



Te Kura o Tahu a Tao
Nga Huarahi ki te Kairangi

Our Whakatauki:

Ma te kahukura ka rere te manu
Adorn the bird with feathers so it may fly



NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S PEN

Kia ora nga whanau o Te Kura o Tahu a Tao

It is hard to believe that we are at the midpoint of the term already - the time is flying by!

Swimming Sports

Fifteen students from Year 5-8 took part in Swimming Sports last week against students from Rakaia and Ashburton Christian School. We are very proud of the way they took part, showing our Dorie School Values. Congratulations to all of our swimmers; Arabella, Jake, Thomas, William, Adam, Richie, Axel, Grace, James, Zoe, Ellie, Bas, Nathan, Oscar, and Sam for a job well done. We have 5 students qualify for the County Swimming Sports on March 12; Arabella, James, Oscar, William and Nathan. Good luck and we look forward to hearing your results.

Student Cell Phones at School

The Government has prohibited the use of cell phones at school, by students. This hasn't not caused any issues for us at school to date. However, we are required to have procedures in place.

- If a student brings a cell phone to school, it must be left at the school office for collection at the end of the day
- If a student is found in possession of a cell phone during school time, it will be confiscated, the student will be required to phone their parents (using school telephone), parents will collect the cell phone

Policies on School Docs

A reminder that parents are able to view our current policies on the School Docs website. There is a "Policy Review" link to the site from the "Our School" page on the school website www.dorie.school.nz
We do need to draw parents attention to the Physical Restraint Guidelines, contained in the Health and Safety Policy.

Triathlon

We are all looking forward to a great day tomorrow for our annual triathlon. A big thank you to the parents who have indicated that they are prepared to help out. We still need some more help on the day if you are available. This year we have changed the Year 1-2 course and we will need a few more adults on the bike course for our little ones. We are hoping for the weather to cooperate, and turn on a nice day for us.

That's all for this week.

Nga mihinui, arohanui
Anthony

SCHOOL NOTICES

****ABSENCES****

If your child is sick or will be absent from school please notify us, and provide a reason for the absence **as soon as possible**. This can be done multiple ways: via the Hero app, email to your child's teacher or to office@dorie.school.nz, or call us on 03302 0862. Please **do not use Facebook messenger or groups**, these are not an official communication with our school and cannot be used for absence information.

IMPORTANT BUS NOTICE: A Safety Message.....

If there is a change to your child's daily after school bus routine, e.g. different drop off point, being collected from school by someone else or change of bus. **YOU MUST** let the school know by one of the below options:

By 12.30pm on the day at the latest

- Phone call to the office - 03 302 0862
- Email to office@dorie.school.nz

Speed Limits

Please be aware that our school, along with all other schools in Mid Canterbury, has a 30kph speed zone as you pass the school. Also, that when you are passing a school bus that has stopped to pick up or drop off students, the speed limit is 20kph

Hero Financial information

To view your school accounts please go into the hero app and into the finance. This will bring up your school account and any unpaid line items. When your account has a – that means your account is in credit. For example - stationery, school uniform and please pay this into the school bank account. We no longer send out invoices for anything owing to school. Apologies but at this stage we don't think there is any way to notify parents when a line item has been added to your account so please check frequently.

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Week 4

Monday 04
Tuesday 05 Ripa Rugby at school
Wednesday 06
Thursday 07
Friday 08 Assembly

Week 5

Monday 11
Tuesday 12 Counties Swimming and Ripa Rugby at school
Wednesday 13
Thursday 14
Friday 15 Newsletter

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Assembly

Toroa

- Dale S was awarded an **Open Mindedness Award** for trying all of the camp activities even when they were well out of his comfort zone.
- Richie H was awarded a **Determination Award** for overcoming apprehension of a new experience and finding that he really enjoyed it.
- Einash L was awarded an **Open Mindedness Award** for trying all of the camp activities even when they were well out of his comfort zone.

Kea

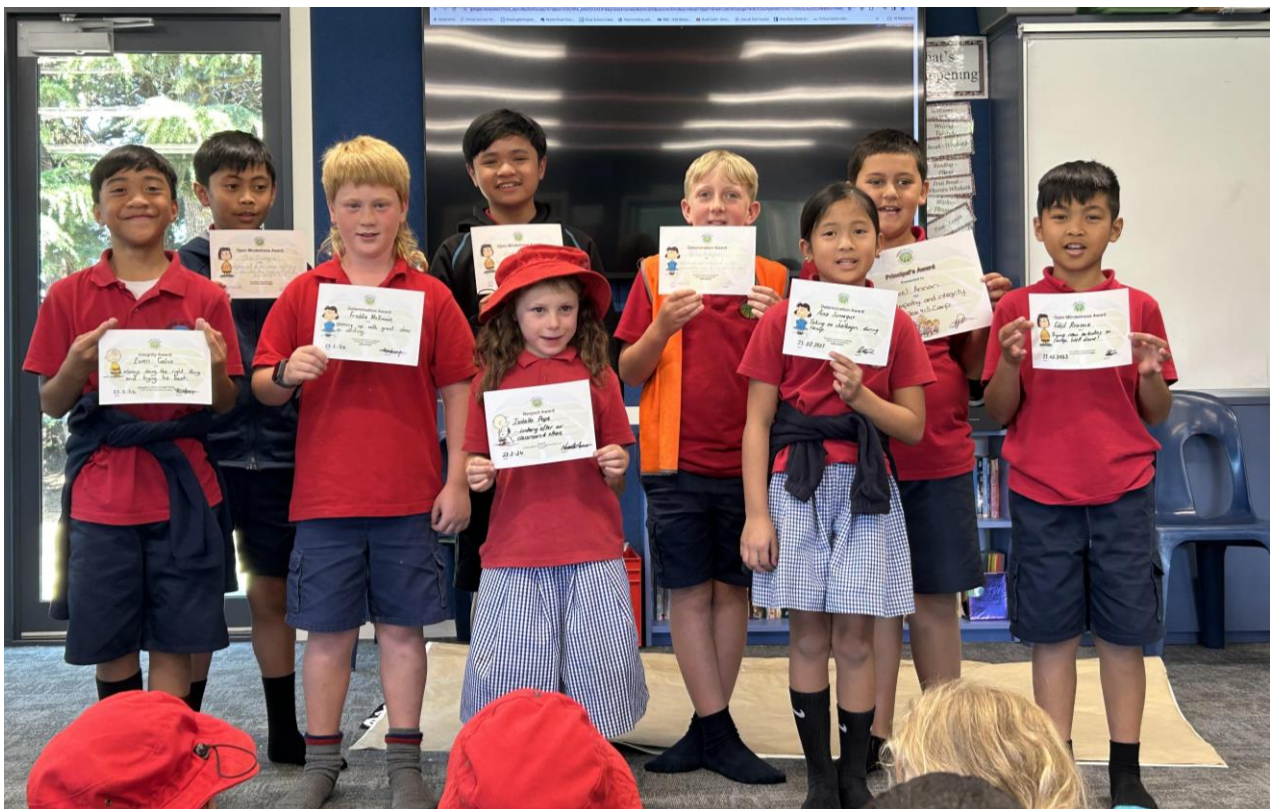
- Aina S was awarded a **Determination Award** for talking on challenges during camp
- Edsil R was awarded an **Open Mindedness Award** for trying new activities on camp

Kereru

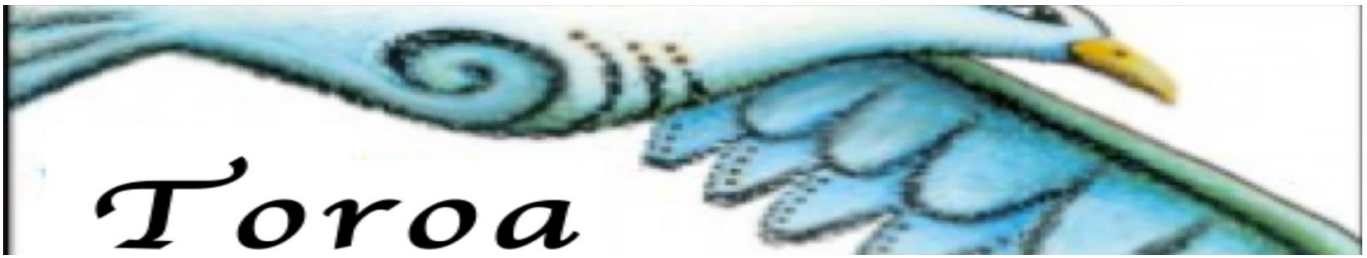
- Ewen G was awarded an **Integrity Award** for always doing the right thing and trying his best
- Freddie McK was awarded a **Determination Award** for coming up with great ideas in writing

Piwakawaka

- Isabella P was awarded a **Respect Award** for looking after our classroom and others
- Zion R was awarded an **Open Mindedness Award** for learning routines of school and trying new things
- Axel A was awarded a **Principals Award** for showing empathy and integrity while on year 4+5 camp.



CLASS UPDATE



Well, Toroa has started off with a hiss and a roar! We have been learning about some of the history and some of the landmarks around where we live. Thank you so much to the staff and parent helps who came away with us on camp. We could not do it without you. Our students are pretty lucky to be able to have those experiences. Check out the weebly for a video and photos of the camp and more camp writing. Here are a few examples of what you can see on the website. www.dorie.school.nz Then go to class pages, then Toroa.

"Swoosh!" I heard as a wave crept up behind me. I was on my knees getting ready to stand up. I did it! But then I fell off. I was proud of myself for standing up and so was my dad. I headed back out to the waves then I saw a white wave coming so I got on my board and started to paddle. I felt the waves touch my feet so I went 'one two three....' then I shot up on my knees. I tried to stand up but I just couldn't. When I tried again I was heading right for Thomas 'Look out!' I yelled and tried to turn but it was too late. I crashed into Thomas. My back did hurt a bit, but it was fine. I could continue to surf and have an amazing time with my friends.

Indy

The whole of Toroa went on camp. Climbing into my wetsuit, it squeezed me so I thought my neck and arms were going to fall off. I tried to do up the zip but I couldn't find the strap. I twisted and turned and tried and tried to find it. I asked the instructor for help. He smiled a funny little smile and said "You've got in on inside out!"

Jason

The minute I laid down on my surfboard I turned sideways making the wave hit the bottom of my left arm causing the surfboard to flip over. It made me tumble and hit my head on the sea floor. As I

The instructor told me to go! The wind blew the boat. I controlled the ropes and the tiller and smoothly reached the turning point. I had trouble swinging to the other side. The boat tipped but I made it in time before the sail hit me on the head. Going back was the harder part there was barely any wind and the sailing boat had kept going in circles. When I was about to give up the boat finally reached the ramp. I felt relieved after hopping off the boat.

Aabha

At the Air Force Museum, Chris was waiting for us at the entrance. We discussed the different types of forces that serve New Zealand, such as the RNZAF (Royal New Zealand Air Force), the NZN (New Zealand Navy), and the RNZA (Royal New Zealand Army). The museum had lots of old aircraft that they were trying to rebuild for display. Our tour included a visit to the old warehouse where planes were stored. In the new warehouse they were rebuilding old aircrafts to put on display. We gathered back at the entrance so we could start our scavenger hunt.

Irish

"WHOOSH!" The sailing boat shoots off quickly as I timidly control the tiller with the knotted rope. My teammates watched me struggle to control the boat as my heart beat rapidly like it was participating in an impossible Olympics. I heard the loud cheers from my

toppled and flipped around I tried to rise up but something above me kept me from going up. I quickly swam away from it and went up and gasped for air. I looked around to quickly realize someone was surfing above me while I was trying to rise. - Shamia

"HE! HA! HE! HA!" The paddles dug into murky water and smacked onto the edges of the waka. We swiftly moved up and down the Avon River. As we entered the underneath of the bridge our voices echoed and the smacking of the paddles got louder. As we exited the cave-like area the light of the sun beamed down on us. As the paddles hit the water miniature whirlpools form. We started to turn around and a cloud of darkly coloured smoke engulfed half the sky.

The Port Hills were on fire.

Andre

We were excitedly waiting to go into the Air Force museum. We got to wear real gear that had been worn in fighter jets. There were two hangars that were built in 1936 because the country expected a war. Chris, the person who gave us the tour, let us go into hangar one. Click click as we pressed thousands of buttons in the hanger. There were buttons we could click, a life raft we sat in, and a real helicopter we sat in and jumped out of. Vroom! While we were on the runway, we heard two planes go over us to put phos-Chek on the Port Hills fire.

Adam

friends which gave me lots of confidence. I turn the boat slowly while the mini waves move my boat. Wind hits my main sheet and it moves to the left. I duck down, luckily, without getting hurt.

Haila

After we got a lesson we paired up with a buddy to carry the surfboard. As we carried the surfboard we went to the beach. As we arrived at the beach we did a quick lesson on the beach. After the quick lesson, we started going to the cold water. As we stood by the waves we saw a giant wave coming. I hopped on the surfboard. I started to paddle to make my board quicker. As the giant wave touched my foot I paddled 3 times and I slowly stood up. I started to lose balance. I lost my balance I fell into the water

Einash

Crash! The waves were smashing against each other as I ran out to the water with my board. I paddle out to my waist finding a good wave. I turn my board around, jump on and start paddling. The wave is at my feet. I sit up on my knees and jump to my feet standing sideways. Before I know it I'm already at shore. Heading out again, I'm standing up on the board then suddenly I crash into Grace and wobble but somehow I don't fall off. The instructor blew the whistle and said one more wave so I tried to get the best wave. I went out real deep and lay on my board waiting for a wave. I saw a massive one so once it got close I started paddling. Once it touched my feet I stood up straight away and it was the best wave I've ever gotten. I was going so fast I couldn't control myself.

Arabella





RAKAIA RUGBY CLUB



JAB MUSTER DAY

UNDER 6 & UNDER 7 RIPPER, UNDER 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14.5

FRIDAY

15TH MARCH

3.30pm - 5.30pm

Live local, play local
Come along for an afternoon of fun!

Rakaia Domain

For any information please contact:

JAB Club Captain: Malcom Chubb - 0273414797
JAB Vice Club Captain: Michael Ross - 021302884



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SUNDAY 7TH APRIL

SOUTH HAGLEY PARK, CHRISTCHURCH

7 - 10 YEARS:

RUN 1KM
CYCLE 4KM
RUN 500M

11 - 15 YEARS:

RUN 2KM
CYCLE 4KM
RUN 1KM

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Incredible Years® Parenting Programme

Date, Time & Location*

14 week programme
12 March - 25 June 2024
(with 2 week break for school holidays)

Tuesdays - 9.30 am – 11.45 am
Tinwald Plains Function Room
20 Maronan Road, Tinwald, Ashburton

Registration

Erin Sturman - Ministry of Education
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.