

# Ashburton Netherby School

Caring, Sharing and Learning Together

## Newsletter

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Wenerei 28th Ākuhata 2024

Week 6 Term 3

Netherby School Website: <https://www.netherby.school.nz>

Netherby School Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/Ashburton-Netherby-School-347486892319026/>

School Vision: Quality teaching, Quality learning

School Mission: Encourage all to aim high, do their best, be resilient and have fun.

Hakatere Kāhui Ako Website: <https://www.hakaterekahuiako.nz/>

### School Whakatauki

Nau te rourou, naku te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi.

With your food basket and my food basket, the people will thrive.

**Tālofa lava, Kia orana, Mālō e lelei, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Bula Vinaka, Talofa ni, Kia ora and hello.**

Week 6 is upon us in a flash. School is incredibly busy, a real hive of activity with all sorts of opportunities available for all of our learners both inside and outside of the class. It's great to have so much breadth across the curriculum available for children to experience success in.

### Cultural Dress Day (Tongan Language Week)

Following Tongan Language Week we had a cultural dress day in order to celebrate the language week and diversity in our school. Children were encouraged to come to school in their traditional cultural outfits. It was great to see so many children wearing their traditional clothing with pride. The photo has the children who identify as Tongan are at the front. Once again thank you parents for supporting your children in getting ready for these special and important weeks.



### Football and Netball Winter Tournament Teams

Both teams made us proud at the Winter Tournament last week. It is a very competitive event. The Kea Football team won 3 from 5 games in the pool stages, narrowly losing one game which would have seen them in the semi finals had they won. The Kea's went on to play three more games losing two, both narrowly. Again, the team could have won especially when counting the shots on goal they had that they did not capitalise on. That's sport!! Our player of the tournament was Kueva who was electric on attack scoring something like 6 or 7 goals. A big thank you to Ravind who managed and coached the team on the day.



The netball team did really well, winning five out of their seven games in pool play making it into the quarter finals where they eventually lost. Our player of the tournament was Charli - Kaye for excellent attack and shooting. A big thank you to Cassie Mitchell for coaching and Jenny Doak for managing the team. A shout out too for Ryleigh Martin who refereed.



### **Skiing Friday 6th September 7am**

Remember, we ski next Friday for those concerned. If you are a parent of a child, please ensure you have the right clothing, and are aware we need the children here at 7am at the latest as we need to be on the mountain at 8am for car parking and to get the children sorted with equipment for their lessons. I will message you all if we are not going due to weather conditions. We hope for great weather.

## **Annual Speech and Poetry Contest**

Congratulations to all of the class members who participated and competed to get through to the finals of both the speech and poetry contest. You did well to this point and should be proud of your achievements. At assembly recently I spoke of practice, as in if you want to get better at something you need to practice. It must have worked as both Rene and I were literally gasping at each other with the pure class and quality of speeches on display which was even better this year than last, which too was also of a very high standard. I could see many had practiced. Like in all competitions, we need to choose winners, balancing up fine margins to decide who should win. It is never easy.

This year it is with great pleasure to announce the following winners.

Yr. 5 / 6 Speech Contest Winner: Ma'ake Vaipulu

Junior Poetry Contest Winner: Rowella Sangco

Teacher's Choice: Tisi Vaipulu

Ma'ake has the opportunity to represent Netherby School in the Yr. 5 / 6 Rotary Planes Speech Contest on Wednesday 4th September at the RSA.

A big thank you to the parents who came to support their children and a big thank you to Rene Artz for offering his services to co - judge the annual speech contest. Also full credit to Miss Sloan who organises the speech and poetry contest at school.

All the best to Ma'ake in defending the Yr. 5 / 6 Rotary Planes Speech trophy which we currently hold thanks to Tala'i Touli winning it in 2023.



### **Elgregoe Magic and Values Show**

We had Elgregoe come and wow the children with his magic and values show last week. Elgregoe has been performing in schools for something like 44 years and accurately estimates to have performed his show to over a million children. Sadly, this is Elgregoe's last year performing in schools as he looks to wind down a bit in his early retirement. You can still see him performing at Willowbank and possibly even here in Ashburton during special occasions, but not at schools. A big shout out from us to Elgregoe for his service and commitment to teaching children the values and tools to move away from trouble while blending magic to grab children's attention. Elgregoe will be missed.



A good exercise would be to check in with your child and see if they remember any of the WITS or values taught by Elgregoe, which are also reinforced at school through a worksheet he leaves for us after the performance.

### **Hakatere Festival**

Mark in your calendar Thursday 19 September 2024 for this year's Hakatere Festival. There are many more seats available these days, so if your child is performing in either the Puawaitanga Kapa Haka group or the Pasifika Cultural group, you are invited to come and support them.

Kapa haka performance is: 11am

Pasifika Performance is: 12.10pm



## **Our Duffy Certificate Recipients for demonstrating Pride Values**



Back Row: Roseta, Georgia, Rowella, Brihanna  
Front Row: Colden, Andreas, Eseta, Ella-Marie

### **Attendance Front and Centre 2024**

As a school we have a set of procedures we follow in order to support and remind parents of our attendance goals. The goals we have are there because we know attendance matters so much. Remember, we ask all parents who are having trouble with attendance to work with us as a team for the betterment of your child/dren's attendance and educational attainment. Ultimately, if attendance remains low despite our collective work we are obliged to involve Truancy Services to offer another tier of support and help. If we send a letter please consider it as a friendly reminder and gentle reminder we, and the whole nation, is really focussed on improving attendance nationwide this year.

### **SEND ME TO SCHOOL/KURA**

- I have a runny nose or just a slight cough
- I haven't had a fever for the last 24 hours and haven't needed any medicine
- I haven't vomited or had any diarrhoea for 24 hours and haven't needed any medicine
- If you have had norovirus or another notifiable vomiting and diarrhoea illness, come to school only after 48 hours since you have last vomited or had diarrhoea
- I have tummy pain or a headache with no diarrhoea, vomiting or fever, but I'm comfortable enough to take part in school activities.

### **KEEP ME AT HOME**

- My temperature is 38°C or higher or I need medicine to keep my temperature down
- I have vomited or had diarrhoea in the last 24 hours
- I have vomited and or had diarrhoea due to norovirus or another notifiable illness within the last 48 hours
- I have an unexplained rash
- My eyes are pink and crusty

### **Skool Loop**

Remember we are using Skool Loop more and more now. Please download the Skool Loop app and search for Ashburton Netherby School and select the groups you would like to receive notifications for.

### **School Uniform Shop in 2024**

The school uniform shop will be open every Thursday from 2.45 - 3.15pm. All uniform garments can be bought here except the skirts or skorts, which are available at Tots to Teens.

### **Chaplaincy Service**

Remember, we at Netherby are very fortunate to have a chaplaincy service for anyone in our school community who needs support, advice or someone to talk to. This service is of course confidential and designed to help you. Feel free to contact the school at any time at all in order to access this service.

### **Absences**

If your child is sick, has an appointment or will be late to school, please ring the school office on 308 5799 or text 027 752 2488 or put the absence through the skool loop app, so we are aware of their whereabouts and know they are safe.

### **Parking**

As a school we are fully aware of the limitations of our parking space between the busy morning drop offs and after school pick ups. Please be mindful of parking safely, and in a way that does not obscure my vision on pedestrian crossing. One way to reduce parking congestion is for some parents with older children to organise with their children a pick-up zone in King St, or further down Brucefield Avenue. Thanks for considering this idea.

### **School Hours, Drop Offs and Pickups**

Please remember our actual school hours are from 8.30am until 3pm. Aside from those here for the breakfast club on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday before 8.30am we cannot guarantee responsibility for children on school grounds either before or after these hours. If you are for some reason going to drop your child off early or pick them up late it is essential you let the school know to check this will work and that your child will be safe and monitored. Teachers and staff sometimes

need to leave promptly after school for meetings, professional development and personal things, meaning they cannot guarantee care and monitoring.

### **\*\* POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PB4L) \*\***

Keeping in line with our goal to explore specific behavioural aspects from our Values Matrix, we as a school will be focusing on the following for Week 5 and 6 of Term 3.

- Try hard in your lessons
- Get changed quickly and quietly
- Keep all of your belongings with you
- Respect the pool environment
- Use your manners with pool staff

The value we are focusing on in Week 5 and 6 of Term 3 is:

#### **Integrity - Ngākau**

- ✓ Treat others with respect
- ✓ Be honest and reliable
- ✓ Follow through on what you say

If families are able to discuss and reinforce our school PRIDE values at home, it is much appreciated.

### **Pride Values:**

The following children have come to me recently for great learning and behaviour that demonstrates our PRIDE Values: Lily, JJ, Andreas, Eboni, Benji, Addison, Mercy, Meah, LJ, Tevita, Fuatana, Lorelai and Charles.

### **PRIDE Postcards**

#### **25 Pride Tokens = Wall of Pride:**

Congratulations to the following children who have made it on to the Wall of Pride:  
Well done: Lucius, Sativa, and Ronan.

### **PRIDE Postcards**

#### **50 Pride Tokens = Bronze Award:**

Congratulations to the following children who have made it to Bronze:  
Well done: Brihanna, Arielle, Lauretta, Lily, Allicia, Skyla - Rose, Piwhara and Se'epa.

### **PRIDE Postcards**

#### **75 Pride Tokens = Silver Award:**

Congratulations to the following child who have made it to Silver:  
Well done: Hunter McCormick, TJ and Adrianna.

### **Facebook Page Ashburton Netherby School**

There are always new threads going up on Facebook showcasing our school and children in a positive, friendly, active and open learning environment. Please search and follow us for the latest threads.

**<https://www.facebook.com/Ashburton-Netherby-School-347486892319026/>**

The page will not be a forum for opinions, discussions, or debates about things that happen within our school. Nor will it be a page where we accept friendship requests. Ashburton Netherby School Facebook is just a page you follow, like, and share

### **Term 3 2024 Assembly Timetable**

Integrity - Ngākau 26th August - Room 5  
Diligence - Mamahitanga 9th September - Room 6  
Excellence - Hiranga 23rd September - Room 7

While we endeavour to stick to the assembly timetable there will be occasions where things might have to change. If you are intending to come to the assembly your child class is scheduled to lead the assembly it would be sensible to check with them that the assembly is scheduled to run as described in the timetable.

### **Term 3 2024 Calendar:**

Wednesday 4th September - Rotary Planes Speech Contest  
Friday 6th September - Skiing for those concerned  
Tuesday 10th September - BOT Meeting  
Wednesday 11th September - Japanese visit our school  
Thursday 19th September - Hakatere Festival

### **2024 Term Dates:**

Term 3 2024	22 July - 27 September
Term 4 2024	14 October - 19 December

## Community Notices



<https://feedmix.co.nz/index.html>

**Kind sponsors for the Duffy in Books Programme at Netherby School since 2022**

### **Hakatere/Opuke Mana Ake Drop-Ins**

Have you got some concerns about your child's mental health and wellbeing that you'd like to discuss with a Mana Ake Kaimahi?

*What is a drop in?* A drop-in is a 20–30-minute session where you can discuss any concerns regarding your child's wellbeing, and kaimahi can provide some advice and guidance on how to manage your concerns.

*When do we have our drop-ins?* Our drop-ins are made by appointment.

*Where do we have our drop-ins?* Drop-in locations vary. They may take place at school after 3pm, at the Presbyterian Support offices or via zoom.

*How to book?* To book a time to chat to a Mana Ake Kaimahi contact Rebekah Roberts at [rebekahr@psusi.org.nz](mailto:rebekahr@psusi.org.nz) or call 027 223 5360

Some areas you might like to discuss include anxiety, managing difficult behaviour, friendship/bullying issues or grief and change.

## **Are you new to the region?** **We can help you**

### **Newcomers Network**

We welcome newcomers, from all over, to our district. Our aim is to help them feel at home by organising events and social gatherings.

### **Migrant Centre**

This service helps migrants to better understand New Zealand's systems and feel part of their community.

We can help migrants to:

- enrol with a local doctor.
- explore job or study options.
- understand legal, tax and immigration systems, and more



**FB:** Mid Canterbury Newcomers Network

**Email:** [newcomers@safer.org.nz](mailto:newcomers@safer.org.nz)

[www.hakateremulticultural.org](http://www.hakateremulticultural.org)

**IG:** @Newcomersashburton

**Phone:** 027 220 8791



**Hakatere**

**Multi Cultural Council**

## Te Huka Tai Trust are offering the following events (for adults)

Sept 7 & 8 [Stone Carving](#) (tickets going quickly)

<https://events.humanitix.com/oamaru-stone-carving-september-2024>

Sept 23 [Pop up kete](#) - weaving for beginners

<https://events.humanitix.com/harakeke-pop-up-kete-sept-2024>

Oct 12 [Waikawa](#) - weaving for beginners and those with some experience\

<https://events.humanitix.com/harakeke-waikawa-october-2024>

All the details are in the links.

*(No word back from tukutuku panels tutor as yet but we hope to run another of these popular one day sessions too)*

Ngā mihi,

Kate White - trustee, Te Huka Tai Trust

Love Tennis Day

Sunday 8th September 2024 (10am-2pm)

Mid Canterbury Tennis

Braided Rivers Community Trust Ashburton Tennis Centre

70 Oak Grove

Love Tennis is Tennis NZ's annual event where tennis clubs around the country open their doors and courts to their community.

Bring the whole family and give tennis a go for FREE.

- There will be fun activities including a BBQ and giveaways.
- We will have games/ coaching for all ages and abilities – no experience necessary to give tennis a go...for free!
- On the day discounted offers to join the club and and/or coaching
- Meet some of the Mid Canterbury Tennis players & members
- Enter the colouring in competition (sent home with your child). Bring it along to Love tennis at Mid Canterbury Tennis on the 8th Sept, to go into the draw to PRIZES!
- PLUS! When you come along to Love Tennis, you will go into the draw to win a trip to the Australian Open!

We would love to see you, everyone is welcome!

[www.lovetennis.kiwi](http://www.lovetennis.kiwi)

## YOU can make a difference!

Since 2003, through the generosity of local people who care, Advance Ashburton has given over \$7 million to support causes in our community. This includes a variety of opportunities available to the students of Ashburton Netherby School to learn and thrive, such as:

### BOOST Literacy Programme

AACF funding enables this programme to provide literacy support to over 200 children throughout the Ashburton District every year, raising achievement in reading, writing and spelling.

### Seabrook McKenzie Learning Assessments

AACF funding ensures free learning assessments are available in Ashburton for identified children through the Mid Canterbury Principals' Association.

### Music in Schools

AACF funding provides free music tuition for identified students at Ashburton Netherby School who would otherwise not have this opportunity

### Hakatere Multicultural Festival

AACF funding supports this annual showcase of kapa haka and multicultural performances at the Ashburton Event Centre which is free for whānau and supporters to attend.

**Anyone can be a donor and make a difference.**

Give through payroll at your workplace, by regular automatic payment or through a one-off donation to Advance Ashburton 02-0836-0071001-002.

Donations of \$5 or more are eligible for a tax rebate of 33.3% of your donation. Contact our Executive Officer, Carolyn Clough, to find out more.

# PASIFIKA COMMUNITY HEALTH DAY

The TAT clinical team will be in Ashburton providing health education, vaccinations and screening appointments thanks to our friends at Screen South Ltd.

Be sure to join us for a family fun day filled with kai, goodies up for grabs and all things wellness!

## Ladies Education Session:

Date: 23rd August, 2024

Time: 6pm - 8pm

Venue: Centennial Sports Hall

## Family Health Day:

Date: 24th August, 2024

Time: 10am - 3pm

Venue: Centennial Sports Hall





**Family Works**  
UPPER SOUTH ISLAND

**Presbyterian Support**  
Upper South Island

## Incredible Years® Parenting Programme

### Date, Time & Location\*

14 Week program

15<sup>th</sup> August - 28 November  
(with 2 week break for school holidays)

Thursdays 5.15pm - 7.30pm

Location to be confirmed

### Registration

Erin Sturman - Ministry of Education  
[incredibleyears.canterbury@education.govt.nz](mailto:incredibleyears.canterbury@education.govt.nz)

NB: Spaces are limited and bookings are essential. Waitlist and referrals are managed by the Ministry of Education.

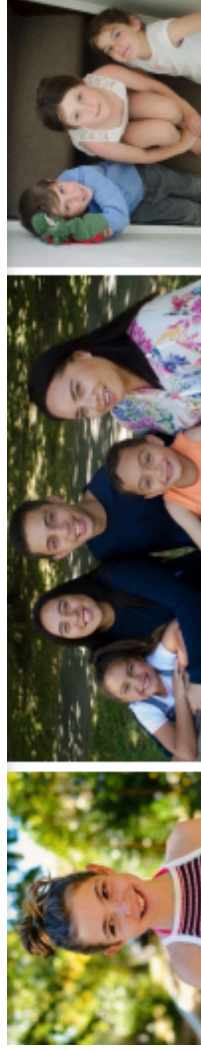
### Course Details

Incredible Years is a parenting programme for parents of 3-8 year old children who would love to connect with other parents and learn some new parenting strategies.

Outcomes you should expect:

- » Building a closer bond between you and your child/children.
- » Growing your child's social and emotional skills so that they can make friends and manage those BIG emotions!
- » Understand your child's learning and help them persist with challenging tasks.

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**MANA AKE**  
STRONGER FOR TOMORROW

**Presbyterian Support**  
Upper South Island

## Tuning in to Kids™

### DATE, TIME & LOCATION\*

Tuesday 29 October - 3<sup>rd</sup> December  
10am - 12 noon

Presbyterian Support, 215 Tancred Street, Ashburton

### REGISTRATION

Please refer through  
[www.psuffersouth.org.nz](http://www.psuffersouth.org.nz) or email  
[midcant@psusi.org.nz](mailto:midcant@psusi.org.nz) to enrol.

\* Spaces are limited, however, you can request to be placed on the waitlist.

### COURSE DETAILS

Tuning in to Kids™ is an evidence based programme designed to teach parents & caregivers:

- » Awareness and regulation of their own emotions
- » Awareness of their children's emotions
- » To use their children's emotional experiences as an opportunity for closeness and teaching
- » Skills to assist children with problem solving, and labelling and managing their emotions
- » To guide children's behaviours with appropriate limits

NB: Changes can occur depending on registration numbers.

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Sessions include:

- » Group discussions and exercises
- » Participants sharing their own experiences
- » Practices of new learning
- » Watching video material
- » Home activities to practice responding to children's emotions