



AWAHOU SCHOOL

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"To meet the educational needs of the Pohangina Valley community by fostering individual excellence in a dynamic and caring environment."

EXCELLENT LEARNING FOR A GLOBAL FUTURE

Week 2, Term 2, 2017

10 May, 2017

Respect Whakaute - Honesty Matatika - Effort Ngaki

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Kia Ora Awahou Community,
It's going to be short and sharp this week because basically it's been a bit of a staffing lottery and when it rains, it pours for us at Awahou School! Firstly, our deepest thoughts and commiserations go to Miss Edmond, whose mother sadly passed away in the early hours of Saturday morning. We have been thinking of Connie all week. On top of that, I had the pleasure of spending a large portion of the weekend in Palmerston North hospital with some issues with one of my kidneys, which has continued to plague me this week and has me thanking the marvels of modern day medicine, and Science, for the painkillers available to me! Then of course, we have Miss Barr who, in her words, is "down to a waddle now" with the imminent arrival of her little girl, at the same time suffering from the flu. We had been hoping to begin to wind Miss Barr's intensity down this week, but like a true trooper she has stepped up to the plate rather than being able to relax. We have also been lucky enough to have Mrs Young step up and help out this week earlier than expected, whilst also suffering the flu currently doing the rounds, along with a number of our students. What a week! However if there's something we are good at here at Awahou School, it's showing resilience and determination to overcome adversity. I'd like to give a huge thanks to our staff for stepping up, our kids for being so understanding and continuing to work hard despite the distractions, and our community – in particular Aly, Peta and Louise, for helping us through a tricky week! *Arohanui - Matt Schmidt*



Wharite looking awesome!

Virtue of the week:

Compassion

Compassion is understanding and caring when someone is hurt or troubled, even if you don't know them. It is wanting to help, even if all you can do is listen and say kind words. Your forgive mistakes. You are a friend when someone needs a friend.

"The purpose of human life is to serve and to show compassion and the will to help others." – Albert Einstein

SCHOOL NOTICES

3 Way Learning Conversation / Learning Plan Feedback

A reminder that attached to last week's newsletter was a consultation form to seek feedback on last term's 3 Way Learning Conversations. This is a learning journey for us as teachers this year as well, so we'd appreciate your feedback. So far I have only received 3 back. If you would like another copy, or a digital version, feel free to email me at school.

Tin Cans for Wharite

Wharite are still on the hunt for a few more tin cans for a Mother's Day activity on Friday. If you have any spaghetti, baked beans, tinned fruit etc in the next couple of nights please give the tins a good wash and send them in to school.

Cross Country

Cross Country training has started and the kids are giving it their all! This week we are running complete laps of the school before moving on to the dreaded hill next week! Please remember your running shoes and suitable clothing every day.

Glad Rag Grab – change of date

Please note there has been a change of date for the Glad Rag Grab – this will now be **Saturday, June 24th from 2pm**. Don't forget to give your wardrobes a good clean out and send us in your clean, unwanted clothes.

ITM Junior Tough Guy / Gal Challenge

With the year getting away on us fast, it is time to confirm our entries for the ITM Junior Tough Guy/Gal Challenge at Linton Camp on Friday, 4th August. The cost is \$20 per entrant and the categories are:

Ankle Biters (3/4), Little Nippers (Y5/6) and Big Rascals (Y7/8).

This year we are also thinking of having a school dress up theme to make it more fun! If you're interested in taking part, please email me at school

(awahouprincipal@awahou.school.nz) in the next two weeks. Further information regarding the event can be found at

www.eventpromotions.co.nz

LOOKING AHEAD



Odd week Thursdays – Year 8s to Tech @ Monrad Intermediate

Thursday May 18th – BOT meeting, 7pm @ school

Wednesday May 24th – Friday May 26th – Mr Schmidt @ Rural Principal Conference

Friday May 26th – Miss Barr on maternity leave (if she lasts until then!)

Monday May 29th – Welcome Mrs Young!

Wednesday June 14th – School X-Country

Friday June 16th – Kainui X-Country

Wednesday June 21st - BOT meeting, 7pm @ school

Saturday June 24th – Glad Rag Grab (2pm)

Friday June 30th – Kainui Hockey

Friday July 7th – Last day of term

STUDENT ACHIEVERS



Congratulations to:

**ALL OF THE STUDENTS OF
AWAHOU SCHOOL!**

For staying focused, displaying our school values, and working hard throughout the week despite our fair share of disruptions!

**MR SCHMIDT OWES YOU ALL A
JUICIE!**



* Bring your running shoes and clothes suitable for running in every day this term.

* Unwanted cushions, fabric and empty tin cans for Wharite please

* Term 1 and on-going feedback from parents on Learning as Inquiry plans.

* Clear out your wardrobes for the Glad Rag Grab.

Save the date...
WILD FOOD FEAST 2017
Saturday 5 August

Plans are afoot for something special for this year's Wild Food Feast! Details will be posted soon - until then - mark your diaries.

COMMUNITY & SPORT NOTICES

We have a lot of students involed in sport this term – great stuff!

HOCKEY

Thank you those who responded to our efforts to enter a last ditch Hockey team after last week. We now have a team and start playing this weekend!

Our first game is at 10am on Saturday morning vs Central. Please be ready to go by 9.45am. Billie and Louise will be running a practice this Friday at lunchtime, and then practices will be every **Wednesday** lunchtime. Please make sure you have your mouthguard, shin pads and sticks ready for games and practices.

NETBALL

Netball season is underway and we have a number of players playing for combined Hiwinui-Awahou and Colyton-Awahou teams.

Y7/8 – Our Year 8 girls playing with Colyton had a tough, exciting and physical game first up this week, just going down 21-26 to Monrad.

Y5/6– starts this Saturday morning at CET arena

Y3/4 – Our Y3/4 players are into their 3rd week this week and are having lots of fun!

Congratulations to Jessica Port, who was player of the day for her team last week.

Y1/2 – Our Y1/2 players start next Tuesday, May 16th.

5-ASIDE SOCCER

Well done to our 5-aside soccer team who started their competiton on Monday, just going down 2-1 in a thriller to open the season!

Congratulations to Carter Madge who scored our goal and was named player of the day!

HOOP CLUB

Keep watching this space – Awahou Hoop Club will start on Monday and Friday lunchtimes from Week 5.

SATURDAY MORNING RUGBY

Good luck to all of our boys who started Saturday morning rugby last weekend. I'd love to know you results each week. A big congratulations to Alfie Price, who was named Player of the Day for his Feilding team in his first game in the Manawatu!



Awahou School
GLAD RAG GRAB

NEED YOUR CLOTHES NOW!

Have a clean out of your wardrobe & please drop your clothes off at the Awahou School. Thanks

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The poster features illustrations of various clothing items including a pink dress, a grey skirt, a red jacket, a white shirt, a pair of green shorts, a pair of red boots, a pair of green gloves, a pair of purple shoes, a pair of blue jeans, a pair of pink shorts, a green handbag, and a pair of black shoes. A cartoon girl is also depicted holding a shopping bag.



ASHURST Community MARKET

NOTE VENUE CHANGE FOR MAY AND JUNE
AT THE VILLAGE VALLEY CENTRE

Saturday 13th May

FOOD, CRAFTS, PLANTS & ENTERTAINMENT

NOTE SPECIAL TIME
MAY & JUNE ONLY
NOON - 3 PM

Second Saturday of every month from Oct-June

loaves.org.nz

we're on facebook

hello@loaves.org.nz

The poster features illustrations of various market items including a teddy bear, a basket of fruit, a plant, and a loaf of bread. A banner at the top reads 'ASHURST Community MARKET'.

Bulk Rubbish Collection

Please be advised that the Pohangina bulk rural rubbish collection is scheduled for the 20th of May. Normal Council refuse charges apply. See the Council website for charges. Collection starts at 9am and finishes at 11am at the Pohangina