

Thursday 17th October

Term 4 Week 1

EKETAHUNA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Preparing today's child for tomorrow's world - Whakakaha ngā tamariki mo apopo

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Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

Welcome back to school everyone - hope you all had a great break and are fully refreshed for what is usually the busiest term of all! The teachers have spent time over the holiday preparing exciting lessons for the students and cannot wait to get into great teaching and learning activities!

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY USER AGREEMENT

We actively encourage our students to be competent and confident in the use of digital technology; and aware of and able to manage the challenges and issues that go with it. These issues include safety of themselves and others, privacy, copyright, and protection of digital devices and equipment. In short, to be digital citizens. We have spent time creating user agreements for parents and students which will be coming home tomorrow. Please take time to read through these with your children. The forms will need to be signed and returned to school. There is a class reward to the room that gets all their forms returned first, so get them back as soon as possible!

HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION MEETING

Our awesome Home & School Association met on Tuesday night and covered a HUGE agenda. The exciting news is we are on course to install heat pumps in our school hall! A big thanks to Skye White who was successful in getting a grant from Eastern & Central Trust for \$5,000. Great stuff! Please see the flyers asking for baking for Spring Show on Friday 1st November and the Pukaha Mt Bruce Garden Tour on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th November. Our Home & School work tirelessly to support our students - from helping with costs for the senior camp to class equipment and resources - immensely benefit our school and its students. Please have a look to see what you can do . . . it will be greatly appreciated!



ROOM 5 & ROOM 6 TO THE GOLF CLUB



Sport Manawatu, along with our local golf club, hosted our students today at the Eketahuna Golf Club where professional players from Manawatu and local golf 'legends' guided the children through a short course session. This is a follow up to the great practise held at school in Term 1 and all equipment was provided. It was an awesome opportunity - big thanks to Francie Duffy for organising the day and all the other local players who were there to help!

NOTIFYING SCHOOL IF UNWELL

Remember if your child is too unwell to attend school you need to notify the office EACH DAY they are at home to avoid them being recorded as truant. After 3 days away from school due to poor health we will ask for a doctor's medical certificate for our school Enrol system.



SPORTS UNIFORMS

Please ensure all students playing sport are wearing the correct uniform at our after school games this term. We want to represent the school well and taking pride in our uniform is a great start. Sport shirts are still available at the office. Thank you.



STUDENTS 'OFF' BUSES

Can we ask parents & caregivers of any bus students who are being taken off the afternoon buses to please let the office know **BEFORE** 2:30pm. Late 'ring ins' are hard to monitor and we want to avoid any mix ups at the end of the school day. Thanks.



Diary:

Monday 14th October: First day of Term 4
Monday 21st-25th October: Year 7 -8 Camp

Monday 28th October: NO SCHOOL - Labour Day
Friday 31st: Lucky Book Club Due
Friday 1st November: Spring Show

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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. At our last assembly we also handed out certificates to our miniball and basketball teams! Tomorrow's assembly will be hosted by students in Room 3. We look forward to seeing you there!

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: Jaxon Rendel
Room 2: Heidi Hanson
Room 3: Kaiwero Mokaraka
Room 5: Brodie Burton-Foley
Room 6: Grace Chase

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: Jayla Keedwell
Room 2: Kiera Bidois
Room 3: Gianna Simanu
Room 5: Lachie Duffy
Room 6: M-Jay Carrington

Principal's Award: Hannah Mikos and Lilly Percovik or setting up the Jump Jam practise for production each day, and Emmanuel McNamara for having a 'can do' attitude and great role modelling during production!

SPORT UPDATE

We started this season's **hockey** with a 'bang' on Tuesday afternoon with five teams - it's awesome to see so many students playing in the competition! The next round of games are on Tuesday in Pahiatua. The two senior teams have a bye as all students are on camp. We also have **cricket** starting tomorrow and have two hard ball teams entered. Thanks to all those who have given up their time to coach our teams this term. We really appreciate your commitment to our students and the school. Good luck everyone!

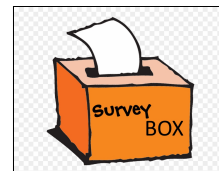
CRICKET		SUMMER HOCKEY		
Eketahuna Typhoons vs TBC @ H. Monk (Coach)	Eketahuna Tornadoes vs TBC, @ B. Anderson (Coach)	Eketahuna 3 (U11) vs Pahiatua 8 @ 4:20pm on Turf 3 J&M Governor (Coach)	Eketahuna 4 (U9) vs Pahiatua 5 @ 3:30pm on Turf 4 S. Manson (Coach)	Eketahuna 5 (U7) The team has a bye M. Dennison (Coach)



Our great miniball team, and basketball team, received their certificates for participation at our Friday assembly last term. Both teams had great seasons with improved skills positive attitude! Well done to everyone!

IMMUNISATION RECORDS & COMMUNITY SURVEY

Don't forget our 'Principles & Values' Survey, along with a 'Proof of Vaccination' form to those families concerned. Please return all information as soon as possible so we can update our records and start to draft school values & principles around our community voice. If you require new forms please contact Denise in the office. Thank you.

**SPRING SHOW UPDATE**

We are counting down to the Spring Show with lots going on. Please remember to return your **Pet Registration Form** by Friday 25th. There will be no late registrations accepted. If you are not bringing a live pet you are asked to bring along a pet of the 'stuffed toy' variety. Also remember to get your photo of your favourite pet - any pet - it doesn't have to be the one you are bringing to the Spring Show in to the office to go in the **'Pet Photography Competition'**. Prizes are family passes to the movies, indoor pool and ten pin bowling!! These need to be back to school by Thursday 31st October. Class activity information is also in today's newsletter.

Nga mihi,
Melinda and the Eketahuna School Team

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2019 Weekly Update**Room 1**

Welcome back to this new term! It was great to see all the children's happy smiling faces on Monday. They have settled quickly back into their learning. This term is busy with lots of exciting things. First thing to get prepared for is Pet Day and Spring Show on Friday of week 3. Notices have and will be coming home about the day so keep an eye out for these.

We are learning about Time in Maths, to start off with and then moving into Fractions. For P.E. we will be practising Athletics skills. This term's topic will have a conservation focus around water. The usual programme carries on for guided reading and writing.

Please send a hat for playing outside this term.

As always if you have any questions please don't not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks Jo

Room 2

Yay welcome back!

The kids are right into learning after having a refreshing holiday. This week we are sharing things we like about ourselves, people who make us happy and then creating a portrait. In writing we are creating a holiday recount and sharing it with others in Room 2. We have been labeling parts of an earthquake and today have our school 'Shake Out', where we all practise what to do in a real earthquake.

It was great to see so many of Room 2 playing hockey on Tuesday night.

Thanks Renee

Room 3

Welcome back all :)

We are enjoying having all the Clever Creatures back in class.

We have a busy term ahead with Spring show, athletics, and outings.

Our theme is butterflies and their conservation.

We are looking for the following, if you can help please: medicine droppers, earbuds, funnels, salt, and **dead** butterflies to study. (No butterflies should be harmed in this experiment!)

We are also collecting used kitchen utensils for a prospective 'mud kitchen', and are planning a butterfly garden. Please let us know if you can assist us with that.

Many thanks

Carol

Room 5

It's good to be back!

We've all had an awesome break and as a result, the focus on the work achieved already, has been very good! Despite the weather that's not been as ideal as we'd like, we still took on athletics, with high jump, sprinting and long jump - so far.

In the Learning Lab, 3D perspective art has gone from pencil drawings to using wall paper for another dimension. In class, we've developed News Hubs and we're each responsible for tuning in news from around world - be it local, national or international. There's a particular day each of us 'report' the news we chose, back to our News Hub, then the whole class.

Alongside all that, there's been work that's involved golf, nouns, maths 'word problem solving', and the Student Volunteer Army (SVA), which will see us merging a focus on Conservation with Room 2 also. It's all go! Cheers! Jo & Barb

Room 6: Hi everyone welcome to term 4. Good to see students happy, smiling and excited for camp next week. This week we are in camp preparation mode.

A reminder that we leave on Monday morning at 9 am.

You can drop your child off after 8:30.

Please make sure your child is on time as we have set 'stops' on the way

Please make sure all of your child's clothing and gear is named. No cellphones or devices are to be taken to camp. Don't forget students are to bring a packed lunch for Monday's travel and baking for camp supper. If you have any questions over the weekend, you can email me on my school email address otherwise check your information notices.

Have a great week.

'SHAKE OUT DAY'

Get prepared - Me takatū

We have practised what you need to do to get your school ready in case of an earthquake today - go to the website below to prepare your household!

<https://getready.govt.nz>



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School Library & Reading Books

Please check at home for any School Library and Reading books and return to the school office

Agenda for the Board Of Trustee's Meeting

The Agenda for the BOT meeting on the 7th November will close on Thursday 31st October at 9pm.

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.



Before and After School care available.

Contact

Katie McGregor for more info:

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Nireaha Hall Disco

Thursday 31st October
Nireaha Hall
Gold Coin Donation



Dress up in your favourite costume and come have a dance with us on Halloween night. Bring some change as we will have lollies, glow sticks, chips, drinks and more for sale. Bring your kids along to have a fun safe night, drop them at the door and the fun will begin. Seperate Scary Dark Cave.

We look forward to seeing you all there.



THE EDGE OF GLORY

Get your order in to the school office for a copy of our fantastic show. Disc or memory stick available.

\$20:00



Touch Rugby

Alfredton School are looking for any 6 – 7 year olds keen to join there touch team. They will be playing Friday afternoons in the Pahiatua competition.

If interested please contact Kirby Duffy 3758119 or lanceandkirby@inspire.net.nz

