

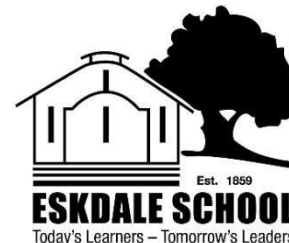
ESKDALE SCHOOL

August 2021 Newsletter

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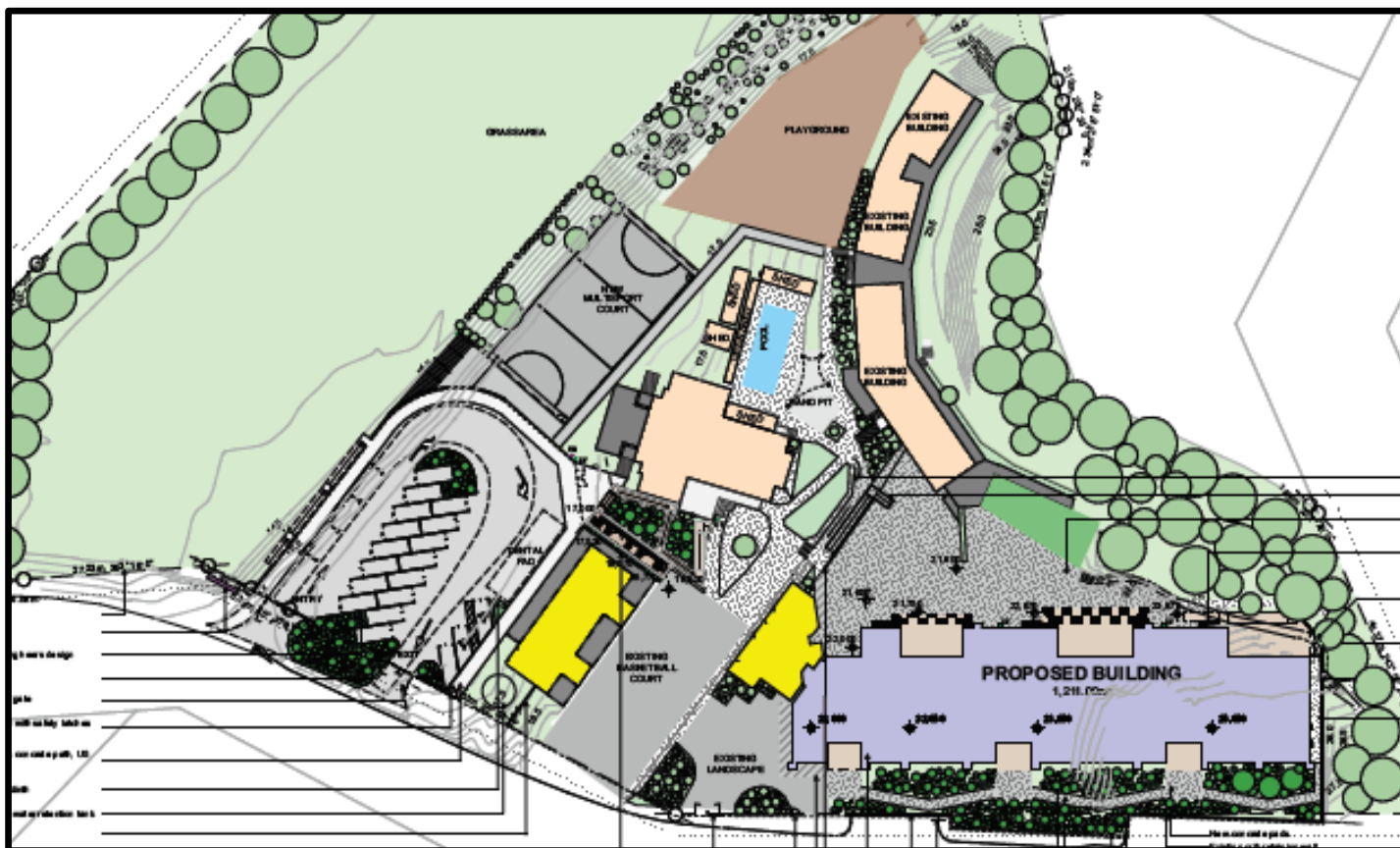


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Principal's Report

Welcome to the August newsletter and first one of Term 3. It is going to be a busy term especially with the production coming up in Week 8, Cross Country in Week 5, and a raft of other trips and opportunities for children to be involved in during the term.

School Redevelopment: As I am sure you are all aware we have been working with the Ministry of Education and design team on a major rebuilding project for our school. The project is now in its final stage of development design and work is due to commence onsite before the end of this term. This is an exciting development for our school which has been under pressure for classroom space over the last two - three years. We believe the end result is something special and will future proof the school for many years to come. In total we receive an extra three teaching spaces, along with a new carpark, entrance way and Astro turf court. Below are some images of what the school will look like after the rebuild along with an outline of the four stages of development.



The New School final layout after the redevelopment is completed with new classroom block (in blue), Kuaka Class (In Yellow) becomes the new admin block, new carpark just below the new admin block and a new Astro turf in front of the hall.



New classroom Block view from the quad area.



New Classroom Block view from Hill Road (Southern end- looking to the North)



A view from inside one of the teaching spaces.

The Re-development will happen over four stages, with Stage One beginning this year.

Stage 1: Temporary Classrooms moved onsite and new carpark built in front of Kuaka Class.

Stage 2: The old block of four classrooms and library are demolished and the new 10 block of 10 learning spaces is built.

Stage 3: Ruru and Kokako Classes are removed, the existing admin block is turned into additional learning space, and Kuaka Class is transformed into the new admin area.

Stage 4: The Temporary Classes are removed and a new Astro Turf is built in front of the hall.

Year 5/6 Planetarium Visits: On Friday, 6 August, the Year 5/6 Syndicate visited the NBHS Planetarium. We have been learning all about the Solar System in class and this was a great opportunity to find out more and ask lots of questions.

After watching a video about how Astronauts live in space and its effects on their bodies, we found out the difference between using objects here on Earth and in the weightlessness of space. We found out that a yoyo works just as well in a low gravity zone as when you use one on earth, if not better!

In the next room, when the lights were switched off, you could see where the stars would be at night at around 7:00pm. Gary was our host and he pointed out where Venus, Mercury and Saturn would be, also explaining that you would only be able to see them from a small telescope.



After pointing out multiple constellations, the lights were switched on and the trip ended with a quick 'find your parent' game based around orbit. It was a trip well worth it and lots of fun. By Amelia and Lola

School Production: After having to cancel our production last year due to the uncertainty around Covid-19, I know the students are looking forward to this opportunity later in the term. The script for the production has been written by Mike Moriarty and all Eskdale students will be performing.

The key dates for the production are the 16 and 17 September. We will be spending both days at the Municipal Theatre, having a matinee and an evening performance on 17 September. This will be something you will not want to miss!!



The last School production held at the Municipal Theatre in 2017

As you can imagine it is a logistical challenge getting all of the children to and from the theatre not to mention an expensive one!

On both Thursday, 16 September and Friday, 17 September we are asking that parents drop their children to the Municipal Theatre in the morning between 8.30am and 9.00am. I know that you will all be able to work together so that no one misses out. The children will be bussed back to school both afternoons. Your school account will have \$10.00(total) added as a contribution to cover both afternoon bus trips.

If you have any expertise, or are interested in helping to make the props for the production could you please email Mike mikem@eskdale.school.nz or contact the school.

Year 8 Camp: The Year 8 students are in full swing fundraising for their Term 4 camp to Rotorua. Last week Sam Hutchison dropped off a cheque for \$1,000.00 which was gratefully received by some of our students on behalf of the Year 8's. Thank you to Sam for her ongoing support of our school.



Cross Country: The school cross country is fast approaching and I know that most of the children will be looking forward to the challenge ahead. There will be some students however who find cross country more of a daunting prospect and this is an opportunity for them to develop their perseverance during training, and resilience as they complete the run on the day. After receiving positive feedback about last year's event we will again hold the Cross Country at school and once the timetable is finalised, we will let you know the time your child is running. The Cross Country Day is on *Tuesday, 24 August* which is in Week 5 of this term.

Passion Project comes to fruition: Jaap Hanse and Jack Tester in Kuaka class came up with the idea of building a pump track at school for the students to enjoy. They have put a lot of time and thought into the planning and are now developing a track for the children to enjoy. The track is on schedule to be completed and opened later this term.



House Tug Of War Competition: On Friday, 30 July 2021 we held a house Tug of War Competition at lunchtime. The winning house was Pohutukawa.



It is nice to see the days getting longer and the weather warmer as we begin to head towards spring and on to summer.

Tristan

Dates to Remember*

24 August	School Cross Country
25 August	Coastal Cluster Literacy Challenge
26 August	Cross Country Postponement Date
30 August	Sports Team Photos
7 September	Science Roadshow
8 September	Coastal Cluster Cross Country
15-17 September	School Production
25 September	PTA Room With A View
28 September	HB Primary & Intermediate Cross Country Champs
1 October	Last day of Term 3

*See also Eskdale School Website Calendar: www.eskdale.school.nz

Principal's Certificates

Pupil's Name	For...
Thea McCormack	Having the perseverance to finish your HFW list. You are a star.
Finn Kendrick	Using your sound knowledge to begin to sound out words. You are so clever.
Anna McGrail	For showing creativity and achieving excellence when making your thank you card.
Leo Howard	For showing curiosity and perseverance with trying new art techniques when painting.
Harry Tester	Showing Whakaute towards everyone and using fabulous manners and encouraging words.
Asha Bulled	Being creative, solving design problems and showing in depth thinking as you explained the features of the amazing car you made.
Evelyn Lacey	Showing Whakaute towards everyone and using fabulous manners and encouraging words.
Amelie Hallaux	Always giving 100% in everything you do. You are a star!!
Ryder Pollock	Being an expert on big ships, with all your information discovering and sharing your model with us.
Holly Verry	Being a positive, helpful class member always helping others.
Charlie Grisdale	Being a thoughtful scientist who thinks about experiments and predicts using his prior knowledge. Ka Pai!
Edward Turfrey	Being a confident maths group member asking succent questions and sharing his ideas with his buddy. Ka Pai
Lily-Anne Hooker	A fantastic start to term 3, a great Tui role model, what confidence and respect you display.
Marcus Davis	Keeping great focus and using marvellous mat manners - tino pai Marcus!
Max Glasson-Guilford	Settling to tasks quickly and earning lots of marbles for his group! Fantastic Max!
Taj Kohlis	Being a positive, respectful group leader - fantastic attitude Taj!
Indiana Bot	Making huge progress in Reading. What fantastic expression and strategies you are using Indi!
Heidi Roberts	Goodness what beautiful reading out loud Heidi! Love your expressive reading!

Ruby Roberts-Kirby	Showing great resilience and perseverance during tricky maths sessions, Ka mau te wehi!
Austin Nichol	For the fantastic effort you have put in to your Reading! You should be very proud of yourself Austin!
Logan Grant	For the positive way you approach all aspects of school life! Nice one Logan!
Joel Tester	For the way you love to chat about the books we are reading and adding your knowledge and ideas to our discussions!
Liam Hellyer	For the mature and settled way you go about your work!
Lola Brown	An amazing start to Term 3! Way to go Lola!
Toby Ross	Always giving 100% effort. Awesome mahi Toby!
Monique Hedley	A fantastic start to Term 3 - well done Monique!
Noah Kyle	Being such a terrific Kereru role model - thank you Toby!
Roman Borrie	For showing whakaute and being an awesome role model in Kārearea.
Sophie Brock	For showing excellence and trying your best in everything. Thank you for being resilient.
Kaes Robson	For having a great start to Term 3. You have been focused and determined to do the right thing at the right time. Ka pai!
Xanthe Turner	For persevering with her division facts and being resilient. Your hard work is paying off. Well done!
Charlotte Beamish-White	What a pair of sassy sausage sizzlers, you both manage the task very well and serve the sausages superbly.
Aimee Spence	For some fantastic contributions to our science discussion as to why oxygen burning might result in a vacuum. Ka mau te wehi Aimee.
Daniel Beamish- White	Awesome discussions around his science learning and his ideas of negative air pressure and how water is drawn upwards! Tino pai to mahi Daniel.
Jack Demanser	Being a confident, knowledgeable and positive contributor during DMIC sessions.
Camryn-Lee Scott	What a pair of sassy sausage sizzlers, you both manage the task very well and serve the sausages superbly.
Karlon Johnson	Confidently and concisely sharing his maths groups strategy during our DMIC session. You should be really proud of yourself Karlon!!

Lost Property Update!!



Starting this term, the lost property will be cleared out on the last Friday of each month. This is to tackle the significant problem of unclaimed students' belongings at Eskdale School.

If the items are named we will return these to their owners. However, at the end of the month any unnamed, unclaimed clothing will be donated to charity.

There will be a reminder to you and your child on the Monday prior to the lost property being donated via the Monday Reminders.

Ultimately, we want our students to be responsible for their own belongings.

Culture Corner Competition

This month we are running a competition to get to know our families that little bit better. Your task is to think about all of the things that make up your own special and unique culture (traditions, food, music, values, customs, events, holidays). Then create a piece of mixed media artwork - can be done on anything paper, card, wood or canvas that shows your (and your whānau's) special and unique culture.

There are three categories:

Category	First Prize	Second Prize	Third Prize
Junior NE-Year 4	\$30 Warehouse Voucher	\$20 Warehouse Voucher	\$10 Warehouse Voucher
Senior Year 4-8	\$30 Warehouse Voucher	\$20 Warehouse Voucher	\$10 Warehouse Voucher
Collaborative - <i>All ages + adults/whānau joint effort</i>	\$50 Warehouse Voucher	\$40 Warehouse Voucher	\$20 Warehouse Voucher

Need to know:

- Competition closes on 31 August
- Artwork must be accompanied by an entry form (in the office and below)
- Winners will be announced in Monday Morning Reminders and in the next Newsletter
- Artwork will be mounted around the school
- Sign and date your artwork

Culture Corner Competition Entry Form

Name:	Class:
Category	Tell us what you love about this piece of artwork:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Junior NE-Year 4	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Senior Year 4-8	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Collaborative - (<i>All ages + adults/whānau joint effort</i>)	

Enviro Matters

We have hit the ground running this term, with lots of native tree planting and other eco activity.

Many thanks to Mr Angove who donated 120 Kawakawa and other native plants for the Year 2 pupils to plant in our Native Garden. Thanks also to the team of parents and grandparents who helped us with this activity.



Special thanks also to Luke Dodd, Hunter Malone and Joel Tester who have worked tirelessly through their morning tea and lunch breaks to spread the bark mulch throughout our Native area.

Thank you also to Mark Mitchell, who has secured some plant protector sleeves for the school, we began the task of putting these on last week and know that our plants will have a greater chance of survival now.

That's well over 200 Native plants planted in our areas this season, we know the understory will begin to flourish in the coming years.

FRIDAY EFS SESSIONS

Our Year 3 & 4 pupils have begun their practical sessions on a Friday afternoon. Thank you to the whanau who are helping with this, we can offer so much more to the children with your assistance. We have a rotation of teams learning about composting, making bird feeders, touring and learning about Native trees, Earth activities, Native garden restoration etc.

The opportunity for the children to learn sustainability in this authentic, hands on capacity is invaluable.

Fencing an area after digging holes for planting.



ENVIROSQUAD

This dedicated team of eco warriors meet each Wednesday at lunchtime. They are currently focussing on schoolwide waste reduction which includes an audit on classroom waste. Results of this will be compared to previous years data and used to identify where positive changes can be made.

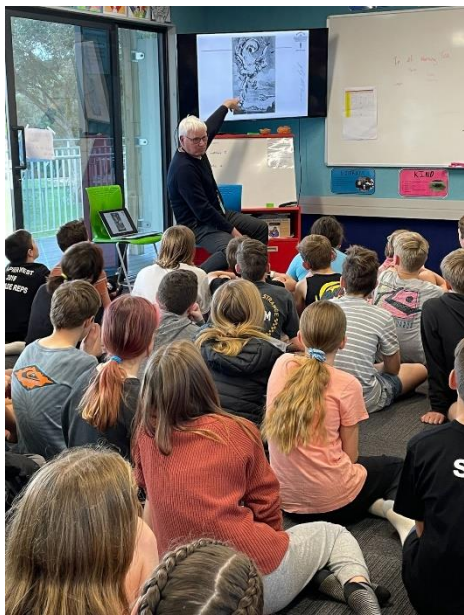
Year 7/8 Scientist Glenn Martin Visit

On Friday, 6 August, the inventor of the Martin Jetpack, Scientist Glenn Martin came to visit the Year 7/8's to share how the jetpack came about. When Glenn was young he always had the idea of making a jetpack to fly to school faster and safer. He made that idea come to life by working hard and putting time and lots of effort into perfecting his machine.

When he was studying to be a Biochemist at Otago University he snuck into maths lectures to find out how to work out intricate mathematical equations he needed for his jetpack! We learnt that working on inventions and learning new skills takes time and a lot of patience and effort, and that learning maths and physics really is important.

Also, if you want to achieve something big in life you have to turn off the TV and just go and do it. Glenn has met many famous people, like Larry Page (who invented google), Richard Branson and Jack Black, and he even got an email from Neil Armstrong congratulating him on the jetpack. He also got a birthday card from the Chinese Secret Service and was spied on by some Governments! Our very own NZ Ironman!

(Tom, Daniel, Kenzie and Wade)



PTA Upcoming Events

NZ DOWNHILL MTB SERIES ...

The Eskdale School PTA have been offered an opportunity to make \$500.00 by helping out at the NZ Downhill MTB event on 2nd October.

We need to supply 5 - 7 marshalls that would be required from 8.00am to 4.30pm.

We also have the option to have a sausage sizzle at the event.

If you are keen to be involved please email eskdalepta@gmail.com.

If you are keen on MTB this is a great opportunity to be part of the action, give back to the sport and support Eskdale School.

PTA Upcoming Events Ctd ...

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25 September



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Pan Pac Calendar Art Competition

Calling all young artists!

Pan Pac is releasing a calendar for 2022, and we're inviting the kids of Hawke's Bay to be a part of it.

We want to celebrate our community by asking children whose school has been a recent recipient of Pan Pac sponsorship to draw or paint a picture for our 2022 calendar.

Twelve works of art will be chosen for the calendar, and the winning artists will receive a \$20 Prezzy card!

The calendar will be distributed to our contractors, customers, suppliers, and Whirinaki neighbours.

It will be great to have you and your kids involved in this fun project!

Criteria:

- ❖ The artwork must be **A4, landscape, and 2D** (able to be scanned).
- ❖ Children are encouraged to draw or paint either a scene from the Pan Pac sponsored event, or a scene that represents Pan Pac – for example tree planting, a logging truck etc.
- ❖ The child must have written parent/guardian consent to participate. Please see the consent/entry form attached below.
- ❖ Entries will be judged by Pan Pac Managing Director Tony Clifford.

Have fun! We look forward to receiving your entries.



Pan Pac 2022 Calendar Art Competition – Entry Form

Name of entrant/artist:

Age:

Contact Phone number:

School:

Name of event attended or what was sponsored (if applicable):

Brief description of the picture (in artist's own words if possible):

Permission:

I _____ (print name) the parent/guardian of _____
(print name) give my permission for _____ (print name) to enter their
artwork into the Pan Pac 2022 Calendar Picture Competition, and if their picture should be chosen
as a winner, I consent to their artwork being printed in the 2022 calendar.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

The artwork(s), including this completed entry form, must be sent to **Pan Pac Forest Products
Private Bag 6203 Napier 4142** by **October 1, 2021** at the latest.