



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

Wow! What a week it has been! Covid and a vomiting bug are doing the rounds and we have been particularly hard hit here at school. I want to thank everyone for their cooperation and understanding on Wednesday, when we had so many staff away, and no available relief teachers to call upon. Hopefully we are over the worst of the current wave of sickness and we can get back to normal.

Our newsletter is a day early this week, because of the annual Cross Country event tomorrow.

Cross Country

A reminder that Cross Country is on tomorrow at Bedfords Farm on Harrisons Road. We are asking that parents pick up, or make arrangements to have their children picked up from school at 11:45am and transported to the venue. Our buses will run as normal in the morning only. There will be no school buses running in the afternoon. The DSSG will be running a food staff, and there will be a Coffee Cart available as well. We're looking forward to a great afternoon of Cross Country racing with Rakaia and Ashburton Christian School.

Teacher Only Day

A reminder, as per the Term Calendar, Friday 31 May, school will be closed for a Teacher Only Day. This is to allow teachers to work alongside a professional facilitator on Assessment and Curriculum development. No buses will be running and students are not expected at school.

Pink Shirt Day

Thank you to everyone for supporting our Pink Shirt Day. We have raised \$106 for the Mental Health Foundation. Awesome work Dorie!



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 20
Tuesday 21
Wednesday 22
Thursday 23
Friday 24 Assembly

Week 5

Monday 27
Tuesday 28 Peer Mediators Big Day out (6)
Wednesday 29
Thursday 30 Newsletter
Friday 31 Teacher Only Day - School Closed

HOUSE POINTS UPDATE

Rimu		31
Rata		25
Totara		23 $\frac{1}{2}$
Kowhai		20 $\frac{1}{2}$

Assembly

Toroa

- Aabha G was awarded a **Determination Award** for excellent progress in literacy
- Nathan P was awarded an **Open Mindedness Award** genuine enthusiasm during all classroom activities

Kea

- Agrim T was awarded an **Integrity Award** for consistently making good choices and being a great role model for others
- Haila G was awarded an **Open Mindedness Award** for her fantastic attitude towards maths, her willingness to learn and ask questions.
- Olivia K was awarded a **Determination Award** for her determination and perseverance in maths.

Kereru

- Ewen G was awarded an **Integrity Award** for always doing the right thing and showing the Dorie values.
- Lachie M was awarded an **Empty Award** for showing awesome cooperating skills.

Piwakawaka

- Harper B was awarded an **Open Mindedness Award** for taking a huge interest in our solar system work
- Gabe A was awarded an **Open Mindedness Award** for taking a huge interest in our solar system work
- Alice R was awarded a **Principals Award** for great work habits and showing a positive attitude to all you do at school



Class Updates

ANZAC Day is an important day to commemorate. The First World War saw the creation of a nation where Pakeha New Zealanders began to recognise themselves as New Zealanders instead of British people in a new land. Māori fought alongside Pākeha and the two found respect for each other. All New Zealanders became the almighty Kiwis. We completed a poem, using colour as a base. Andre and Shaiza placed second and third in the Dorie/Rakaia/Chertsey Schools ANZAC writing competition and Thomas read his poem at the Dorie commemoration. We followed our writing up with some artwork depicting ANZAC Kiwis.

Dark War Days

Dirt-coloured fog forms in the fresh sky
Soldiers fight, Soldiers fall.
Faults, regrets, and madness fly through
the war as they battle.
One by one they charge until they fall.
Peace is yet to be made.
Bright days have become dark.

Looking across the valleys
Poppy fields were once a battlefield, but
now are beautiful.

Families waited for their own to return.
Honour the ones who have died as
heroes.

Memorials become legends.
Yet in the future war will come again.
The darkness will fade away
Will bright colours come back once
more?

By: Shaiza

ANZAC

*Soldiers marching in a line
The smell of gunpowder sits above the
land
Many fighting till the sun rises
A calm breeze sways in the air
Mist, clouds, and fog circle the sky
Rain pouring down on the men -
Not caring about their state of
consciousness
Grey thick mud above the knees
The sound of gunshots surrounds them
They died for hope
Families mourning day and night
Pretty red poppies bloom as all the men
rest*

Aabha

Grey, The Colour of ANZAC

People lie on the dark grey gravel
The sound of bullets whistle past
The smell of lead floats through the air
Soldiers dragging each other to safety
Grey mist lies over the ground
Lights of bullets flashing out in No Man's Land
The grey mud slushes
Grey everywhere
For as far as the eye can see
Grey, the colour of ANZAC

By Sam

Mist Grey, The Colour of ANZAC

The corpse lying in the dirty brown grass
Guns shoot through the whistling thin air
Soldiers injured and wounded
Forts damaged and shredded to pieces
The weather turned to a misty grey and depressing
cloud
Men walking in the wet deep and slimy mud
Uniforms ripped and torn apart
Thick blood spreading across the lifeless body
Shouting and yelping echoes
Carrying the conscious soldier above their
shoulders
Weights of ten sacks of rice
Bombs explode into a fire of smoke
World War 1 was a sad and heartbreaking moment
Mist grey, the colour of the ANZAC

By Carl

ANZAC

Men lie in No Man's Land
Heavy gunfire coming from the enemy
Poppy red flashes from the artillery guns
Whistles blowing from the raiding allies
At Lone Pine
Men running in No Man's Land
Silver dark grey clouds
Tom Thum green uniform with grey dog tags
Stretcher-bearers running through mud
The constant gunfire
Sergeants yelling to 'get it together!'
Splashes from men running
Poppy red water, from spilt blood
Men freezing
In the cold, snow falling on the front
Ammunition running low
Men screaming as they get mowed down by gunfire
Red, the colour of ANZAC

Thomas

War is Happening

War is happening,
Friends and families are crying
From thousands of miles away.
Brothers, fathers, sons are dying,
Dusky brownish fog roams around
As the gunshots bang.
The laughs of joy turn into the cries of pain.
Their last breath on earth vanishes as they die
The graves freshly dug by their mates.
War is happening
The ruby coloured poppies laid on top
of the dusty brown dirt
with peace...

Haila

Rusted Metal Brown, The Colour Of ANZAC

Soldiers from both sides lying in the hardening
black, heavy mud
Light grey mist folding in over top of the dying
soldiers
War animals making noises, nudging,
trying to get help, to save their owners
The injured and wounded lying so still
Silver belt buckles rusting in the mud
Poppy red blood puddles surrounding
Soldiers dragging each other onto mud brown icky
stretchers
Soaking wet olive green uniform
The colour of the medals standing out in the mist
pinned to the uniform material
The smell of pitch black gunpowder lead in the
ground
Enemy fire deafening soldiers in seconds
The love of families keeps the soldiers going
One foot after the other
In their rusted metal ,brown army boots
Rusted, metal, brown the colour of the
ANZAC

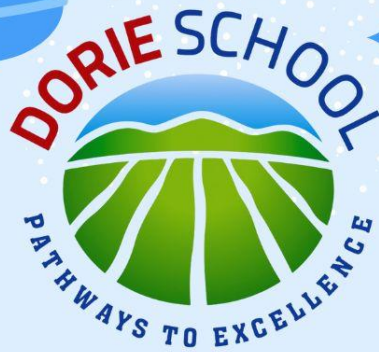
Nathan

The Dark War

The frightening sound of enemy fire coming to me,
The sloshing sound of men walking through mud,
The quietness of the black field in front of me
I was hurt in the war my base was bombed,
it was destroyed
Years later it is still with me
After the war I was awarded the best soldier
and given 5 badges
My mate was killed while ploughing a paddock
he hit a hidden shell, that hadn't gone off
The black field is full of darkness .

Jake





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

The Dorie Community Trust has a 12 seater van available to hire for anyone in our community. The current cost for hireage is .45c per kilometer if you refill the van with diesel when it's returned or .65c per kilometer if you return it as is. This is relatively cheap as the cost is subsidised by the Trust.

The van (Doris) is great for birthday parties or group trips away and we would love for our community to utilise this as much as possible.

For van hireage or information please contact Steve Booker on 027 436 1511.



**ASHBURTON COLLEGE DRAMA
FUNDRAISER**

**SCARED
SCRIPTLESS**

**LIVE COMEDY WITH THE
COURT THEATRE JESTERS!**

**THURSDAY MAY 23
7PM
ASHCOLL AUDITORIUM**

**TICKETS \$20 FROM ASH COLL
OFFICE 03 308 4193**

**RAISING FUNDS TO TRAVEL TO THE
NATIONAL FINALS OF THE SHEILAH
WINN SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL**



WELCOME TO ASHBURTON DISTRICT

Te Waharoa ki ngā Hapori

A place where everyone belongs



**Welcoming
Communities**
TE WAHAROA KI NGĀ HAPORI



Ashburton
DISTRICT COUNCIL



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