

Eltham School Newsletter

*Learn by Doing - Knowledge
is Power*

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important information.**



Term 3 Week 6

Kia ora Whanau, Community Members and Friends of Eltham School

Cross Country Event

A reminder to our parents and community members, that tomorrow (Friday 1st September) we will be holding our Cross Country event. We look forward to your attendance and support, and hope you can come and encourage our students to 'give it their best'. We hope for good weather, but will postpone this event until further notice, if the conditions are too wet. We will be selling cookies on the day as a fundraiser for school related activities. The races begin at 10.10am after a brief welcome and race description, which starts at 10.00am. We look forward to seeing you there!

PB4L Conference

Mrs Vind and I have just returned from the Positive Behaviour for Learning Conference in Auckland. The conference took place over two days. We heard international speakers with knowledge and experience in this area, and learnt a range of ideas that we can implement within this framework. We were especially interested in the student voice workshop that showed us how we can involve our students in interpreting school wide behaviour data, and involve them in working together to find solutions. Student wellbeing is a priority focus area at Eltham School, and we do our best to ensure our students are happy, safe and able to focus on their learning.

**Kathryn Pick
Principal**

Whanaungatanga

Honesty

Empathy

Respect



Congratulations to our "Learners of the week"...

Room 1 – **Emma McCallum** – For awesome progress in reading and writing and a super effort in Cross Country and Jump Jam.

Room 2 – **Sophie Edwards - Brown** – For using advanced punctuation in her writing.

Room 3 – **Brayden Wilton** – For showing persistence during Discovery.

Room 5 – **Kurt McFaul** – For stepping up to take ownership of his learning and lifting his standard of presentation.

Room 6 – **Siliva Fakavamoeanga** – For taking his learning seriously and focusing hard on his writing.

Room 7 – **Ace Webster** – For having an awesome attitude to school.

Room 8 – **Kenneth McIver** - For great detail in his persuasive writing. Keep it up!

A progress report from Room 5...

In Room 5 we have been assessing the progress we have made both as a class and individuals over the first five weeks of this term. We have considered the goals we set at the beginning of the term and have looked at whether, or not, we have achieved them.

Dear Mrs B and Mrs H,

This term has been a big improvement for us as a class. There are many less negative attitudes. However, this has not been completely resolved and there is still room for improvement.

In the last letter I wrote, I stated a few goals for myself in the first five weeks. These were:

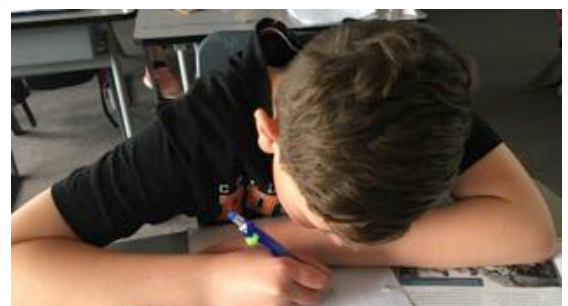
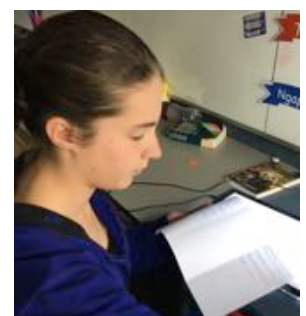
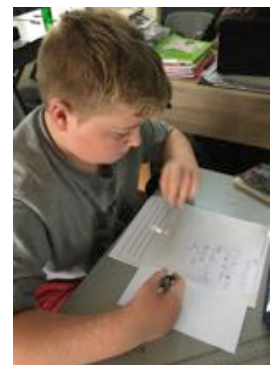
- To keep on drawing
- To try to get a little better at maths.

These I think, I have partly achieved but not fully.

There are still moments that delay my learning but these have greatly decreased. I think, over these past five weeks I have become much better at art, reading, writing and a bit better at maths.

Over all, these have been a great five weeks and I'm looking forward to spending the rest of the year in this class.

Aidan Renshaw



Happy birthday to the following people...

Tui Turner – Room 7 – 11yrs

Congratulations to our Cool Choices winners...

Kura Wood – Great participation in a writing activity.

Dayton Nikora – Being a responsible messenger.

Jesee Baikie – Spending her playtime caring for a classmate who was unwell.

Alexis Dravitski – Tidying up sports equipment.

Kohyn Dormer – Responsible leadership.



Bronze Level Awards

Congratulations to Marley Eaves and Tennesse Thomas for gaining 10 cool choices and a bronze level certificate each. Well done Marley and Tennesse. Keep up with your great choices!



Community Award

This week our community award goes to Miss Adlam for coaching netball and taking our assembly photos every week. Thanks Miss Adlam.



Dear Room 5 Teachers,

It has been a great five weeks so far. It has been really fun and I have ticked off one of my goals which was to keep on task.

Our class has improved quite a bit. We have improved because most of us are staying on task and accomplishing all of our work on time.

Mrs B and Mrs H are really good teachers but they should give us homework because we will get lots of homework next year.

My goals for the rest of this term are to know the rest of my times tables and learn lots of words.

Tinesha Brewerton



Progress Report on our School Arches

Over the weekend the STESA committee planted the gardens next to the arches, and installed some seating. This project is starting to look fantastic and is near to completion.

We are very grateful to STESA for all of their hard work and their commitment to preserving the historical arches, and helping us to beautify our school property and surroundings.



Board of Trustees Information

- Our next BOT meeting is on Tuesday 26th September at 5.30pm.

Parent Notices

Cross Country

Tomorrow we are holding our Cross Country Event - Friday 1st September. Our children are well prepared, and ready to run. Please see the School Facebook page for the order of race events.

School Photos

Class and team photos can still be ordered – Please see Maria in the office if you want to purchase these.

Community Notices

Girl Guides NZ

Girl Guiding NZ enables girls and young women to develop their full potential and make a difference in the world. Everything we do at Girl Guiding NZ is about supporting Girls, developing their confidence ambitions and aspirations, encouraging their independence and developing Leadership skills. Stratford Brownies (aged 7-9.5) and Guides (aged 9.5-12.5) are looking for New Members for their Units (which both meet on Tuesdays at 5.30pm), so please contact Michelle Kivell (027) 324 9371, michellekivell@hotmail.com or www.girlguidingnz.org.nz for further information.

Kids Quiz

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

Senior Quiz (Rooms 5-8)

- 1 On what part of your body would you wear moccasins?
- 2 What happens on 31st December?
- 3 In what season in NZ is the 31st December?
- 4 How do you write 17 in Roman Numerals?

Junior Quiz (Rooms 1-3)

Draw and name NZ's National Sport.

Remember to put your name on your entry!



Calendar of Events

September

- 1st – Cross country event
- 5th – PTA meeting – 3.15pm
- 26th – BOT meeting @ 5.30pm
- 29th – Last day of Term 3

October

- 16th – Term 4 begins.



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Last terms' Quiz Winners

Junior Quiz: **Maaka Robinson**

Senior Quiz: **Daniel Salisbury**

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