

ESKDALE SCHOOL

May 2022 Newsletter

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Principal's Report



Pohutukawa House Leaders – At our first school assembly leading the National Anthem

Welcome to the first newsletter of Term 2. We have had an excellent start to the term, and it is great being able to look forward to once again participating in all the different activities and sports our children enjoy being involved in. Some of the events we can look forward to on the calendar are the edible arts competition and coastal cluster sporting events.

On Thursday last week we had our first whole school assembly for this year and in fact for quite some time. It is always nice to be able to gather as a whole school and we look forward to having greater connection with the wider community now that most of the covid restrictions have lifted.

Learning Conferences: These are due to be held on *Tuesday 21 June 2022* and *Wednesday 22 June 2022*.

The learning conferences are an opportunity to discuss your child's progress over the first part of the year with the classroom teacher and to talk through areas requiring some additional focus. At these conferences you will also receive a written update of their progress in English, Mathematics and the Learner Attributes.

The learning conferences are also the perfect opportunity to ask anything you are wondering about in terms of your child's learning. However, if you have any concerns before then, please don't wait until the conferences, contact the classroom teacher as soon as you get the chance.

Learning Conference times:

*Tuesday 21 June - **School finishes at 12.30pm and buses will run at this earlier time.***

Wednesday 22 June – School finishes at the normal time and buses run then.

Upcoming Dates to put into your calendar:

Wednesday 25 May – Year 5/6 Coastal Cluster Rugby
Wednesday 2 June – Tough Guy n Gal Challenge
Monday 6 June – Queen’s Birthday – School closed
Friday 10 June – GRIP Leadership conference for Year 8 students
Tuesday 21 June – Learning Conferences – see above
Wednesday 22 June – Learning Conferences – see above
Thursday 23 June – Year 5/6 Planting morning at Esk River
Friday 24 June – Matariki Public Holiday – School closed
Wednesday 29 June – Year 5/6 Coastal Cluster Netball
Wednesday 6 July – Matariki Performance group at school
Friday 8 July – End of term 2
Monday 25 July – First day of term 3.

Student Engagement: As things have settled back to relative normal it is great to see high levels of engagement from our learners across the school. The students are enjoying not having to wear a mask in class and making the most of their learning across the full breadth of the curriculum. The importance of things like the Basic Facts in Maths should however never be overlooked and these continue to be a focus across our school. We need all students to develop automaticity with the Basic Facts so that they can answer them without even having to think about them. Much in the same way we can walk without thinking about how we take each step. These building blocks ensure that when students are faced with more challenging word problems, they can focus on answering what the question is asking not working out the mechanics of 7×4 .

Rippa Rugby Tournament: On Monday 9 May, 50 Year 3 - 6 students took part in a Rippa Rugby Tournament against other Hawkes Bay schools. It was a fun day out especially as there hasn't been many sports events in the past few years. The weather was great and it was awesome being outside! We really enjoyed going for a run around and being with our friends.

Thank you to the parents who helped transport and coach and the teachers who organised the event.

By Hunter and Evie



Building update: You will have all seen the new temporary classrooms on the top field and the work underway on the new carpark. Based on the current timeline we are hoping to have the temporary classrooms ready to move in to by the middle of June. Kotare, Korimako, Tui and Kea classes will make the transition prior to the end of this term so that demolition of the old block can commence in the July school holidays. The carpark is due to be completed before the end of this term and in full use by the beginning of Term 3. We do know that these timelines are somewhat fluid as there are a number of variables that can cause delays however it is exciting to see the progress and the plans finally coming together.

School Fees/Donations: Firstly, I would like to thank everyone who has already paid these this year. The school fees/donations for 2022 are set at \$40.00 per term. These form an integral part of ensuring we can provide all of the resources we want for our students. The funds provided by the

Ministry of Education do not cover all of the resources we believe are essential for every child to experience success. Over the past 12 months we have used the school donations for increased teachers in classes (reducing teacher to student ratio), increased reading recovery time and bought some additional devices, robotics, science, and technology resources.

2022 Recommended School Fee/Donation: \$40.00 per term or

- Individual Child \$160.00 per year discounted if paid in Term 1 to \$140.00.
- Two Children \$320.00 per year discounted if paid in Term 1 to \$280.00.
- Three or more children \$480.00 per year discounted if paid in term 1 to \$420.00.

Online Safety- May Focus - Sharing Images Safely, Digital Footprints and Sharenting

Social media makes it easy to share photos of your children with friends and family over the road and around the world. If you're thinking about sharing a photo of your child online Netsafe has some tips about how to do so safely:

1. Look ahead

It's worth taking some time to think about the digital footprint you are creating for your child by posting images or other content about them online. Think about how your child might feel about the content you're sharing once they're older and how it may affect their future.

2. Ask for permission

Does the photo you're about to post include other people's children? It's best if you ask their parents for permission before you post a photo online. If your children are old enough consider asking them if they're ok for you to share it before you post a photo as well.

3. Check your privacy settings

If you're thinking about sharing a photo of your child on social media it's important that you first check what privacy settings you have set up. Some social media networks default to public or more open privacy settings when you sign up so make sure what you're posting can only be seen by the people you'd like to see it.

4. Think about who you've got in your friend network

A lot of people have social media networks that include people they aren't close to anymore. Make sure you are happy with everyone in your social media friend network seeing the photo - if you're not sure or if you'd prefer to share it only with a smaller group consider setting up a private social network group with friends and family or a group chat.

5. Is there any personal information in the picture?

Before you hit post, have another close look at the photo to make sure you're not revealing any personal information about yourself or your child. Some things to look out for include: the name of your child's school, your road or house number or any other personal or private information.

I look forward to working with you all over the coming term.

Tristan

Principal's Certificates

Recipient	For ...
William Monrad	experimenting with your learning and exploring and observing the world around you. The world of engineering is in your hands.
Elodie Duclercq	Listening carefully and explaining your maths thinking clearly to the group. You are a star Elodie
Lucy Hall	Being creative and inventing a car seat to transport a dog safely.
Ella Byrne	progressing in leaps and bounds with your learning in all areas. You should be very proud of the progress you are making. Ka pai Ella.

Kayla McDonald	Quietly going about your learning and always doing you very best. You are a super star.
Oliver Barber	Wow! Oliver you are a writer. Fantastic work using your letter sounds to write tricky words
Anthony Hiko Taunoa	Working hard to solve the Tangram puzzles on the i-pad.
Chloe Greenbank	working hard to do the best she can in all her learning, What a STAR
Max Williams	our entomologist in the making, just knowing so much about the invertebrate around us.
Kate Dodd	Working hard to keep on task and complete her work to a good standard!
PJ Aranui	Doing a great job of getting settled back into class and his learning. Well done PJ!
Ashley Mitchell	For your fabulous reading - so expressive! Love how you are offering your ideas during our group discussions too!
Lucas Malone	For being a responsible and helpful member of the Kokako Team. Our new students have really loved having you show them the way!
Corban Pell	Showing trustworthiness and responsibility by helping others and ensuring our classroom jobs are done properly.
Harper Harris	being such a creative learner who enjoys sharing her ideas and knowledge with others.
Zion Roberts	showing manaakitanga to those around you by using kind and thoughtful words. Ka pai Zion.
Blair Satherley	Showing a can do attitude at when reading and saying words smoothly. Wow!
Maja Garnett	Having a can do attitude and persevering until you explained your maths thinking accurately
Tayla Timms	sharing your creativity with us and giving others creative ideas when they need assistance.
Rylee Evans	quickly settling back into class, always showing manaakitanga towards your classmates.
Asha Bulled	Showing lovely whakaute towards her classmates - what a wonderful member of the Kea Crew!
Layla Roberts	What a hardworking, focussed member of the Kea crew you are Layla - always trying your hardest and being a positive classmate!
Carter Schollum	Including lots of factual details about the weta in your writing. Keep up the great learning Carter!
Thomas Fisher	Including lots of facts in your information writing about the weta. Well done Thomas!
Esme Hicks	You are showing great focus with your work and being very supportive of your classmates. Keep it up Esme!
Will Roborgh	A focussed worker this week - keep it up Will!
Kera O'Brien	Showing more confidence in her learning and working to her best ability!
Erin Bartleet	showing perseverance and great effort with her work.
Hunter Malone	For being such a kind and caring Kereru role model.
Isabella Sivewright	For persevering with your reading session on Questioning. Keep up the awesome mahi!
Monique Hedley	Thank you for sharing your passions for nature with your class during your STEAM workshops.
Mack Insull	Sharing your passion for singing with us and encouraging everyone to join in and sing with you.
Poppy Milnes	Staying focussed at writing time. You are sounding out tricky words carefully and adding on more information. Kai pai !
Dallas Lamont	Being an enthusiastic, caring Tui class member Ka Pai Dallas!!

Rylee Evans	Being a fantastic negotiator, helping others to make fantastic choices. Kelso is proud of you Ka Pai!
Phoebe Brock	Such a fantastic role model and respectful member of the Kea Crew. Thank you for looking out for the younger members of our class Phoebe.
Elia Giacometti	For having such determination to improve in all areas of your learning. What an inspiration you are Elia!
Adam Satherley	For fantastic decimal thinking during maths time!
Kaylee Hill	Being a great Maths leader and supporting others in your maths team.
Millie Berkett	Your zest and drive to learn and excel is infectious Millie. You are a fantastic role model to your peers.
Chase Hill	Good focus with your handwriting Chase. You write beautifully when you slow down and take your time.
Charles Cox	For being such a responsible and reliable helper in our class - thanks Charles!
Ava O'Brien	For showing amazing kindness and helping others at camp - thank you Ava!
Luka Hall	For being brave and going out of your comfort zone during Camp. It was great to see you taking risks!
Jessica MacDonald	For working hard on your reading session. You did well to revoice ideas shared in your group. Well done!
Jenna Allen	For demonstrating bravery and stepping out of her comfort zone during DMIC sessions.
Marlee Duncan	Showing persistence with Reading Challenges
Locky Harris	Being an organised and supportive Peer Mediator
Noah Kyle	Demonstrating an excellent work ethic and using effective strategies during DMIC sessions.
Phoenix Rangihuna	Always showing respect and patience towards both his peers and teachers.

Wanted

We are in urgent need of size 5 – 9 boys and girl's spare clothes for our sickbay (preferably shorts, underwear and tights) and also brown paper bags to put soiled or wet clothes in.

If you have any of these items, please drop them off to the office. Thanks

Dates to Remember*

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

Year 7/8 Netball Tournament

Yesterday the Year 7/8 netball team competed in a pre-season netball tournament at Hastings.

Despite the freezing and, at times, wet conditions our team ended up 3rd place in the Year 7/8 three grade.

For some of our players it was their first ever attempt at netball, and it was the first time the team has played together. It's shaping up to be a great season!

Excellent effort girls!



Year 5 & 6 Creative Mask Competition

In Term 1 our Year 5/6 children had two art days to complete a creative mask making competition made from recycled materials. The top five from each class have been selected to represent Eskdale School at the HB school exhibition which is on for two weeks from the 30 May – 11 June, 2022.

If you are in Hastings, please take your child/ren to have a look and admire all their creativity!

Congratulations to the following children who will have their masks on display at the Hastings Community Art Gallery, 106 Russell Street, Hastings.

Hihi	Kereru	Karearea
Olivia Berkett	Hunter Malone	Kerryn Hedley
Charlotte Baird	Zoe Matthews	Mia Kersley
Jacs Booth	Erin Bartleet	Luke Dodd
Joel Tester	El-lae Bush	Brianna Grant
Kaia Ranston	Addison Mc Dougal	Isabella Sivewright

Mr Cheers picks: Hihi - Olivia Berkett, Kereru - Hunter Malone and Karearea - Kerryn Hedley.

What an amazing achievement to have their work on display in a gallery like true professional artists! Enjoy the exhibition!





List and sell your home with me and I will personally donate **\$500** to Eskdale School*

Sam Hutchinson

Harcourts

Residential & Lifestyle Specialist

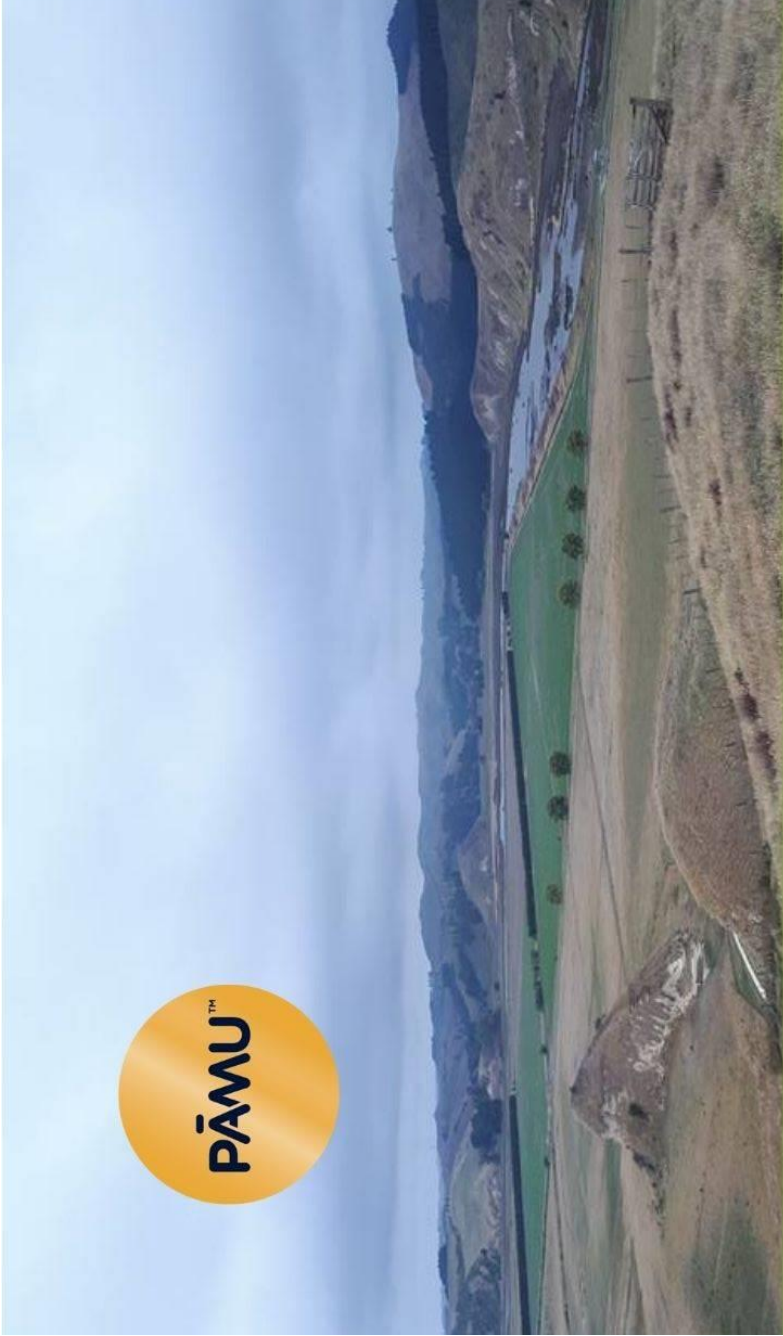
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Term 2, Week 4
Friday 20 May

This May people across Aotearoa will come together to take action against bullying and fundraise to support the kaupapa. The official Pink Shirt Day t-shirt has landed in store and online at Cotton On or you can just dress up in anything pink!

Please bring a gold coin to donate to the Mental Health Foundation. There will also be a bake sale (run by the Year 8 students) at morning tea and lunch, so bring some coins for that too! Bake sale money will go towards the Year 8 camp.



FARMING, IT'S IN OUR NATURE

VISIT AHURIRI OPEN FARM DAY

9:30AM- 1:30PM SUNDAY 22ND MAY 2022

ONEHUNGA ROAD, BAYVIEW, NAPIER 4182

LOOK OUT FOR THE SIGN

GET DIRECTIONS:

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