

# EKETAHUNA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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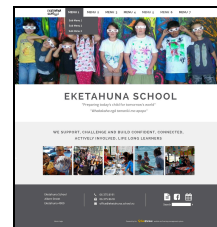
It is hard to believe we are halfway through the term! We hope everyone enjoys the long weekend - a chance to rest, relax and come back prepared for a busy time! We look forward to seeing you all back on Tuesday 27th August.

## SCHOOL CLOSED @ 2pm WEDNESDAY 4th SEPTEMBER

We are hosting this terms Kahui Ako Teacher Development meeting for all schools across the Tararua Bush region on Wednesday 4th September. This will be the third session this year. Our teachers have attended the previous two at Ballance School and Kumeroa School. All other schools closed at lunchtime to accommodate this. We did not - we stayed open for instruction. However, as hosts this time, we will need to close early in preparation of a 3pm start for staff coming to the school. Also a great opportunity to showcase the awesome teaching & learning happening at Eketahuna School! **All buses will leave at 2pm EXCEPT the Newman bus, which means parents will need to collect their children.** We appreciate your support & apologise for any inconvenience.

## UPDATED WEBSITE

We are currently updating the school website. It has a 'new look' and will have new links added. The drop down bar and information is still being edited, so you will see more changes over the next few days. We hope that the site will become the 'go to' place for information regarding school operations and educational thinking. As we are recrafting the site, we are adding new photos. Any parent/caregiver who does not want a photo of their child/ren on the site please let the office know as soon as possible.



## OUR SCHOOL DAY

We are noticing several children are repeatedly getting to school late in the morning. Just a reminder that it is important for students to be at school before the start of the day to get themselves organised, hear the daily plan and be ready for learning. It also vital they are in attendance during the class roll call. Please check our daily timetable - thank you.



8:15am  
9:00am  
10:30am  
10:40am  
11:00am  
12:30pm  
12:40pm  
1:25pm  
2:55pm

Grounds open  
**School commences**  
Morning Tea  
Play Break  
Class resumes  
Lunch  
Play Break  
Class Resumes  
**School concludes**

## 'SPRING SHOW' FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

With the term flying by so quickly it is a good time to send out a couple of reminders for our upcoming Spring Show next term. Unfortunately there will be no calves, but we will have lambs and below are the regulations for lambs to be shown on the day:

- All lambs competing must be born on or after August 1st and be hand reared to be eligible
- On the day 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
- Lambs must be taught to lead by their handler, being led from the left-hand side
- Lambs must be handled and cared for by the competitor



## HOME & SCHOOL MEETING

Our great Home & School Association met in the school staffroom on Tuesday night to discuss upcoming events and fundraising opportunities. The main event being organised is the upcoming Spring Show. We always look to have a fun competition run during the show and this year we are going to have a "Pet Photo Competition". All students will be able to enter, in a Junior or Senior section, and have a chance to win cool prizes! There will be more information coming out in the following weeks, but for now start sizing up your favourite animals!!

## DIARY:

Wednesday 26th August: **Mid Term Break - No School**

Friday 30th August: Lucky Book Club Due

Friday 30th August: Daffodil Day

Wednesday 4th September: Kahui Ako Connects

Friday 6th September: Volleyball Comp - Year 7 & 8

Thursday 12th September: Capital E Show for Year 3 - 8

Thursday 12th September: BoT Meeting @ 6pm

Tuesday 17th September: School Photos

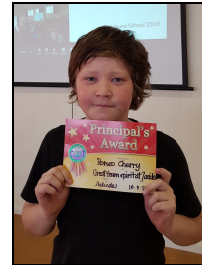
Wednesday 18th September: Interschool Speech Comp

Thursday 19th September: Production - 'The Edge'

Friday 27th September: Last day of term/Crazy Hair Day

## CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY:

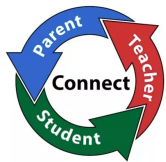
It is great seeing everyone at the school assembly each Friday, at 2:10pm, in the hall. It's a great opportunity to share the successes children have had throughout the week. Tomorrow's assembly will be hosted by the amazing Room 2.



<b><u>Class Awards – Star Student:</u></b> Given to a student by their teacher to acknowledge the great work done in class and related to learning throughout the week:	<b><u>Caught Being Good Award – Duffy Book:</u></b> Given to a student by their teacher in recognition of outstanding behaviour that exemplifies our school values and expectations:
Room 1: Toby White Room 2: Payton Hanson Room 3: Lana Hason Room 5: Lucy Bourke Room 6: Scott Duffy	Room 1: Lleucu Anderson Room 2: Cody Mulligan Room 3: Chelsea Spring Room 5: Sophie Drysdale Room 6: Nathan Atkinson in Rm 2 (from Ms Sayles)
<b>Principal's Award:</b> Romeo Cherry for great team spirit - played both football and rugby at the 7 Aside comp!	



## STAYING CONNECTED

We welcome parents into the school to discuss children's learning and are happy to make ourselves available. Teachers are able to meet at school, before or after the class day. We are also able to catch up via the phone or texts. All staff have email addresses too, so if you want to make contact see below:



- Room 6 Roseanne Sayles: [roseanne@eketahuna.school.nz](mailto:roseanne@eketahuna.school.nz)
- Room 5 Jo Gibson: [jgibson@eketahuna.school.nz](mailto:jgibson@eketahuna.school.nz)
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- Room 3 Carol Laubscher: [claubscher@eketahuna.school.nz](mailto:claubscher@eketahuna.school.nz)
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- Room 1 Joanna Green: [jgreen@eketahuna.school.nz](mailto:jgreen@eketahuna.school.nz)



<b>CUPS BACK</b> In preparation for the Spring Show next term we are asking for those children who won cups last year to please return them to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you.		<b>HOUSE TEAM COMP</b> Tomorrow will be Round 2 of our House Rippa Rugby competition run by our Team leaders. Each house will field a Junior and Senior team. <b>Come along in your house colours and give 100% on the field!</b>		<b>DAFFODIL DAY</b> On Friday 30th we ask everyone to come to school wearing yellow and bring a gold coin donation which will be given to our local Cancer Society. Thanks.	
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## PRODUCTION - EDGE OF GLORY-

Full production practise is now underway and it is great hearing classes singing and dancing, along with our main actors rehearsing each afternoon. Class updates this week have the costume items each child will need for the performance in Week 9. There is also planned sewing bees in Week 7 where we hope to create a few class sets of additional items to enhance each costume change.



MINIBALL / BASKETBALL	RUGBY
Basketball Eke 1 vs @ St Anthony's Red @ 5.30pm Miniball Eke 2 vs Pahiatua White @ 5.05pm	Eke (U8) 1 <sup>st</sup> Yr Tackle vs East Coast @ 9.30am Eke (U8) 1 <sup>st</sup> Yr Tackle vs BYE

Nga mihi  
 Melinda & the Eketahuna Teaching Team

# ‘EDGE OF GLORY’

## COSTUME ITEMS FOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION

### Room 1

Costumes needed for production:

Boys: plain black t-shirt and plain black shorts

Girls: plain black t shirt and plain black knee-length leggings.

Everyone: If you have a flowered shirt or a ‘lei’ then please bring that. Don’t buy it especially.

**Bring all your clothes to Room 1 in a labelled bag by Friday 6th September. Thanks!**

### Room 2

Costumes needed for production:

Boys: plain black t-shirt and plain black shorts

Girls: plain black t shirt and plain black knee-length leggings.

Everyone: at least 2-3 ‘farmer-style’ pieces of clothing or accessories. For example hats/checkered shirt or skirt/dungarees/ jeans/ scarves/ vests etc.

**Bring all your clothes to Room 2 in a labelled bag by Friday 6th September. Thanks!**

### Room 3

Costumes needed for production:

Boys: black gumboots please (preferably unpatterned) and plain black t shirts and shorts.

Girls: plain black t shirts and black knee-length leggings. Barefoot.

**Bring all your clothes to Room 2 in a labelled bag by Friday 6th September.**

Also need cardboard egg boxes (Size one dozen) for art next week please.

### Room 5

Costumes needed for production:

Boys: black t-shirt and black knee length shorts.

Girls: black t-shirt and black shorts..

**Bring all your clothes to Room 5 in a labelled bag by Friday 6th September. Thank you.**

### Room 6:

Hi everyone. Just a heads up for our production costumes.

Boys will need plain black T-Shirts, black pants. plain black shorts, black shoes.

Girls in black knee length leggings and black t-shirts, black canvas shoes.

**Please send along to Room 6 in a named bag by Friday the 6th of September.**

Thank you

## **CAN YOU SEW - WE NEED YOU!**

**We are looking to hold sewing bees in  
Week 7 to get some simple  
costumes made for production.**

**If you are able to help, please ring the office and talk with Denise about your availability over the week:**

**Monday 2nd - Friday 6th September**





### **Agenda for the Board Of Trustees' Meeting**

*The Agenda for the BOT meeting on the 12th September will close on Friday 6th September at 7pm.*

*If you have any items you feel should be on the BOT agenda please contact Maree Redington (376 6843) before this time. Any items for the BOT agenda will need to be accompanied by a written outline, so the BOT can prepare any information they need to constructively discuss these items*

#### **Daffodil's Wanted for Friday 30th August 2019**

Please drop off to  
Janice Percy, 13 Alfredton Road or  
Margaret Parsons, 6 Haswell Street.



#### **HOUSE WANTED FOR RENT**

**3 - 4 Bedroom House Wanted**  
**Please Phone Renee**  
**027 285 9608**



#### **Wanting a Lamb for Spring Show**



**Please Phone Teresa Duffy**  
**375 8471**



**Active Families is a FREE programme where you and your family can be active together!**

Active Families Tararua is on Mondays, 3:45pm at Bush MultiSport Park Pahiatua.

If you wish to find out more or register your family today -  
Contact: Whitney Le Comte (Active Families Advisor) - [whitneyl@sportmanawatu.org.nz](mailto:whitneyl@sportmanawatu.org.nz) or 027 721 0134

### **EKETAHUNA RUGBY**

**PRIZE GIVING – for all teams - SATURDAY 31st AUGUST**

***We have Kia Toa U13s coming over for a game against our U13s. Come along and cheer on our boys. Prize giving will follow, after the game and lunch. Kick 11am – to be confirmed next week!***

***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 large supper plate please.***

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