



# Ashburton College

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## News

### Message From The Principal

#### College Ball

Last week was our annual Ashburton College Ball. This is always the social highlight for our senior students, who arrive in a wide variety of vehicles, walk down the red carpet and always look amazing. Last Thursday was cold and crisp and we had over 400 students attending.

I always enjoy the community buzz created by those watching the arrivals and having such large numbers just adds to that vibe. Congratulations to Deputy Principal Helen Shore-Taylor and the Student Ball Committee for their organisation. Next week's newsletter will carry photos and more information.

#### Mask Wearing

At the moment we have asked our staff and students to wear masks when they are inside, albeit we acknowledge that teaching with a mask on is less than ideal. However, the combination of community COVID and the rapid spread of coughs and winter flu has helped us reach this decision.

Last week a Christchurch secondary school was forced to close for the day when they had 50% of their teaching staff unavailable.

My plea to staff and students is that this is one small step we can do to help protect our friends and families. We certainly have plenty of masks available for use.

#### Pride Celebrations

As we have done previously, we flew the rainbow flag as an acknowledgement of ourselves as an inclusive school. It was disappointing to have a small group disrespect the flag, its meaning, and a group within our school. Equally, subsequent support was heartening. We take great pride in the accepting nature of our Ashburton College community and all of our students are entitled to our support.

#### Matariki

Matariki is a new public holiday acknowledging an important event for many of our community. There are many aspects of Matariki that could be included within a school setting. I encouraged staff to think of an appropriate acknowledgement for them personally and how they could incorporate some aspect into their classroom programmes. For me it was appropriate to mark the passing of my father.

#### Te Ahu o Te Reo

Congratulations to the twenty staff who completed a fifteen-week course of Te Ahu o Te Reo. This required 2.5-3 hours per week, plus homework, and two day-long wānanga. This year's course was forced to be online, aside from the second wānanga day, which can be less ideal for learning for some.

#### July Holiday Break

Finally, we have one week of term remaining before we go into our July holiday break. My message to our students and staff is the same. Please stay warm and get healthy. Use some of your time to catch up on missed work and most importantly have a holiday as Term 3 will be hectic!

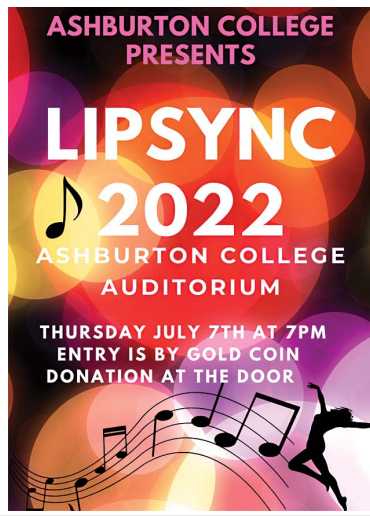
Ross Preece, Principal - Tumuaki



### Information

#### Lip Sync 2022 - Next Thursday

Look to put this in your calendar, for the end of term, if you can join us in the audience to enjoy the talents of College students.



#### Year 13 Business Studies Groups –

##### Quality Products for Sale

Business Studies students are responsible for setting up their own business, operating along business management lines, with expected accountabilities regarding income, expenditure and profit.

Below, we highlight three of these groups, their products for sale and opportunity for the public to purchase.

#### Coffee Care

We are a Year 13 Business Studies group who have created a business called Coffee Care. Coffee Care is an all-organic and natural coffee and sugar body scrub.

Our business members are: Devon Flannery our Managing Director; Ella Shanks in Finance; Ruby Gray in Communications; Millar Newlands in Production; and Xavier Dalton in Marketing. Each Director offers different skills and contributes different strengths to help the business operate.

#### For Sale

We will be selling body scrubs for \$8.99 and will also be offering refills to returning customers for \$6.99.

As a group, we have decided to donate \$1.00 per sale to the Cancer Society Ashburton, to help give back to the community.

#### If you are interested in purchasing

one of our body scrubs please contact us by:

texting 027 832 6899, or emailing at

shae8145@student.ashcoll.school.nz or you can dm (direct message) us

on Instagram at coffeecare\_22 and we will get back to you right away.

Many thanks, Coffee Care!



#### Kiwi Soaps

Kiwi Soaps is a Year 13 Business Studies group selling homemade soaps for our internal assessment!

We have a range of soaps available, each for \$7 a bar. The scents we have on offer include:

Black Raspberry Vanilla; Mango Coconut; Plumeria; Rose Petals.

Our scents all revolve around the primary theme for our business: nature. One way that we have incorporated this into our scents is with the scent Plumeria, which is a Rarotongan flower.

We are environmentally friendly and package our soaps with paper-wrapping. This paper-wrapping has the ability to be recycled. However, in addition to this, this paper has the capacity to be reused in a number of different ways.

One way which we would recommend to our customers to reuse our paper-wrapping would be to utilise the scent remaining on it from our soaps. For example, a customer could place the paper wrap within a drawer, which would leave the scent throughout, making it more pleasant for them when they open their drawer.

10 cents from each sale is being donated to the Cancer Society.



#### To place an order:

You can email us on

bata8021@student.ashcoll.school.nz;

We also have an Instagram account @ashcollkivisoaps22 where you can follow updates about our soaps and place orders.

#### Thank you!

Alex Bateman, Libby Alford, Holly Trotter, Charlotte Sinclair-Donnelly.

#### Beeswax Wraps

We are a Year 13 Business Studies group, hand-making and selling reusable Beeswax wraps. Our wraps are designed as a substitute for single use plastic wrap and can be used to wrap food items and cover bowls. They are made with fabric and coated in a beeswax mixture which uses organic and locally sourced beeswax.

We are selling three sizes of wraps, and each size comes in a different pattern.

#### Sizes and Orders

Our Small wraps (22x18cm) are made with a bee design fabric; our Medium wraps (26x26cm) are made with a sheep design fabric; and our Large wraps (33x33cm) are made with a gingham design fabric.

#### Our wraps are priced:

Small: \$6.00; Medium: \$8.00; and Large: \$10.00.

A portion of our profit will be donated to the charity 'For the Love of Bees'.



To purchase our product contact us by:  
Email: [Beewrapped4@gmail.com](mailto:Beewrapped4@gmail.com)  
Instagram Direct message beewrapped \_



### Events

#### NCEA Japanese Workshop at the University of Canterbury

On Thursday 09 June a one-day workshop was held for NCEA students of Japanese in Christchurch at the University of Canterbury.

Teacher of Japanese Hiromi Horsley said that thirty-one Ashburton senior students of Japanese attended the event. The workshop is organised jointly by the Japanese Programme, School of Language, Social and Political Sciences, Department of Global, Cultural and Languages Studies, University of Canterbury, and the Canterbury Network of Teachers of Japanese.



(Pictured above, back row, left to right): Lupeva Falealili, Aiono Falealili Tafu, Paige Williams, Angela Allen, Amanda Adachi, Ron Sildo, Jesse Nieman, Latham Brown, Kaia Kereopa.

(Middle row, left to right): Keisha Power, Maia Shierroe, Emily Rouse, Ashley Gee, Genevieve Felton, Ella Glenn, Lara Shierlaw, Caitlin Stewart, Lily Campbell, Simone Forster Lobato de Faria, Teacher Hiromi Horsley.

(Front row, left to right): Patrizio Novello, Iela Mangubat, Ela Marilla, Amelia Bruce, Princess Pureza, Liberty Mandez, Gabe Rigor, Raven Tayaban, Sir Aron Da-al, Hector Diamante.

The workshop aims to help senior students of Japanese prepare for NCEA assessments by taking part in three workshops specifically targeting these assessments. It is intended that these activities increase motivation and lead to positive performances in NCEA.

The teachers are teachers of Japanese in the Christchurch area and lecturers from the University. Students worked in groups, according to their level of NCEA study, and with no more than five students from the same school.

About 400 students from fourteen schools participated in the event and Hiromi said that all the students met lots of new friends who are studying Japanese in this area. They had a guest speaker who studied Japanese, and is having great experiences as a result.



(Pictured left): Guest speaker presentation.

Students had three sessions on 'how to succeed in NCEA', a Taiko Drum performance by Takumi and had a video taken of the Dance project. Also, they had delicious Japanese bread for the morning tea.



(Pictured above): Taiko Drum performance.

Taking part in this event broadened the perspective of the students and provided a valuable experience looking to the future.

#### Ashburton College - Japanese Dance Competition Winners

There was also a Japanese Dance competition on the programme. Students practised the Japanese Dance for a month and sent the video to the organiser. Ashburton College won the competition again this year as they did in 2021.



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#### 2022 International Languages Week

##### Celebrated at College

Information provided by Lucas Vainerere, Year 13 student and member of the Student Cultural Committee

From 13-17 June many schools in New Zealand celebrated International Languages Week. The week-long event is designed to promote and showcase the diverse cultures within our schools.

Ashburton College proudly took part in this initiative and put on a range of activities throughout the week.

For each day of the week, select countries and nationalities had their flags raised on the flagpole by the Chessboard. These included: Japan, Germany, Māori, India and the Philippines.

Monday saw a display put up in the library to explain the purpose of International Languages Week, which is to recognise language and culture from around the world and within our school. A notable fact is that there are over 150 languages spoken in New Zealand!

Movies from Germany, Japan and New Zealand were also shown in their respective language classrooms. This gives students a chance to watch some original films from these countries in their native language to provide an immersive and entertaining experience. This was done on Wednesday lunchtime.

Something that the Cultural Committee put together was a short video with native students and staff introducing themselves in their own language. These featured a small portion of the different cultures within our school and encouraged students to get involved in learning about each individual's cultural heritage.

The main highlight for the week was on Friday 17 June where students, teachers and caregivers participated in our very own Cultural Bite! We were fortunate enough to host five different cultures who gave us a taste of their own local cuisine. These included food from Māori, Japanese, South African, Filipino and Samoan cultures. The Bite was very successful with a lot of food being sold at lunchtime.

(Pictured above, right): Action at the Cultural Bite stalls.



(Pictured right): South African traditional Koeksisters on sale.



(Pictured below, right): Teacher of Japanese Hiromi Horsley and Chinatsu Hunt share a conversation on the Japanese food stall.



The Samoan stall proved to be very popular amongst the students with their fried rice and *sapasui* (an alternative version to the Chinese version of chop suey), and *val mango* (a sweet beverage with its main ingredient being mango).



(Pictured above): Salatielu lakopo hands over change to a purchaser at the Samoan staff with the popular rice and *sapasui* evident, while Sivalloa Teomatauvii keeps an eye on arrangements.

Overall, the Cultural Bite was a befitting manner for the students and staff to experience culture within our school.

### Congratulations

#### Ashburton College - Burnside High School Sports Exchange

Another 'first for some time' event occurred on Tuesday 14 June when schools were able to reboot inter-school exchanges, the first since 2019. The day was hosted by Burnside.

Although conditions were initially cold, the day developed into pleasant, sunny, comfortable temperatures. Aside from the benefits for the outside sports, this turned into a bonus when the afternoon concluded with an unscheduled and real fire, fire alarm, necessitating all staff and students to gather outside for some significant time. Fortunately, all games had finished at this stage and, ultimately, it was decided that the presentation section of the day not be held in the interests of allowing the busloads to return to Ashburton for the estimated return time.

All students represented College very well, in a sporting and well-behaved manner.

#### Results

Although Ashburton College has been successful against Burnside High School in the two years prior to COVID lockdowns, repeating the 2018 win and a draw of games played in 2019 (although a win to Burnside due to a injury/illness team default at the venue), such a close outcome was not to be the case this year.

Burnside is to be congratulated on gaining a 7-4 overall games' victory. Games were played at a mix of venues with E-sports, Football, Netball and Basketball played on campus at Burnside High School; while Hockey was played at the Nunweek Park Hockey Turf; Squash at the Burnside Squash Club; and Golf at the Templeton Golf Course.

#### Individual Sports' Results were:

Sport	Win to Ashburton College	Win to Burnside High School
Basketball – Boys' Under 15A		86-68
E-sports – two teams of five members		3-1
Football – Girls' 1st XI	5-3	
Football – Boys' Junior 1st XI		15-0
Golf – three players		2.5-0.5
Hockey – Boys' 1st XI	8-2	
Hockey – Girls' 1st XI	2-1	
Netball – Year 9A		24-18
Netball – Year 10A	29-10	
Netball – Senior B		30-16
Squash – three players		3-0

Reports and some photos to share from some of these fixtures, are as follows:

#### Boys' Under 15A Basketball

Year 13 Co-Coaches Ethan Reddique and Caleb McNulty-Burns were looking forward to having their Junior A Boys' team tested against a team which plays in the Christchurch competition. The intensity and pace of the game versus Burnside High School, proved to be a step-up from the Aoraki, South Canterbury Basketball Competition, which the Junior A's play in, weekly on Friday nights.

Playing four 10 minute quarters, with a stop and shot clock, the game called for a consistent and physical effort by the Junior A team (three Year 10 and four Year 9 students).

At half-time Burnside was up by 8 points, finishing with a win by 18 points. The score showed, to their credit, that the College team kept in reach of their position throughout the whole game. During the third quarter the team had a nice run of goals, including three pointers, which had the AshColl team within 6 points.

27 points were contributed by team captain Daniel Ditmer, but this was matched by the opposition's point guard and play-maker Ryan Choi with 27 points. He was supported by George McBrydie with 20 points, thus making the difference for Burnside.

Ashburton's Taniela Palavi was able to use his skill to convert 10 points in lay-ups, while William Woods had a solid game with 12 points. There was better defensive pressure by AshColl on Burnside in the second half, by Liam Elliott and Riki Philpott, creating rebounds which the Junior A's were able to secure. Jack Spicer ended the game with a three point swish.

Manager Lisa Elliott said that good sportsmanship was shown by all players. Lisa was joined by Debbie van Rooyen as supervisor.

Team members were: Daniel Ditmer (Captain), Liam Elliott, Taniela Palavi, Riki Philpott, Oliver Prince, Jack Spicer, William Woods. Josh King was injured, and Ranz Buenafe was absent.



(Pictured left, clockwise from the left): Taniela Palavi, Daniel Ditmer having released his second free throw, both being converted; and number 13, Riki Philpott, covering in case there was a rebound.



(Pictured left, from number 10 forward): Liam Elliott, William Woods (number 8) and Taniela Palavi taking on the defenders with a lay-up.

#### Netball

##### Year 9A Team

This exchange provided valuable experience for the team, with all players getting court time in preparation for the Junior Tournament being held in July.

Coach Ange Mitchell said the girls started slowly, with Burnside taking an early lead. However, once the players settled into the outside conditions their performance improved, with the team winning the second half but unable to pull back the first-half deficit.

Team members were: Lucy Pearce and Savana Fagalima (Co-captains), Ally Thomas, Amelia Mitchell, Chanelle Ula, Emma Lowry, Kalotia Ula, Layla Ward, Lulu Kilworth, Ruby Patterson; with Ange Mitchell as Coach and Jemma Hurst, Manager.



(Pictured left): Goal Attack Kalotia Ula takes a shot at goal, with Goal Shoot Chanelle Ula watching on.

##### Year 10A Team

The Year 10A team got off to a strong start against Burnside. Coach Leisel Lambert said that the team continued to build on the lead throughout the next three quarters, showing no sign of disruption to play when player changes were made at each quarter. The players finished strongly, to take the win.

Team members were: Isla Hart, Abbey Henderson, Harriet Hill, Alexleigh Houston, Taylor Lamont, Meg Lill, Milla Overend, Makeleta Ula, Marnell Vaelua, Torry Wilson-Brown.

##### Senior B Team

This proved to be an open game, with all players a bit tentative initially on the wet and slippery surface. With only eight players available for this fixture there was little room for error regarding substitution in the event of injury.

Some accurate shooting from wide out in the goal circle, in the early part of the game by Goal Attack Sasha Williams, kept the team in the game throughout Quarter 1. At the end of this quarter Burnside had only a slim two goal advantage. At this stage of the game there was also some accurate passing into the goal circle and edge of circle play, by Centre Sienna Skilling. Burnside, however, pulled away in Quarter 2 to bring the score to 15-5 in their favour. This, and Quarter 4, was where the damage was done to the final score, despite Ashburton College winning the third quarter 6-5.

Wing Defence Izzy Harris and GK Alexia Wilson worked hard to gain ball.

##### B Team members for the day were (pictured right, back row, left to right):

Alexia Wilson, Chloe Braas, Sasha Williams, Charlotte Bota, Ryleah Eden-Pinnell, Coach Karla Newlands.

(Front row, left to right): Izzy Harris, Tara Nevin-Smith, Sienna Skilling.

(Absent): For this fixture were Briar Clark, Kasey Higson, Molly McKenna, Katie Shearer.



(Pictured left): Defender Ryleah Eden-Pinnell making every effort to influence the shot at goal. Izzy Harris waits for the outcome.

Further Burnside Exchange Sports will be reported on in our next Newsletter.