

Thursday 28th March

Term 1 Week 8

# EKETAHUNA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Lots of fantastic teaching and learning opportunities this week here at school with both teachers and students putting 100% effort in to all they do....

## House Team Competition

We had a wonderful time last Friday, with our students showing great sportsmanship and enthusiasm at our first House Team Competition! Our four houses took to the field - juniors playing teeball and seniors playing softball. The competition was organised and run by our student leaders and their deputies. They did

an awesome job! It was great to see so many parents come along to watch. Results from the day are below. We are looking forward to Round 2 tomorrow!



Tee Ball Junior 1	Tee Ball Junior 2	Softball Senior 1	Softball Senior 2
<b>Ma vs Kakariki</b> Kakariki won 13 / 10	<b>Kikorangi vs Whero</b> Kikorangi won 56 / 44	<b>Ma vs Kakariki</b> Ma won 12 / 9	<b>Kikorangi vs Whero</b> Kikorangi 13 / 12
<b>Player of the Day:</b> Noah Duffy	<b>Player of the Day:</b> Solomon Hoterini	<b>Player of the Day:</b> Paice Mitchell-Hopa	<b>Player of the Day:</b> Hannah Mikoz

## School Lockdown Practise:

Next Thursday, 11th April, our students will practise what to do in a school lockdown. At Eketahuna School we take health and safety very seriously which is why we carry out regular emergency drills to practise and hone our procedures. There are clear, simple instructions for each drill displayed in every classroom and around the school. Teachers go over the drills with the students at the start of each term to make sure they are familiar with the procedures. On hearing the lockdown signal, students and teachers remain in classrooms, or make their way quickly to the nearest classroom. Doors are locked and curtains pulled. Students and teachers then assemble on the floor silently at a safe place in the classroom. We ask that you do not contact the school via phone, or come to the school in a lockdown situation. Communication between the school and the community in a lockdown will take place via Facebook and Loop to keep parents informed and to keep phone lines free for communication with the police.

## Keep Ourselves Safe:

All of our classrooms had a visit from Officer Maxine Walshe today, who was in school for the delivery of Keep Ourselves Safe. The programme will be running over the next 3 weeks so keep an eye out for follow up activities coming home.

## Eketahuna Fire Truck Visit:

Yesterday we had a fantastic time with the Eketahuna Fire Service at school. To finish our Firewise Programme we invited the fire service officers to school to talk to the children and show them the workings of our local fire truck. A huge thanks to Officers Jesse Willetts and Bevan White.



## **Diary:**

Thursday 28th March: Board of Trustees Meeting  
Tuesday 2nd April: Parent Teacher Learning Discussions  
Thursday 4th April: Learning Discussions

Friday 5th : Netball forms & subs due  
Thursday 11th April: Hockey forms & subs due  
Thursday 11th: School Disco  
Friday 12th: Last day of term

### Celebration Assembly:

It is great seeing everyone at the school assembly each Friday, at 2:10pm, in the hall. It's a great opportunity to share the successes children have had throughout the week. Tomorrow's will be hosted by Room 3.

#### Class Awards – Star Student:

Given to a student by their teacher to acknowledge the great work done in class and related to learning throughout the week

Room 1: Lleucu Anderson  
Room 2: Evan Governor  
Room 3: Rubylee Burton-Foley  
Room 5: Marshall Anderson  
Room 6: Nadia Newton

#### Caught Being Good Award – Duffy Book:

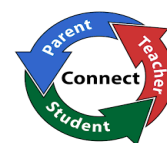
Given to a student by their teacher in recognition of outstanding behaviour that exemplifies our school values and expectations:

Room 1: Harley Greco  
Room 2: Addison Gear  
Room 3: Maxwell Crudis  
Room 5: Jaxon Moore  
Room 6: Lily Croasdale

**Principal's Award:** Corey McKay for all the help he has given in his lunch times - well done!

### Parent Meetings – Learning Discussions & Survey:

Thank you for getting your slips back so promptly – at this stage we are expecting a fantastic 87% of our parents and whanau along next week!! The classroom teachers are looking forward to sharing how your children are progressing and looking at goals for the upcoming year. There are still a few times available so if you were intending to catch up with our teachers please give the office a ring.



Over the two evenings we will also be doing a community survey to get an idea of what your hopes are for education at Eketahuna School and where you would like to see the learning environment heading in the future. What skills does an 'Eketahuna School Graduate' need as they move on to secondary school? It will be great to hear the community voice as we continue to plan for our children's future!

### Golf Tournament:



Organisation is well on track for our annual Eketahuna School Golf Tournament, which is scheduled to tee off on Sunday 7th April at the Eketahuna Golf Club. This is our major fundraiser of the year and your support will be much appreciated. The Home & School Association have covered all jobs on the day - a big thanks to them all. Closer to the day we will be asking the school community to provide savouries, sandwiches or baking for the morning tea at the Golf Club. The school is entering a team and they are looking forward to meeting you on the 'green'!

### Tough Guy & Gal:

Remember to get your entry form and money in to the school office as soon as you can for the Tough Guy & Girl Challenge in Palmerston North on Friday 2nd August. Thanks.



### Sausage Sizzle:



fundraising page. Thanks again!

A huge thank you to all those who supported our sausage sizzle last Friday. We made close to \$300 for the Christchurch 'Give a Little' fundraising page. Thanks again!

### Lost Property:

Once again we have a 'mountain' of lost property here at school. Please come into the office and have a look. Lots of towels, t-shirts, fleeces and hats. Thanks.

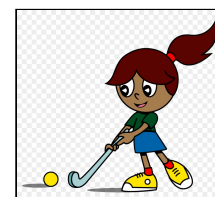


### Tararua Bush Interschool Swimming Result Correction:

Last weeks results had Jack Redington placed 2nd in Event 1: Boys 12 - 13 100 SC Meter Freestyle. This was incorrect. Jack won the race and was placed 1st. Congratulations Jack!

### Indoor Hockey:

The Bush Indoor Summer 5 Aside Hockey competition for 2019 will start on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May and go through to 28<sup>th</sup> June. There's teams for Under 7, Under 9, Under 11, and Under 13. Registration forms and more information is included in the newsletter - get the forms back to ensure you play!



Excellent games over the weeked with both teams putting fantastic effort into their last matches! The Eke Cyclones lost to the Red Star Wainuioru Thunder Team. The Eke Tornadoes played Martinborough Moas and lost 157-137. Everyone was player of the day for a brilliant season of cricket. Big thanks to Jacqui and Brad Anderson for organising the season, along with Brad coaching. Thanks to Jamie Governor and Hamish Monk who also coached teams. We really appreciate all you have done this season.

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### 2019 Weekly Update

#### Room 1

We have been busy this week. Mrs Morgan came to do some ANZAC Art with us which will be displayed at the hall for people to see after the ANZAC service. We also had the Fire Truck come to school to finish our Firewise Unit. The children enjoyed looking at the truck. We have also begun the KOS unit with Constable Max coming in for 2 sessions this week with Room 1. I am looking forward to seeing you next week at the Parent Interviews/Learning discussions. It will be super to update you all on the progress of your children. If you have not yet made an appointment please do so.

Thanks  
Jo

#### Room 2

Room 2 has been learning where to put full stops, capital letters and to re-read their stories. We also also been learning how to keep ourselves safe and Maxine has been coming into our school.

My favourite part about being in Room 2 is writing and reading. The favourite book I've read this year so far is the Wheels big book.

**We have always been chatting about how to keep healthy.**

By Holly

#### Room 3

School seems to be getting busier and busier as the term nears its end!

We have enjoyed having Constable Maxine visit this week and teach us how to keep ourselves safe, and the children have some homework to do-learning their address.

We also had fun doing the Anzac art with Mrs Morgan-our poppies look amazing! AND we got to see the Fire Truck-great excitement.

Looking forward to seeing all parents at the interviews next week :)

#### Room 5

It's been a massively varied week this week and we're gelling as a class more and more. There's an ever increasing awareness that if we distract ourselves by talking to others, we're also seriously impacting the learning of others - in a way that's not okay. Now that we're looking at how we manage ourselves with that perspective, we're suddenly all achieving a whole lot more! So much so, that the reigns on the freedom we have for our SDL (student direct learning) time, have loosened up.

We've merged several themes in our week. Abstract art with 'floating poppies'; an ePal and Travelling Mascot connection with France - in partnership with Solway Primary in Masterton; 'Free Flow Fluency' in writing; planning skills galore - and our maths has gone to word problem solving levels for fractions, decimals and percentages. As for SDL time? iMovies, magazine creations and soooo much more has kicked in there! Roll on next week, when hopefully, we get to meet you all at the interviews. Cheers! Jo and Ingrid

**Room 6:** Hi everyone. We have had a very busy week. Students worked with Mrs Morgan to complete some beautiful ANZAC Day Art. They are very detailed in design and colour. A visit from the Fire Service was a great way to finish off our Firewise Work. We were allowed to look at the equipment, try on some of the fireman's gear and see inside the truck. Thank you to Jessie and Bevan for the visit and answering our questions. It was great to see real sportsmanship in action at the first House Competition on Friday. Round One saw spectators and players enjoying the games. Well done leaders for the fantastic organisation of the competition. It was also to our leaders heartfelt kindness and caring nature that we observed a minute's silence during our assembly last week in support of the victims in Christchurch. Students have finished their Care Packages and these are going to be sent down to Christchurch.

**HouseKeeping:** Please note that students are not permitted to have phones or devices of any description at school. If they do need to bring one they are to be handed into the office before school. Several students have been bringing them to school and using them in the playground at morning tea and lunch. Please reinforce this at home by having a conversation with your child about this. Thank you for your ongoing support. Have a great week.

Roseanne

#### Leaders Report:

Kia Ora koutou,

The past week has been very busy. Friday was a successful day with the T-ball and Softball. There was great sportsmanship throughout the games. It was a fierce competition between the teams. We hope to see more spectators there tomorrow. We also had a great deputy assembly as we observed a moment of silence for the victims in Christchurch. Maia, Meila and Alice.

### EKETAHUNA HEALTH CENTRE COMMUNITY BARBEQUE

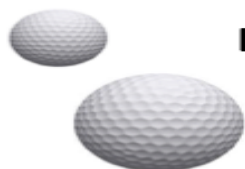
Saturday 30th March 2019, 10.00am - 2.00pm

Free Children's Rides, thanks to Jackson Enterprises.

Free Sausages, healthy drink options.

Come in and meet our team and check out the Menz Shed, Exercise Area and Community Garden

# HELP ! PLEASE



## Golf Tournament Fundraiser—Sunday 7th April

Raising funds to make our school hall warmer,  
cosier and more child centred

By now you should all have the date on your calendars, weeks have zoomed by, and its now time for action!  
Many of our Home and School Parents and staff have already put their hands up to help out on the day but we may still need an extra pair of hands. If you think you **can help out on the day** please let Sandy know.

Sandy Bourke 021735543. (No children I'm afraid).

## ALSO

### Baking Please

Before the tournament kicks off players have been invited to a morning tea. To make it great we ask your help by supplying either a **tin of baking** or **\$5** that can be used to purchase cakes and savouries for the event.

Baking or \$5 donation can be taken to School on the Thursday or Friday before the tournament, 4th or 5th April.

Sweet or savoury

All appreciated—many thanks for your support  
Home and School Committee



## Eketahuna Kerbside & Alfredton Rubbish Collection

Unfortunately, due to new Transfer Station cost we will be increasing our Rubbish stickers cost to **\$4.50** per sticker as of the **1<sup>st</sup> March 2019**  
Please remember that you can always cut a sticker in half if you only have a half bag of Rubbish

Any enquiries please contact us  
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Stickers can be purchased from the school Office.

## Beeswax Wraps to be created in Room 5.



**We are making beeswax wraps in our Discovery Time.**  
**We are seeking donations of beeswax and scrap material please.**

## HOME & SCHOOL PIE FUNDRAISER



Orders to be in by Friday 17th May

Pies will be delivered to school on Wednesday 29th after 11am.



Thanks for your support!