

# **Aidanfield Christian School**

# Growing in Wisdom and Stature | Stand and be Confident

# Tēnā anō tātou Aidanfield whanau

As we head into the last few weeks of this school year there are a few changes to what we normally do to round out the year. Please note these changes for your diary.

#### Prize Giving - 2021

As mentioned earlier in the term we are not having our usual big prize giving at the end of the year. The gathering size limits and the constant possibility of an Alert Level shift has led to us making the decision early to change it up this year. The new arrangement is on page 2 and 3 and seeks to meet the requirements of the current understanding of the Alert Levels as they stand today while keeping focused on being a community together as much as possible.



Pre-school children are welcome and won't count in the numbers attending. Please ensure your pre-schooler is well supervised, has quiet toys if you bring some and not running around the back of the hall, which can be very distracting for those for whom the assembly or prize giving is for.

#### Last Day of 2021

Wednesday 15 December is the last day of this school year and pupils will be able to go home as listed over the page. We will provide supervision for pupils who need to stay at school until 3.00pm.

#### What will 2022 look like?

This is a question that has a range of answers but no one really knows! We do know that as the country moves to the traffic light system to manage any outbreaks of COVID-19 we will need to adapt and change how we do things. Some of the change will be

instructed by Ministry of Education and some will be up to the school to determine what is best in our context. The Board and Senior Lead Team will stay focused on doing the best we can for each of our pupils no matter what situation we find ourselves in. As we look at Auckland at the moment it seems we **may** need to consider half day school with distance learning or a couple of days at school and a couple of days away or some combination of this. At this point we do not know but we are beginning to look at possibilities so we are able to pivot quickly to whatever happens. We will look to hear your ideas when we get closer to the time.

Thinking about the changes we do know about please read the attached clarification on the last page for when you would need to be vaccinated to be on the school site. Feel free to come and ask questions around this if you wish.

#### **Board Survey**

Don't forget to respond to the Boards request for feedback as they begin the strategic planning for the coming 3 years. Use the link below to go to the survey. It should take about 10 minutes. The Board really appreciates your thoughts.

## https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MFS3VLT

Finally, in Matthew 7:24-25 Jesus says, <sup>24</sup> "So everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them, will be like a wise man [a far-sighted, practical, and sensible man] who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup> And the rain fell, and the floods *and* torrents came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock".

When things get challenging we have a foundation to stand on. As we look into the scriptures, see and hear the call for us to put our trust in God and as we practice this every day we build on a solid foundation. Even when the world around us seems to be in chaos we are able to stand because we do not base our peace, identity or trust in the things that constantly change but in the one who is immovable, timeless and beautifully expressed in love. Can I encourage you to practice putting your daily needs and concerns into the welcoming hands of our heavenly Father and let Him carry your cares. In this place — make wise decisions based on solid information.

Grace and peace....

Mark Richardson Tumuaki/Principal



much as possible

Tuesday 14 December							
PRIZEGIVING ONE	VENUE: School	ol Hall					
Levels involved	Parent involvement	Time	Awards presented in this assembly	Adult Vaccination Status			
Year 0 – 1  Mataī 5  Mataī 6	Two parents per pupil in Mataī 5 and Mataī 6 level may attend.	2.20 pm - 3.00pm	Class Awards     Learning Tree     Certificates	This is an 'event' on school site.  No vaccination evidence required to attend.  Please: Sign in at the sign in tables at the hall Scan the Tracer App Sanitise Wear a mask for the duration of the event if invited to attend Physical distance as			

Wednesday 15 December  PRIZEGIVING TWO VENUE: Outside the School Hall							
Levels involved	Parent involvement	Time	Awards presented in this assembly	Adult Vaccination Status			
Whole school (Years 1-10)	Invited parents of prize getters only (parents will receive a direct invitation via email/mail)  Mataī 5 and Mataī 6 pupils may go home at the end of this assembly. School is finished for the year for them.  Supervision will be provided for Mataī 5 and 6 pupils needing to stay until end of day.	9.10-9.45am	<ul> <li>Fair Play in Sport</li> <li>House award 2021</li> <li>MS Leadership</li> <li>Primary School Academic</li> <li>Middle School Academic</li> <li>Overcomers</li> <li>Perseverance Award</li> <li>Service Award</li> <li>Diligence Award</li> <li>Integrity cup and Certificate</li> <li>Ruth Award</li> <li>David Award</li> <li>Principals Award</li> </ul>	This is a 'event' outside (weather dependant)  No vaccination evidence required to attend.  Please:  Sign in at the sign in tables at the hall  Scan the Tracer App  Sanitise  Wear a mask for the duration of the event if invited to attend  Physical distance as much as possible			

# Wednesday 15 December

REMAINING PRIZEGIVINGS VENUE: School Hall

Levels	Parent	Time	Awards presented in	Adult Vaccination
involved	involvement		these assemblies	Status
Year 3 – 4 Horoeka 1 Horoeka 3 Kowhai 1	One parent per pupil in Year 3 and 4 may attend.  Pupils may go home at the end of the assembly.  Supervision will be provided for pupils needing to stay until end of day.	10:00-10.30	Best contributor to sport     Coach of the year     Sport Team of the year	This is a 'event' on school site.  No vaccination evidence required to attend.  Please: Sign in at the sign in tables at the hall Scan the Tracer App Sanitise Wear a mask for the duration of the even if invited to attend Physical distance as much as possible
Year 1 – 2 Mataī 1 Mataī 2 Mataī 3	Two parents per pupil in Year 1 and 2 may attend.  Pupils may go home at the end of the assembly.  Supervision will be provided for pupils needing to stay until end of day	11:00-11.30		
Year 5 – 6 Kowhai 3 Kowhai 4 Kowhai 6	One parent per pupil in Year 5 and 6 may attend. Pupils may go home at the end of the assembly. Supervision will be provided for pupils needing to stay until end of day	11.50-12.35		
Year 7 – 8  Totora 1  Totora 3  Akiraho 4	One parent per pupil in Year 7 and 8 may attend.  Pupils may go home at the end of the assembly.  Supervision will be provided for pupils needing to stay until end of day	1:00-1.45		
<b>Year 9 – 10</b> /ear 10 Farewell	Two parents per pupil in Year 9 and 10 may attend	2:15-3:00		



# **Download School App**

\* Stay Up To Date \* Notify Absences \* Link to our Website \* School Calendar \* Use the QR Code or download at www.aidanfield.apps.school.nz/install/

Has anything changed for you and your family this term? Moved house / changed email / contact details? Please do let us know.



**Term Dates 2022** Term 4 Week 4 2021

#### Term 1

### Thursday 3 February - Thursday 14 April

Monday 7 February Waitangi Day (School Closed)
Friday 15 April Good Friday (School Closed)

School Holidays: 16 April to Sunday 1 May includes:

Easter Monday 18 April, Easter Tuesday 19 April, Anzac Day 25 April

#### Term 2

#### Monday 2 May - Friday 8 July

Thursday 12 May

Friday 3 June

Monday 6 June

Friday 24 June

Teacher Only Day (School Closed)

Queen's Birthday (School Closed)

Matariki (School Closed)

School Holidays: Saturday 9 July to Sunday 24 July

#### Term 3

# Monday 25 July - Friday 30 September

School Holidays: 1 October to Sunday 16 October

#### Term 4

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**SCAN** 

# Monday 17 October - Wednesday 14 December

Monday 24 October Labour Day (School Closed)

Friday 11 November Canterbury Anniversary Day (School Closed)

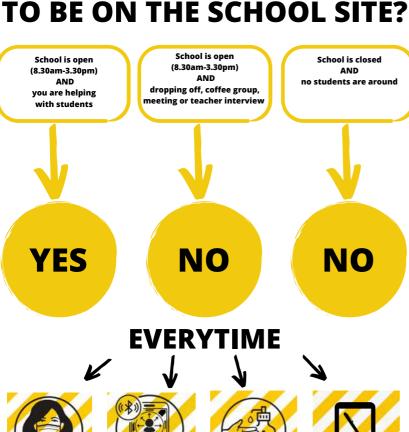
Wednesday 14 December Last day of the year

## **Huritini Council**



Last week the ACS Huritini Council reps, Theo, Hugh, and Charlotte attended the last meeting of the year. It was held at Westlake Park, where they got to see examples of the signs they have been working on and to decide where we would like them placed in the park. Theo, Hugh, and Charlotte were also given certificates and a swim pass recognising their work on the Huritini Council. Thank you for representing ACS so well!

# DO I NEED TO BE VACCINATED O BE ON THE SCHOOL SITE?



**SANITISE** 

SIGN IN



From Christchurch City Council: We'd like to hear what you think about how we can reimagine four playgrounds in Halswell.

We have four playgrounds in Halswell where the play equipment is due for renewal. These playgrounds are in very close proximity to each other and we have the opportunity to reimagine how we use each park/reserve to provide a variety of play and open spaces. You can find out more about this consultation and give feedback https://

www.ccc.govt.nz/the-council/haveyoursay/show/

462. Feedback is open until Monday 13 December.