

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to the April edition of the school newsletter. The past month has been a busy one in the life of the school and the students. I know they will be all looking forward to a break over the school holidays.

ANZAC Service: On Tuesday the school House Leaders attended the ANZAC service at the Taradale War Memorial Clock along with students from several schools from across Napier. The students heard a variety of speeches from other school leaders, along with poems, waiata and of course the playing of the Last Post and Reveille. Baxter and Evie laid a wreath on behalf of our school and the ceremony finished with a speech from Buck Shelford who is the president of the New Zealand RSA.

Term 1 Reflection: As Term 1 draws to a close it is worth reflecting on what has been an awesome term for the students and the life of the school. It has been a busy and productive term and most importantly for our students it has been a settled term. This has allowed the students to focus on their learning and I know the progress they have made has been excellent. Focusing on our core business of teaching and learning will again be front and centre for our school next term. This term has also seen many highlights including being able to run the school swimming sports (first time in 3 years), having the Kiwi Kids Charity Tour call in to school, the Year 5/6 students heading to camp and of course the Mitre 10 Helping Hands team delivering to school a new piece of play equipment. The children love to climb, so they love the new SpaceNet.



Junior School Fundraiser: The junior school made the decision that they wanted to raise funds for our local fire brigade as a way of giving back to our community after we have been supported so well over the past 12 months. They came up with idea of a Super Hero Day and Bake Sale. I know the children thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to dress up and the bake sale was a real hit. It was great for Nicole as the Junior Syndicate Leader to be able to hand over a voucher to Maree on behalf of the Bay View Fire Brigade for \$800.00.

Thank you to everyone who supported this day by baking or sending along some money for your child to spend. We know it has gone to a good cause.



Eski Bear Returns to duty: After a long time back at home base of school Eski-Bear is heading away on a tour of duty with the Air Force. Eski Bear left on Friday with WGDCR George Magdalinos – Director of Defence Recruiting. Eski Bear will head to the Sinai Peninsula located on the border between Israel and Egypt. His tour of duty runs from May to November and we look forward to hearing and seeing all that Eski Bear gets up to over there. I am sure some of our students will want to write to Eski-Bear to ask some questions too.

SeeSaw Reporting this week: On Friday the last SeeSaw report of the term will be sent out and for all year levels this will be a Math focus. Year 1/2 focus is on Measurement, Years 3 - 8 all have a Basic Facts focus.

School Fees/Donations: We have been able to keep our school fees/donations the same again for the third year running. Our 2024 school fees/donations are set at \$40.00 per term. These form an integral part of ensuring we can provide all the resources we want to 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 literacy support time, increased teacher aide support, and purchased additional learning resources.

2024 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.

Thank you all for your support throughout what has been an awesome first term at Eskdale School. I hope you all manage so spend some time with your children over the next two weeks and I look forward to seeing everyone back in Term 2 .

Tristan



PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES

Hihi

Kaylee

For showing great initiative and leadership in the classroom. Your willingness to help our Year 5 students has not gone unnoticed. Ka pai!

Faye

For being a wonderful Year 6 role model and leading by example. Fantastic!

Damon

For stepping up and showing how the mahi in Hihi is done. Keep up the fabulous effort Damon!

Ryder

For showing beautiful manners and always working really hard to improve your learning. Ka pai!

Anna

You are a delightful member of Hihi Class.
We love the way you just get on with your mahi in a quietly confident way. Ka pai!

Esme

You have settled into being a Year 5 with ease.
We love your work ethic and the way you are showing confidence with your literacy. Ka pai!

Adam

For working hard and completing an excellent Maths assessment.
You are more capable than you know young man!!

Angus

For trying really hard to complete your literacy activities independently.
We are proud of the way you have settled into Hihi Class.

Kereru

Lillie

Absolutely amazing effort and work in Maths - way to go Lillie!

Elia

being a fantastic Kereru role model. Your kindness and effort do not go unnoticed. Thank you Elia.

Thomas

showing amazing problem solving, perseverance and teamwork in STEAM.

Owen

showing amazing problem solving, perseverance and teamwork in STEAM.

Leon

having a fantastic positive attitude. Your smile brightens our room Leon. Thank you!

Chase

stepping up to be a Year 6 role model in all things related to Sport and PE. Ka rawe Chase!

PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES ctd...

Kakao

Akio

Some awesome mahi in Pāngarau/ math, by using logic and your existing understanding to justify your reasoning when multiplying and dividing negative numbers. Kia pai to mahi Akio.

Katelyn

Such an awesome start to your time in the Year 7&8s. You are conscientiously completing all of your tasks to the best of your abilities. I also really admire the way you help others when you notice them struggling. Ka rawe Katelyn.

Izac

What a clever young lad. You have high expectations and you try your best. Let's do this!

Kerryn

For taking a mature and self directed approach to your learning. You are focusing so well, asking questions and striving for greatness. Ka rawe Kerryn.

Florence

For being a committed and confident leader. You are excelling at your house leader role Florence, leading by example and bringing those around you on the journey. Ka pai to mahi e hoa!

Liam

For showing great commitment and focus in your learning. You are on task, and showing some great progress in your writing - desiring to do better. Keep it up!

Reef

Awesome to see you trying hard in all areas e hoa. Remember learning is about making mistakes - not about always being right first time. Kia pai to mahi Reef.

Charlotte

I have been so impressed with your work ethic and desire to learn Charlotte. This is really evident in your maths, where it has been awesome to see your confidence grow.

Millie

A fantastic piece of writing on Ohiwa Millie. You nailed the brief and finished with a powerful concluding paragraph. Keep up the awesome mahi.

Taj

It has been awesome to see your desire in our PE sessions Taj, and we can see glimpses of this in the classroom. Keep up the focus in class Taj - you have the skills, time to apply them!

Micah

Such an awesome presentation to the class of your science project Micah. You answered questions confidently, a testament to your understanding and all of the hard mahi you have done.

Addison

So great to have you back Addison and see the way you have just got involved in everything from Day One. You are a pleasure to have around - a positive and hardworking individual who is always wanting to learn.

PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES ctd...

Kakao ctd ...

Yvie

A rather late welcome to Eskdale Yvie, but it has been so great to see you fit right in. You are a hardworking, caring and positive individual who is going places. Keep it up.

Karearea

Max

for using amazing adverbs, adjectives and verbs in your recent adverb poem. Keep up the amazing mahi, e hoa!

Peata

for working really hard on improving her swimming skills. Ka mau te wehi!

Azrial

for being resilient with your Maths learning. You are doing such a great job.

Karlien

for showing excellence in your last Maths assessment. You went above and beyond by providing three different strategies. Tau kē!

Persia

for always having a positive attitude in PE time and trying your best in every activity you do. He tino pai tō mahi ~ Very good work!

Karoro

Ella

What a positive start to the year. You are stepping up to be a leader by being brave, choosing to do your best and making good decisions. Keep it up:)

Cyrus

You are a very kind, positive and caring young man. It is such a pleasure to have you in Karoro!

Grace

Tino pai rawa atu! You are an amazing young lady with a variety of quality traits. I love your sense of humour, the way you need our classroom posters to be perfectly positioned and your amazing work ethic!

Zoe

You are a hard worker, enthusiastic and love a good laugh. Your positivity is contagious and uplifts those around you. Kia kaha:)

Braxton

I am so impressed with the effort you have been putting into your maths tasks. It is so pleasing to see your progress! Keep believing you can, because I believe you can:)

Alec

What a swimming superstar! Your enthusiasm, positive attitude and kindness did not go un-noticed. Wananei!

PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES ctd...

Karoro ctd...

Zoe

Your amazing work ethic! This was reflected in your Taonga writing and we loved reading it. He aroha ki ahau to mahi (I love your work!)

Carter

Using details and instructions to construct intricate 3D models. Your human heart was super impressive! Koia kei a koe (you nailed it:)

Kea

Eli

for bring such a hard working, kind member of Kea Crew!

Olivia

Sharing her thinking at maths time, so brave Olivia!

Mia

Wow! I love how hard you are working to write neatly Mia!

Jack

Being a wonderful Kea Crew Ambassador! Thank you for helping our year 3's settle into Kea.

Skye

You are doing such a fantastic job of sounding out words during phonics and writing Skye!

Clyde

Great sharing of your maths thinking during our group sessions Clyde!

Max

So impressed with how hard you are working to manage yourself Max!

James

Kea Crew's best listener! Wow what focus and attention during teaching sessions!

Daniel

Making wonderful contributions to our maths conversations. Great job explaining your thinking Daniel!

Ivan

Great job explaining your maths' thinking Ivan!

Lucas

Wow you are speeding along with your learning Lucas! I love your focus and your attention to detail. Tino pai!

Greer

What a kind, helpful member of Kea Crew you are Greer - always encouraging and supporting your classmates, especially with any techie stuff!

PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES ctd...

Kea ctd...

Keira

I have loved seeing your confidence develop this term Keira, you are turning into a wonderful role model and support for your Kea Crew members.

Lily

So good to see the brave, persistent Lily coming out this term! Go you!

Daario

Super maths thinking Daario! You are getting clever at sharing your thinking too.

Axel

Goodness you have worked so hard to improve your handwriting this term Axel! Fantastic.

Maddi

Maddi you are listening so hard during our phonics sessions, what a superstar!

Korimako

Spencer

For showing perseverance and a can do attitude during swimming lessons.

Ryleigh

For being a super kind and respectful class member. You are always making good choices and thinking of other people.

Reeve

Always doing the right thing. You are an awesome role model.

Harper

Wow Harper! You are really focusing on your learning and working hard. You are making great choices in everything you do. You are a super star.

Josh

For giving clear and detailed explanations to prove how you solved maths problems. You are a maths whizz!

Ara

For demonstrating the ability to use your initiative to support and help others during fitness games. Ara you are a great coach.

Kotare

Hannah

being a fabulous participant in our recent swimming sport. You sure showed a "can do" attitude.

Oscar

working so hard with your reading and writing. You really are a super star! Tino pai!

PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES ctd...

Kotare ctd ...

Grayson

making so much progress in your Literacy learning. You give everything a go and have a wonderful Can do attitude.

Ethan

doing your best to make sure you have everything you need to start your day. Remembering everything is sometimes hard but I love the way you persevere.

Mila

making some really good choices in all learning areas. You choose to do the right thing and I am so proud of you.

Arley

being a kind and caring friend. You show respect and thoughtfulness to those around you. We just love having you in Kotare.

Carter

being a great "pincher" in our Literacy meetings. You are being so clever with the way you are able to sound out longer and longer words. Tino pai Carter. Your a star!

Ihaia

being a terrific new member of the Kotare team. We are so lucky to have you!

George

beginning to make some wonderful choices at mat time. You really are trying so hard. We are all proud of you

Ruru

Cooper

You are continuing on with your great work ethic Cooper. You are a positive role model to your peers, and you show what can be accomplished with a focused mind.

Lucy

It is great seeing you grow in confidence with your maths, and solving double and triple digit addition and subtraction equations. Keep persevering and believing in yourself because you can do it!

Max

Such resilience and perseverance at swimming sports Max. Amazing doing both 50m freestyle and backstroke, and so close together as well. Awesome effort Max!

Chloe

I loved your self belief and competitive spirit during swimming sports Chloe. You showed great determination to try and win every event you were in, love it!

Kayla

Really great to see you persevere with some tricky maths equations Kayla. Keep believing in yourself and it will come.

PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES ctd...

Toroa

Jacs

An outstanding start to Year 8. Your patience role modelling for our Year 7's is so appreciated.

Sam

For showing perseverance and commitment to learning the survival back and sidestroke. You got better every lesson!

Mia

Your positivity when receiving feedback about your learning is outstanding! You are committed to improving and I appreciate your speedy fix-ups in writing and maths.

Kaia

You work diligently to improve and you are always receptive to feedback. You were so committed to improving in your survival strokes that you practiced even more at home and mastered these!

Sienna

You are always so forthcoming with your ideas and input. We appreciate your bravery in sharing, even when you're not sure about something.

Will

Your sharing of ideas and knowledge in our reading group is outstanding. (Without your voice it would be very quiet). Keep it up!!

Colton

Your commitment to mastering new skills in all of our lessons is outstanding. We appreciate you asking for ways you can improve, and we like it even more seeing you use that feedback.

Hayley

Your focus and attention to detail has turned you into an amazing learner. You take your time to work things through and consider your work thoughtfully before turning it in. We really appreciate this commitment to learning.

Tui

Anna

being a focused worker, listening and giving new things a try, go you!

Quinn

a focused, thinking mathematician, persevering to complete a task and explaining your thinking to your classmates.

Evelyn

showing your wonderful "can do" attitude in all our class activities, what a star!

Zakeil

Welcome to your new school. We love the way you are trying new things in your new classroom, Ka pai!

PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES ctd...

Tui ctd...

Dairush

being a super listener, following instructions so you are able to give your best work Ka Pai

Joe

For being a super Tui class member who is working hard to be focused in all his learning groups. Ka Pai!

Alex

using known words and phonemes to help him to add detail to his stories, Ka Pai!

Stevie

doing a fabulous job in sounding out phonemes during our literacy time well done clever guy Ka Pai!

Jude

being our maths super star working quickly to find the answers to problems and explaining how you got them Ka Pai!

Amba

being such a switched on star, looking and thinking and helping and doing, we all love how you are being such a clever class member! Kah Pai!

Rita

being a switched on Tui member who is always giving new learning a go, having fun and helping others way to go you!

Anna

being our kind class thinker who thinks about others and helps them out Ka Pai!

Weka

Blake

making a great start to school! I love your enthusiasm for your learning Blake, awesome buddy!

Flynn

making a super start to school! I love how you arrive at school and get you morning jobs done independently, woo hoo!

Hartree

making a fantastic start to school! I love watching your passion for books and numbers shining through!

Jake

super duper focus during your learning meetings. You are blowing me away with your effort during maths, phonics and when writing your name, wow Jake!

Peyton

being a fabulous little fish during Junior Swimming Sports! What beautiful dolphin dives and kicking feet Peyton! Tino pai!

PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES ctd...

Weka ctd...

Freddy

being brave during Junior Swimming Sports, giving each event your best and doing it all with a big smile on your face! Ka mau te wehi Freddy!

Hartree

continually showing perseverance when forming letters! Awesome Hartree, keep up the fabulous work!

Louis

doing such a great job following the Weka Class rules! Way to go Louis, keep it up buddy!

Zoe

making a fabulous start to school! I love how you are wanting to give new learning a go. Ka mau te wehi Zoe!

Mason

making a super start to school! I love how you arrive at school and get on with your morning jobs! Ka Pai Mason!

Peyton

making a fantastic start to school! I love your enthusiasm for learning Peyton, and how you help Weka Class to remember the rules, you give the best reminders! Ka mau te wehi!

Hugo

making a great start to school! We love how you share your passions in play with Weka Class, especially with the mobilo and cars. Tino Pai Hugo!

WANTED

Does anyone have any clean paua shells for a Enviro Squad project plus any small little shells such as pipis will be good too.

Thank you from Evie and the Enviro Squad



Swimming Sports

On the 8th of March Eskdale school went to the Onekawa pools to do our school swimming sports. It was a well enjoyed day and well done to everyone who attended and gave it a go.

Congratulations to Kauri house on winning the relay and Kowhai for winning all round.

Also amazing work from the teachers beating the students in students vs teachers relay.

Thank you to all the teachers and supporters who made swimming sports happen, without you this awesome day would have occurred.

Thank you so much

Written by Liv and Kaia

The Great Kiwi Road Trip Visit

On the 11th of March we were very lucky to have the Great Kiwi Kids Charity come visit us. They showed us their unique vehicles and gave us some cool spot prizes as well. They got out the fire truck hose and sprayed all the kids which was so refreshing considering it was such a hot day. We thank them so much for visiting us and wish them luck for the rest of their road trip. By Kaia and Olivia



The Unveiling of the space net

On the 4th of April the new space net was introduced to our school which was kindly gifted to us from the MITRE 10 Helping Hands. We kicked off of the Ceremony with a school assembly down at the new climbing net and then we listened to a few speeches and sang some waiata. After all of that the ribbon for the unveiling got cut and everyone got to play on this awesome addition to our school, MITRE 10 was also kind enough to run a delicious sausage sizzle for every one to enjoy. Thank you so much to the MITRE 10 helping hands team and everyone who has contributed to helping out our school after the tough times we have faced, we appreciate you so much. Thank you! By Kaia & Liv



Enviro News

The squad have been busy this term. After a successful beach clean up they ran a popular Sea Week Activity lunchtime with a wide variety of events from yoga to chalk painting and a scavenger hunt.



We had an informative visit from the Enviro Schools' Co-ordinator and the Waste Minimization Officer from HDC to check out the health of our worm farm and to give our Worm Warriors some tips.

The Senior members of The Squad have taken on the challenge of trapping visiting rodents. They have tried a variety of methods and traps and had a good success rate.

Is there anyone who has pigs or chickens who would like to take the food scraps home after any big school gatherings (eg: movie night).

Our last task for this term has been to educate the rest of the school on remembering to turn the lights and heat pumps off when they are not in the room. Also to put their rubbish into the correct bins. We are looking forward to seeing their reminder posters in the classrooms and seeing the difference it makes to our power bill.



Some of our finished posters.



Mrs Bason sharing the lights' off message with Kotare

Eskdale School Absentees

A reminder that if your child is absent from school to contact the school office prior to 9.00am.

This can be done in a number of different ways:

Email: absence@eskdale.school.nz

Text: 021 114 5845

Phone: 06 836 6845 (option 1)

App: Skool Loop

Eskdale School Sports

All sports notices and information regarding upcoming sports is displayed on our school website.

Any other Sport queries (eg Coastal Cluster) please contact

Kim Wallace:



kimw@eskdale.school.nz

Any Team Sport (out of school time) queries please contact



Maree Baird:

sport@eskdale.school.nz

DATES TO REMEMBER



12 April	Math progress report on SeeSaw
12 April	Last day of Term 1
29 April	First day of Term 2
13 May	Years 3 - 8 Rippa Rugby Tournament
17 May	Pink Shirt Day
30 May	Tough Guy & Girl Challenge
3 June	Kings Birthday (school closed)
28 June	Matariki (school closed)

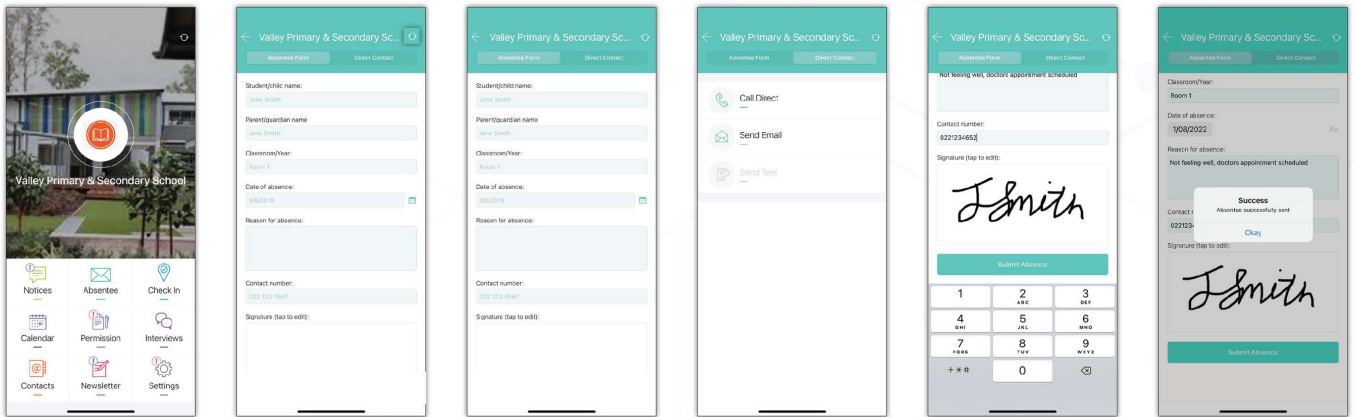


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Happy
Holidays!

Eskdale School Lunches

Tuesday, Thursdays & Friday

Tuesday – Subway

Thursday – Pita Pit

Friday - Dominos Pizza (from Term 2)

Orders cut off 8am on the day of delivery



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- 1. Login/Place an Order**
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- 3. Add member/s include name, school and classroom number**
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- 5. You will be directed to the make a payment page**
- 6. A pop up will confirm 'your order has been successful' or check 'Order History' tab**
- 7. Any queries please call us on 0800 LOL LOL (0800565565)**

Following is the protocol families should follow if something is amiss with the lunches because refunds will not be given without the lunch being checked by a school staff member.

Children: Go to the office as soon as they notice a problem and advise the office staff.

Parents: Please ensure your children are aware of this, as we don't do refunds without the lunch being checked by one of the School staff.