



**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

### Strategic and Annual Plan

To guide the school in the work that we do, the Board of Trustees is required to develop a Strategic and Annual Plan. The Strategic Plan covers up to 3 years and looks at long term goals. The Annual Plan breaks these goals down into workable targets for the year ahead.

Attached is the current Strategic and Annual Plans for your information and reference.

### Strategic Plan Summary 2024 - 2026

<p><b>Vision:</b> Resilient, excited learners achieving beyond their personal belief</p>	<p><b>Mission:</b> Grow our students academically and socially, to be learners for life, showing confidence and resilience to contribute to their community and a changing world</p>	<p><b>Purpose:</b> To be an inclusive, engaging, forward thinking, professional school</p>
<p><b>Strategic Goal 1</b> <b>Aroha ki te Akotanga</b> (Love of Learning) Build resilient excited students, teachers and teacher aides who are achieving beyond their personal belief.</p>	<p><b>Strategic Goal 2</b> <b>Whanaunatanga</b> (Relationships) Create a school that is the hub and heart of the Dorie Community</p>	<p><b>Strategic Goal 3</b> <b>Hauora</b> (Well-Being) Nurture students and staff to have a strong sense of identity, acceptance and responsibility through positive wellbeing (Te Whare Tapa Wha)</p>
<p><b>We will see:</b> Improved student outcomes in literacy and numeracy Students who are confident and enjoy coming to school Well embedded reporting processes that give parents confidence they know where their children are at All staff confidently teaching Structured Literacy, numeracy and using tikanga and te reo maori Increased awareness and use of local rural community/environment</p>	<p><b>We will see:</b> Greater attendance at and involvement in school events Community that feels a greater connection to their school</p>	<p><b>We will see:</b> Student mediators operating successfully Students are happy at school Staff are happy in their work</p>

## 2024 Annual Plan Summary

Annual Plan Targets (What do we want to achieve?)		
<p>Improving student outcomes in Numeracy, Identify and cater for students with diverse learning needs (ESOL, diagnosed SLD, at risk of not achieving, high achieving, social needs) Curriculum refresh – grow staff understanding Develop/implement school programme for ANZH Develop curriculum statements for Maths, English and Literacy in line with curriculum refresh Undertake professional development in Assessment for Learning. Begin to implement strategies for Assessment for Learning</p>	<p>Plan family social events at school (at least 1 per term) Celebrate/recognise significant cultural dates of the countries students identify with Greater parental involvement in school</p>	<p>Fully implement Peer Mediation Student Well-Being survey completed Celebrate/recognise significant cultural dates of the countries students identify with Staff Well-Being investigate ways of monitoring</p>

### End of Term

Wow! This first term of the year has certainly flown by! Next week we are into the final week of the term. With the changing of the weather, and the colder months approaching, students are able to wear their winter uniform from next term. Also, the wearing of sun-hats is no longer compulsory.

The changeover in the dairy season is fast approaching. If you or anyone you know is having a changeover in staff that affects the number of students at school, please let us know so we can be organised for the change.

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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

### **TERM 1**





#### **Week 11**

Monday 08  
Tuesday 09  
Wednesday 10  
Thursday 11  
Friday 12 Assembly

#### **Week 1 Term 2**

Monday  
Tuesday  
Wednesday  
Thursday  
Friday Newsletter and School Disco

## HOUSE POINTS UPDATE

<b>Rimu</b>		<b>69</b>
<b>Rata</b>		<b>84</b>
<b>Totara</b>		<b>80</b>
<b>Kowhai</b>		<b>76</b>

## Assembly

### Toroa

- Anamika T was awarded an **Empathy Award** for being warm, welcoming and supportive of new students.
- Natalie A was awarded an **Empathy Award** for being warm, welcoming and supportive of new students.
- Haila G was awarded a **Determination Award** for perseverance in drawing, resulting in beautiful artwork.

### Kea

- Kaelin M was awarded an **Integrity Award** for continuously showing integrity in the classroom.
- Nathan S was awarded an **Empathy Award** for thinking about others and showing a caring attitude.

### Kereru

- Ben A was awarded a **Determination Award** for doing awesome work in literacy.
- Grace P was awarded a **Determination Award** for always putting your everything into your work.

### Piwakawaka

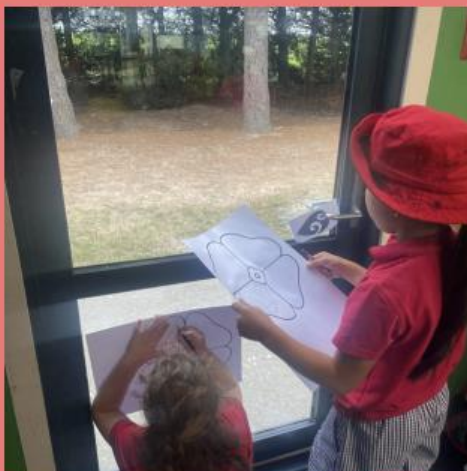
- Chloe S was awarded a **Determination Award** for great effort in literacy especially spelling and sentence writing.
- Harper B was awarded a **Determination Award** for making great progress in literacy especially in the rules.
- Kaelin M was awarded a **Principals Award** for always showing a positive attitude to everything she does.



# KERERU NEWSLETTER

For the last few days Kereru has been getting creative in doing their Anzac art. This is to be displayed amongst other schools in the Rakaia hall on Anzac day. Our design incorporates the classic Anzac poppy with traditional kōwhaiwhai patterns and harakeke.

First they started by choosing different kōwhaiwhai patterns to trace onto the poppy in each petal.



**Next they used different shades of red watercolour paint to make the poppy red.**



**Once this had dried they used a vivid to make their kōwhaiwhai patterns stand out.**



**A couple of boys then went to cut down the harekeke for us to use.**



**They then learnt how to plait the harekeke in which they picked up the technique very fast.**





**The last step is to put it all together. To see the final result you will have to go to the Rakaia hall and see how they turned out ;) (or I'll post some photos later on).**



PRESENTS A

# MID WINTER CHRISTMAS DANCE

AUCTION / FUNDRAISER  
LIVE BAND 'SCHOOLS OUT'  
SUPPER SUPPLIED  
FORMAL DRESS

JUNE

15

6:30PM

DORIE HALL- MAINWARINGS ROAD

**TICKETS \$75**

Includes 2 drinks, light snacks & supper  
R18 Event

office@dorie.school.nz or 03 3020862  
to purchase tickets

## Calling All Residents of Dorie and Surrounding Districts.

To join with the Dorie Community and honour these

**Brave young men from our district  
who gave their lives for their country.**

Meet at St Patrick's Church, corner of McCrory's and Mainwaring's Road, at 3.45pm, 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024. A family service will be held at the Dorie War Memorial at 4pm.

**Together join with us and let's honour these brave young men.**



**HAVE YOU BEEN THINKING ABOUT HOCKEY FOR YOUR CHILD?**

**WAKANUI HOCKEY**

Fun Sticks (Yr 0-2) Saturday Morning  
Mini Sticks (Yr 3-4) Saturday Morning  
Kiwi Sticks (Yr 5-6) Friday Afternoon/Evening  
Kwik Sticks (Yr 7-8) Wednesday Afternoon/Evening

Registrations are now open for all ages.

The hockey season runs during Term 2 starting in the first week of May

Register via [PlayHQ.com](https://www.playhq.com)  
Search 'Wakanui Hockey' to sign up.

Search for Wakanui Hockey on Facebook

OR...contact Kim 0224642797  
[wakanuihockey@gmail.com](mailto:wakanuihockey@gmail.com)

A hockey stick with a ball on the head, positioned diagonally on the right side of the advertisement.



**MID CANTERBURY  
RURAL WOMEN**  
ARE PLEASED TO OFFER OUR  
**COOK AND EAT**



**HOLIDAY PROGRAMME**

THURSDAY 18TH APRIL 10AM - 2.30PM  
AT ASHBURTON COLLEGE.

**OPEN TO STUDENTS' YEAR 6 - YEAR 8**

NO CHARGE

SPONSORED BY  
ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL &  
THE CANTERBURY RURAL WOMEN  
CHARITABLE FUND.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE:  
THURSDAY 11TH APRIL  
REGISTRATIONS TO  
MARION DENT: 3085954

LIMITED TO 28 STUDENTS





## Parenting Through Separation

### DATE, TIME & LOCATION\*

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May  
9am-1pm  
Presbyterian Support  
215 Tancred Street

### REGISTRATION

Email [midcant@psusi.org.nz](mailto:midcant@psusi.org.nz) or  
phone 03 261 6907 to enroll

NB: Changes can occur depending on  
registration numbers.

The programme is not suitable for  
children to attend.

### COURSE DETAILS

Practical advice and tips for  
parents and children to cope during  
separation, including better  
communication.

- » How separation affects children.
- » How to talk to children about separation.
- » What your children need during separation.
- » How to make a parenting plan.

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

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## Tuning in to Teens™

### DATE, TIME & LOCATION\*

9<sup>th</sup> May - 13<sup>th</sup> June  
6pm - 8pm  
Presbyterian Support  
215 Tancred Street  
Ashburton

### REGISTRATION

NB: Changes can occur  
depending on registration  
numbers.

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

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### COURSE DETAILS

Parents and carers learn emotion  
coaching skills for use with young  
people aged 10-18 years.

- » Focus on developmental needs of teenagers
- » Integrates greater focus on acceptance and empathy
- » Improved parent/teen relationships and adolescent mental health



## Tuning in to Kids™

### DATE, TIME & LOCATION\*

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May - 12<sup>th</sup> June  
6pm-8pm  
Presbyterian Support  
215 Tancred Street

### 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

# Methven Scarecrow Trail: Saturday April 13 – Sunday April 28, 2024

The Methven Scarecrow Trail is a hugely popular and fun family event run in the April school holidays. It is suitable for all ages!

Every year, members of the Methven community build scarecrows to a particular theme and these scarecrows, usually around 30+ in number, are scattered around the town for families to find and try to identify the name of the character. **This year's theme is Children's Movie - Animated Characters.** Families or small groups purchase a Trail Map/Entry form from the [iHub Information Centre](#) and there are sponsored prizes for the most correct entries and for the most popular scarecrows.

Don't forget to like the Scarecrow Trail FB page if possible - this is where we post messages and the results - <https://www.facebook.com/MethvenScarecrowTrail/>



## Methven Scarecrow Trail Saturday April 13 - Sunday April 28

Awesome school holiday activity  
Only \$10 - cash only please  
Info & Maps available from the  
Methven ihub & Methven Four Square



LEAN  
ON A  
GATE

# FARMING FAMILY DAY AT THE RACES

Date 14th April, Methven Race track 11.30  
start, 6 pm finish

SPOT PRIZES | LOSING TOTE PRIZES | FASHION IN  
THE FIELD GUMBOOT STYLE | GUMBOOT THROWING FOR  
14 AND UNDER | BOUNCY CASTLES AND OTHER  
CHILDRENS EVENTS | CASH BAR | BARBECUE  
SUPPORTED BY ANZCO | HEALTH CHECKS

On Track clash of Titans Australias top drivers verses NZ  
legends

Cheap accom available at Southern Cross Lodge next to  
race course.

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*If you were a sock, what would you do if you  
woke up and your best friend had disappeared?*

*Join Jo the sock on their quest to find their other  
half. Will they have the courage to face dirty  
undies, broken boots, and the ever-feared  
WASHING MACHINE?*

*It'll all come out in the wash!*

*The Lost Sock is a musical adventure full  
of puppets and songs.*

*Recommended for people aged 5 – 9  
years old.*