



Eltham School Newsletter

*Learn by Doing - Knowledge
is Power*



8th March 2018

Term 1 Week 5



Kia ora Whanau, Community Members and Friends of Eltham School

Swimming Sports

Tomorrow (Friday) we are holding our swimming sports at the Community Pools. We will report on this event in next week's newsletter. There will be NO assembly this Friday (tomorrow) and parents are welcome to take their children home with them once the swimming events are completed.

Taranaki Anniversary Day

Remember that next **Monday is Taranaki Anniversary Day and therefore there is NO school**. We will see everyone again on Tuesday 13th March. Enjoy an extra long weekend!

Student Council

This year we will be starting up a student council and will have representatives from each of the senior rooms. We will be choosing 2 representatives from Room 8 who will be the leaders of our "junior council." All councillors will be announced at assembly next Friday 16th March. The role of the student councillors is to help us 'teach and reinforce our school values and vision', look for improvements that can be made around school, and to help us to find solutions to ongoing and repetitive social issues. Our students and teachers will get to vote this week for the students who they think best fit the role, and have the necessary skills to carry out the role, including effective communication, and problem solving skills as well as having initiative and being well organised.

House Leaders

Next week we will be selecting our house leaders. Our house leaders have a different leadership role to that of our student councillors. They will help coordinate and organise school wide events such as athletics and swimming sports. They will also be our School assembly MC's, and help out with other tasks when our students are together. Our year 7 and 8 students have been asked to 'tell us why' they should be considered for this role and we will be selecting them based on their skills, and attributes. Our 2018 house leaders will also be announced at next week's school assembly.

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for regular updates and
important information.**

Whanaungatanga

Honesty

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Room 5 have been writing Biography Poems to learn more about each other.

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

Room 1 – **Mia Lindsay** – For being an awesome learner and a great role model in Room 1.

Room 2 – **Jordyn-Leigh Delamere** – For being such a positive role model in Room 2. She’s hardworking, helpful and friendly at all times.

Room 5 – **Clay Mita** – For being an honest, reliable and responsible member of Room 5. Keep it up!

Room 6 – **Quaye Brooks-Nisbet** – For working exceptionally hard at procedure writing both independently and with peers. Keep it up!

Room 7 – **Darwish Ridzuan** – For always having a positive attitude towards all areas of learning.

Room 8 – **Brooklyn Delamere** – For always trying his hardest in all curriculum areas and having a helpful and ‘can do’ attitude in class and the playground.

Your first name
Joseph
Is
Helpful at home, enjoys running, sleeping
Sibling of
Jared Torrington, Jesica Howard,
Tristan Wakeling
Lover of
My bed, my mum, my dad
Who feels
Happens when with friends, love when
I’m with family
Who gives
Time at home to do jobs, help to parents
around the house
Who fears
Small spaces
Who would like to see
Eminem, the great pyramids, everyone
happy at home
Who live
In a small town called Eltham
Your last name
Howard

Jacob is
Funny, weird and
adventurous
Sibling of
Ngaia, Savanna, Breana and
Ella
Lover of
Games, little sisters, mum
and dad
Who feels
Happy at home, frustrated
at some games and bored
at night
Who gives
Happiness, love and **hate**
Who fears
Spiders, losing my family
and dying
Who would like to see
The All Blacks and the
Eiffel Tower
Who lives
in Eltham 55 cattle street
Last name
Bolstad

Coby is funny, cheeky, silly and
cheerful.
My siblings are
Astra, Johanna, Danica, Lucas and
Kade
The three things I love
the trampoline, Xbox and sleep.
Who feels happy when
I’m flying on the trampoline, when
I’m in the Xbox game and relaxed
when I sleep.
I give
Some help around the house, hugs
to my pets and to give people turns
on my stuff.
My fears are heights, storms and
the dark.
I live on whiting street.
Last name
McVicar - Shaw

Happy birthday to the following people...

Grant Ngatai - Turahui – Room 6 – 11yrs

Gabrael Stevens – Room 5 – 12yrs

Sebastian Lambert – Room 5 – 12yrs

Mrs Crowe – 21yrs

Jessica Linton – 21yrs

Congratulations to our Cool Choices winners...

Daytona Marshall – Showing initiative and sorting out a peer mediation meeting.

Cameron Renshaw – Volunteering to help teachers.

Brooklyn Delamere – Going out of his way to tidy up.

Mia Lindsay – Fantastic problem solving in the playground.

Khodie Woodhead – Always listening to instructions.



Community Award

This week Room 1 helped Mrs Wilson choose the community award and they chose children who volunteer to help our youngest students (Room 1 students) with a range of tasks. Congratulations to Jamalia Brown, Grant Ngatai Turahui, Ethan Ogle, Trinity Wood and Lillie Rae. We're super proud of these people not only for helping out, but for doing it willingly without being asked. Kapa!



Whanaungatanga

Silver Award Recipient 2017

Last year 8 of our students gained 25 cool choices each, and received a silver award. These children were presented with their silver awards at last year's final graduation ceremony.

Unfortunately one of our students couldn't attend the ceremony so she was presented with her "Silver Award" at last weeks assembly. Congratulations **Te Ngaikiha Pouwhare – Timoti.**



More awesome poems from Room 5...

Gabrael-Angelo is
sneaky, optimistic, lenient and an
explorer

Sibling of
Ben Moeller

Lover of
gaming, biking and dad

Who feels
lonely when alone, selfish,
miserable when I've done
something wrong

Who gives
People a hand, makes people
laugh and honesty

Who fears
Acrophobia, ophidiophobia and
arachnophobia

Who would like to see
Dad, my cousin in Italy and my
friend in Australia

Who lives in
A small town by Mount Taranaki

Who's surname is
Ernist-Stevens

My name is Kyra

Sibling of
Tinaya, Matua, Kupa, Paipa and
Maaka

Kyra is
smart, kind, funny and
adorable

Lover of
Sports, Deborah and Noho

Who feels
Sad when something dies,
happy when around family and
friends

Scared when
Fights happen

Kyra gives
Help, smiles and cuddles

Kyra fears spiders, ghosts and
snakes

Would like to see
The Eiffel Tower, Sky tower
and family in Australia
I live in a small village under
the mountain

My last name is Robinson

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 **Tuesday 27th March.** Thank you.

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Parent Notices

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 at the end of March. 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.

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

- 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)
- 13th – End of Term One
- 30th – First day of Term Two

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Community Notices



Our wall is nearly complete and is looking awesome. Our next step in this 'road frontage' renovation is to push the dirt behind the wall up to the bricks and level the grass. We will also be widening and re-concreting the staff driveway, which is in need of some serious repair. It is great that we are working on improving the look and functionality of our school property.

E.P.S. would like to thank Thomson, O'Neil & Co for their assistance in producing this newsletter

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