

Eltham School Newsletter

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Whanaungatanga



Term 2 Week 1

Kia ora Whanau, Community Members and Friends of Eltham School

Welcome back to Term Two

Welcome back to term two – the term of Winter Sports! This term, as well as involving our students in a range of sporting codes, each class will be focusing on a country they have chosen to learn more about. Our overall theme for this term is learning about other cultures. We will be holding another **Cultural Festival on Friday 22nd June**, which is very exciting! More information will follow about this as we start to plan and organise this community event. In the meantime keep this date free, as you won't want to miss out on attending this great 'fun day out.'

Commonwealth Games - Junior Syndicate

As promised our junior classes (Rooms 1, 2 and 8) are going to have a special event in lieu of the athletics day that they couldn't attend last term due to poor weather conditions. We really hope that the weather will be warm and sunny for us on **Friday 11th May** as this is when we will hold our 'Commonwealth Games – Junior Style' for our junior classes. Our juniors will compete in a range of activities on a rotational basis. We would like to invite parents and community members to come along and watch, and encourage our youngest students in these fun activities. We will start at **11.30am** and we expect to finish the rotations by 12.30, after which we will hold the 'medals ceremonies' for our placegetters.

Kathryn Pick Principal

Honesty Empathy Respect

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

Room 1 – **Nafeesa Nazri** – For always trying her best and doing the right thing.

Room 2 – <u>Vienna Brown-Martin</u> For putting 100% into all of her learning and being helpful and kind in the classroom. Ka Pai!

Room 5 – <u>Dainton Kensington</u> – For working consistently in all areas and maintaining a positive attitude always.

Room 6 – <u>Matthew McCallum</u> – For consistently working hard in all curriculum areas and being a valuable and responsible classmate.

Room 7 – **Darwish Ridzuan** – For being dedicated to all areas of his learning.

Room 8 – **Keisha Tuki** – For consistently having a positive attitude towards her work and always trying hard.

Celebrating Success!

We would like to celebrate the success of Talanoa Fakavamoeanga's marching efforts! She recently won the under 12's Te Arakamu Challenge Shield as the 'best of all' marcher in her group. She also received 3 team medals for full participation and contribution to other competitions that were entered throughout the year. We're super proud of you Talanoa! Ka pai.



Room 1's imaginative and true stories...

I was patting my cat and hugging her at the wedding. Mum and Dad got married and my grandparents came and everyone else. I held some flowers at the wedding. **Bianca Nisbet**

I went to Nanny's house and played with the toys. I played with love hearts and flowers and carrots. **Soraya Savage**

The dragon was eating a tree. He had fire coming out of his mouth. He has three teeth, four eyes and his face is hot from the fire. **John Iti**

We are going to the Warehouse. We got a new Mac. Kyzah Lawson

The sea monster is looking for food. He found some people. Cruz Reid

We are looking at the clouds in the sky. There is a monster coming. Dubeis Ridzuan

Happy birthday to the following people...

Kyra Robinson – Room 5 – 12yrs

Myana Singh-Awhitu – Room 2 – 7yrs

Congratulations to our Cool Choices winners...



Joseph Howard – Helping move hinuera stone bricks in preparation for our new staff driveway.

<u>Ace Webster – Amazing</u> descriptive writing.

Nevaeh - Lily Phillips - Fraser - Fantastic leadership initiative.

<u>Phoenix – Joy Brown –</u> Being an amazing jump jam leader.



Rapi
Walker Picking up rubbish
without being asked.

Community Award

This week our community award goes to Mrs Vind and Miss Gardner for all of their hard work in preparing our two EPRO8 teams for the wonderful success they enjoyed! Thanks Mrs Vind and Miss Gardner.



Welcome to the following new students...

Tristan Wakeling - Room 1

Mathew Robinson-Winiata - Room 2

Faith Robinson-Winiata - Room 7

Zane Robinson-Winiata - Room 5

More great stories from Room 1...

Me and Missy and Snow saw the mud monster. **Stacie Devine**

I went to my Nanny's house and we played with the ball. I loved the rainbow. Lyric Savage

Me and Mum are in the supermarket. I am trapped in. **Tristan Wakeling**

I went to the shop. I saw Mia. Mia

was shopping. **Sophia Perenise**

When it was Christmas Mum bought me Hatchimals. They were beautiful. **Mia Lindsay**

I went to the netball and I liked it and I went with Stacie. It was fun catching the ball. **Khloe Squire**

I love playing with Sophia and Mia. We are playing with the hoola hoops. **Nafeesa Nazri**

New Staff Driveway

We have nearly completed phase 2 of our 'road frontage'



project. The concrete for our widened driveway was laid on Friday 20th April and WOW what a difference this has made. No more potholes, cracks or single lane entries/exits. The final stage of this project is to continue with the hinuera stone wall that will be built up both sides of the

staff driveway. A reminder to all that the staff driveway is for staff only. Please don't walk or drive up this driveway, unless you have special permission! It is 'out of bounds' for all of our students!

We are currently waiting for our water meters to be moved so we can begin the final part of the wall build. We will also be using the dirt piles to backfill the road frontage wall. Once the promised tree has been purchased and planted we will have very aesthetically pleasing 'street appeal'.

Board of Trustees Information

Our next Board Meeting is on Tuesday 22nd May @ 5.30pm. All welcome.











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Parent Notices

Cheap Winter Uniform Tops and Track-pants

The black School – Tex sweatshirts we purchased recently have been embroidered with our school logo and these can be purchased for \$15 from the School Office. These are not compulsory tops but they are a very good price and we encourage families to purchase these as an appropriate 'uniform top' for winter. We also have some 'older' polar fleece tops and track-pants available

to purchase for \$5 each. These used to be part of the sports uniform.

If you wish to purchase your own winter tops or track-pants that is fine, but please ensure they are fully black and no hoodies please.



Student Council News...

Our student councillors have been learning about correct meeting procedures and their roles and responsibilities. We have also written a 'code of conduct' together. Currently they are writing a pepeha each and they will present these at our first school assembly in term 2 – this Friday 4th May.

Community Notices

If you answer YES to any of these questions, call Carissa today. Do you start work early? Do you need daycare? Do you need after school care? Do you work late? Do you need a babysitter? I am Carissa. I'm an in home educator in Eltham. You will get 20 hours free for your 3-5 year olds, and winz and oscar subsidies are available. Spaces don't last long so send me a message or give me a call and I can answer any of your questions and give you more information.

May Calendar of Events

7th – 11th – Bullying-Free NZ Week

10th – Kia Kaha and Role of the Police programmes start with Snr Constable Jono Erwood

11th - Commonwealth Games Junior Style

14th – Duffy Theatre

14th – Golf Starts – Monday and Tuesdays for 3 weeks.

18th - "Funky Friday" mufti day - Gold coin

22nd - Board Meeting @ 5.30pm

June

22nd – Cultural Festival

25th – 28th – Life Education – Harold the

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