

EKETAHUNA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Lots on this week, and amongst all our great learning, we still manage to find time for production practise!

LEARNING LAB

The first week of the Learning Lab has been a great success with lots of positive feedback from both students and parents. This week students used their google logins to explore and create their own google slides. They also brainstormed subjects they would like to research. Getting student voice has been awesome for ensuring engagement. The classes were also introduced to 'Kahootz'. A child version which extends their general knowledge.



NETBALL SUCCESS

Congratulations to our Eke Senior Grade C and Eke Senior Grade A teams who both came 3rd in the Bush School competition this season. Lots of improvement over the season and fantastic attitude! Thanks to the coaches and parents who supported them through the season.



RIPPA RUGBY HOUSE COMPETITION

We had a wonderful time last Friday, with our students showing great sportsmanship and enthusiasm at our first winter sport House Team Competition! The competition was organised and run by our student leaders and their deputies. They did an awesome job! We will be playing Round 2 tomorrow! Results below:



Rippa Junior 1	Rippa Junior 2	Rippal Senior 1	Rippa Senior 2
Kakariki vs Kikorangi Kakariki won 7 / 4	Whero vs Ma Whero won 3 / 2	Kikorangi vs Kakariki Kikorangi 9 / 4	Whero vs Ma Whero 2 / 1
Player of the Day: Mack Duffy	Player of the Day: Carter Goodall	Player of the Day: Logan Rendel	Player of the Day: Nathan Atkinson

INTERSCHOOL RIPPA RUGBY COMPETITION

We have been advised the competition planned for next week has been postponed and dates for later in the term are being looked at. The venue will now be at Eketahuna School. More information to follow.

DAFFODIL DAY 30th AUGUST

The Cancer Society of New Zealand's Daffodil Day symbolises hope for 1 in 3 New Zealanders affected by cancer. On Friday 30th we ask everyone to come to school wearing yellow and bring along a gold coin donation which will be given to our local Cancer Society.



Diary:

August 26th: Mid Term Break - No School

August 30th: Lucky Book Club Due

August 30th: Daffodil Day

September 17th: School Photos

September 19th: Production - 'The Edge'

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

We always look forward to seeing everyone at the school hall, at **2:10pm**, for our weekly Celebration Assembly. It's a great opportunity to share the successes children have had at school. Our assembly today was hosted by the wonderful students in Room 5. forward

**SIR BRIAN LOCHORE**

Very sad news regarding the passing of Sir Brian Lochore, one of the greatest players to wear the All Blacks jersey and the 1987 Rugby World Cup-winning coach. He remained a towering figure in rugby after his playing days giving more than 50 years of service to New Zealand Rugby. Sir Brian also gave generously of his time to many causes and local based education. He and his wife Pam supported our school at this years Golf Tournament. Sir Brian will be missed. Our thoughts and condolences go to Pam and his family.

TRACKING & TRAPPING

The Tracking & Trapping Team met with Ali Mackisack from 'Enviro Schools' yesterday to plan next steps for the year. Rotation systems for the Worm Farm and trap setting have been organised, along with establishing roles within the team. Tracking pads and the traps are in the process of being set around the school as we continue to battle rodents that can harm our local environment. The team are continuing to update their 'iNaturalist' website and are investigating using Google docs to keep their weekly diary. The team are doing a wonderful job for Eketahuna School.

**No sweets or Sugary Drinks**

A reminder that no sweets or sugary /energy drinks are to be brought to school. Our Healthy Food Policy discourages consumption of foods high in fat, sugar and salt. It also advises that high energy and 'fizzy drinks' are not to be consumed at school. Thank you very much.

**Lost Property**

Please make sure all clothing and equipment that comes to school is clearly named, to help us cut down on lost property! If you are in the school, please check out the bin which is overflowing! Thank you.

**Students 'off' Buses**

A general reminder to parents and caregivers of bus students to please ring in before 2:30pm to let the office know their children are to be taken off the afternoon bus lists that afternoon. It makes the job so much easier and safer. Thanks to all those who have been following the procedure.

**NETBALL PRIZEGIVING**

Thanks to all the parents who attended the Netball prizegiving yesterday at lunch time. The teams have all had a brilliant season and gone from strength to strength as the competition went on. A huge thank you to Skye White, Ngaio Hanson, Beatrice Cooper, Lee Pinnell, Emma Mitchell and Joanna Green for all the time and effort they put into coaching our teams - it is very much appreciated!

**MINIBALL / BASKETBALL**

Basketball Eke 1 vs Woodville @ 4.40
Miniball Eke 2 vs Pahiatua Red 5.05

RUGBY

Eke (U8) 1st Yr Tackle vs Carterton @ 9.30
Eke (U8) 1st Yr Tackle vs Gladstone Black @ 10am
Eke (U10) vs Carterton @ 9.30



Nga mihi,
Melinda and the Eketahuna School Team

2019 Weekly Update

Room 1

We have had a fun week of learning. The house Rippa Rugby Competition was a lot of fun and it was great to see everyone joining in.

We have been busy making things out of recycled materials for our topic.

Our writing is much improved. Lots of children are making fantastic attempts to write down the sounds they can hear in words, and are starting their writing independently.

We have begun to practice everyday for our show items, the children are working hard at this new learning.

Lots of children have been sick with high temperatures, this seems to be hitting the children hard and they are off school for several days.

Any questions as usual please do not hesitate to contact me. Thanks Joanna

Room 3

We are getting serious about our production practise now, and will be starting daily rehearsals in the hall from next week!

In Maths we are practising doing addition sums, and doubling and halving numbers - great to see the improvements in mathematical thinking. In Writing we have started story-maps of the '3 little pigs' story and are working on writing our narratives for the rest of the week, with a focus on adjectives. In Reading, we are continuing to practise our coloured sight words (please continue to practise these at home too), and to read with fluency and expression.

Just another reminder that daily shared reading is the key to your child's academic success and enjoyment :)

We had lots of fun making straw mazes this week, and painting 'rainy day' pictures-we're all a bit over this weather and all the winter ills :(

Hope everyone feels better soon!

Carol :)

Room 6: Hi everyone. Practise for our Production Numbers are well underway in Room 6. Students have been working on their routines for the past few weeks and it is coming together nicely. Thank you to the parents for volunteering their services with sewing.

Math: We have started work on the Strand Geometry. Students have been looking at and working with different shapes and angles.

Reading: We have been looking at inspirational people that have made a difference in the world. We will move onto waste and plastic.

Topic: Students have been looking at and working on production of items. Extraction, Production, Distribution, Consumer, Disposable. This has inspired and promoted discussion on how we can minimise our waste and avoid filling up our landfills.

Rippa Rugby: House Competition will continue this Friday. Our Leaders did an outstanding job last week. It was great to see the competition. Have a great week.

Room 2**A report by Noah and Nathan:**

In Room 2 we have been singing a traditional song from Australia and learning a Scottish dance for our parts in the production. The boys have been trying extra hard to 'out-sing' the girls and learn the words first. We are not going to tell you what the song is, so we can keep it a secret and surprise you on the production. We have been playing rob the nest, line tag and Go-Noodle for fitness.

"I like the reading rotation we do on Monday-Thursday, and maths" Noah

"My favourite part about school is Golden Time on Friday, and doing research about cats, Usian Bolt and the Titanic" Nathan

Please send your child to school tomorrow with 1 or 2 recyclable bags to take home a pile of art if it's not raining.

Room 5

The absolute highlight of our week was the opening of the 'Learning Lab'. Every day - aside from Friday, 10-12 of us spend time in there, with work that'll help take our life - at school, to a whole new level! We've launched into a deeper level of access within the Google app environment, checking out what's now possible to do online - creatively. More of us now have gmail accounts, which opens up access to online documents, slides / presentation tools and alot more over time. In class, some of us had already taken survey work and sign-up forms digital - but the Lab's given us even more scope to adopt other topics we want to learn - now doing far more with - than just creating posters on paper...

Back in Room 5, we've been given the scope to design our own routine and 'style' for one of our production items, while hearing what else is up for grabs, also. In maths, we've learnt how so many 'games' are based on maths, while nailing how to read and write large numbers to quintillion! We're on a roll! Cheers! Jo & Barb

Leaders Report:

Toasted sandwiches will be sold on Friday for \$2. These have been selling well. Flavours available Double Cheese and Cheese and Ham. Rippa Rugby house competition has started. It was good to see everyone playing.

Technology: Yesterday we made Sushi and Bird Feeders. Jack, Kiara, Stella and Lily



Eketahuna Kerbside & Alfredton Rubbish Collection

Rubbish stickers cost **\$4.50** per sticker
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.

TOASTED SANDWICHES

ON SALE
TOMORROW
\$2.00

HAM + CHEESE
DOUBLE CHEESE

ORDERS TAKEN IN ROOM 6



BUSH DISTRICTS BOYS & GIRLS AGRICULTURAL CLUB NEWSLETTER 2019

I am writing on behalf of the Bush Districts Boys & Girls Agricultural Club with a few points to mention in your next school newsletter.

This year the Agricultural Group Day will be held on Thursday 14th November at Mangamaire school grounds at 192 Tutaekara Rd . Judging will begin at 10am sharp.

There will be drinks and a sausage sizzle, and also tea and coffee available to purchase during the day.

All lambs and calves competing must be born on or after August 1st and be hand reared to be eligible to enter.

Entire bull calves will not be permitted, but steers will be accepted in the Beef section.

Clipping, trimming, or oiling of calves is NOT permitted.

Lambs are to be left natural, NO WASHING, CLIPPING OR TRIMMING, except for cleaning around the tail. Brushing lambs is now allowed but will not advantage them in any classes. No halters allowed on lambs for leading.

Calves may be crossbred, pedigree, or grade animals.

Calves must have a nait tag and a certificate to state that they are M Bovis free. This can be either supplied from your Dairy company or from your local vet.

All animals must be taught to lead by their handler, being led from the left-hand side.
The use of chain halters is not permitted for leading calves.

All animals must be handled and cared for by the competitor.
Animals are judged in their individual competitions, then in school groups of three.

Copies of the Agricultural Club rules and constitution are available from me if anyone requires them.

At the conclusion of judging there will be a prize giving and spot prizes.

Yours faithfully, Hazel Schroder Secretary, 063766629

JAB Rugby 2019

PRIZE GIVING – Saturday 31st AUGUST – 12 Noon

Please bring along you're playing shirts to be handed in at prize giving night. We have all the numbers and have to chase up unreturned jerseys so it would be fantastic if everyone remembers to bring them along.

Parents a supper plate please.

Results from Saturday 10th August:

Under 8's: A win over Martinborough. A loss to Red Star. **Player of the day:** Hunter Rankin **Most Improved:** Cooper Casley.

Under 10's: Another win for Eke against Martinborough 17 – 1 **Player of the day:** Lachie Redington

Tackler of the day: James Olds

Under 13's: A well deserved win for our U13s against Greytown.

Last games for the Season, Saturday 24th August

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