

# Newsletter August 2023

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome to the August edition of the school newsletter. I continue to be impressed by the positive attitude, high levels of engagement and happy disposition our students display whether in class or in the playground. It is a joy to be able to show prospective new school families around our school.

I hope that you are all enjoying the new reporting process that is designed to keep you better informed and more up to date with the progress your child is making. By including a work sample, we aim to give you a deeper understanding of what your child can do and what they are trying to achieve.



#### Upcoming Seesaw Reports for the remainder of this term:

Week & Curriculum area	Year 0-2 Focus	Year 3-4 Focus	Year 5-6 Focus	Year 7-8 Focus
6. Math	Mult & Div	Fractions	Decimals & Percentages	Decimals & Percentages
8. Science	Physical World	Forces: Potential & Kinetic Energy	Material World	Astronomical Systems- Planets, Gravity & the Sun
10. Math	Transformation & Position	Transformation & Position	Transformation & Position	Transformation & Position

**Science Roadshow:** Our Year 5/6 syndicate went to the Science Roadshow yesterday at Greenmeadows School. Our students really enjoyed the hands-on science activities were interesting, engaging and of course created some excellent learning opportunities for our children. The variety of activities was impressive with Infa-red cameras through to model yachts with sails working out

pressure and wind direction.







**Parent/Teacher learning Conferences:** We had an excellent turn out to the Term 3 conferences with approximately 250 parent/teacher meetings taking place over the two days. It is awesome being connected to a community that are fully invested in their children's education. Remember if you are unsure of anything at anytime the first port of call is your classroom teacher and they will usually be able to put your mind at rest. The sooner you reach out the better, before small things become big things.

**Vege Plants Donated:** Yesterday we were able to make a number of vege plants available free for our school community. These were grown and donated by Phil from Magic Beans. We collected them yesterday morning and we will hopefully be able to access more in the coming weeks. He grows these at his house and gives them away to a variety of community groups. Thank you, Phil.

**Year 7/8 Netball:** The Year 7/8 Netball team took part in a tournament yesterday at Onekawa Courts. The team played five games and managed a draw, a win and three close losses. They all really enjoyed their day, and it was a great way to finish the season. Thank you to Kara for coaching this team and to Ruby for umpiring.

**Start Date 2024:** For those wanting to plan ahead the first school day for students in 2024 will be **Wednesday, 7 February**. Enjoy the rest of the week and good luck to our Year 5/6 Netballers who have their tournament in Hastings today.

Tristan







### **PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATES**

Weka - Oscar

Welcome to Weka Class. We love seeing your beaming smile when you arrive at school each day and the way you give everything a go! Nau mai haere mai Oscar.

Weka - Carter

Welcome to Weka Class Carter. We love how you give everything 100% and wow - you are a pro at following the Weka Class rules and using beautiful mat manners!

Kotare - Stevie

Being a welcome addition to the Kotare team. You have fitted in so well. It feels as if you have always been here.

Kotare - Marcus

Working so hard in all areas of your learning. It is starting to pay off as you progress and become more interested in everything around you. Tino pai.

Korimako - George

Wow, George you are using all of your phonics knowledge independently at writing time.

Korimako - Skye

Fantastic perseverance to achieve smooth fluent reading.

Tui - Maddi

Welcome to Tui class, what a great start to tui class, you are quickly making new friends and doing some great learning.

Tui - Luke

Working so hard in your writing, being brave and using your phoneme fingers on tricky words

#### Kea - Archie

Being a positive, enthusiastic member of Kea Crew, always keen to learn new things and produce top quality work.

Kea - Summer Asking great questions during maths group sessions

Ruru - Chloe

Chloe you are showing great focus in your learning and you are an amazing role model to others in Ruru. Keep up it up e hoa!

Ruru - Maggie

You have been really focused on your learning Maggie, particularly your handwriting. It's awesome seeing you achieving so much with you amazing work ethic.

Ruru - Lucy

You are such a positive and enthusiastic member of Ruru. I enjoy your passion for learning and the amazing support you show to your classmates.

Kereru - Samson

What a fantastic start to Term 3 you have had! Keep up the awesome mahi Samson!

Kereru - Phoebe

Phoebe, you always give 100% effort and have such a lovely caring nature. Thank you!

Karearea - Reagan

Reagan, you have had such a great start to Term 3. Thank you for always coming in our classroom with a smile and positive attitude. Tau kē!

Karearea - Sophie For working diligently in Writing time and organising her writing into paragraphs. Ka mau te wehi!

Kakao - Evan

Some awesome mahi in your math Evan. Its so awesome to see you have the lightbulb moments and your pride in grasping some pretty difficult concepts. Ka rawe e hoa!

Kakao - Florence

Always getting stuck in and giving things a crack. Your a helpful, positive and fun loving member of the class Florence. Keep up the hard work.

Toroa - Rico Outstanding learning in decimals. Well done.

Toroa - Levi Fantastic learning and knowledge sharing in maths.

Weka- Poppy Great focus during phonics Poppy, you have nailed all your alphabet letter names and sounds! Ka mau te wehi!

Weka - Anna Reading with confidence and expression! I love hearing you use your letter sound knowledge to work out tricky words. Tau kē!

Kotare - Darcie Being a wonderful friend and showing what a kind and caring person you are. This is a wonderful attribute to have Darcie.

> Kotare - Spencer Being such a positive and reliable team member of Kotare. We can always count on you to make us smile.

Korimako - Harper Wow, Harper your are a creative artist. Your Robin Kahukiwa art work looks stunning.

Korimako - Daniel For creating an impressive Robyn Kahukiwa art work. Your picture looks AMAZING!

Tui - Arya Prickett

Working so hard with your reading and writing, making sure words make sense and using your phoneme fingers to assist you with tricky words.

#### Tui - Clyde

Being brave and working out of your comfort zone, trying new activities and working with other friends, tino pai

Kea - Jack

Using all his skills to read with fluency and expression, whakamataku Jack!

#### Kea - Ashely

Always keen to learn new ways of improving her writing, especially when it comes to making her pieces interesting and entertaining - tino pai Ashley.

Kokako - Angus Making great progress with your writing, sounding out your words

Kokako - Oliver Making excellent progress with your phonics knowledge.

#### Ruru - Leela

Great focus during our fractions challenge Leela; it was great to see you sharing your knowledge with your partner and solving some tricky questions. Tino pai Leela!

Ruru - Max

Great focus and detail with your procedural writing Max. I was very impressed how you learnt from your mistakes and worked hard to correct them. Toni pai Max!

Ruru - Mack

Great perseverance with your procedural writing Mack. I know it was a bit tricky for you but you kept trying and didn't give up. Way to stick at it mate!

#### Kereru - Ruby

Welcome to Kereru and Eskdale School Ruby! We love the positivity and creativity you have already shared with us.

Kereru - Indiana Fantastic effort and work in writing - we loved reading your creative retelling!

Karearea - Grace Awesome participation by sharing her knowledge of density with the class. He rawe tō mahi!

Karearea - Kyra Completing all of her mahi to a high standard. Thank you for leading by example, Kyra.

#### Kakao - Lincoln

Showing great resilience in your math Lincoln. Some of those really hard problems do take time, but your ability to stick at them and not give up is a great asset. Ka pai to mahi e hoa!

#### Kakao - Phoenix

A really great piece of writing on Ruapekapeka Phoenix. Its awesome to see your knowledge and enjoyment of history provide fuel for your writing. Ka pai to mahi rangatahi!

Toroa - Marlee Creating an outstandingly persuasive piece of writing. Great work Marlee!

Toroa - Locky Fantastic use of vocabulary in your writing. Your writing is very persuasive!

Weka - Tamati Great focus during phonics Tamati, you have nailed all your alphabet letter names and sounds! Ka mau te wehi!

Weka - Evelyn Wow Ev, I love how you are using your letter sound knowledge to segment and blend cvc words. Woo hoo, way to go!

> Kotare - Alex Being so inquisitive and asking the best questions

Kotare - Kanoa Being brave in all areas of your learning and being able to give most things a try.

> Korimako - McKenzie Fantastic focus and counting with accuracy.

Korimako - Alison Wow, Alison you are a creative artist. Your Robyn Kahukiwa art looks amazing.

> Tui - Olivia Your impressive Robyn Kahukiwa art, it is so realistic, ka pai

Tui - Freya sSowing us how clever you are with your story writin, using your phoneme knowledge to write tricky words Tino Pai

Kea - Jack Working so hard to stay on task and manage himself well. Awesome Jack, you are doing so well!

> Kea - Asha Fabulous effort in everything she does! So lovely to have you back!

> > Kokako - Evie

Writing clear and well explained instructions on how to build a Jack in the Box with detailed diagrams and labels. Tino pai!

Kokako - Iyla

You nailed your Jack in the Box procedural piece lyla with detailed instructions and diagrams. Tino pai!

Ruru - Kane

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Ruru - Cooper

Awesome job Cooper, you wrote a very informative reptile report about Chameleons. I particular liked how you grouped your information into paragraphs. Great effort Cooper!

Hihi - Charlotte

For an interesting and creative retell of the Three Billy Goats Gruff. You should be very proud of this fabulous piece of writing!

Hihi - Sienna For including interesting words in your retell of the Three Billy Goats Gruff. It was a super interesting story to read!

Kereru - Colton

Striving to better your skills and abilities, not just taking the easy option. Very impressive Colton!

Kereru - Taj

Making thoughtful and considered contributions to our class discussions. Thank you Taj.

Kakao - Max

Some awesome mahi toi in your whakairo/ carving Max. You followed through the process, maintained focus and created some awesome prints. Ka rawe!

Kakao - Ollie

Some great knuckling down in Pāngarau/ math Ollie. So good to see you going above and beyond to challenge yourself and further your understanding of decimals. Decimals e hoa - Ahakoa he iti, he pounamu - Although they are small, they are precious!

Karoro - Pita

Putting in some amazing mahi with your Maths. You are doing so well with sharing your strategies and thinking, as well as getting stuck in to tougher problems. It is so fabulous to have you back e hoa!

Karoro - Asha

What an awesome start to Eskdale School, Asha! You have such positive interactions and staff and peers alike, and it is lovely to see you putting yourself out there and getting involved in everything. Ka pai!

Toroa - Monique

For creating outstanding arguments and rebuttals during our mini debates even when given a topic you did not agree with.

Toroa - Lachlan

Outstanding use of vocabulary in your persuasive writing. Your piece flowed smoothly and was extremely convincing.

### 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 (see flyer below)

### Eskdale School Sports Registrations

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

For all interschool sports please contact Kim at: kimw@eskdale.school.nz

For all outside of school sports please contact Maree at: sport@eskdale.school.nz



### DATES TO REMEMBER



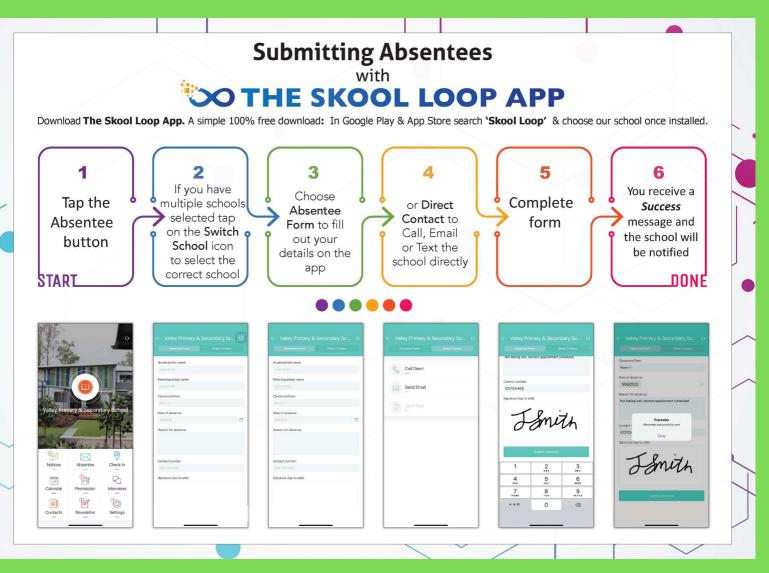
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\*See also Eskdale School Website Calendar: <u>www.eskdale.school.nz</u>

### SKOOL LOOP APP FOR ABSENTEES







### **Eskdale School Lunches**

### Wednesday – Subway

### **Thursday – Pita Pit and Hells Pizza**

Orders cut off 9am on the day of delivery



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www.lunchonline.co.nz

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