



# Eltham School Newsletter

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25<sup>th</sup> August 2016

Term 3 Week 5



## **Kia ora Whanau, Community Members and Friends of Eltham School**

### **Cross Country**

Tomorrow is our Cross Country Event. We will start the races with our junior school children running from 10.00am. We will be setting up a 'mini obstacle course' as part of the track. We aim to have all of the races completed by 1.00pm. The PTA are providing a sausage sizzle. Sausages in bread will cost \$2 each. **Even if it is wet, and our cross country is postponed until Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September we will still cook the sausages, so children will have something to eat for their lunch!** Please come along to support our children and to cheer them on. We look forward to seeing our parents at this event.

### **Eltham School Facebook Page**

We have started up an **Eltham School Facebook Page**. This will give you all the information you need of our upcoming school events, including dates, times, and costs etc. Please like or follow our page, which will allow you to keep up with what is happening at Eltham School. You do need to click on the actual event listed to get all the information you require. We would like to keep our page positive so please be aware that ANY feedback or comments made go through me (Kathryn Pick - as administrator) first. We would prefer you to come and see us directly if you have issues to discuss, rather than posting negative feedback on our site. If you do have any concerns or complaints to make please follow our complaints/making enquiries procedure – we have included a copy of this in today's newsletter. In every instance we ask that you contact the person directly involved in the incident first. If you are not satisfied with the outcome, then we advise you follow the procedure outlined on our flowchart.

### **Jim Turahui - Kaumatua**

Jim Turahui has recently been appointed to Eltham School to support us as our Kaumatua. Our BOT approved this at our meeting last Thursday. Jim will assist us in establishing important connections with our Maori whanau and to help us to consult widely with our school community on a range of issues when required. Jim plans on forming a 'council' of people so as to have representation from all of our local iwi. Jim's presence at school will also help to strengthen relationships with our local Kohanga Reo, which is necessary for transitioning our young children into school.

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## **Text Absences**

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

Room 1 – **Vienna Brown-Martin** – For having such a positive attitude to all of her learning.

Room 2 – **Imogen Lynch** – For stepping up to take on responsibilities. She’s being a good role model too, showing a good attitude to her learning and making progress

Room 3 – **Hohepa Wilson**– For having such a positive attitude in class and taking responsibility for his learning at home by completing his homework.

Room 4 – **Lucy Wilson** – For stepping up and showing some fantastic leadership skills.

Room 5 – **Elaida Alluad** – For always being on task and giving good quality work.

Room 6 – **Tyler Nicholls** – For working hard to improve his reading.

Room 7 – **William Murray** – For always being on task. You are a fantastic role model. Tino Pai!

Room 8 – **Paipa Robinson** – For always trying her hardest in all curriculum areas.

### Room 3 news...

Room 3 have been learning to write Narratives using a range of fairy tales. We have been looking at the structure of a Narrative, we know that a Narrative begins with an orientation, has a complication and a resolution. Here are some narratives that Room 3 children have written on their own using their knowledge of a range of well-known stories.

#### **Rapunzel**

Once upon a time a witch had Rapunzel trapped in a tower because everyone wanted her.

Rapunzel was trying to make her hair long as. But it didn’t matter because the witch made sure she was trapped and couldn’t get down.

Suddenly...a prince came and asked her to let down her hair. She did and the prince climbed up her hair anyway. When he got to the top he tied up the ugly witch and told Rapunzel to jump down the tower and onto his horse.

They lived happily ever after.

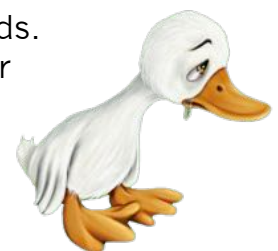


#### **The Ugly Duckling**

One summer’s day a duck made a nest in the forest by the castle. She sat on it and waited for her 6 eggs to hatch.

One of her ducklings was tall and ugly and he was always teased by everyone. Other ducks flapped their wings at him and the turkey gobbled at him, even his brothers and sisters were mean to him. He decided to run away.

He met some nice geese who wanted him to fly away with them but he couldn’t fly. When he grew up he was beautiful and he met lots of beautiful swan friends. He lived happily ever after.



**Darwish Ridzuan**

**Hannah Hodge**

Community Award

To Keegan Lozell and Tinesha Brewerton for the wonderful job that they do every week in assembly, managing the overhead projector and visual computer displays!



The Arches Placement

In the weekend the relocation of the arches took place. An 80 tonne crane lifted the arches from the front of the school to their final resting place. The STESA committee who have spent many hours preparing for this momentous occasion are thrilled to finally have their long planned dreams achieved. Now some seating, the laying of the bricks and garden landscaping will happen, to make the area aesthetically appealing for Eltham School. We look forward to the final result.



Cool Choices Awards...

Francilla McMinn– For caring for a child who was upset in the playground.

Tennessee Thomas - For helping tidy up the classroom in his own time.

Decipher Marsh – For showing a caring attitude in the playground.



School gardens



Sue Helms Smith has also been working tirelessly over the last few weeks to get our school gardens looking attractive. Sue has weeded, planted and unloaded lots of bark to create a host of well nurtured and attractive easy care gardens. Thanks so much for volunteering your time Sue to making our school grounds attractive and providing us with a look we can all be proud of.

Birthdays this week ...

Tyler Nicholls – Room 6 – 11yrs

Welcome to new students...

Ataahua Kelly-Pulham –Room 1

Alexander Peihopa – Room 6



**Parent Notices**

**School camp fundraiser – Raffle**

Win an amazing photography prize – see the school website

**Mac and Cheese Lunch – 2<sup>nd</sup> September**

Order forms will go home on Friday. \$3 per child.

**Quiz Night – 2<sup>nd</sup> September – 6.00pm – School Hall**

Please get a team together of 6 people. \$10 per person. Register your team with Maria at the school office. There is a form inserted into this week’s newsletter for this. We really appreciate your support.

**Cross Country Information**

Our cross-country event will take place tomorrow **starting at 10.00am**. (Postponement day is Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September) We aim to complete all the races by 1.00pm, **and will start races with our juniors going first**. The PTA will be running a ‘sausage sizzle’ - \$2 per sausage. **There will be NO ASSEMBLY tomorrow - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August! If you do decide to take your child home early after their race, please inform your child’s class teacher.**

**Community Notices**

E-Town School Holiday Programme

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> September

9.00am – 3.00pm

8yrs +

\$20 per child for the week

Limited to 30 spaces

We will be focusing on outdoor fitness activities.

Contact Steff 027 4764820

**Netball Draw**

27<sup>th</sup> August – Eltham Primary Stars Vs Midhirst @ 10.00 on Court 5



**Calendar of Events**

**August**

26<sup>th</sup> – Cross Country Event

**September**

1<sup>st</sup> – Sparky the Kiwi visits us

1<sup>st</sup> – PTA Meeting – 3.15pm in the staffroom

2<sup>nd</sup> – Mac ‘n’ cheese day

2<sup>nd</sup> - Quiz Night – School camp fundraiser

6<sup>th</sup> – Cultural Festival Planning Meeting – 6pm in the staffroom

**15<sup>th</sup> – School ‘closes for instruction’ at 12.45pm – NZEI meeting**

23<sup>rd</sup> – Last day of term 3

25<sup>th</sup> – Daylight Savings starts

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