



Kahikatea Kirkwood

Intermediate School

Welcome to this edition of our school newsletter. I think many of us enjoyed having a long weekend, especially with the warm weather over Labour weekend. I am sure all those who went on the first two camps to Wellington would have particularly enjoyed a longer break. I was able to visit both Rooms 12 and Room 13's camp last week. I really enjoyed spending time with the classes, their accompanying teachers and parent helpers. The children were really positive in their approach, and were excellent representatives of our school. This week I have visited Room 4 during their time in Wellington, and despite a slightly rocky start to their camp with their plane returning to Christchurch on their first attempt, they have proven resilient, and again, are showing the values we treasure at our school. I am hoping to be able to visit Rooms 3 and 9 next week, and I am sure I will see the same positivity there.

On Tuesday we had our regular meeting of our Friends of the school – PTA. The PTA are currently organising a sausage sizzle at Mitre 10 (please refer to the Hero notice sent home earlier this week). I hope that some of you will be able to offer your support to this fundraiser. Tonight we have our regular Board meeting, starting at 5:15pm in the staff room. Interested people are welcome to attend.

The remainder of the term will, no doubt, be busy, but please remember we are here to work with your child, you and your whanau. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can assist in any way.

Nga mihi nui

Phil Tappenden
Principal



Year 8 Wellington Camp – Rooms 12 & 13

From the moment we first touched down in Wellington, each and every one of us knew that this experience would be nothing short of magical. Each hour proved this in spades, educating and impressing with beautiful locations and breathtaking exhibitions. Every different place had a different story to tell, from the triumph of Zealandia's restoration projects, the weight of our very own war in Gallipoli at Te Papa Tongawera and the rich history of New Zealand's leaders at Parliament.

We came home tired but fulfilled, heads laden with knowledge and feet tired from a camp well done.

Good luck to all for camps to come.

Tate Room 12





School Calendar

Please view via our website: [School Calendar](#)



PTA Mitre 10 Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser

The Kahikatea Kirkwood Intermediate Friends of the School (PTA) is seeking volunteers for our **Mitre 10 Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser** on Sunday 15 November at Mitre 10 Mega, Brougham Street.

We are needing 12 volunteers throughout the day to help run the sausage sizzle. If you can help, please email the PTA committee at pta@kirkwood.school.nz with your name and a shift that suits you.

Please refer to more information sent out via Hero earlier this week.

Thank you for your support.



Scholastic Book Club

Orders are due by **Monday 9 November**. To order online, please follow the instructions below:

LOOP is the easy way for families to order and pay for Book Club. Log in,

or create a new account at bookclub.scholastic.co.nz

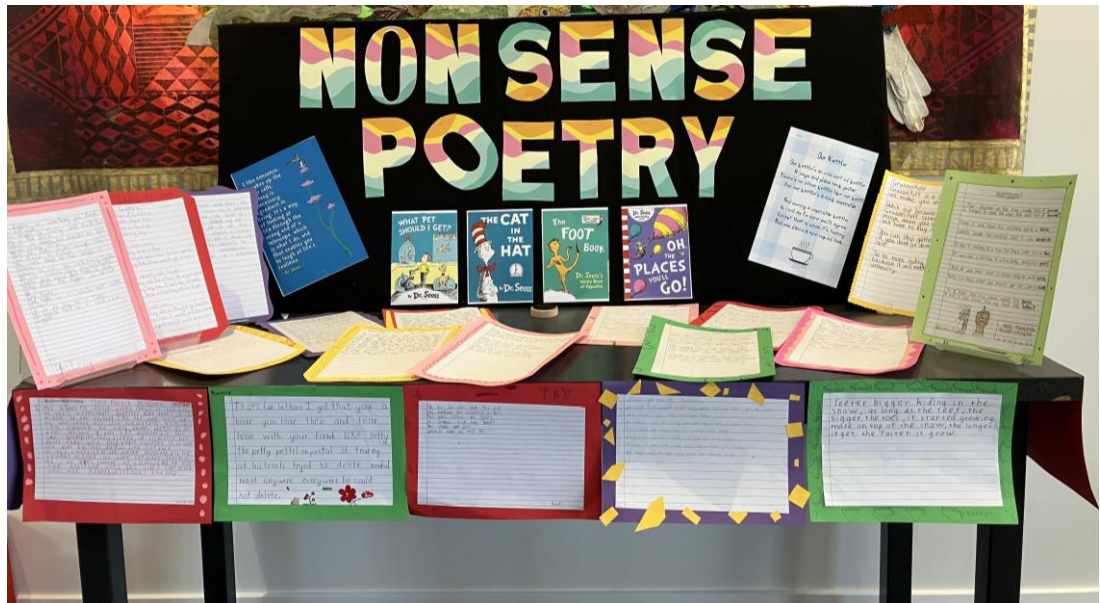
1. If you are new to Book Club, follow the Wizard to set up your profile;
2. Click the ORDER tab, and select your school and child's class;
3. Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for);
4. Enter the product item number shown on the Book Club catalogue;
5. Make payment via credit card.



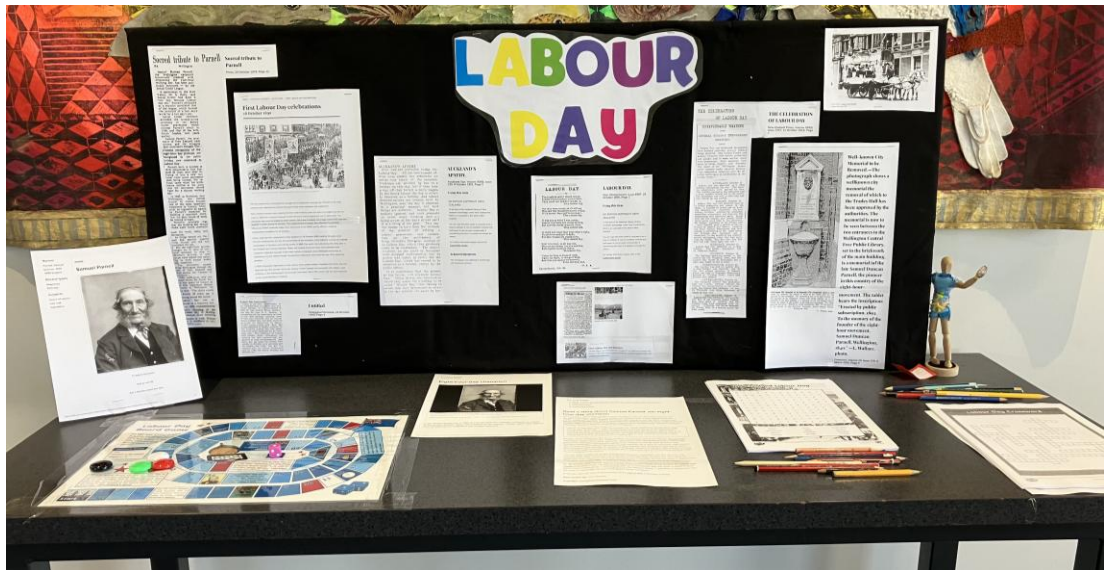


Library News

Week 2: Room 11 displayed all their marvelous nonsense poems they have been creating in class. They were absolutely brilliant!



Week 3: This is a short week as we observed Labour Day. What better time to learn about Samuel Parnell and all that he did for New Zealanders.



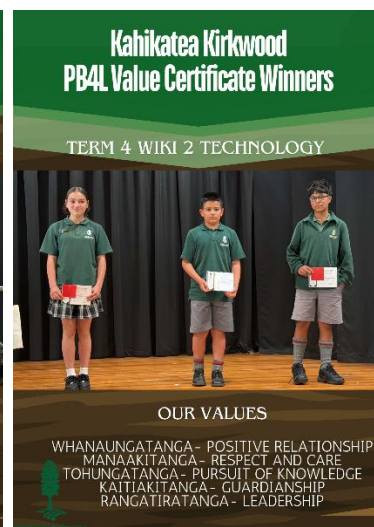
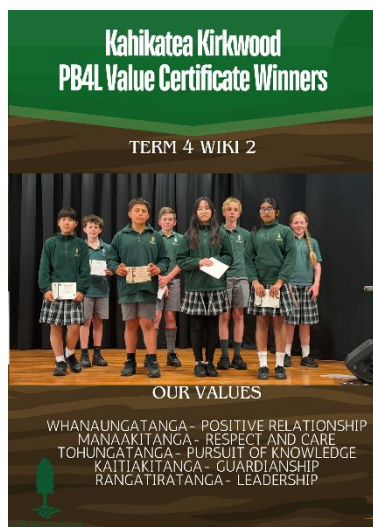
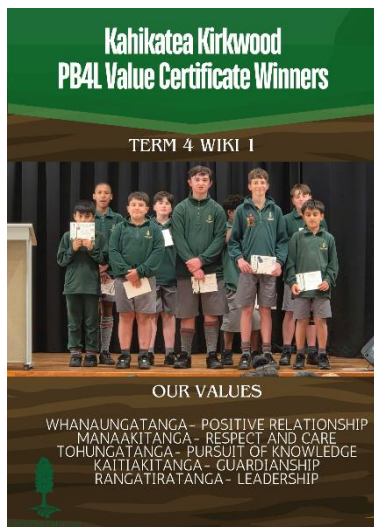
Period Products

Period products are available at the school office at no cost.



Value Certificate winners

Congratulations to the Classroom and Technology Value certificate winners for Term 4 Weeks 1 & 2.



Kahikatea Kirkwood Blues Awards

We offer Blues Awards for Academic, Cultural and Sports. The goal of our Blues Awards are to:

- ◆ Acknowledge the achievement and attainment of our students;
- ◆ Acknowledge the depth and breadth of their attainment; and
- ◆ Acknowledge citizenship and students who display our school values;
- ◆ Encourage students to strive;
- ◆ Place a high value on 'In-school' achievement.

For details regarding eligibility criteria please visit our website: [Blues Award Criteria and Application Form](#)

Home Stay Families

We are looking into the future for homestay families to host short and long term international students for 2026 & 2027. For those interested please contact Alison Xie, our International Director alisonxie@kirkwood.school.nz. Alison will give you a Homestay Application form along with a Police Vetting form. These need to be filled out and delivered to the school office. Thank you



Lunch Orders (Friday's only)

You can order lunch via Ezlunch on Fridays by simply [clicking here!](#) Sushi Ninja and Subway is available and will be delivered in time for lunch.

You may order (or cancel) **before 9am** on this day or schedule in advance. Click here to view the [menu](#).

Orders are made online through your MyKindo account. One account for the whole family! Please [click here](#) or go to www.mykindo.co.nz to start ordering!

Note: For Apple and Android users, please download the mykindo app.

Help? Visit support.mykindo.co.nz or tel. 09 869 5200 weekdays 8am – 4pm.

www.ezlunch.co.nz
www.mykindo.co.nz



School App

Our school uses the Hero App for communicating to our school community.

This is also our emergency contact system.

Please click on the following link for instructions on how to download" [HERO APP](#)



School Bank Account Details

Account Name: *Kahikatea Kirkwood Intermediate Board*

Account Number: *12-3147-0180900-00*

Particulars: *Child's name (surname and first name)*

Reference: *Parent's/caregiver's name (surname and first name)*

For those of you who wish to pay by internet banking for any school activities during the year, please make sure you submit your online permission along with your payment.



Parakuihi Club / Breakfast Club

At Kahikatea Kirkwood we are fortunate to have a **Parakuihi Club/Breakfast Club** before the school day starts on Monday - Friday from 8:20am - 8:40am.

We've got yummy cereals and toast with delicious spreads – all free, all for you! Bring your friends, fill your tummy, have a chat with the youth workers and get ready for a great day.

Thank you to our awesome sponsors: Anchor, Sanitarium, and Woolworths Church Corner.

Please look at the Daily Notices on our website for more information.



Road Safety

Please can you emphasise to your children how important it is to cross Riccarton Road at the pedestrian crossing by Wharenui Road.

If you are dropping your child off opposite the school, they must walk down the road to this crossing. Please do not help them to cross opposite the school.

Thank you

School Driveway

Please ensure you **do not** drive up the school driveway (Riccarton Road & Kirkwood Avenue entrances) to drop off or pick up your children either before or after school. It is too unsafe for our children.

Please plan to pick up and drop off your child outside the Kirkwood grounds. Kirkwood Ave and Karamu Street are good options.

Thank you for your support with this.





Community Notices

Year 9 for a Day event at Hornby High – Being held on Wednesday 11 November.

Sara Cohen School Centenary Celebration – On Saturday 5 December at 12:30pm. For more information email <mailto:centenary@saracohen.school.nz>

Paint our Wall – You're invited to design and paint a mural for the Brockworth Walkway. For more information including design criteria please [email](#).

Muka Youth Print Exhibition – Coming to the Christchurch Art Gallery from Friday 13 – Sunday 15 November, 10am – 5pm.

Future Thinkers Event – For young people (15-24 yrs) with a passion for Te Taiao. This event is on Saturday 31 October from 10am – 2pm. For more info, please click [here](#).

Summer Writing School for Teens - Now open for bookings. Please refer to their [website](#) for more information.

Helping Tamariki find their school rhythm again - For more information please refer to their [website](#).

Riccarton Community Street Party - Sunday 1 November 11am - 1pm at 44 Elizabeth Street. Live music, bouncy castles, activities & games for the kids. Free candy floss & sausage sizzle, plants, competitions, free preloved clothing, stalls & more.

Kip McGrath - Does your child need extra help or extension? Is your child ready for high school? We can help at Kip McGrath Avonhead with face to face, small group tutoring with actual trained teachers. Help your child build confidence in a safe environment. Book for a free assessment visit our [website](#) or phone 03 3427110.

Sports/Clubs

Volleyball - In Term Four the Canterbury Volleyball Association are running a six week series after school on Tuesdays (4-5:30pm) inside at the Wharenui Sports Centre (Just down from Westfield Mall). These sessions are focused on learning skills and developing gameplay for Year 7-8's and open to students from any school - but we want to get as many Kahikatea Kirkwood students registered before the spaces sell out. Cost is \$60 for the six sessions and they start on Tuesday 20 October. More information and registration link is available [here](#). If Tuesdays don't suit, CVA also run sessions on Monday (Avon Hub), Wednesday (Heaton) and Thursday (Hillview).

AFL Youth Programme – On Saturday mornings for 6 weeks starting on 31 October. For more information please click [here](#).

Z Manu World Champs - Where bomb legends from all walks of life come together. The Christchurch Qualifier is on Saturday 6 March 2027 at Jellie Park. Info found [here](#).

Pools & Hoops at Parakiore - For information and to purchase tickets, click [here](#).

Basketball, Girls Summer League - On Thursday evenings, starting 15 October. For info and registration, click [here](#).

Riccarton Softball Club - There are still some spaces left for players, in particular the U13 girls and boys and the U15 girls teams. For more info and to register, please click [here](#).

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AFL YOUTH PROGRAMME



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YEARS OLD



6 WEEK
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