

Eltham School Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 4

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Kia ora Whanau, Community Members and Friends of Eltham School

Let's get Richie McCaw to land his helicopter at Eltham School!!

Help us win this amazing opportunity!

We have been a 'milk in schools' school for 5 years! and the Fonterra Milk for Schools programme is turning 5! To mark this special

occasion, Richie McCaw is helping Fonterra by doing a special milk delivery to four lucky schools, by helicopter.

Anyone can enter the competition by nominating a school at richiesmilkrun.co.nz –

or copy and paste this link to enter....

 $\underline{https://www.fonterra.com/.../fonterra-m.../richies-milk-run.html}$

Entries are open until 19 March 2018.

Please please please whanau and community members, nominate ELTHAM School. We would LOVE to win this prize!

It's really easy to enter – all you have to do is tell the panel of judges, why ELTHAM school deserves a visit from Richie. (In 150 words)

Visit our Eltham School Facebook Page for ideas of what you could say with your 150 words, or just tell them that Eltham School has 138 amazing students, and 20 incredible staff members who really NEED to meet Richie, which would be an experience and memory NONE of us would ever forget.

Thanks for your support.

Kathryn Pick Principal

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News from Room 7...

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

Room 1 – **Kyzah Lawson –** For helping others to create things with Lego.

Room 2 – <u>Nisa Nazri</u> – For always being on task and producing quality work, in a quiet happy way.

Room 5 – **Daquedin Morton** – For a responsible and focused attitude in all areas of his work.

Room 6 – <u>Latoya Ngaia - Gibbs</u> – For a positive start at Eltham School. You have a focused and dedicated work ethic across all curriculum areas.

Room 7 – <u>Xavier Ngatai</u> – For showing maturity during all curriculum areas.

Room 8 – Tetahi Ratahi-Burgham_– For showing determination and perseverance in his swimming skills and beginning to show this in other curriculum areas.

It has been a busy start to the year in Room Seven. We have been working hard on our swimming goals with students' working on perfecting their stroke and swimming widths and lengths.

"I'm very proud that I can swim a length freestyle now" Zachary

"I've got better at my freestyle and can swim a width confidently, now I want to swim a length" **Nevaeh-Lily**

We have also been writing procedures so our audience will know how to do or make something using clear numbered steps.

"I am more confident writing a procedure using the right structure, title, goal, materials and steps" **Josef**

"I am becoming more independent during writing time because I am using the writing process and I know what to do on my own so I don't have to shove my book in the teacher's face."

Lucas

The class enjoyed creating their self-portraits using measurement to draw the other half

of their face and exploring the use of pastel and dye.

"I like art and I enjoyed creating my colourful background. I want to do more." **Jesica**

Well done Room 7! Keep it up!!



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Happy birthday to the following people...

Ahrahnia Van Kuijk - Moffat - Room 5 - 11yrs

Sharmaine Manaena - Room 7 - 9yrs

Jaydan Barrow - Room 5 - 12yrs

Congratulations to our Cool Choices winners...

<u>Kyzah Lawson</u> – Helping others to make things.

<u>Cjay McMinn</u> – Returning School equipment after hours.



Khloe Squire - Picking up rubbish, and helping to keep

our school grounds tidy.





Tobias Ogle –
Showing fantastic swimming skills to help students and his teacher.

Clay Mita – Showing empathy and

giving his raincoat to another student when it was raining and he was on road patrol.



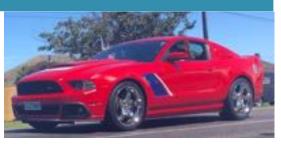
Community Award

This week our community award went to Mrs Wilson for being such a wonderful teacher and positive influence with her 'very busy' 5 year olds.



Americarna – Friday 23rd February

Last Friday Room 5 were fortunate to travel down to Hawera on a bus to view the many classic cars, as part of the



Americarna event. The South Taranaki Council funded a bus for all primary schools in our local area to take one class of students to see the cars. Many of our children got to see the cars after school, traveling from Hawera back up to New Plymouth, as they drove through Eltham. One of the





highlights for the drivers and organisers of this event, is to have the involvement of school children to view and admire the cars as they drive by. Despite the water issues in and around New Plymouth on the day, the event was still a big success, with the only challenge being a slightly altered route to bypass towns such as Waitara, where they normally stop for lunch.

Waitara, like many suburbs that day, were on water

shortages, with the restriction of only being able to drink boiled water. The sun was shining and people lined the streets to view the cars, and that was Americarna 2018.



Swimming Sports

Our swimming sports will be held on <u>Thursday 8th March</u> at the Eltham community pools. The swimming events will **start at 11.00am**. (For Rooms 5, 6, 7 and 8) Our junior classes (Rooms 1 and 2) will start their events after lunch at 1.30pm. All parents and community members are welcome to attend. We would love some parents to help with time keeping and handing out rods for placings. Please let your child's teacher know if you can assist! Also we need parents willing to swim for the golden gumboot race!!

Board of Trustees Information

 Our Board of Trustees wish to bring to your attention their intention to reduce our parent representative number from 5 to 4 members. This is how we intend on addressing the recent 'parent rep vacancy'. If anybody objects to this please put your objection in writing to Barb Frey, Board Chair before our next Board meeting on <u>Tuesday 27th March</u>. Thank you.

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Parent Notices

Uniform

Thank you to those parents who have already purchased a uniform top. If you have a child at Eltham School who is a new entrant, or in years 1, 2 or 3 you need to purchase a top from the office. Black pants can be purchased from a shop of your choice. We accept any black pants, black shorts or skorts. Please no rips, tears, patches or fraying. Pants must be totally black, with no white stripes, or colouring of any other form. Uniform must be worn every day!

Netball

We need to start thinking about netball, as the season will be here before we know it. A letter has been sent home to your child, if they indicated that they were interested in playing netball this season. We are more than happy for parents to start paying netball fees now, so as to avoid paying the full sum when it is due in May. Please make your payments to Maria in the school office.

Toys and Sports Equipment

Please don't let your child/ren bring toys etc to school because frequently we spend a lot of time having to deal with disputes around ownership and care of these toys, and would rather not have to. Recently a scooter was brought to school by a child who found it. 4 children claim it is theirs. We don't have time to spend trying to establish who actually owns it (if that is even possible) and would rather it had been left where it was, or ownership had been established between parents at home. Thank you for your support with this.

Community Notices

Eltham AFC JNR Registration

Venue Taumata Park Eltham Date Sunday 4th March

Dance Lessons

Hiphop, Jazz and Beginners Ballet dance classes available in Eltham. Please contact Natalie 027 4310741 or facebook Vivid Rhythm dance for times, prices and more information.

Mobile Dental Clinic

The dental clinic will arrive at Eltham School on the 8th March and begin check ups and dental work on our student's teeth from Monday 13th March. Permission slips will be sent home soon for this. They must be signed and returned immediately in order for your child/ren's teeth to be checked.

Calendar of Events

March

8th - Swimming Sports Event Day

9th – Swimming Sports Postponement day

12th – Taranaki Anniversary Day – NO SCHOOL

13th – Mobile Dental Clinic arrives – Based at school for 4 weeks.

27th - Board Meeting @ 5.30pm

28th – Athletics Event Day

29th – Athletics Postponement Day

30th - GOOD FRIDAY - No School

April

1st – Daylight Savings ends

4th – Back to School (After Easter)

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