

# Eltham School Newsletter

*Learn by Doing - Knowledge  
is Power*

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Term 3 Week 6

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

#### Cross Country

Thankfully the weather held off last Friday and we were able to hold and complete our Cross Country. Thank you to our parents for coming along and supporting our children. Nearly all of our children ran their races with effort, enthusiasm and good attitudes. Thank you to our parent helpers who marshaled, cooked sausages, and helped out with other duties. Our place getters are as follows...

#### 5 year old girls:

1. Nivana-Lee Reid
2. Nevaeh Hayman
3. Ataahua Kelly-Pulham

#### 5 Year old boys:

1. Maaka Robinson
2. Kohyn Dormer
3. Latore Daymond-Turei

#### 6 Year old Girls:

1. Sophie Mita
2. Lailarnie Leighton
3. Jayley Keenan

#### 6 Year old Boys:

1. Tobias Ogle
2. Kupa Robinson
3. Decipher Dupri Marsh

#### Senior Boys

- 1 Tyler Nicholls – 10.08 mins
- 2 Aidan Renshaw – 11.05 mins
- 3 Keegan Lozell – 11.22

#### 7/8 Year old Girls

- 1 Talanoa Fakavamoeanga
- 2 Paipa Robinson
- 3 Lucy Wilson

#### 7/8 Year old Boys

- 1 Jaspa Walker
- 2 Zachary Renshaw
- 3 Jake Hartigan

#### 9/10 Year old Boys

- 1 Ethan Ogle
- 2 Matthew Hodge
- 3 Samuel Hodge

#### 9/10 Year old Girls

- 1 Kyra Robinson
- 2 Ahrahnia Van Kuijk-Moffat
- 3 Jamalia Brown

#### Senior Girls

- 1 Rebekah Hodge – 11.55 mins
- 2 Taya Wilson – 13.09 mins
- 3 Shamika Hoeta – 13.37 mins

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**More Sand...Yay!**  
 Recently we got another load of sand delivered to fill up our sandpit. Our juniors have been enjoying playing in the sandpit more. The sand has been donated to us from Uhlenbergs Haulage. Thanks Uhlenbergs...we really appreciate your community spirit and generosity!

**Room 4 news...**

Room 4 have been learning about writing complex sentences to enhance their writing. We have been focusing on increasing our vocabulary and creating ‘Two Adjective Beginning’ sentences. (Turning a simple sentence into a complex sentence with two powerful adjectives to help create a picture of the person in the sentence.)

T.A.B complex sentences...

Happy, excited Madi skipped back to class. By **Nevaeh-Lily**

Energetic and cool, Reg happily cleaned up his mess. By **Daniel**

Lucky, blessed Madi got a ride to school. Smart, elegant Jael was working hard. By **Madi**

Awesome and active, Miss Le Bas had some fun. Fabulous and fantastic, Daniel danced brilliantly. By **Elijah**

**Sparky the KIWI**

Today our SUPER special guest Sparky the kiwi is at school! Our children are having a wonderful time learning about kiwis. Sparky was only 3 months old when he got his leg caught in a gin trap. He had to have the leg amputated and because of this was not able to be released back into the wild. He is now 16yrs old and lives in Whangerei with his owner Robert Webb. Robert and Sparky travel around NZ visiting schools and educating children about how we can help protect these precious birds and other NZ native species.



A group of 8 educators travelled with Sparky to Eltham School and set up stations in the hall. Our children rotated around the hall to learn about a range of fascinating topics related to kiwis. They learnt about the habitat, the call kiwis make, predators, and the equipment DOC use to track and monitor our native birds. This was an amazing opportunity for our children.



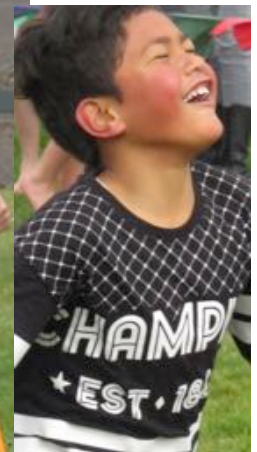
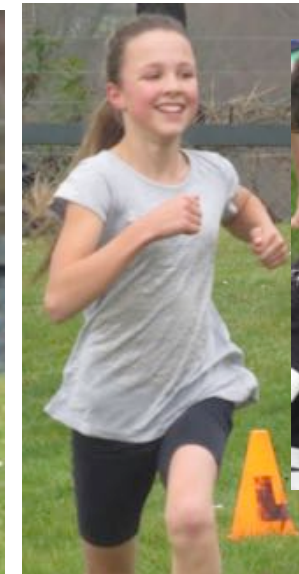


**Birthdays this week ....**

Tyler Nicholls – Room 6 – 11yrs  
Tui Turner – Room 7 – 10yrs  
Mr Cottrell - Caretaker

**Welcome to new students...**

Ryan Bain – Room 5



**Board of Trustees Information**

I have committed to staying on as BOT Chair until January 2017. I have included a BOT report in this week's newsletter, which will give you an indicator of what we have been doing as the newly elected Board of Trustees. Please read the report.

**Murray Bain – BOT Chairperson**



**Parent Notices**

**School camp fundraiser – Raffle**

Win an amazing photography prize – see the school website

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

We are really looking forward to our Quiz Night tomorrow night. Please come along with a team of 6 people and have a go at answering a range of questions. Lots of fun and laughs! \$10 per person, and please bring a plate to share for supper. All money raised goes towards our senior school camp. We really appreciate your support!

**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

**Youth Style Art Creations - ON NOW!!**

An exhibition of wearable art and mixed media work created by E-Town Youth.

On display in the Village Gallery – 166 High Street

Open Monday – Saturday 10.00am – 3.00pm

We encourage everyone to go and have a look!

**Calendar of Events**

**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
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Duffy Role Model Assembly – 9.30am
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – Last day of term 3
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – Loud Shirt Day – Gold Coin – “Deaf Foundation” Fundraiser
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Daylight Savings starts

**October**

- 10<sup>th</sup> – First day of term 4

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