



ALLENTON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 2 Week 2

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Together We Learn and Grow

Me akotahi hei oranga mō te katoa

Principal's Comment Nga Korero o te Tumuaki



Ka nui te mihi ki a koutou - greetings to you all

Welcome to the start of Term 2 everyone, albeit two weeks into the term. It was wonderful to see everyone back at school on the first day of term and I hope all Allenton families had an enjoyable break.

A note was recently placed on Hero regarding our school cross country, which will be held at Argyle Park on Tuesday 12 May (pp 13 May). Please refer to the Hero post for all the details about this event. Parents and whānau are most welcome to come along to support!

We will be holding our termly mihi whakatau on Wednesday 13 May, from 2:15pm. This is to welcome new students and their families to our school. Existing parents are able to attend as well, and sit with the school. If current parents have children who are starting at Allenton, they should sit with them. Children who have siblings starting at Allenton are also able to sit together. Further information will be sent home to new families soon.

A key focus for the staff at the moment is familiarising ourselves with the new requirements for reporting to parents about their child's progress and achievement. While we have been reporting to parents in writing twice a year for many years, all schools are now facing new expectations around reporting, alongside new curriculum expectations. Naturally, these changes take time to implement, alongside the necessary professional development. Further information about this change will be provided to parents in due course.

A reminder that in Terms 2 and 3 students are required to wear winter uniform. Please refer to our website under the Information section for what the expectations are. When our uniform is worn correctly, our children do look very presentable - many thanks for your support with this. Sunhats are not expected to be worn, but students can continue to wear these if they choose. A jacket can also be worn outside when it is cold.

Lastly, our PTA will be meeting next Tuesday evening at 7:30pm in the staffroom. It's always good to see new and prospective members at these meetings, and being on the PTA provides an opportunity to be involved with the school and meet other parents.

Ko te pae tawhiti whāia kia tata, ko te pae tata whakamauiakia tina
Seek out distant horizons, and cherish those you attain

Until next time,

Andrew Leverton
Principal | Tumuaki

New students

We extend a warm welcome to the following children and their families, who have recently started at Allenton. We hope your time with us is a positive and rewarding one.

Room 5	Harper	Room 10	Marco, Kehlani
Room 11	Kajal, Mac, Kora, Jaydis	Room 13	Vauxhall
Room 14	Kiamaia	Room 15	Harry, Evanshi, Emerson, Hudson
Room 16	Jaxx		

Calendar of school events - Term 2, 2026

**** Please recheck these events each newsletter for any additions or changes ****

Tuesday 5 May	PTA meeting, 7:30pm
Friday 8 May	Middle School assembly, 10:50am Junior School assembly, 2pm
Tuesday 12 May	School Cross Country, Argyle Park, 9:30am (pp Wednesday 13 May)
Wednesday 13 May	Mihi Whakatau (welcome for new students and families)
Friday 15 May	School assembly, 10:50am
Monday 18 May	School Board meeting, 7pm
Wednesday 20 May	Welcome Wednesday (New Entrant information morning)
Friday 22 May	School closed for staff development
Tuesday 26 May	Mid Canterbury Cross Country (pp 28 May)
Friday 29 May	Middle School assembly, 10:50am
Monday 1 June	School closed - King's Birthday Samoan Language Week commences
Tuesday 2 June	PTA meeting, 7:30pm
Friday 5 June	Senior School assembly, 10:50am Junior School assembly, 2pm
Monday 8 June	Junior School swim week commences (2 weeks) (Rooms 14, 15, 16)
Friday 12 June	School assembly, 10:50am
Tuesday 16 - Thursday 18 June	Schools music festival (Allenton night tbc)
Monday 22 June	School Board meeting, 7pm
Friday 26 June	Middle School assembly, 10:50am PTA Disco (time tbc)

Wednesday 1 July
Friday 3 July

Matariki Breakfast, 8am
Term 2 ends

2026 Term Dates

Term	School closed
2 Mon 20 April to Fri 3 July	Mon 27 April (Anzac Day observed) Fri 22 May (staff development) Mon 1 June (King's Birthday)
3 Mon 20 July to Fri 25 Sep	Fri 7 Aug (staff development)
4 Mon 12 Oct to Thurs 17 Dec	Mon 26 Oct (Labour Day) Thurs 12 November (staff development) Fri 13 Nov (Canterbury Anniversary Day)



READY, SET, SIGN IN!

Stay in the loop by following these steps

1 DOWNLOAD THE HERO APP

Once downloaded, click 'Sign In'

2 ADD YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

Select "Next"

3 SELECT "NEW USER"

Your account will be set up by your school using the email address that you provided when you enrolled your children, use this address to request a password.

4 SELECT "SUBMIT"

Hero will send you an email with a link to follow.

5 CHECK YOUR EMAIL

You should receive an email within five minutes.

6 FOLLOW THE LINK

This will take you to a secure page to enter your chosen password.

If you encounter problems logging in, please check with your school to make sure they have the correct details for you.





MANA AKE
STRONGER FOR TOMORROW



Presbyterian Support
Upper South Island

Tuning in to Kids™

DATE , TIME & LOCATION*

6 week program
13th May – 17th June
Wednesdays 6pm-8pm

Presbyterian Support
215 Tancred Street, Ashburton

REGISTRATION

Please refer through
www.psuppersouth.org.nz or email
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.

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



MEET & GREET @ MITRE 10 MEGA

*Gear up for the Ashburton Street Sprint Weekend!
Check out the race cars and meet the drivers!*



**Friday, 8th May, 2026
4.30pm-6pm**



Hayden Paddon: WRC Driver & AP4++ race car



FREE BBQ



Check out the race cars!



Bring the kids along!

**MITRE 10
MEGA**

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ASHBURTON STREET SPRINT 2026



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**HOT FOOD &
DRINK
AVAILABLE
SAT-SUN
EFTPOS Available**

**ENTRY \$10 PER DAY
UNDER 15'S FREE**

Sign posted from Mitre 10 corner
Entrance is via Robinson Street only