

# EKETAHUNA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Another fantastic and busy week here at Eketahuna. We have lots coming up so make sure you check out the diary below!

## DAFFODIL DAY

Once again our school was fantastic at supporting this worthy cause. A huge thanks to all those who came along in yellow, brought beautiful daffodils to school and also donated a gold coin!



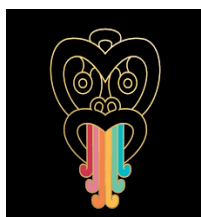
## VOLLEYBALL COMPETITION

We have two Year 7 & 8 teams competing in the Tararua Bush Volleyball competition tomorrow. The teams have been practising their skills through their lunch times, with Ms Sayles, and we wish them well for the tournament!

EKETAHUNA 1	EKETAHUNA 2
Jack Redington	Harry Dickson
Maia Morrison	Lilly Perkovic
Meila Mitchell-Hopa	Stella Governor
Lily Croasdale	Anthony Dennison
Jesse Mills	M-Jay Carrington
Alice Bourke	Harrison Mackisack
Scott Duffy	LeeRay King
Logan Rendel	Libby Stockbridge



## TE REO WEEK AT SCHOOL



Next week is the National Maori Language Week which we will be celebrating. We have been working hard at integrating te reo into our daily programme but will add a few extra special activities for the week. Each House Team will host a 'Cool to Korero' cafe on a designated day, where te reo will be encouraged. General greetings will be said, with Tēnā (please) and kia mihi (thank you) being used, along with aporo (apple), ārani (orange) and panana (banana) as children share fruit provided to add to their morning tea. We will also have 'Book in the Window' on Wednesday, where each teacher will 'advertise' a Maori myth or Legend in their class window and after morning tea students can decide which room to join with, to hear the story read.

## MONITORING BEHAVIOUR

Thank you everyone for your ongoing support in regard to the concerning use of bad language and inappropriate hand gestures that had become a cause for concern here at school. We are continuing to monitor it and have been proactive in the playground as we encourage students to make good choices about how they interact with others. A reminder that on the odd occasion a student does make a poor choice, which results in reflection time at lunch, the resulting letter sent home does need sighting, signing by their caregiver and then returning to school. By continuing to work together, we will see this issue remedied!



### Diary:

Friday 6th September: Volleyball Comp - Year 7 & 8  
 Thursday 12th September: Capital E Show for Year 3 - 8  
 Thursday 12th September: BoT Meeting @ 7pm  
 Tuesday 17th September: School Photos

Wednesday 18th September: Interschool Speech Comp  
 Thursday 19th September: Production - 'The Edge'  
 Friday 27th September: Crazy Hair Day  
 Friday 27th September: Last day of Term 3  
 Monday 14th October: First day of Term 4

## CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY:

It is great seeing everyone at the school Celebration Assemblies each Friday, at 2:10pm, in the hall. It's a great opportunity to share the successes children have had throughout the week. **Please note there is no assembly tomorrow due to our Senior students participating in the Tatarua Bush Volleyball competition.**



### 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: Aidan Rolfe  
Room 3: Braxton Carrington  
Room 5: Sharrae Highet  
Room 6: LeeRay King

### 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: Ariki Wihone  
Room 2: Taimana Mokaraka  
Room 3: Kerrin Atkinson  
Room 5: Sharrae Highet  
Room 6: Davey Shannon

**Principal's Award:** Davey Shannon for always putting 100% into everything he does - great role model!

## PRODUCTION UPDATE - EDGE OF GLORY

We are now bringing the whole school together for daily dancing & singing sessions, creating costumes and painting backdrops - all very exciting. A big thanks to Mel Dennison for volunteering her time to sew costumes, and to Mrs Drysdale who set a sewing machine up out in the office foyer this week! Please check the info sheet included, which has the specific items each child will need to provide. We are hoping to have all items at school by next week. Please ensure all items are named and in a named bag. Thank you.



### 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 school, please check out the bin which is very full! Thank you.



### CUPS RETURN

In preparation for the Spring Show next term we are asking for all those children who won cups on the day, to please return them to the school office as soon as possible. Thanks.

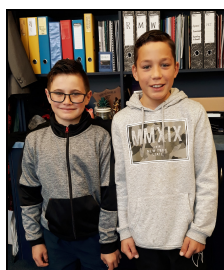


### NETBALL UNIFORMS

We are still asking for all netball uniforms to be returned to the school office as soon as possible. If uniforms are not returned we will have to charge the cost to your school account. Thank you.



## CONGRATULATIONS BOYS



Well done to Marshall Anderson and Paice Mitchell-Hopa who have been selected to play for North Wai U10 and Manawatu U10 respectively. A fantastic effort by both the boys and all our very best wishes for your upcoming games this season. Well done!

## GREEN PASTURES CAMP & OUR SENIOR COUNTDOWN . . .



Our senior class is now counting down to their camp in Whanganui. We have a meeting in Room 6, on Monday 16th at 7pm for those parents who have volunteered to help during the week. Thanks to those who have been in to organise payment. For those looking for more information on payment options please contact the school office and speak with Denise. Thanks.

### MINIBALL / BASKETBALL

Basketball Eke 1 vs Paha Rua @ 5.30 pm  
Miniball Eke 2 vs Pahiatua Orange @ 4.40pm

Great to see all the supporters at the games last Friday night. Big thanks to Jamie Governor for his time coaching on Tuesday during lunch - both teams really benefited from the practise!!

### PARENT SURVEY

Coming home with this newsletter is a survey on school principles and values. The 'principles' of a school are what embody beliefs about what is important and desirable in a school curriculum - nationally and locally. They should underpin all decision making. The 'values' of a school are to be encouraged, modelled and explored. They are deeply held beliefs expressed through the ways in which people think and act. We are currently reviewing Eketahuna School principals and values and ask all whanau to please complete the survey so we hear your voice.



## 2019 Weekly Update

**Room 1**

This week we welcome Lana-May who started school on Monday.

Production is forefront and the children are working really hard to practice for their items. They are doing such a good job. Thank you to those parents who have sent in the production outfits already. Boys please can you add long black pants to the list as well. I know many of the boys have these already so please don't go out and buy them. Homework next week will be free choice reading, 5 books will be in their book bag, on Monday so they can choose which ones they want to read each night. We will be having full run throughs of the show in this week and the usual classroom programme won't be operating. Please contact me if you have any queries. Thanks Jo

**Room 2**

Production practises is ramping up even more this week. I am pleased to say that we are at the refining part of the process now. Thank you to those parents who have sent in their children's costumes for the production. They need 2 outfits which need to be brought into school this Friday. The 'farmer' outfit and then also the black top and shorts. If you need help with this then please come and see me.

The homework will run for over two weeks. Your child will know if they need to do the division part or not.

Have a great week

Renee

**Room 3**

Busy busy busy with production songs!!!

We have received only two black outfits (shorts and top) so far-please can we remind you to send these as soon as possible, in a named bag :)

Homework-can parents please sign in their child's book each day-children get dojos for having this done.

Many Thanks

Carol

**Room 5**

We're focused on three key realities this week. Lab time (ask about Kahoot!), our production practice and our speeches feature. Our production items are coming together well, with a full on focus around who moves where, when and even why. It's been like 'Maths' in action regards timing and spacing in particular - coupled with an insight into history and cultural significance.

With the speeches, this would be an extremely valuable focus to partner with, if you've got scope. A persuasive topic is most ideal for speeches (ideally preferring topics that don't feature as a fact-full information report...). They need to have an attention grabbing opening and a conversational style that informatively addresses three key points. They need a topic that can end with a message to provide solutions, suggestions or a call to action. As a speech is ready, we'll hear it - with all needing to be heard in time for the 'Top 3' to go into the Eke final next Tuesday afternoon. From there, one Year 5-8 student is chosen, who'll go to the Regional Final the night before production night.

Cheers! Jo & Barb

**Room 6:** Hi everyone. We have had a very busy couple of weeks. Production practise is well underway and our two dance routines are looking very sharp. **Costumes:** Students need to have their costumes of black t-shirt, pants & black shoes (boys), black leggings, black t-shirt & shoes for (girls). As previously stated, these items need to be brought along to school tomorrow in a named bag. **Bake Sale:** Next Thursday (12th) Room 6 will be holding a bake sale at lunchtime in the hall. All students are to bring along one or two baked goods to sell. Please write the name of the item of the baked goods and list the ingredients for buyers to see. **Speech Competition:** Room 6 will be holding their classroom speech competition on Monday morning. The top three will be selected and put forward to the school speech competition to be held on Tuesday afternoon. **Volleyball:** Tomorrow our two teams will travel to Pahiatua for the annual Bush Volleyball Competition. Students have been practising really hard and have some good skills. Good luck!!!! Have a great week. Roseanne.

**Bake Sale**  
**Thursday the 12th of**  
**September.**  
**Eketahuna School Hall**  
**12:30 - 1:30**



# SCHOOL PHOTOS

## TUESDAY 17th SEPTEMBER @ 9:00am

Envelopes to order came home last Thursday..  
You can order on line or return the envelope with your details  
and photo choices.

If you wish to have a 'family portrait' done please contact Denise  
in the office for a specific ordering envelope.

All orders **MUST BE DONE** by Monday 16th September.

On the photo day students will be issued with an internet access key to enable all  
parents/whanau access to online viewing of the photographs and to allow online  
ordering after photo day for those that have not pre-ordered.

Photos will be returned to school in approximately 4 - 6 weeks.



### Eketahuna Kerbside & Alfredton Rubbish Collection

Rubbish stickers cost **\$5.50** 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  
Robin & Pauline Wilson

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[paulinewilson@xtra.co.nz](mailto:paulinewilson@xtra.co.nz)

Stickers can be purchased from the school Office.

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**Saturday 19th  
October 2019  
BUSH  
MULTISPORT PARK**

*Tararua College  
Community*



**Anyone can enter; from pre-schoolers through to adults.  
This is an event that the whole family can participate in.**

- 9am— Event 1: 500m run, 1km bike \$5
- 9.30am— Event 2: 1km run/walk, 1.8km bike \$5
- 10am— Event 3: 1km run, 5km bike, 1km run \$5
- 10.30am— Event 4: 5km run, 10km bike, 1km run \$10
- 11.00am— Event 5: 5km run, 20km bike, 1km run \$15  
(Teams are welcome in Events 4 & 5)

#### Heaps of SPOT PRIZES!

Entry forms are available from Tararua College, Laskeys Auto Services  
and Pahiatua Paper Plus  
Visit our Facebook page 'Tararua College Community Duathlon' for  
more information and to enter online.

If you would like more information please don't hesitate to  
contact our sports leaders:  
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