



Eltham School Newsletter

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13th October 2016

Term 4 Week 1



Kia ora Whanau, Community Members and Friends of Eltham School

Welcome back to term 4...our final term for 2016. We have a busy term lined up for our students. Highlights this term include lots of learning in class as always, and some opportunities for our students to experience rugby league, learn about a range of other cultures in preparation for our Cultural Festival, school camp to Wellington for our year 7 and 8 students, speeches, and lots of other fun activities.

Kathryn Pick

Netball

Dear Parents and Caregivers
Last week Netball Taranaki held their annual debrief. During this session, Ann Rogers, the Netball Development Officer, explained about the netball programmes she and her team will be running during the off season. This is a wonderful opportunity for our players to gain some excellent coaching. If your child is keen to develop netball skills and have the opportunity to trial for Taranaki's representative teams then these sessions are worth attending.

The D.E.T Academies are for developing and emerging players from Y6-Y13. Skills that will be worked on include attacking, shooting, defence, decision making as well as core movement and general ball skills. The sessions are held fortnightly starting on **Thursday 13 October** followed by **Thursday 27 October, 10 November and 24th November, from 3.30pm to 5pm, (Yr 6 and 7) and 5.00pm - 6.00pm (Yr 8) at the Stratford Netball Courts.** All registrations are through the Netball Taranaki Web site and there are small charges that apply. Please visit the website for more information or contact me at school.

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Room 8 has embarked on their topic, discovering Greece. We have been looking at a number of stunning scenic pictures of Greece and writing a 'hook' and at least three sentences to describe the pictures.

Acropolis

Winds blowing through the old crumbles of Greek palaces and trees. There are skies growing from purple colour way up to blue. Mountains are as big as the Empire State building to the Dubai Tower.

The buildings are over 1000 years old, just like the earth!

Matthew

Dancing Greek men in traditional dress

The men are dancing in their red shoes with black pom-poms. They have white skirts with red and gold waistcoats. The crowd is cheering and laughing for the dancing men in their red hats.

One man is holding a tissue, but not for an issue. They are wearing blue sashes. The crowd is cheering on seats and benches. The trees are swaying to the magical music.

Justin

Pom-poms flying around with the Greek dancers. The pom-poms are as black as night.

People watching the Greek dancers doing their traditional dance. Big as trees with leaves falling down.

Fellin

Delphi

There is a broken temple that is named Delphi. It has rocks everywhere but the stairs weren't broken. I see no clouds. I can only see the blue sky and what big mountains they really are. It is so, so humongous. This is an old as place and it is so broken. The pieces of rocks are so flat.

Calais

The sun is rising like birds flying into the shimmering gorgeous lovely sky. The windmills are spinning like a gold shiny penny. There are people walking around and taking lovely photos of the shiny sun. **Talanoa**

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

Room 1 – **Te Ngaikiha Powhare-Timoti** – For outstanding effort in all areas and having a mature attitude to her work.

Room 2 – **Sade Rupapera** – For making positive choices and working very hard to achieve in all her work. A sensible friend and student.

Room 3 – **Darwish Ridzuan** – For always working hard to achieve, and producing fantastic pieces of work.

Room 4 – **Elijah Brown** – For consistently striving to achieve his best in all curriculum areas.

Room 5 – **Sandra Mose-Tuiloma** – For effort into all curriculum areas and showing improvement in her learning.

Room 6 – **Jamalia Brown** – For being an enthusiastic, mature, self directed learner.

Room 7 – **Kyra Robinson** – For always putting in a great effort, with a can do attitude, in all areas and encouraging others to do the same

Room 8 – **Bon Lord Almazon** – For consistently having a fantastic attitude towards his learning in all curriculum areas!!

Greek picture

Imagine you're in Greece and you can just see the mountains through the structures of the buildings. The solid stone fences that have pots on them. There's colourfulness all around you on the buildings, fences and the walkway! The people on the walkway are stopping to take images that they will never forget.

James

The smell of the flowers makes me happy. The rocky mountains are hard to climb. The sky is so blue it brightens up everyone's day. People are having fun in town with their family's.

Paipa

Mykonos

In the harbour are boats. There is a cross on top of the church with a red roof. Trees blow the church and low hills. Different kinds of houses. There is a rock out in the sea, small rocks on big rocks. Cars on the road not driving.

Cjay

Mykonos Town

Windows shining in the sun as gleamy as gems. The white cobblestone wall on the sand, with water running up onto the shore. Sand in the sunshine as people as quiet as mice whisper. The sand shining in the sun. The buildings don't move as the sun, as shiny as diamonds, moves around the earth.

Joel

Community Award

In the final week of term 3 our community award was presented to the 8 students who participated in the Taranaki Champs Cross Country, and represented Eltham School with pride. Ka Pai!



Absent from the photo: Tyler Nicholls

Birthdays this week

- Latore Daymond – Turei – Room 2 – 6yrs
- Brayden Wilton – Room 3 – 7yrs
- Jaspa Walker – Room 8 – 9yrs
- Mrs Cadman

Cool Choices

Samuel Hodge – For showing empathy towards an unhappy student, in the playground.

Te Rauna Cassidy - For showing empathy towards other students in the playground.

Daquedin Marsh – For picking up rubbish in the playground.



Welcome to the following new students...

- Javiah Edwards (Room 5)
- Jamilah Walker (Room 5)

More stories from Room 8...

Olympia

Trees flowing through the air. Clouds softly floating in the big blue sky. People taking pictures with their cameras. Pillars standing straight.

Alexis

Grant's work with Mrs Barnes:

How to Make a Solar Powered Light Bulb

Fill the water bottle up with water.

The light comes from the sun into the water bottle.

We made a solar light bulb in a box. We needed some string to keep the water bottle up.

Grant

Duffy Reading Role Models....

Last term Mr Keith Tonkin visited Eltham School on the final day of term. Mr Tonkin spoke to our children about the importance of learning about history in general, but most specifically making discoveries about 'your local history'. Taranaki has a rich Maori history and is 'world famous' with historical events such as 'Parihaka'. Mr Tonkin is an author, and he has written a lot of books (including children's stories) about NZ historical events, some of which cover the history of Taranaki.



The students who were chosen as the Duffy Reading Role models for their classrooms last term were...

Nivana-Lee Reid (Room 1) Francilla McMinn (Room 2) Hunter Lambert (Room 3) Daniel Salisbury (Room 4), Teina Toopi (Room 5), Keegan Lozell (Room 6) Riley Omelvena (Room 7) Justin Salisbury (Room 8). Congratulations to all of these wonderful students.

Board of Trustees Information

- Our next BOT meeting is on Friday 28th October @ 5.30pm.
- Our Strategic Plan has been accepted by ERO as being "very directional and aimed clearly at building capability, processes and practice to promote positive outcomes for students and families."



Parent Notices

ELTHAM ATHLETIC CLUB OPENING NIGHT

Thursday 13th October

Taumata Park Eltham 6.30pm

Regos: 0-6yrs \$10, 7yrs & over \$30

All Welcome...Enquires to Lisa 7645003

Cultural Festival – Friday 11th of the 11th (Nov) @ 11.00am

Our community event – Cultural Festival is fast approaching. We have some interesting things planned. All of our classes will be presenting an ‘act’ – dance or song, using music and dance from their chosen country. We will also be providing ‘tasty finger food’ to trial that will be specific to our classes ‘country of choice’. Our next planning meeting is on **Thursday 27th October @ 5pm**. All welcome. Please come along and help us organise this wonderful community event.

Community Notices

The **Eltham Lions Club** will be holding its annual trolley derby on Sunday 23rd October 2016.

The derby is run on Dalziel Road, and uses the steep hill towards Rogers Road. The road is closed for the event. Trolleys must have direct steering, no rope steering allowed, and must have brakes fitted and working.

We have competitors aged between 4 and 40 + :).

There is no age limit on having fun.

For safety reasons there is only one trolley allowed on the course, helmets and covered shoes must be worn, along with full length clothing.

Thanks to our great sponsors every racer gets a prize, with prizes to the winners for fastest in age group, best design and build and other categories too.

Food and Drinks are available on the day.

Great project to get started on this next holidays, have a look on the web and use your imagination to build your downhill racer.

Check out our Facebook page for more information:

Eltham Lions Club South Taranaki

Any questions please call Glenn Hansen, 06 764 8186



Fireworks Spectacular – Saturday 15th October

A & P Showgrounds, Hawera – Gates open at 6.30pm
\$5 adult \$2 children, \$12 family (2 adults, 3 children)
Music, foodstalls, and great family entertainment.

Calendar of Events

October

18th – 21st – Senior Room Camp in Wellington

24th – LABOUR DAY – NO school

26th – Speech Finals @ Ngaere School – 10.00am

27th – Cultural Festival Planning Meeting – 5.00pm

28th – BOT Meeting @ 5.30pm.

November

1st Allan Jackson – Rugby League

3rd Allan Jackson – Rugby League

3rd – PTA Meeting 3.15pm – Staffroom

8th – Allan Jackson – Rugby League

10th – Allan Jackson – Rugby league

11th – Cultural Festival @ 11.00am

December

1st – PTA Meeting – 3.15pm – Staffroom

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