

# Amuri Area School



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Nothing But The Best*

*Raising Achievement; Realising Potential;  
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**Term 3, Week 3**  
**Week Ending 7<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

Tēnā Koutou

## Debating Team

Our first foray in the debating competition arena for some time resulted in a first round win for Amuri. This team has now progressed to the second round which will be held in the Community Room on Tuesday at 1pm.

## NETSAFE

On Monday a group of representative students, the senior management team and group of teachers spent parts of the day with the tutor from NETSAFE looking at how we can improve digital safety both at school and in the home. I understand the parent session in the evening was excellent and provided parents with a raft of information to support them with this increasingly challenging issue within society. From a school perspective they have helped us to clarify the conditions of the Harmful Digital Communications Act and how this applies within a school context and have provided us with a very handy self review tool to evaluate how we are going.

Another interesting thing to note is the Helpline and systems Netsafe have as a government appointed entity to help you, the parent, manage issues that happen to your child. The reality is that MOST of the social media issues we encounter happen at home. This leaves parents in a difficult

position as they struggle to understand how to manage these incidents and what if anything, can be done. If you believe the HDCA has been breached, then the correct course of action is the NZ Police. However, a call to NETSAFE will be a great first step in the process to help unpack what is happening and what the correct response may be.

## NETSAFE HELPLINE 0508NETSAFE

Our team of students who represented us on the day will be presenting their findings to the whole school at the next assembly.

## Coming Up

Year 5 and 6 head out to a ski trip next week and don't forget to register for the Amuri Basin Rogaine next Sunday.

Have a great weekend.

Kia Kitea Toikaka.

James Griggs  
Principal

## Roll of Honour

*Jakob Bush  
Valerie Croft  
Zara Hamilton  
Rosie Johnston  
Eury Tumamoa*

## 1<sup>st</sup> Merit

*Leighton Chinnery  
Eden Colebrook  
Max Kinney  
Kace Perry  
Harriett Rutherford  
Angie Mones-Cazon*

# Senior School News

With a run of pleasant winter weather in the last week or so we hope that it remained the same for the Year 9 camp which is due back tonight. Regardless, time spent together as one group was very timely and the opportunity for students to work across the whole cohort of students will have been a new and valuable experience.

On Sunday a group of Year 12 and 13 students are heading off to the Otago University Open Day in Dunedin with Dr Owens y de Novoa, Mrs Roberts and Mrs Barnes. An additional highlight will be a 3-hour lab session on Sunday afternoon at the Portobello Marine Science facility completing a range of activities that support both Year 12 and 13 Biology standards which the students are studying. There has been a range of experiences packed into this 3-day trip to make the most of the distance being travelled. Thank you to Catherine for organising this and the parents who have offered support to travel or as back up if needed.

We are currently finalising our Course Booklet for 2021 senior subject selection. Already teachers have been talking to students about courses to assist them to make informed decisions at selection time. On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> we are having a 'speed dating' type event in the Gym in Period 5 for next year's senior students with information on courses and the selection process.

This week at assembly we were reacquainted with one of our school values – Integrity - which will be a focus for the Term. One of the best definitions I believe that describes Integrity is 'doing the right thing even when no-one is watching'. As we move towards a future of great uncertainty, the values we hold and demonstrate will become an important point of difference between people and will certainly contribute towards our ability to be resilient in the face of change and help our future success.

Those of us who attended the Netsafe presentation at Hawarden on Monday found it an extremely practical, informative and at

times, an eye opening presentation. We live in a digital world and how we behave in that world can literally make or break us. Knowing and understanding what your children are accessing and sending is important and some of what we see spilling into school gives us cause for concern. We suggest all parents visit the parent portal on the Netsafe website which has got fantastic information for parents.

Penny Mossman



## AF8 Emergency Preparedness Scenario

Hope all is well. The science tells us that a rupture of the Alpine Fault is inevitable and typically happens every 300 years or so. The last time it ruptured was 1717... 303 years ago. In 2016, in the aftermath of the Kaikoura Earthquake the disruption to day to day life because of infrastructure damage like State Highway 1 was significant and still ongoing... What would a magnitude 8+ earthquake do to the Hurunui? What will we do? How long for?

The Boyle is planning an Emergency Preparedness Scenario for the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October (middle Friday of the school holidays). When we started looking at this, we realised that this could be really beneficial for the community as a whole and want to extend the option of participation for Amuri Area School as participants i.e. Group members out doing activities on the day. We are looking for about 30 - 40 student participants. The aim is to refine our emergency procedures while creating more resilience in our people. That way when the fault inevitably ruptures (hopefully not for a very long time) we or our successors will be better prepared. A simultaneous scenario will also be run in Hanmer Springs in conjunction with local Police, CD, Red Cross Response Team, and FENZ. A good time to test the districts systems and response.

<https://www.boyle.org.nz/events-1/af8-emergency-preparedness-scenario>

## Dates for your Diary

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| HPSSA                               | Hurunui Primary Schools Sports Association                           |
| CPS                                 | Canterbury Primary Schools   |
| <b>AUGUST '20</b>                   |  |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> –14 <sup>th</sup>  | Amuri Maths Week   |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> | Yr 12/13 Sciences trip to Otago University                           |
| 12 <sup>th</sup>                    | CPS Cross Country, Halswell  |
| 12 <sup>th</sup>                    | Yr 1-3 Cricket Skills  |
| 13 <sup>th</sup>                    | Yr 5-8 Ski Trip, Mt Lyford   |
| 16 <sup>th</sup>                    | Amuri Rogaine  |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> | 2021 Subject Choices open Online for Students                        |
| 17 <sup>th</sup>                    | Yr 7/8 Girls' Self Defence – Community Room                          |
| 18 <sup>th</sup>                    | COL Student Leadership Conference                                    |
| 19 <sup>th</sup>                    | Caverhill Assembly   |
| 21 <sup>st</sup>                    | Yr 10-13 Community Dance, Hanmer Springs                             |
| 24 <sup>th</sup>                    | Yr 7/8 Girls' Self Defence – Community Room                          |
| 25 <sup>th</sup>                    | HPSSA 7-Aside  |
| 27 <sup>th</sup>                    | HPSSA 7-Aside postponement   |
| 27 <sup>th</sup>                    | 125 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Organising Committee Meeting at 5:30pm |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> – 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Senior Netball – Saxton Courts, Nelson                               |
| 31 <sup>st</sup>                    | Yr 7/8 Girls' Self Defence – Community Room                          |
| <b>SEPTEMBER '20</b>                |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>                     | Casa Kapa Haka at Amuri Area School                                  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup>   | Junior Netball – Saxton Courts, Nelson                               |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>                     | Board of Trustees Meeting  |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup>  | Yr 10-13 Exam Week   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>                     | Yr 7/8 Girls' Self Defence – Community Room                          |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>                     | Yr 1-6 Chilled Show in the Gym                                       |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>                     | Speech Competition at the Hawarden Hall                              |
| 9 <sup>th</sup>                     | Christchurch Schools' Music Festival Area Rehearsal                  |
| 10 <sup>th</sup>                    | Mitchell Assembly  |
| 14 <sup>th</sup>                    | Yr 1-8 Firewise Visit  |
| 21 <sup>st</sup>                    | Yr 7/8 Trip to Godley Head Gun Emplacements                          |
| 21 <sup>st</sup>                    | Amuri Careers Tourism Day  |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> | North Canterbury Kapa Haka Festival                                  |
| 25 <sup>th</sup>                    | End of Term 3  |
| <b>OCTOBER '20</b>                  |  |
| 12 <sup>th</sup>                    | Start of Term 4  |
| 15 <sup>th</sup>                    | CPS Champs – Selwyn Aquatic Centre                                   |
| 15 <sup>th</sup>                    | National Shake It Out Drill  |

## \*\* SAVE THE DATE \*\*

**The PTA would appreciate your support of any baking that you can provide for this event. Please drop off either at the School or to Fiona Dwyer's house, 8 Stock Road, Culverden.**

**Thank you in advance.**

**AMURI ROGAINE**

Organised by Amuri Area School & Rotherham School

**Sunday 16th August 2020**

**6, 3 & 1.5 hour Rogaines**

**Culverden, North Canterbury**

**Time**  
 6 Hour: 10:00am – 4:00pm, registration/course planning from 8:30am  
 3 Hour: 12:00pm – 3:00pm, registration/course planning from 10:30am  
 1.5 Hour: 1:00pm – 2:30pm, registration/course planning from 12:00pm

**Categories:**  
 Open (18-39 on race day), Men, Woman, Mixed Junior (under 18), Veteran (40+), Family (Junior, Vets & Family (no gender grade))

**Event Fee**  
 Adult: 6hr - \$50 (per person), 3hr - \$40 (per person)  
 Per Junior: 3hr - \$20, no 6hr option (per person)  
 Per Family: 3hr - \$80 (per family), 1.5hr - \$40

**Entry Information**  
 Entries open 1st July  
 Enter at <http://www.rogaine.org.nz>  
 Entries close 5pm 10th August.  
 The organizers reserve the right to accept late entries

**General Enquiries**  
 Douglas Woods, [douglas@black-woods.co.nz](mailto:douglas@black-woods.co.nz)  
 Renee Dwyer, Crossley 021 993 646  
 For further information and explanation of Rogaining see - <http://www.rogaine.org.nz>

**All Grandparents raising Grandchildren are invited for coffee and cake**

**Monthly meetings at Rangiora RSA  
 82 Victoria Street  
 Fridays 9.30AM**

Support - Connection - Guest speakers

19th June 25th September  
 31st July 23rd October  
 21st August 20th November

For more information please contact:

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## **AMURI AREA SCHOOL PTA CALF SCHEME 2019**

The PTA would like to thank the following families for their contribution to the PTA calf scheme either through donating a calf or virtual calf in 2019.

Thank you so much!

Glen and Wendy Drummond  
Nadia and Simon Clisby  
Tom Davies  
Ben and Wendy Croft  
Andy Carr and Rachelle Gill  
Matt and Vicky Hamilton  
Guy and Marie Blomfield  
Alan and Sharron Davie-Martin  
Adam and Siobhan Williamson  
Rachael and Martin Hickey  
Simon Maxwell  
Wally and Arunza Jamieson  
Hayden and Maria Fletcher  
Nathan and Courtney Absolam  
Charmaine and Ross Colebrook  
Nigel Gardiner  
Grant McIntosh/Esperat/DeVera  
Aimee Parmar  
Aaron and Tammy Bunt  
Carolina and Marcello Burgos  
Simon and Sheena van der Hayden  
Aaron and Janine Booth  
Alex and Kevin Thompson  
Emlyn and Hillary Francis  
Fiona Newall  
Louise and Darryl Pickering  
Trish and Rob McIntosh/Brett and Katherine Langford  
Berry and Rachael Neppelenbroek  
Bee and James McCone  
Peter and Joc Kinney  
Sara and Kevin O'Neill  
Blaise and Dan Davison  
Tim Delaney and Jo Smith

## **AMURI AREA SCHOOL PTA CALF SCHEME 2020**

Our Calf Scheme we run every year is our No. 1 fundraiser for our school. Every year, thanks to your generous support, we raise in excess of \$30,000.00. All money raised goes to classroom resources, school excursions or any other needs within the school.

If you are keen to donate to this year's scheme, please let us know and we will get tags to you.

If you would rather make a monetary donation, as any donation is greatly appreciated, please donate through online banking using your surname and first name as reference, code CALF. Our bank account number is 03-1582-0069597-00.

If you are after a tag or two or need any further information, please contact Vicky Hamilton on 021-134-1793 or Fiona Dwyer on 027-260-2027. Please note that you will need to ensure all donated stock are NAIT tagged.

Thank you to Allflex and Amuri Transport for sponsoring this scheme.



**Get your tickets NOW  
from the School Office**

**HURUNUI**  
WINTER 21.08.2020  
SEMI-FORMAL

Venue: Hanmer Springs Hall  
Time: 7:00pm