



ISSUE 14 | FRIDAY 04 SEPTEMBER 2026

WELCOME TO OUR

Pānui

Principal's Message

Kia ora Suburban Whānau,

Whale Run

Tomorrow is our annual Whale Run fundraiser and we are looking forward to welcoming close to 500 competitors in what's set to be our biggest event for its 20 year anniversary. While it's exciting, it's daunting! Thank you to our committee, parents and carers who have once again, put up their hands to volunteer their time, effort and services for our tamariki. This year's profits will be going towards our new playground. We are in the process of securing quotes and designs from three separate companies and it's exciting to see all the ideas and possibilities starting to come together.

Riki the Rockstar - Finding our Voice

Our school production is coming together and we are looking forward to performing it for you.

Riki the Rockstar performances are on Wednesday 23rd at 1pm and Thursday the 24th of September at 6pm, Please complete the google form using the link below to order tickets to either the matinee (1:00pm on Wednesday the 23rd of September) or the evening show (5:30pm on Thursday the 24th of September 2026 at the Mayfair Theatre, The Esplanade, Kaikoūra.

Ticket prices are: Adult \$10, Child (Aged 5-12) \$5 and Preschooler (Free)

The cost of tickets will go towards the cost of our sound and lighting and theatre hire.

Ticket Purchases for Riki the Rockstar: Click here: <https://forms.gle/xotQQSiGdZxzixyJ6>

Please submit your google form and Annie will send through an invoice for you to pay. Once payment has been received, Annie will notify you when you can collect your tickets from the office. We have to have this process in place to ensure we do not oversell the theatre seats. Thank you for your understanding and we look forward to seeing you all there.

Celebrating Our Tamariki 🌟

- Suburban Wall of Fame: 20 Tixies: Luka, Charlotte L, Kade, Elia, Ned, Parker, Rowan, Esther, Kaia, Ben and Noah
- 40 Tixies -
- Fyffe FORCE Values: Our current focus is R for Resilience. Last assembly, our Subway lunch winners were Addison, Emma and Kaia who were drawn from the entries for showing Organisation.

Daffodil Day

Friday the 28th of August was Daffodil Day and many of our students dressed in yellow to mark this special day of fundraising for cancer research. Suburban School raised \$146.00 which is outstanding for our little school, well done everyone!



Parent Interviews

Reminder that Parent Interviews are coming up on Wednesday the 16th and Thursday the 17th of September. These interviews are an important opportunity for you to hear about your child's progress and achievement after three terms at school. Please follow the instructions further into our newsletter, to make a booking for your child/ren. Thank you to all those who have already booked. I am happy to help anyone use the booking system and Annie can support you if you need access to the HERO app.

Attendance Update

Weekly Attendance Tracker - Week 5 - Term 3			
Whole School	Piwakawaka	Titi	Toroa
77%	71%	68%	89%

Weekly Attendance Tracker - Week 6 - Term 3			
Whole School	Piwakawaka	Titi	Toroa
85%	87%	79%	88%

Medical absences are the main reason for our low absence rate this term. I recently posted in HERO and on our facebook page, details about free online medical appointments for your children. Please look for the post if you are worried about your child's health and are unable to obtain a timely medical appointment. There is also information from our local public health nurse in the newsletter.



An interactive Maths practice tool for students in Years 3 to 8 is available on the Parent Portal.

<https://newzealandcurriculum.tahurangi.education.govt.nz/promoting-maths-practice-tool>

Keep well everyone!

Ngā mihi nui

Kylee Habgood

BOOKING PARENT INTERVIEWS ON YOUR HERO APP

Log into the HERO app and you will see School Bookings on the landing page.

TO ADD A BOOKING

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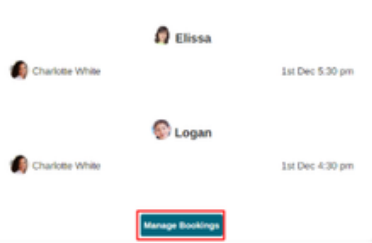
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2. This will display a table of all available slots for your associated students, to enable you to co-ordinate bookings across multiple students.

Step 2

Family Interviews

Available Blocked Booked Unavailable	Edward Charlotte White	Elissa Charlotte White
1st December 2023 (Friday)		
3:30 pm	Booked	Unavailable
4:00 pm	Unavailable	Unavailable
4:30 pm	Unavailable	Available
5:00 pm	Unavailable	Available
5:30 pm	Unavailable	Available
6:00 pm	Unavailable	Available

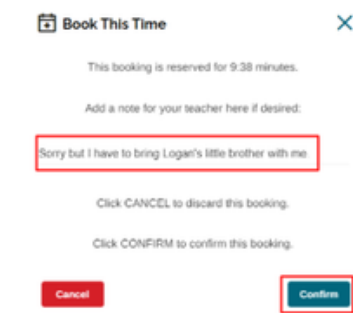
Step 3

3. A colour key provides you with information on the status of each interview slot.

Available Blocked Booked Unavailable
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4. To add a booking, click a **GREEN** slot. The booking popup will be displayed. You have the option of entering a note for the relevant staff member. Clicking **CONFIRM** will secure the interview slot.

Step 4



5. Once a booking is made all other slots will become unavailable to prevent duplicate bookings.

Step 5

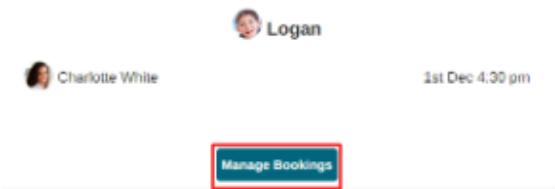
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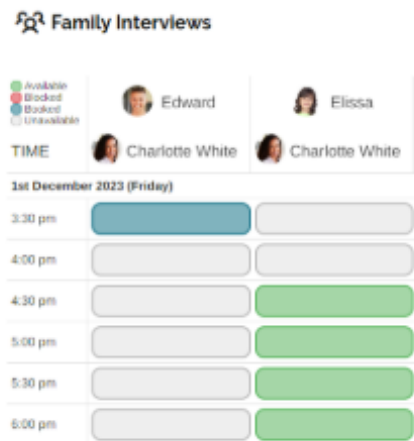
TO CANCEL A BOOKING

1. Navigate to the School Bookings event and click **MANAGE BOOKINGS**,



Step 7

2. This will display a table of all associated students and their current bookings.



3. Click the **BLUE** interview slot to display the booking popup. Click **CANCEL BOOKING**.

Step 8

Edit Booking

Edit note for your teacher here if desired:

I am now able to come in for this interview.

Click **CANCEL BOOKING** to cancel this booking.

Click **SAVE** to confirm these changes.

Cancel Booking

Save

Step 9

Edit Booking

Edit note for your teacher here if desired:

Click **CANCEL BOOKING** to cancel this booking.

Click **SAVE** to confirm these changes.

Cancel Booking

Save

TO CHANGE BOOKING INFORMATION

1. To change the time of a booking, the existing booking needs to be cancelled (as above) and a new booking created.

2. To add or change the staff note on a booking, navigate to the booking and click the **BLUE** interview slot.

3. Add or change the Note and click **SAVE**.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term 3

Week 8

Tuesday 8th September - Y6 Transition Visit to Kaikōura High School 11

Friday 11 September - Toroa Assembly, 9am, Whare Ako

Week 9

Tuesday 15 September - Board Meeting, 6pm, Whare Ako

Wednesday 16 September - Parent Interviews

Thursday 17 September - Parent Interviews

Friday 18 September - Newsletter



Term Dates

Term 3 - Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September

Term 4 - Monday 12 October - Tuesday 15 December

Public Holidays: Monday 26th October - Labour Day,

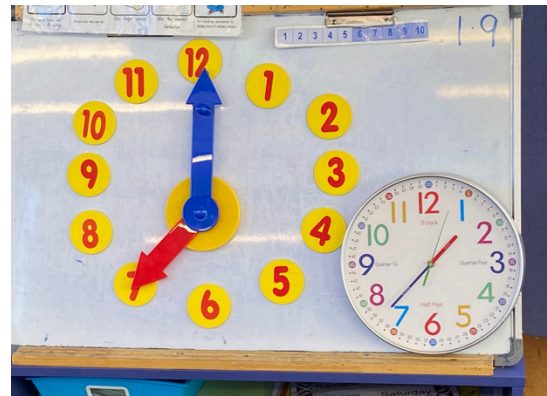
Monday 2nd November - Marlborough Anniversary Day

Final Assembly - Monday 14th December at 6:30 pm

Last Day of Term 4 - Tuesday 15 December

Piwakawaka

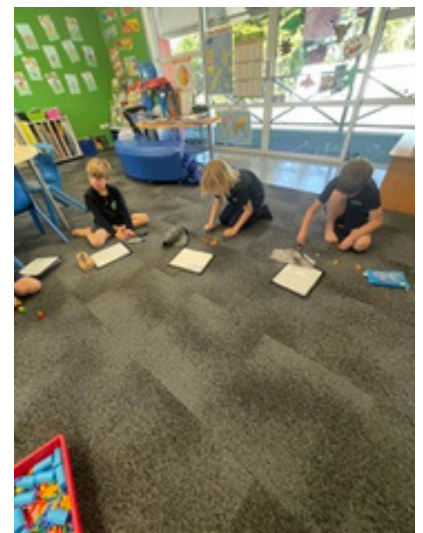
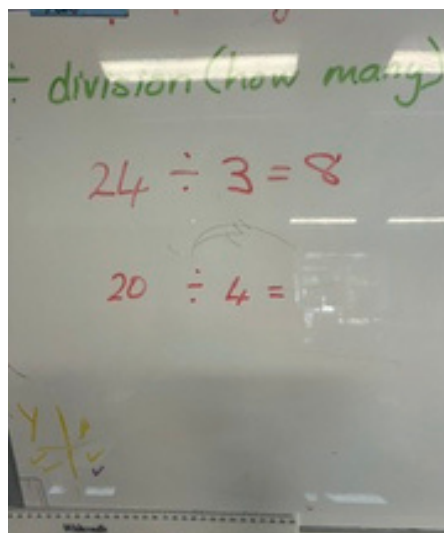
We have been learning all about time and the different parts of a clock. The students have been busy learning to read and tell the time using o'clock and half past times. We have been practising identifying the hour and minute hands and using clocks to show different times. The children have enjoyed putting their new skills into practice through hands-on activities and games.



Titi

We are still loving our magnetic tiles! Every morning another fantastic build is underway. This week Titi children have been daring and determined as we have dug deeper into division and we are delighted to say that it has been deeply rewarding. If we are not "division champs" yet, we soon will be.

We are quite liking, the letter "D for Dad" as we have also been sharing stories and thoughts about our amazing Dads and we want to wish all our Dads and Granddads a very special and happy Fathers' Day on Sunday. Where would we be without you! And you may ask, "What are the Titi children making with these bits and pieces?"





TOROA

It's Whale Run weekend! It has been amazing hearing that so many Toroa students will be there this year, whether they are running or simply coming along to enjoy the snacks and atmosphere!

Our food packaging fundraiser was also an absolute hit. A huge thank you to everyone who helped out and supported us by buying something from our awesome fundraiser. We raised over \$1,400, which is going to be a huge help towards our camp costs!



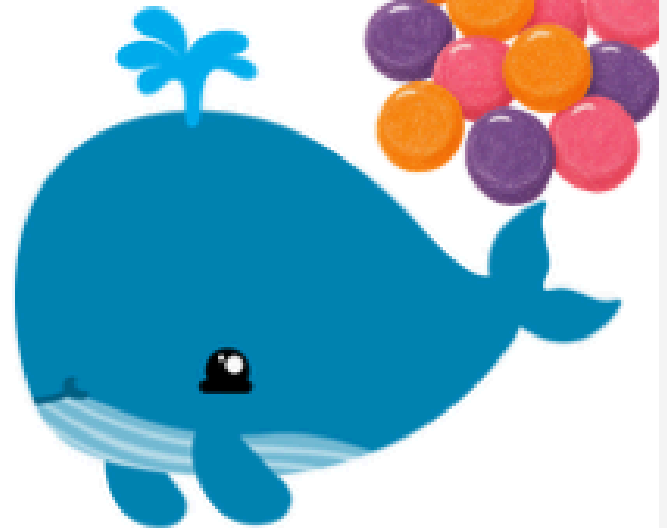
Term 3, Week 7 newsletter



I myself am excited
for the lolly
scramble; hehe, I
love lollies.



The Whale Run is
here now! Feel free
to enter the races
featuring the 5k
race, 12k race, and
the 21k race.



Everyone get your
shoes on and prepare
for the big race
coming up! You can
walk or run—your
choice!





School Docs

School Policies and Procedures

All of our school policies are online. Every policy and procedure comes up for review every three years to ensure they stay current. You can view all of these by logging in with the details below.

<https://kaikourasub.schooldocs.co.nz/Logon.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f>

Community username
kaikourasub
Community password
fyffeforce

Policies for review in Term 1

Alcohol, Drugs, and Other Harmful Substances Policy (Board)
Sun Protection (board)
Digital Technology and Online Safety (board)
Cellphones and Other Personal Digital Devices

Uniform

Uniforms can be ordered through our school website at any time. To order, go to www.kaikourasuburban.school.nz and click on the 'For Whanau' link. In the dropdown menu, click on the uniform shop. After you pay online, you will be notified when items are available.

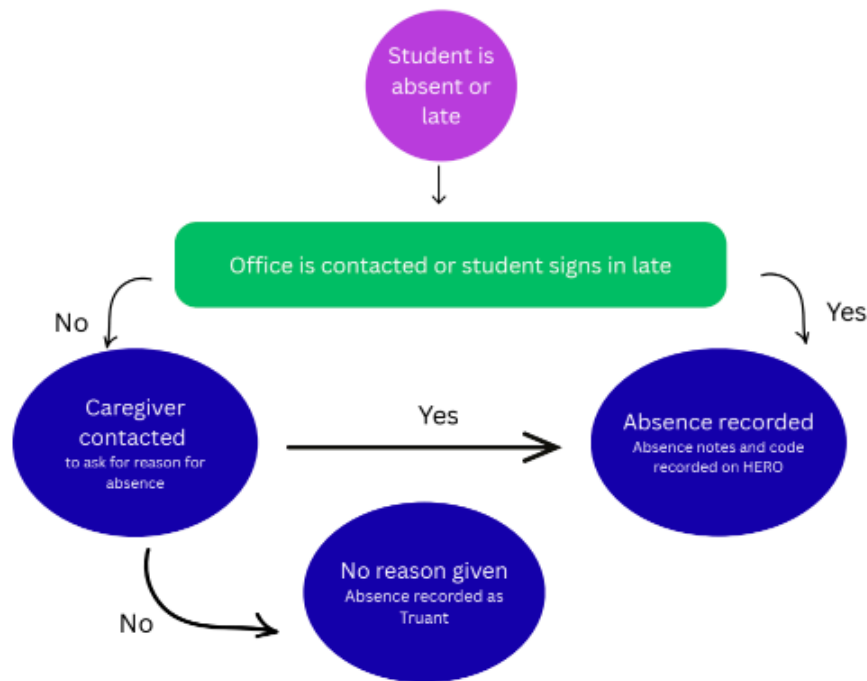
Police Vetting

If you are intending on being a parent help at school events or camps, can you please come and collect a policy vetting form from the school office.

All volunteers who work with and around our children require a police vet. This also includes coaching sports teams for our school.

If you have previously had a police vet done by Kaikōura Suburban School, please be aware that they only last for three years, so you may require another one. If you are not sure, please ask Annie.

Kaikōura Suburban School Attendance Procedure - For Whānau



More than 5 days absent in a term - 80-90% Worrying Attendance - Possible Actions

- Contacted by office for reason of absence.
- Caregivers contacted by class teacher to discuss absences and next steps.
- Referral made within school to the Principal for monitoring.

More than 10 days absent in a term - 70-80% Concerning Attendance - Possible Actions

- Contacted by the Principal to discuss referrals, positive behaviour plan etc
- Student added to Attendance Register and monitored weekly.
- Positive behaviour plan created in collaboration with whānau.
- Referral to Health Nurse, Te Whare Pūtea, Mana Ake.

More than 15 days absent in a term - <70% Very Concerning Attendance - Possible Actions

- Whānau meet with Principal to create an individual attendance plan.
- Referral to Truancy Services.
- Referral to external services such as Mana Ake, Health School, Te Whare Pūtea
- Continued monitoring of attendance by the Principal.

Kaikōura Suburban School aims to have 80% of students attending at least 90% of the time.
All justified and unjustified codes count towards days absent. It is important to record reasons for absence to help develop plans and support.
Early identification and support are vital to help address absences and ensure students are regularly attending school.

Please get your children to school as much as possible. Of course, all cases are unique, and we do understand life happens. We aim to work with and support our whānau to improve attendance across the school for all of our students.

Our process will be:

- Parents report absences via HERO, SkoolLoop, telephone, text, or in person.
- Teachers login to HERO by 9:00 am and again at 1:40 pm to fill in attendance data. Relievers collect a class list from the Office Administrator, and this is returned to the office ASAP.
- Late students report to the office on arrival.
- The Office Administrator contacts the parents of unknown absentees and reports to the Principal daily.
- Attendance is uploaded daily to the Ministry of Education. As a staff, we look at attendance at weekly staff meetings.
- When attendance drops to 91% (more than 4 half days per term), whanau are contacted by the class teacher to make them aware and explain the next step.
- When attendance drops below 85% (more than 10 half days per term) the Principal contacts whanau to organise a formal meeting.
- If there is no improvement and attendance slips below 70%, then the Principal contacts whanau to discuss and then will make a referral to Truancy Services.

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**KAIKŌURA
WHALE RUN**

SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2026
@KAIKŌURA SUBURBAN SCHOOL

5K | 12K | 21K
Run or walk + Kids Marafun

COME ALONG AND SUPPORT OUR
ANNUAL SCHOOL FUNDRAISER!

WWW.KAIKOURAWHALERUN.CO.NZ



Community News



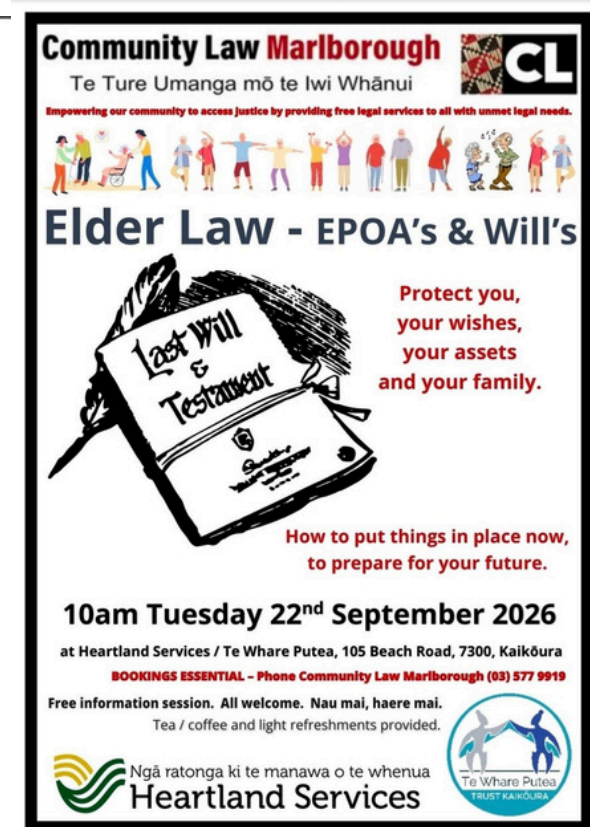
Kaikōura Community Garden working bee!

GROWING FOOD FOR THE COMMUNITY!

TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 4-5 PM 14 LUDSTONE RD

- PLANTING SEEDS
- DIGGING BEDS
- LEARNING

Contact Sarah 027 807 2870



Community Law Marlborough Te Ture Umanga mō te Iwi Whānui

Empowering our community to access justice by providing free legal services to all with unmet legal needs.

Elder Law - EPOA's & Will's

Protect you, your wishes, your assets and your family.

How to put things in place now, to prepare for your future.

10am Tuesday 22nd September 2026

at Heartland Services / Te Whare Putea, 105 Beach Road, 7300, Kaikōura

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - Phone Community Law Marlborough (03) 577 9919

Free information session. All welcome. Nau mai, haere mai.
Tea / coffee and light refreshments provided.

Ngā ratonga ki te manawa o te whenua
Heartland Services

Te Whare Putea TRUST KAIKŌURA



SPARKLE
in the park

WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

6.30 pm GARDEN OF MEMORIES (OPPOSITE MEMORIAL HALL)

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

COME AND CHECK OUT THE LIGHTS AND GLOW DISPLAY
ENJOY A FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE
WEAR SOME GLOW IN THE DARK CLOTHING IF YOU FANCY
ALL AGES WELCOME!



Tamariki O Kaikōura SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM - SEPTEMBER 2026

September dates:
28th September - 9th October (Mon - Fri)

September activities:
Wheels day, mini golf, beach clean up, crafts, bowls, bush walk, beach walk, weaving, movies and more!

Get in touch to enrol your child!
Contact information:
Program director:
Jill Prebble - Email:
tamarikiokaikoura@gmail.com

Admin info:
\$45 per day
Drop off between 8.30 - 9am
Pick up between 3 - 3.30pm
Location : Kaikoura Play Centre

Find us on Facebook
Tamariki O Kaikōura



Kaikōura District Library is inviting all local schools to encourage their students and families to take part in our

fun Favourite Pet Photo Shot! We're looking for creative photos of your favourite pet reading a book. Whether your pet is cute, hilarious, or a little spooky, we'd love to see it!

To enter, simply:

Take a photo of your pet with a book.

Email it to books@kdclibrary.co.nz or drop a printed copy into the library.

There will be giveaways for:

Best Photo

Funniest Photo

Scariest Photo

This is a wonderful opportunity to encourage reading, spark creativity, and have some fun as a family.

We can't wait to see all the fantastic entries from Kaikōura's young readers and their wonderful pets!

Entries close 30th October 2026.

MAYFAIR MOVIES & EVENTS							
3 SEP - 9 SEP 2026	THURS 3	FRI 4	SAT 5	SUN 6	MON 7	TUES 8	WED 9
LOMU E 107 MINS (NEW)	7:30PM	5:00PM	1:30PM 7:00PM	1:30PM 4:00PM	-	2:30PM	5:00PM
THE DOG STARS R13 118 MINS	4:45PM	7:30PM	4:15PM	6:30PM	C	5:30PM	7:30PM
H IS FOR HAWK M 119 MINS	4:30PM	7:00PM		2:00PM	L	3:00PM	
SPA WEEKEND M 97 MINS		4:40PM	7:30PM		O		
THE END OF OAK STREET M 100 MINS	7:15PM		5:00PM		S	6:00PM	4:30PM
SPIDER-MAN: BRAND NEW DAY M 145 MINS			2:00PM		E		7:00PM
THE ODYSSEY M 172 MINS				5:00PM	D		

4-30 SEP: E RUA KA KOTAHĪ | TWO, AS ONE ART EXHIBITION – OPENING NIGHT 4 SEP 7-9PM

Can we fix it ? – Perhaps we can!



10.00am to 1.00pm, Saturday 12th September,

Kaikōura Scout Hall, 23 Beach Road

Hiku

Celebrate Father's Day

Make Dad's day special with coastal views and a special menu made for celebrating together.

3-course set menu | \$85 per person

Children 5 and under dine free

Bookings essential