

ESKDALE SCHOOL

June 2021 Newsletter

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Principal's Report

Welcome to the June newsletter. As we experience our first official week of winter it has been great seeing the children still getting outside to run around with many enjoying bullrush, the swings or the playground during our break times. As a school we continue to allow our students to play bullrush and know that they learn a lot about themselves and others through playing tackle games at school.

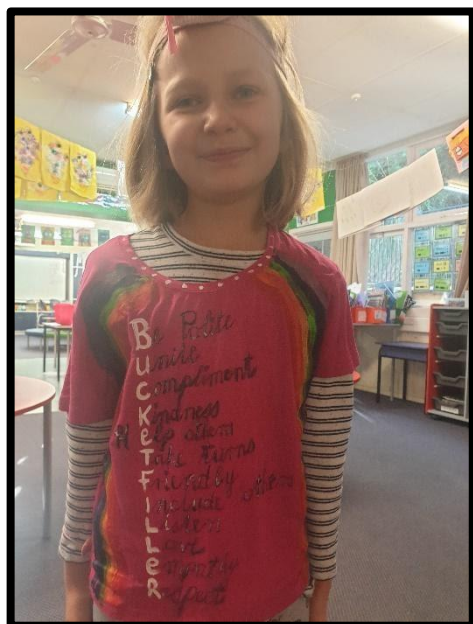
Dates to watch out for in this term:

Teacher only Day - Friday 4 June

Queen's Birthday - Monday 7 June

Parent/Teacher Learning Conferences - Tuesday 29 (School will close at the earlier time of 12.30pm this day) and Wednesday 30 June (normal finish time). We will be sending out details on how to book your time over the next couple of weeks so please keep an eye out for this.

ESK River planting day - Tuesday 6 July



Pink Shirt Day: It was great seeing so many of our children coming out in support of Pink Shirt Day. The day celebrates anti bullying and that to speak up/stand up against bullying. On the day Karlien from Kokako Class proudly wore a pink shirt designed and made by her mum.

PAT Test Results: As a school we carry out the PAT Mathematics and Reading Comprehension tests. These are Nationally normed tests that allow us to get a snapshot of how well our children are tracking in relation to others across the country.

We usually carry out these tests during Term 1 but this year have completed these in Term 2. The students' results are grouped into three bands being below average, average, and above average. In the grids below the percentages, you can see are the percentage of our students in each year group that fitted into each band and these can be compared to the percentage in brackets which represents the nationally normed results from across New Zealand. It is pleasing to see that in Mathematics we have a lower % of students in the below average band at all year levels and a higher % of students either in the Average or above average bands

when compared to the National results. In Reading the results are also very positive with most year levels having a higher percentage than the National norm in the Above Average band. These tests not only confirm most of our children are achieving well, when analysed they also provide our teaching team with another diagnostic tool to help us identify gaps in an individual child's or a class's learning.

PAT Mathematics results:

Year Level	Below Average	Average	Above Average
4	16% (23%)	55% (54%)	29% (23%)
5	10% (23%)	61% (54%)	29% (23%)
6	21% (23%)	64% (54%)	15% (23%)
7	18% (23%)	61% (54%)	21% (23%)
8	8% (23%)	52% (54%)	40% (23%)

PAT Reading Comprehension Results:

Year Level	Below Average	Average	Above Average
4	24% (23%)	41% (54%)	35% (23%)
5	14% (23%)	57% (54%)	29% (23%)
6	28% (23%)	46% (54%)	26% (23%)
7	16% (23%)	47% (54%)	36% (23%)
8	15% (23%)	65% (54%)	20% (23%)

Tough Guy and Gal Challenge: Yesterday we had 58 students take on the annual Tough Guy and Gal Challenge at Clifton Station. It was great seeing so many of our children take on and complete the challenge. It was especially pleasing to see some of the students who really stepped outside of their comfort zone and to take part in this event. It is this sort of thing that helps students build resilience and confidence to try new and different events that challenge them.

Coastal Cluster Technology Challenge: Yesterday a group of year 5/6 students took part in the Coastal Cluster Technology Challenge. The students used all of their problem-solving skills and team work to come up with the best possible solution to the problem. Noah, Austin, Xanthe and Brianna managed to take out the 2nd challenge of the day.

School Fees/Donations: Thank you to all the families who have already paid their school family donation. This is \$35.00 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 robotics, science, and technology resources.

I hope everyone has a great week.

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Dates to Remember*

4 June	Teacher Only Day - School Closed
7 June	Queens Birthday Weekend – School Closed
11 June	Pimp My Ride Fundraiser at Eskdale School
16 June	Coastal Cluster Netball
18 June	Pyjama Day
29 June	Parent Teacher Conferences – School closes at 12.30pm
30 June	Parent Teacher Conferences – School finishes at 2.45pm
4 July	Jump Jam Show
6 July	Esk River Whole School Planting Day
9 July	Pimp My Ride
9 July	Last Day of Term 3

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

Culture Corner

Our School Focus

RESPECT

Whakaute

We show **respect** by:-

- showing respect for ourselves, others' and the environment
- standing up for what is right
- speaking with kindness, understanding and thoughtfulness
- look out for each other
- Treating others' fairly

Manaaki whenua, Manaaki tangata, Haere whakamua

Care for the land, care for the people, Go forward.

Things you can do to show respect:

- Take care of your environment by picking up rubbish
- Take care of your belongings by checking lost property
- Take care of your classroom by putting things back where they belong
- Take care of yourself by looking after your books and stationery
- Show kindness by the words you choose

Principal's Certificates

Week 1

Room	Pupil's Name	For...
Weka	Max Dawson	Trying super hard at handwriting time. Kai Pai dude :)
	Rosie Mitchell	Sharing her creative side with us at the making table. Tino pai Rosie.
Kotare	Ryley Murphy	Always trying your very best with your learning
	Tayla Timms	Showing manaakitanga to others by using kind words and helpful actions.
Korimako	Harry Tester	Being kind and helpful to everyone. You use encouraging words and make wise choices.
	Esme Hicks	Showing Manaaki by being a kind, helpful and thoughtful class member and always making wise choices.
Tui	Kellin Pulford	Using great sounds as you present your great ideas in writing.
	Lily-Ann Hooker	Being a thoughtful, kind class friend who tries hard in all her work.
Ruru	Millie Jardine	Always showing the value of excellence by managing herself, taking initiative and trying her best at everything she does.
	Eli Munford	Working hard at developing his growth mindset, and he is now enjoying the success of this in his learning.
Kokako	Grace Hill	Writing vividly descriptive similes!
	Zarah Waterson	Writing stunning similes!
Hihi	Jacs Booth	Always trying his best in all that he does!
	Dylan Stanton-Croom	Giving everything a go to the best of his ability.
Karearea	Kourosh Farahani	Well done for the great start to the term. You have shown perseverance with your mahi. Keep it up, Kourosh!
	Lauchlan Bot	Showing great mathematical thinking during Mana Maths. You showed great problem-solving. Ka pai, Lauchlan!

Week 2

Room	Pupil's Name	For...
Weka	Dakota Palleson	Showing Panekiretanga during our phonics meeting. Keep up the good work.
	Eli Provan	Welcome to Weka Class Eli! We love seeing your smiley face everyday.
Kotare	Elodie Duclercq	Always being a team player and showing manaakitanga to everyone around you.
	Lilly Dudding	Working hard with your learning and taking risks even when it gets tricky.
Korimako	Evelyn Lacey	Being kind by sharing and including everyone in your play.
	Abel Appleton	Listening respectfully and asking thoughtful questions at sharing time.
Tui	Peata Harrison	Working hard to listen carefully and make great Tui decisions
	Indira Kohlis	Working hard with your reading, using your strategies quickly to help you.
Ruru	Zoe Matthews	Taking on all learning challenges with bravery, optimism and a growth mindset.
	Adam Bower	Embracing learning challenges in Ruru class with positivity, perseverance and excellence.
Kokako	Corban Pell	Great attitude and learning in maths
	Samson Sheriff	Writing stunning similes.
Hihi	Ollie Pointon	A great attitude to his learning!
	Baxtar MacInnes	Working hard in class.
Kereru	Sasha Taylor	Terrific skills and fair play shown at Rippa Rugby.
	Florence Lee	A fantastic start to Term 2 - always giving everything 100%!
	Noah Kyle	Fantastic skills and captaincy at Rippa Rugby.
	Addison McDougal	Showing quiet determination and bravery in all school areas. Tino pai!
Karearea	Sophia-Rose Sherriff	Showing excellence and great leadership skills during our rugby sessions. Ka pai tō mahi.
	Kerryn Hedley	Showing excellence when working independently. Keep up the great work Kerryn!

Week 3

Room	Pupil's Name	For...
Weka	Olivia Hooker	Welcome to Weka Class, we are so proud to see how much you have flourished since starting school.
	Sebastian Hill	Welcome to Weka Class. We love to see you with enthusiasm and big smiles when constructing play.
Kotare	Archie Stevens	Consistently doing your best in all areas of your learning. So proud of you.
	Thea McCormack	Working so hard in all that you do and showing tumanakotanga by having a can do attitude. Ka pai.
Tui	Edward Turfrey	Working towards excellence in all his learning tasks Ka Pai
	Robert Jensen	Awesome outside the box thinking to solve problems
Kea	Jessica MacDonald	Love your clever thinking at Maths time Jessica!
	Reef Cave	Making great connections at Maths time - spotting the patterns and using clever strategies.
Kokako	Olivia Gale	Awesome thinking outside the box to solve problems!
	Reef Bryant	Fantastic focus on your learning tasks - especially during Literacy time.
Hihi	Jake Grisdale	Showing determination and dedication in all aspects of your work.
	Sofia Strong	Getting stuck into all aspects of school life. Nice one!
Kereru	Noah Kyle	Fantastic skills and captaincy at Rippa Rugby.
	Addison McDougal	Showing quiet determination and bravery in all school areas. Tino pai!

Week 4

Room	Pupil's Name	For...
Weka	Daniel O'Leary	Welcome to Weka Class Daniel. We love how keen you are at phonics time, ka pai buddy!
	Ella Bryne	Welcome to Weka Class. We love the way you are doing your best to show whakaute (respect) to the kaiako (teachers).
Tui	Jeremy Poanta	Being an organised class manager, being helpful and thoughtful
	Azareah Hancox-Rahui-Allison	Showing quiet determination in all her classroom learning tasks. Ka Pai!
Kea	Macy Brown	What great focus and super manners Macy!
	Elia Giacometti	Clever Maths thinking! Tino Pai Elia!
Kokako	Adam Satherley	Outstanding improvement in focusing on your learning tasks during literacy time!
	Kaylee Hill	Fantastic learning in maths - Keep spotting patterns to help you solve the questions.
Hihi	Hunter Malone	Always a polite and helpful member of class.
	Sylvie Turner	A great attitude to her learning!
Kereru	Koji Crofskey	Showing leadership and great problem solving in our Mana Maths sessions.
	Ellie Roberts-Kirby	Always giving everything 100% effort and doing it with a smile on her face!
Kuaka	Jack Tester	Demonstrating a strong work ethic when working on your speech.
	Abi Hutchinson	showing a mature and supportive attitude towards your peers

Week 5

Room	Pupil's Name	For...
Weka	Kody Glenn	Welcome to Weka Class Kody! You bring such joy to the classroom with your groovy personality and sense of humour.
	Ava Domine	Welcome to Weka Class Ava! It is so nice to see your smile every morning and watch you having fun with your new friends.
Kea	Sienna Bicknell	Asking great questions during our maths sessions.
	Marcus Davis	Fabulous singing and Te Reo - what a great leader you are!
Hihi	Jemma Moffitt	Super maths work!
	Joel Tester	Much better focus and dedication to his work - awesome Joel, keep it up!
Kereru	Jack Dasent	Showing bravery and perseverance in maths especially when sharing his ideas with others.
	Cooper Egan	Being a supportive and caring member of Kereru class.
Kuaka	James Allan	Putting in the hard mahi with your learning and also demonstrating a mature attitude when interacting with your peers.
	Cayden Sumner	Always giving 100% in all areas of your learning.

Spare Clothes Wanted

Do you have any size 5, 6 or 7 boys clean underwear, shorts, leggings or pants that are in reasonable condition we would love them for our sick bay for spare clothes. Please drop them to the school office.

Enviro Matters



The theme for this year's World Environment Day on 5 June is "Ecosystem Restoration".

One of the focuses of our Education for Sustainability ("EFS") programme is assisting with the ecosystem restoration at Eskdale Park.

The whole school is involved with this and last week our Year 5 & 6 students undertook a two hour weeding and mulching session. Many thanks to the parents and whanau who provided transport and worked with the children at the park.

It was a tough job but the children showed grit and determination and we managed to make quite a positive impact. It's fantastic that our EFS programme offers our students so many opportunities to contribute to the wider community.



Our own Ecosystem at school needs some help too!! We have listed some of the tasks that are too big for our pupils to manage in the hope that some of you may have an hour or two to help us out. **Please fill in the form at the end of this newsletter** and return it to the School office, we really appreciate any offers of assistance.



Arbor Day: The traditional time to plant trees, is also 5 June. Although the seasons have changed a bit and any time over the next two months is perfect for tree planting. We have some major tree planting and restoration work planned for the Native Garden at school this season and are looking forward to continuing this work in the coming months.

The whole school will also support Te Huka Waiohinga - Esk River Care Group with a day of tree planting in the last week of term. We are extremely grateful to PanPac for sponsoring the buses for this.

Year 0 - 2 Garden Group: A weekly Garden Club has been formed for this age group. Our first project was to make birdfeeders which we will hang in the Native Garden next week. It's great to supplement the birds' diets in winter and encourage the tuis to continue to visit. You can easily make these at home ...

1. Thread a bead onto some wool or string.
2. Nip the tip off an ice cream cone and thread the string through so the bead sits inside.
3. Smear the cone with peanut butter.
4. Roll and coat in wild bird seed, or other foodscraps.



Library News

Welcome to Term 2, another busy term for our enthusiastic librarians.

We have begun to process some of our new books and to reorganise things in the room, this will be an ongoing process for this term.

I hope you see some of our new books home and enjoy sharing them with your children. Remember the classes have library days but children can change their library books during any lunchtime as the librarians are in the room at play and lunch times. Keep warm and snuggle up with a good book.



Year 8 Camp Fundraisers

FUNDRAISING RAFFLES

Firewood Raffle - (80% gum 20% pine) - \$5.00 a ticket

Auto Super Shoppes "Premium Grade Service" up to the Value of \$250.00 - \$2.00 a ticket



<https://www.autosupershoppes.co.nz/shoppes/auto-super-shoppe-greenmeadows/>

If you would like to support our Year 8's and would love the chance to win one of these great prizes, see one of our wonderful Year 8's or grab your tickets from the school office.



We would like to thank the Spence family for donating the firewood and "Auto Super Shoppes Greenmeadows" for their generous gift voucher.

Watch this space for more great Year 8 Camp fundraisers!

Term 3 Sausage Sizzles Order Form (Year 8 End of Year Camp Fundraiser)

Dear Parents/Caregivers. Please find below your PRE-ORDER form for our weekly Sausage Sizzle fundraiser which will be held on Thursdays for the rest of the term, starting next week: Week 6, Thursday, 10 June. **NO late orders will be accepted.**

Please return this form **with your money** to the office by **Wednesday, 9th June 2021**. Sausages are **\$2.00** (EFTPOS is also available at the office).

Child's Name: _____

Classroom: _____

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Week 6: Thursday, 10 June	Week 7: Thursday 17 June	Week 8: Thursday 24 June	Week 9: Thursday 2 July	Week 10: Thursday 8 July
Number of sausages: _____	Number of sausages: _____	Number of sausages: _____	Number of sausages: _____	Number of sausages: _____

Year 8's would like to thank you for your support!

PTA Update

Eskdale School PTA invites you to

Room with
a View

**\$45
per person**

eskdalepta@gmail.com
to secure your tickets

25 September



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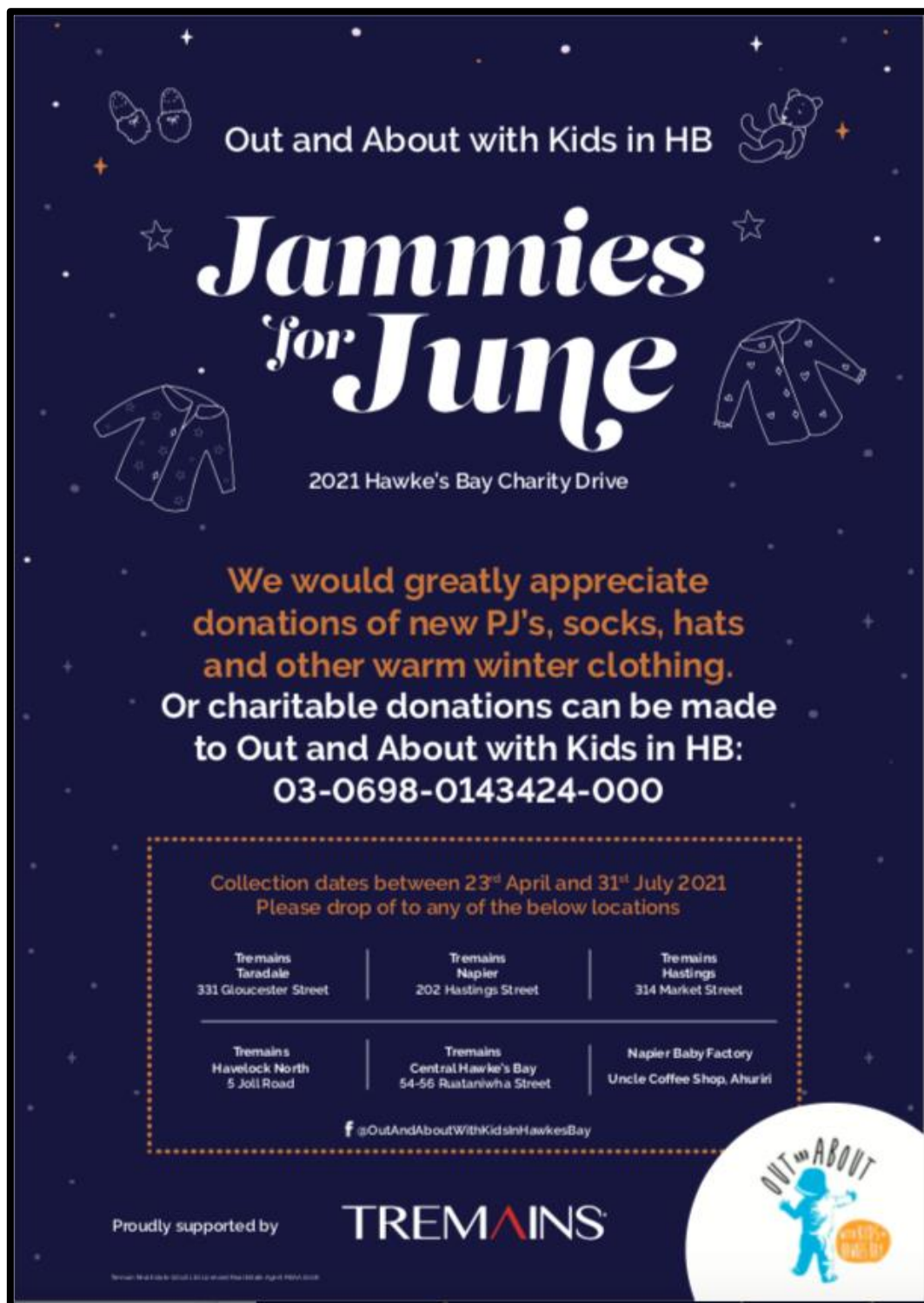
Pyjama Day – 18 June 2021

This is a chance to make a difference to children in the Hawkes Bay!

Wear your pjs to school and donate either a pair of new pjs or some money towards new pjs.

We will then pass these onto Gabby from 'Out & About With Kids in HB' who works with local agencies to ensure they are distributed to kids in need around Hawkes Bay.

Help make a difference by making sure our kids are warm at night!



Out and About with Kids in HB

Jammies for June

2021 Hawke's Bay Charity Drive

We would greatly appreciate donations of new PJ's, socks, hats and other warm winter clothing.


Or charitable donations can be made to Out and About with Kids in HB:
03-0698-0143424-000

Collection dates between 23rd April and 31st July 2021
Please drop of to any of the below locations

Tremains Taradale 331 Gloucester Street	Tremains Napier 202 Hastings Street	Tremains Hastings 314 Market Street
Tremains Havelock North 5 Joll Road	Tremains Central Hawke's Bay 54-56 Ruataniwha Street	Napier Baby Factory Uncle Coffee Shop, Ahuriri

[f @OutAndAboutWithKidsInHawkesBay](#)

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We need you!



Our native area needs some work done! If you have the expertise, equipment and time we would really appreciate your help. Please pop your name and a contact number next to the job/s you are happy to do and when it suits you. This could be a Saturday or Sunday or after school one day. Please return the form to the office and someone will contact you to sort the details out.

Many thanks.



Job	Name and contact number	When you would like to do the job
Mulch branches (Need a mulcher)		
Blackberry and ivy removal		
Prepare some trees for replanting (Wrench them)		
Tidy up/re-level steps in Native Area.		
Make/prepare/buy or supply approx 100 stakes.		
Dig holes in preparation for winter planting		