

# EKETĀHUNA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## COMING UP:

Wednesday 26th April: First Day of Term 2 - School Starts Back!

Tuesday 2nd May: Year 7 & 8 Project Day @ Tararua College

Wednesday 3 May: Board of Trustees Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Tuesday 9 May: Eketāhuna Playgroup AGM @ 10am

Wednesday 10 May: Year 7 & 8 Technology @ Tararua College

Friday 12 May: Celebration Assembly - House Leaders as Hosts

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

We hope you all enjoyed a lovely break, are feeling refreshed and ready for a great term. We restart the hard copy newsletters being sent home this week, and will also continue to send through online. We will return to a Thursday newsletter next week.



## EKETĀHUNA ANZAC DAY

An amazing morning in town, on Tuesday 25th April, our national day of remembrance as we commemorated those "who served and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations" and "the contribution and suffering of all those who have served". Wonderful to see the community out in force. A big thank you to

our school leaders who were great representatives of our school - Noah Duffy, Holly Spring, Brooke Duffy & Jehanne Knight for their great reading of the poem at the community service, and Evan Governor & Hunter Rankin for their contributions at the laying of the wreath ceremony - you were all great representatives of our school!

## UPCOMING GOLF TOURNAMENT - FUNDRAISER EXCITEMENT - SUNDAY 30th APRIL!

Organisation is well on track for our annual Eketahuna School Golf Tournament, which is scheduled to tee off this Sunday at the Eketahuna Golf Club. This is our major fundraiser of the year and your support will be much appreciated. The Home & School Association have covered all jobs on the day - a big thanks to them. We are asking the school community to provide savouries, sandwiches or baking for the morning, and afternoon tea at the Golf Club. Please drop to the school office, or the club, on Sunday. It is a really great event so let's all support our great Home & School team. See you there!



## CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

It is great seeing everyone in school on Fridays, at the school assembly at 2:15pm, in the hall. Check the school calendar on our website online for dates. It's a great opportunity to share the successes children have had throughout the week.

Our first assembly will be in Week 3 - see you then!

Principal's Award Week 10 (Tm1) : Brodie Braddick



## Week 10 (Tm1) Class Awards - Star Student:

For great work done in class and related to learning throughout the week:

Hukanui: Kady Ifill  
Hāmua: Ayva Hudson  
Rongomai: Rocco Burton-Foley  
Nireaha: Luke McNamara  
Pūtara: Shylo Matiaha

## Week 9 (Tm1) Caught Being Good Award - Duffy Book:

Outstanding behaviour that exemplifies our school values and expectations:

Hukanui: Mackenzie Braddick  
Hāmua: Lucas Cremen  
Rongomai: Mereana Roiri  
Nireaha: Savannah Hammond  
Pūtara: Johnny Dandy

# WEEKLY UPDATE

## HUKANUI NEWS: (ROOM 1)

Welcome to Term 2. It is great to see the children all back and keen to be learning and playing with their friends. Today we have welcomed Phoenix to Hukanui. Happy school journey Phoenix. This term is going to be busy. Please keep an eye on the newsletters so that you know what is happening. For P.E we are going to be training for the Road Race, so please make sure that your child has a named drink bottle every day. Please ensure that your child has a jersey (sweatshirt/ jacket) that they can take off while in the classroom but can put back on on these colder mornings for outside play. As always, feel free to contact me on [mwhiteley@eketahuna.school.nz](mailto:mwhiteley@eketahuna.school.nz) or leave a message on the school cell. Marilyn

## RONGOMAI NEWS: (ROOM 2)

Kia Ora and welcome to Term 2. It's awesome to see everyone back, eager, happy and rested. I'm sure the holidays have been a busy time for everyone, especially as the days shorten. Sun hats are not required this term but we have quickly progressed to wool wearing weather over the last few days. Please remember that all children need their own drinks bottles daily. We will not be providing cups at school so it is important that they come prepared. This term we will be training for the Road Race, which adds to the importance of keeping hydrated. We will be running daily as weather permits so please ensure your children have appropriate footwear also. As always, get in touch if you need to. Either by texting the office or emailing. Nga mihi, Holly. [hjohnstone@eketahuna.school.nz](mailto:hjohnstone@eketahuna.school.nz)

## HAMUA NEWS: (ROOM 3)

Kia Ora all, and welcome to Term 2. It's so great to see everyone back, eager, happy, rested. I'm sure the holidays have been a busy time for you all, especially as the days become so short. You will be happy to know that sun hats are not required this term but we have quickly progressed to the beanie wearing weather over the last few days. Please remember that all children need their own drinks bottles daily. We will not be providing cups at school so it is important that they come prepared. This term we will be training for the Road Race, which adds to the importance of keeping hydrated. We will be running daily as weather permits so please ensure your children have appropriate footwear also. As always, get in touch if you need to. Either by texting the office or emailing. All the best, Rachael [rdickson@eketahuna.school.nz](mailto:rdickson@eketahuna.school.nz)

### BRING YOUR OWN WATER BOTTLE

A REMINDER TO MAKE SURE ALL STUDENTS BRING A WATER BOTTLE TO SCHOOL EACH DAY NEXT TERM. PLEASE MAKE SURE STUDENTS' NAMES ARE WRITTEN ON THEM. THE WATER BOTTLE FILLING STATION IS OPEN AND IT IS IMPORTANT WE ALL KEEP HYDRATED THROUGH THE DAY! THANKS



### STUDENTS 'OFF' BUSES

A GENERAL REMINDER FOR NEXT TERM 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. IT MAKES THE JOB SO MUCH EASIER AND SAFER. THANK YOU.

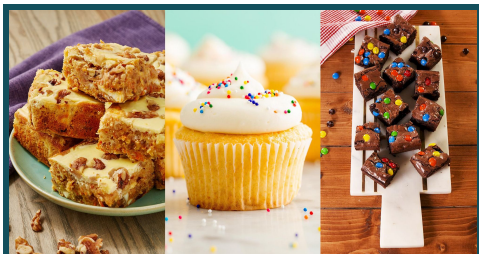


### DRESS WARM AS WINTER IS COMING

WITH COLDER WEATHER ON THE WAY PLEASE MAKE SURE STUDENTS ARE COMING TO SCHOOL IN APPROPRIATE CLOTHES AND SHOES TO KEEP THEM WARM THROUGHOUT THE DAY. BREAK TIMES OUTSIDE CAN GET CHILLY AND WE WANT TO KEEP COLDS & FLUS AWAY! THANKS EVERYONE



## HOME & SCHOOL GOLF TOURNAMENT ON SUNDAY 30th APRIL – BAKING REQUIRED!



The Home & School Assoc have covered all jobs on the day – a big thanks to them all. We are now asking the school community to provide baking for the morning tea, and afternoon tea, at the Golf Club. Please drop it into the school office on Friday 28th or to the Golf Club on Sunday between 8 and 9am.

Thank you very much for your support.

**NIREAHA NEWS: (ROOM 5)**

Kia ora koutou, welcome to Term 2.

This term promises to be super busy. I shared the Nireaha term plan with the students this morning and they are looking forward to the Fireworks science kit, Road Race, the ANZAC house team competition and so much more. Our first maths topics are multiplication, division and angles. Please can you help your students to know their times table.

We do not need our sun hats this term, but please do ensure your child has a drink bottle to stay hydrated through the day. There will be a daily fitness session, so please ensure your child has comfortable shoes. Homework will start next week. Basic facts, spelling and reading continue to be the focus. Please check your child has completed the homework and that it is back at school every Friday. The school Golf Tournament is this Sunday. I hope to see many of you there. As always, feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Nga Mihi, Barbara. [bwhitburn@eketahuna.school.nz](mailto:bwhitburn@eketahuna.school.nz)

**PUTARA NEWS: (ROOM 6)**

Welcome back everybody. I trust you all had a wonderful break and now we can tackle more learning. Parents, please continue to push your child's knowledge of times tables. This is extremely important for instant recall, and learning in years 7-8 and throughout high school.

Next week we have technology on Tuesday - not Wednesday. This is a 'one off' due to us having a project day. This term will be busy once again with: science projects, the school road race, our Tararua Cultural Festival, kapa haka, rippa rugby, and all other day to day learning.

As always, if you have any questions or queries then please feel free to ask at any time.

Kind regards, Dean.

## Upcoming Board Of Trustees Meeting

The next Eketāhuna School Board of Trustees Meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd May 6.30pm in the Eketāhuna School staff room, everyone is welcome to attend and if you have any items for the agenda please let me know by 5pm 27th April with all relevant information. I am contactable on [bochair@eketahuna.school.nz](mailto:bochair@eketahuna.school.nz) or 3758059.

Warmest Regards, Skye White Chairperson, Eketāhuna Board of Trustees



## Eketahuna Home and School Annual Golf Tournament Sunday 30th April 2023

Stableford Competition— Eketahuna Golf Club

\$20 entry fee — registration & morning tea from 10.30am — Welcome 10.55

- Tee off 11.00am Shot-gun start — Longest Drive — Closest to the Pin — Great Prizes

- Haggle Hole - Cash Bar — Refreshments — BBQ -



# EKETĀHUNA SCHOOL 2023 - TERM 2

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>1</b> 24 Apr - 28 Apr	<b>'TEACHER ONLY DAY'</b> FOR ALL TARARUA SCHOOLS	<b>ANZAC DAY</b>			
<b>2</b> 1 May - 5 May		Yr 7 & 8 Technology Project Day (NB Transport Required)	BOT Meeting		House Team ANZAC Technology Challenge
<b>3</b> 8 May - 12 May		Home & School Meeting	Eketāhuna Playgroup AGM  Yr 7 & 8 Technology		School Assembly - Leaders
<b>4</b> 15 May - 19 May					School Assembly - Pūtara
<b>5</b> 22 May - 26 May			Yr 7 & 8 Technology		School Assembly - Nireaha
<b>6</b> 29 May - 2 June				SCHOOL ROAD RACE	Pasifika Day (Samoan Language)
<b>7</b> 5 June - 9 June	<b>KING'S BIRTHDAY</b>		Yr 7 & 8 Technology	BUSH INTERSCHOOL ROAD RACE	RIPPA RUGBY School Assembly - Rongmai St Cuthbert's Lunch
<b>8</b> 12 June - 16 June					RIPPA RUGBY School Assembly - Hāmua
<b>9</b> 19 June - 23 June			Yr 7 & 8 Technology  BOT Meeting		RIPPA RUGBY School Assembly - Hukanui
<b>10</b> 26 June - 30 June				TARARUA KAHUI AKO CULTURAL FESTIVAL	School Reports Out RIPPA RUGBY School Assembly - Leaders

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