Term 4 Begins Friday 16 December - Term 4 Ends Teacher Only Day: Friday 21 October Labour Day: Monday 24 October

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 www.lunchonline.co.nz - select preferred options. Please remember to change the child's classroom number when you order.

Sushi - ezlunch: ezlunch has just updated their website but you can still order through www.mykindo.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/>

Please view our community notices for School holiday programmes, for example Evolve Tennis at Khandallah Tennis Club, Big Air Gym, art programmes, computer classes and lots more.

Y CENTRAL BEFORE SCHOOL CARE

Y Central has spaces available for Before School Care. If you would like to use this service or require further information on times and costs please contact Y Central on 027 702 5843 or email Cashmere.asc@ycentral.nz.

OUR VALUES

