### Awahou School

'A Lifestyle for Learning'



Monday 10th June 2019, Term 2 - Week 7

#### Kainui Cluster Cross Country

The Kainui Cluster Cross Country was successfully held on Friday last week. The weather played nice and we got through most of the event in sunshine! We would like to extend a HUGE thank you to all the people who helped organise and run the event. It couldn't have been done without them. Well done to all the students who participated! Awahou School students were wonderful hosts and represented the school with pride. Thanks again to everyone who helped prior to the event and on the day. The following Awahou School students achieved placings...

- Belle Dykman Year 6 Girls 2nd
- Gemma Passey Year 6 Girls 3rd
- Ruby Dykman Year 8 Girls 3rd











#### **BOT Election Announcement**

We had five nominations for the Board of Trustees elections, which means we have the exact amount required to establish the board and do not require an election. The Board of Trustee parent representatives are Alistair Beveridge, Billie Rountree, Todd White, Monique Ekdahl and Paul (Scooter) Geange. Thank you to our Returning Officer - Sue Tyson.

#### Upcoming events

TOMORROW - Ruby is running in the Year 7-8 interschool Cross Country at Ashhurst Domain. Ruby's race kicks off at 11:30am.

Thursday 13th June - All the Kainui Cluster principals are visiting each others schools.

Wednesday 19th June - Trudi out at a Principal's meeting for the day.

Tuesday 2nd & Wednesday 3rd July - Learning Chats with teachers, parents and students. This will be a great opportunity to catch up on your child's progress and achievement so far this year.

#### Staff Announcement

We are pleased to announce that Rochelle Ward will be covering Toni's maternity leave position. Toni has decided to take her maternity leave from Term 2 onwards, which means Rochelle will be joining us at the beginning of next term in Wharite.

Rochelle has been teaching at Lytton Street School in Feilding for the past few years. She is experienced with running



Investigations and has a passion for the Arts. We are pleased to welcome Rochelle to the Awahou team.

Rochelle will be teaching in Wharite this Thursday for the day to get to know the children and staff. Please feel free to pop in and say hello. Rochelle will be known as Whaea Rochelle to the students.

## Walker Learning

DEVELOPMENTALLY & CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE PRACTICE

# What do Investigations look like in Wharite?

Investigations are a time where students explore and investigate in different areas of the room of their choice, for at least 45 minutes per day. Investigations are run in the morning so that the teacher can use certain investigation tasks to introduce learning later on during Literacy or Maths workshops. Investigations are run to provide children with authentic experiences to develop their knowledge and understanding of literacy and maths concepts, as well as developing their social, emotional, language, cognitive and physical development. Research tells us that the more authentic the learning is the faster the learning will go into their long-term memory. Investigations are well planned and intentional. The teacher spends their time getting alongside students to further scaffold their learning and infuse literacy and maths into their investigation time.

#### More Kainui Cross country pics!

