

3 July 2020

Kia ora

We welcome Fletcher and Jaxon who have started school in Whakarewa.

It has been lovely to return to school after a normal holiday break and see children refreshed and ready to learn. It is also good to see the return of opportunities that enrich our programme. Some sports opportunities have resumed and speech, debating, EPro8 and Cantamath competitions will all go ahead for older students.

Later in the term, we will enjoy a performance from NZ Playhouse. Parents and pre-schoolers will be welcome to join us for this. The whole school will also participate in the Top Team Challenge provided by Sport Canterbury. The Top Team Challenge is a series of interactive team building challenges designed to promote problem-solving, communication and team work while being active and having fun.

Juliana Rae  
Principal

## ICAS

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) are offered each year by the University of New South Wales. They are optional for children in Years 3 – 8 and the subjects include Digital Technologies, Science, English, Spelling Bee and Mathematics. Entries close on 3 August. Please see the alert on the School App for details and to enter your child.

### **Mana Ake drop-in service – Monday 3 August**

Lesley will be on our school site from 1.30 – 3pm if you would like to drop in for a chat. Parents with concerns about any aspect of their child's wellbeing or development are welcome to connect with Lesley. Meetings are confidential. Lesley is a counsellor with extensive experience and the service is free.

## General Election in September



Over 20,000 staff are needed to work in the General Election, including before Election Day, Election Day itself and then in the weeks after it at their headquarters. If this is of interest please register your interest on their website: <https://elections.nz/jobs/work-at-the-2020-general-election/>

Enrolment details can be checked online at <https://enrol.vote.nz/app/enrol/#/check-online>

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## Scholastic Book Club 2020 –Term 3

A Scholastic brochure was given out this week

Preferred ordering is now via their online system called **LOOP** (= **L**inked **O**nline **O**rdering & **P**ayment), see website details below. Otherwise the completed order form and cash can be brought to the office.

If you would like your order to be released earlier, or held at the office for you to collect, please let Kathryn know.

**To order:-** <https://mybookclub.scholastic.co.nz/Parent/Login.aspx>

- ◆ If you would like your order to be held in the office for collection rather than be given to your child please let Kathryn know and indicate this on your order.
  - ◆ To allow time for orders to be processed before the end of term, please order by Friday 14 August
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## From our PTA

The PTA had a quiet term 2 and are hoping that we will be able to start holding some fundraising events this term to get our community together.

The first event planned is the Year 1 - 8 school disco on Friday 21st August. Thank you to those that have offered their help to organize this as the children love to "dance" the night away with glow sticks and balloons.

The theme this year is:

### **WINTER WONDERLAND**

So get your thinking caps on for costume ideas as there will be prizes!

Our first meeting will be held in the staff room Monday 27th July @ 6.45pm. We would love to see some new faces there.

If you require any second hand uniform please contact Martha on 027 2717168



# Calendar of Events

please note the dates in your diary now

July	27 31 31 31	PTA Meeting @ 6.45pm in staffroom. All welcome Lunchtime Sausage Sizzle (order via Kindo) Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Assembly
August  <b>17-28 Aug: Hall car-park not available for school use.</b>	3 4 5 5 6 7 7 12 13 14 14 21 21 21 26 27 28 28 28 31	Mana- Ake drop in, 1.30 – 3.00pm Board of Trustees meeting, 6pm Year 6 parent Evening at 6pm Year 8, Kaiapoi High School at 7pm Year 7 & 8 Tech Day Pizza, lunch. Year 8 fundraiser, order in Library before school on day, cash only Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Ski Trip (school or ski) Fish & Chip lunch (order via Kindo) Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Assembly Pizza, lunch. Year 8 fundraiser, order in Library before school on day, cash only PTA Disco (more information to come) Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Speech Comp v Ohoka Year 7 & 8 Tech Day Lunchtime Sausage Sizzle (order via Kindo) Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Assembly Rotary Speech Competition, Aspire
September	4 4 7 8 10 11 11 16 17 18 22 23 25 25 25	Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Pizza, lunch. Year 8 fundraiser, order in Library before school on day, cash only Mana- Ake drop in, 1.30 – 3.00pm School Photographs (to be taken by School photography NZ) Subway for lunch (order via Kindo) Assembly Chocolate for sale after school (\$2.00 per bar) Year 7 & 8 Cantamaths, Horncastle Arens, 2.45pm Year 7 & 8 at Tech all day Pizza, lunch. Year 8 fundraiser, order in Library before school on day, cash only Top Team Board of Trustees meeting, 6pm Assembly Lunchtime Sausage Sizzle (order via Kindo) <b>End of Term 3. School finishes at usual time</b>

## Other dates to note, Term 4:

12 October: Teacher Only Day (no school)  
21 October: Athletics  
27–30 November: Camp Wellington, year 8

## Term Dates for 2020

Term 3: Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September (10 weeks)

Term 4: Tuesday 13 October - Friday 11 December (9 weeks)

Teacher only day: **Monday 12 October – please note change of date**