

Eltham School Newsletter

*Learn by Doing - Knowledge
is Power*

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Term 2 Week 9



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Kia ora Whanau, Community Members and Friends of Eltham School

End of term and Mid Year Reports

We only have 1 more full week of term left, with our last day being Friday 7th July. End of year reports will go home with students on Thursday 6th July. Please check your child's bag!

Decision about School Uniform- (Repeat from last week's newsletter)

Our board have made the decision that we **WILL** be introducing school uniform from next year at Eltham School. We surveyed all school families and the majority of our parents do want a school uniform. However the people that were against it, mostly didn't want it due to cost. Therefore we have come up with some plans to compensate for this.

Firstly uniform will be phased in over 3 years. Starting in 2018 it will only be compulsory for our NE - year 3 children to buy and wear the uniform. In 2019 it will be compulsory for our year 4-6 children to wear uniform. Finally in 2020 our year 7 and 8 children will be expected to wear uniform.

Secondly we have agreed that as long as children are wearing either **black** shorts, skorts or long pants that will be accepted as uniform. Therefore parents can purchase the black pants from wherever they wish. The only cost will be an Eltham Uniform top and an Eltham Uniform Polar fleece.

Thirdly we are applying for funding for the tops and we hope to be able to on-sell these to parents as cheaply as possible.

If you have any concerns or questions about uniform please come and speak to either Kathryn or Sonia in school. Thank you for your input and support with this new initiative.

**Kathryn Pick
Principal**

Whanaungatanga

Honesty

Empathy

Respect



Congratulations to our “Learners of the week” ...

Room 1 – **Heath Helms-Smith** – For awesome learning of words and consistently writing two sentences in his stories.

Room 2 – **Nevaeh Hayman**– For working hard in her writing and producing good work.

Room 3 – **Tyrece Squire**– For working extremely hard during writing. Your stories are getting more interesting every day.

Room 5 – **Tama Washer-Wakeling** – For making an amazing effort to co-operate and focus on his learning in class.

Room 6 – **Joseph Howard** – For writing an exceptional poem about Parihaka.

Room 7 – **Calais Harris** – For exceptional language features in his descriptive writing.

Room 8 – **Elijah Brown** – For trying hard and using great comprehension skills during reading.

Absent from the photo: Tyrece Squire

The letter F with Room 1...

This week Room 1’s Letter of the week is F. F is for fun; and that is just what Ms Pick had on Tuesday when she taught in Room 1 for a couple of hours, because Mrs Wilson had to attend an important meeting.

We made the letter f with our bodies. We looked for things in the classroom that started with f. F is for....



Capital F



five fingers



four fingers



feet



fruit



Little f



felt pen



face



friends



food



flower



We turned ourselves in things that start with f. We had more than five fabulous frogs frolicking on the floor! At the end of the morning Ms Pick said that Room 1 was fantastic and fabulous. She also thinks that they are fanciful, first class, fine, fascinating, favourable and fun. Could they be the favourites? NO! That wouldn't be fair!

Happy birthday to the following people...

Daytona Marshall – Room 7 – 11yrs

Congratulations to our Cool Choices winners...

Dion Place – For exceptional writing

Joseph Howard – Exceptional work in writing

Ashah Lawson – Tidying up the classroom when no one was helping her!

Reggae Ngatai – Helping out at the quiz night

Josef Boyes – Wonderful writing



First EVER Bronze Level Certificate Award

For gaining 10 Cool Choices – Reggae Ngatai. Well done Reggae. Keep up your fantastic positive behaviour!



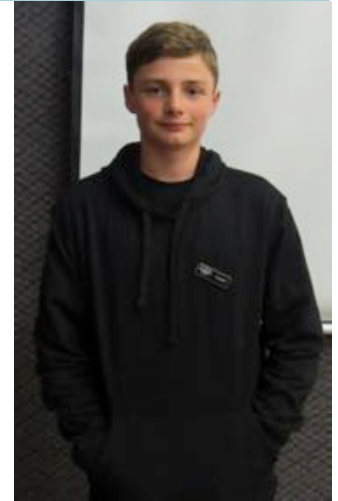
Community Award

This week's community award goes to Mrs Wilson for giving up her time to coach our children hockey skills. Thanks Mrs Wilson.



A new Leader for Tainui

Last week during Assembly we recognised the way in which Kurt McFaul has stepped up and has been displaying awesome leadership skills and practicing role model behaviour. We welcomed Kurt on board to be the leader of Tainui with Aidan Renshaw. Congratulations Kurt. We know you will make an excellent leader and are happy to have you working in a leadership role at Eltham.



Year 7 and 8 Ripper Rugby Tournament

Yesterday a large number of our year 7 and 8 students travelled to Yarrow Stadium to play in the ripper rugby tournament. We had 2 mixed teams in the competition, made up of 11 players each. Each team had 7 players playing and had to have a minimum of 3 girls playing at one time.

Both of our teams played well. One of our teams won 3 of their games, and lost 2, but unfortunately didn't make the semi-finals.

A huge thank-you to our wonderful parents for transporting our students to this event, for supporting them on the sideline, and for helping Miss Gardner manage the teams. Thanks



to Miss Gardner for encouraging and supporting our students.

Board of Trustees Information

- We still have one BOT vacancy, which we hope to fill soon. If you are interested in standing please phone our Board Chairperson Barb Frey on 020 411 31884.

Parent Notices

Old Cellphones: Please hand unwanted or non-working phones into the School Office. We can send these away and receive rewards for them.

Staff Car Park and Staff Entrance

A reminder to parents to please make sure you park your cars on the road when you collect or drop off your children by car. Lately some parents have been using the staff entrance to come into school to drop their children off, or pick them up. The staff entrance has 'blind spots' where children cannot be seen, and we do not want any children being hit by cars using the driveway. Some of our parents of children with special needs have been given special permission to enter school using the staff driveway. It is only our staff and these parents that we want using it so we can keep our children safe. Thanks for your assistance with this important matter.

PTA Meeting

Next Tuesday **4th July at 3.30pm** there is a PTA meeting in the staffroom at school. All welcome to attend. We would love to have some more parents/community members join the PTA to assist our school with fundraising and to support us with school organized trips and activities.

Community Notices

Eltham and Kaponga libraries are running fun activities for children aged from 5yrs – 12yrs in the July School holidays. You can have fun on Thursday 13th July exploring the amazing world of bugs from 10.30am, and go hunting for the Snark (3D monster) on Thursday 20th July at 10.30am. Children can rock up on these days. No registration necessary.

Also it is Harry, Hermione and Ron's (Harry Potter) anniversary next week – Eltham library is having some fun with it. Get down to the librry to check it out.

Kids Quiz

Put your answers in the box on the office bench (next to the chaplain's box). All entries have a chance of being drawn out at assembly for a prize.

Senior Quiz (Rooms 5-8)

- 1 Record 2 compound words.
- 2 Record 2 proper nouns.
- 3 Record 2 adjectives.
- 4 What is a verb?

Junior Quiz (Rooms 1-3)

Draw and name our mountain.

Remember to put your name on your entry!

Calendar of Events

June

30th – Duffy Assembly – Book presentations
– Joyce Lawrence and Brenda Stanners from the Eltham Lions Club.

July

3rd – 7th – Life Education
5th – Ice Skating experience for our year 6's.
4th – PTA meeting @ 3.30pm
6th – BOT meeting at school @ 9.00am
7th – Last day of term 2
24th – First day of term 3
31st – School photos – Photolife.

August

1st, 3rd, 8th and 10th – Kiwi League

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Last week's Quiz Winners

Junior Quiz: **Maaka Robinson**

Senior Quiz: **Jamalia Brown**