

Thursday 4th April 2019

Term 1 Week 9

EKETAHUNA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Great to see everyone on Tuesday at the Parent Teacher Learning Discussions - we look forward to seeing more tonight!

Mrs Blair is Leaving:

Sadly, at the end of this term we will be saying farewell to Ingrid Blair who is leaving us to take on more days at Fernridge School, where she has been working in a part time capacity this year. Ingrid was part of the great teaching team that took over in Room 3 mid way through last year. and quickly became an integral part of the school, being a much loved and highly effective teacher. I know she will be successful in her new endeavours and I am sure you will join me in thanking her for her commitment and hard work this year in Room 5. We wish her the very best for the future.



Welcome to our New Room 5 Teacher:

Looking forward to next term, we are pleased to announce that Ms Barbara Whitburn will take on the shared teaching role in Room 5, with Jo Gibson for the remainder of the year. Barbara brings a wealth of experience with her from extensive time working at Carterton School and we feel this will be a smooth transition for the children, as Barbara has worked with them all previously .

Room 3 Modifications and Classroom Shifts:

We are very excited to be getting our new entrant learning space created during the holidays. The modifications to Room 3 will see the space return to one large room, with the addition of a larger vinyl area and break out area. Our Year 0 -1 students will be moving into Room 3 and our Year 1 - 2 students moving to Room 1. We plan to shift the classroom furniture and equipment on the last day of term. Next term we hope to have a parent evening where the new class will be open to view with presentation on 'Play Based' / 'Project Based' teaching and learning.

Lock down - Thursday 11th April:

We will be holding a lockdown drill next Thursday morning here at school. We will walk the children through the procedure and then review the process with the plan to hold another in Term 2. Should the school ever be placed into a lockdown, we will endeavour to communicate with you to ensure you are informed regularly about the ongoing situation as best we can by Facebook and School Loop.

Parents/caregivers, the NZ Police advise that you **DO NOT** come to school in a lockdown situation as this can place you in danger and we will be unable to let you into any part of the school. Children can only be released to you after a lockdown situation by their teacher or myself. We will communicate directly with staff to keep them apprised of the situation and will also liaise directly with the Police. At the end of the day our students' safety has and will always be our no.1 priority. Trust us and our systems as you do everyday.

Amazing Art for the School:



Over the holidays we will be putting up pieces done by Mrs Morgan and the extension art group - eye catching!

Diary:

Thursday 4th April: Learning Discussions
Friday 5th April : Netball forms & subs due

Thursday 11th April: Hockey forms & subs due
Thursday 11th April: School Disco
Friday 12th April: 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 1.

<u>Class Awards – Star Student:</u> Given to a student by their teacher to acknowledge the great work done in class and related to learning throughout the week	<u>Caught Being Good Award – Duffy Book:</u> Given to a student by their teacher in recognition of outstanding behaviour that exemplifies our school values and expectations:
Room 1: Maisyn Parr Room 2: Johnny Dandy Room 3: Rubylee Burton-Foley Room 5: Raniera Kenrick Room 6: Jack Redington/Maia Morrison	Room 1: Fern Tua-Davidson Room 2: Izzie Oliver Room 3: Maxwell Crudis Room 5: Brodie Burton-Foley Room 6: Kerrin Atkinson

Principal's Award: Harrison Mackisack for top reliability as our daily bell monitor - he keeps us on time!



Disco and Dress Up Day:

We are having our Year 1 - 4 disco next Thursday at 12:40pm. Our Year 5 - 8 will have theirs at 5:30pm. Both have a 'Pacific' theme so come in a lei, lava lava or Hawaiian shirt!

Golf Tournament - Sunday 7th April:

We look forward to seeing you all at the Eketahuna Golf Club for the annual fundraiser. A big thanks to the Home & School Association. Fingers crossed for a sunny day!



Lost Property:

We still have lost property here at school. Please come into the office and have a look. We will be dropping it into the 2nd hand shop at the end of term. Thanks.



Cell Phones:

Students are not permitted to have phones or devices of any description on them at school. If they do need to bring one they are to be handed into the office before school. Thanks.



Head Lice:

We've had a few cases of headlice so please check all family members carefully. If you require any further information or support in dealing with this issue please contact the school.



Sport Reminders - Netball & Indoor Hockey:

Please ensure all netball forms and subs are back tomorrow. We will start to look at teams next week and get our official school registration done before the end of term. We will also be sorting Indoor Hockey teams next week so if your child was planning to play you will need to get the permission slip signed and in to the office by next Thursday. We are still looking for coaches in both sports so please make sure you circle that option if you feel you would be able to take on the role. Training and guidance is available.

House Team Competition

Another great Friday which saw all our students out on the field 'giving it a go' . . . the last round is tomorrow!



Tee Ball Junior1	Tee Ball Junior 2	Softball Senior1	Softball Senior 2
Kakariki vs Whero Whero won 64 / 60	Kikorangi vs Ma Kikorangi won 72 / 70	Whero vs Kakariki Whero won 15 / 9	Kikorangi vs Ma Ma won 15 / 9
Player of the Day: Noah Duffy	Player of the Day: Marnie Beveridge	Player of the Day: Harry Dickson	Player of the Day: Libby Stockbridge

Nga mihi,
Melinda and the Eketahuna School Team

2019 Weekly Update

<p>Room 1 This week we have had more visits from Constable Max to teach us more about Keeping Ourselves Safe. Thank you for your support with the homework. It has been great to see so many parents on Tuesday night and I am looking forward to seeing the rest of you on Thursday night for the learning discussions. We have been practising hard for presenting assembly tomorrow. Come along and support us. We have also been working hard at skipping and have started some running for cross country. Thanks Jo</p>	<p>Room 2 This week we have been learning about robots. The robot's kid in room 2, we made him out of recycled materials. We have been reading about robots and been doing art about robots too. We have made a cow mailbox and all room 2 has helped to paint it, it is now all done. It has been really good with room 2 this year. We have been doing phonics and it is cool doing phonics. By Nevaeh</p>
<p>Room 3 We are enjoying doing our Autumn art this week-we have found some leaves, looked closely at their patterns, and are busy colouring them in with pastels. Next week we will write a poem about them. We have also started practising running for cross-country. In Writing we are working on using adjectives to make our writing more exciting. In Math we are still practising doubling/halving and noticing patterns in nature/around us. Phonics for next week-revision of all sounds: th/sh/ch/wh/ph/ai/ay/ee/ea. Thank you :) Carol</p>	<p>Room 5</p>
<p>Room 6 We have had a great week in Room 6. Maths has seen us continuing on with Special Numbers as we move into Squared and Square Root of Numbers. For Reading we have integrated our learning with stories and activities around ANZAC Day and what it means to New Zealanders. As Authors we continue to excel in Writing as we focus on our writing content. We have also written letters to 'Ourself' - which will be opened on the last day of the year, along with letters to the students from Bucklands Beach Intermediate, in Auckland. These have now been posted and we wait with anticipation for their replies. As stated last week, students have now put their individual Care Packages together in preparation for dispatch to Christchurch. The cards students have written are heart felt, personal and are words that have brought tears to my eyes. We have 'round 3' of the T-Ball & Softball Competition on Friday. The competition is hotting up and we are looking forward to see who ends up playing against the teachers team next week. Have a great week. Beyonce</p>	<p>Leaders Report</p> <p>Kia Ora koutou</p> <p>Last week was a great week. It was very exciting as we had the games of Softball and T-ball. This is the last week of our Softball and T-ball games. We hope to see more parents supporting their children.</p> <p>The disco is coming up on the 11th of April, don't forget your gold coin entry and your costume. Next week is the last week of school. Hope you have a good last week of school next week.</p> <p>By Lily and Kiara.</p>

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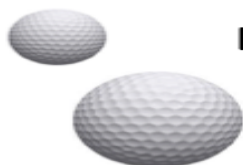
Orders to be in by Friday 17th May

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

Thanks for your support!



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

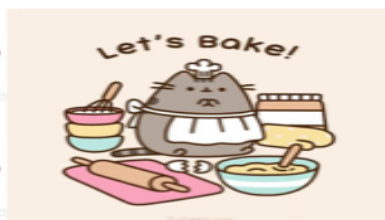
Before the tournament kicks off players have been invited to a morning tea. To make it great we ask your help by supplying either a **tin of baking** or **\$5** that can be used to purchase cakes and savouries for the event.

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



Closer to the time we will be asking
for your support by providing
baking for the morning tea and
a few people to help out on the day
so please write the date on your calendar

Many Thanks
Home and School Association

Eketahuna School Annual Golf Tournament Sunday 7th April 2019

Stableford Competition—Eketahuna Golf Club

\$20 entry fee — morning tea from 10.30am — Welcome 10.55 — Tee off at 11.00am
Shot-gun start — Haggle Hole — Closest to the Pin — Prizes — Cash Bar — Refreshments— BBQ

Contact Eketahuna School to enter — phone 06 3758 191 or register on the day

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.