ESKDALE SCHOOL

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Principal says......

Week 8

Welcome to week 8. Another busy week in the life of the school has whizzed by.

Year 7/8 Open Night: On Tuesday night we held our Year 7/8 Open night. The best advertisement we can have for our school is our current and past year 7/8 students. Tuesday night was no exception with the two Year 9 students who came back to share about how well Eskdale set them up for High School doing an awesome job. Not to be outdone, our current Year 7/8 students shared about the skills for success programme and another group shared their musical talents with all who were there. Well done to all involved.

TAC's Cross Country: On Wednesday our Year 7/8 Cross country runners did us proud. They took on the very challenging Puketapu Cross Country track and ran like the wind! They gave it their all and achieved fantastic results. We won the Year 7 Girls team competition and the Year 8 Girls Team Competition. The students also achieved some outstanding individual results as outlined below and all of the students listed will be off to the Hawkes Bay Regional Cross Country







Championship next Wednesday:

Year 7 Boys Connor 12th Angus 14th Year 7 Girls
Charlotte 2nd
Tyla 9th
Issy 11th
Olivia 13th
Kenzie 14th

Year 8 Boys Mollie 3rd Maria 6th Skye 8th Emily 9th Year 8 Girls Nate 1st Nicholas 5th Ryan 8th







Coastal Cluster Cross Country: On Thursday our year 4, 5, and 6 students took on the Coastal cluster cross country. The conditions were warm and the track was hard and fast. It was perfect running conditions and our team of runners certainly made the most of it. They can be really proud of their results with Eskdale finishing in 2nd place in the team competition only 3 pts behind the winners. The individual results were excellent with the top 10 finishers listed below all making it into the Hawkes Bay Regional Cross Country Championships next Wednesday.

Year 4 Girls: Sophie Dunnett-Welch 4th, Jamie Dunnett-Welch 5th, Tegan Anderson 6th, and

Makayla Jones 7th.

Year 4 Boys: Reuben Jessep 7th

Year 5 Girls: Tia Anderson 1st, Leah Hay 3rd, Rylee Hill 5th, and Lilley Lamont 10th.

Year 5 Boys: Mattias Brock-Smith 6th

Year 6 Girls: Freddy Beekmans 4th, Shenell May 5th, and Lily Hasselman 8th. Year 6 Boys: Daniel Moule 3rd, William Knowles 4th, Harris Matheson 9th, and Riley Osborne 10th.



Tractor Auction: Just to update everyone on the auction we had for our little red tractor 'Annabel'. The winning bid was \$6000 by an out of town bidder. The tractor is being transported to its new home in Auckland free of charge by Emerson Transport. A big thank you to them for supporting this fundraising project.

Rustic Wooden Posts: We are in the process of putting up a new school entry sign and need two rustic wooden posts to finish the job. If you have two posts sitting around that you think might do the job and you are happy to donate these to the school please let me know.

I hope you all have a great week.

Tristan

Dates to Remember

HB Primary Cross Country Yr. 3-8 21 September

22 September **Board Meeting 7pm**

23 September Term 3 ends

10 Oct Term 4 commences

PRINCIPAL'S CERTIFICATES

Room	Pupil's Name	For
Kotare	Ava Teddy	Being a kind, helpful and caring member of Kotare class
	Yoshi Bowcock	Trying hard and accepting learning challenges.
Tui	Riley Hall	Riley now has a "can do" attitude towards reading and writing, and he is making fantastic progress. Keep trying hard, Riley!
	Maddison Whitehead	Maddison is growing a super mathematics brain! Keep up all the great learning you are doing Maddie. Well done!
Kea	Sophie Smith	Always having an enthusiastic attitude to all aspects of her learning and striving to be the best she can be.
	Zac Milford	Using clever strategies to solve tricky subtraction problems. Keep it up Zac!!
	Eva Ross	Making her written work sing to capture the audience's attention
Korimako	Charlotte Wattie	Persistence and consistence in your spelling. Way to go!!
Ruru	Leith Hay	Room Ruru's superb author! Thanks for sharing and inspiring us with all your magnificent writing this term Captain Underpants!
	Tom Stilwell	Wow! Your writing has been taken over by a superhero! We have loved all your stories this term Mr Adjective!
Kokako	Belle Anderson	Showing great leadership potential and an awesome sense of humour.
	Eris Dixon- MacFarlane	Demonstrating initiative and perseverance. Tino pai.
	Jessie Tayler	Determination to improve her reading. Go Jessie!
Toroa	Holly Duckmanton	Excellent progress with your fractions knowledge
Hihi	Kelsie Taylor	Making super progress with her spelling.
	Aston Musson	Great perseverance and effort with his writing.
Kereru	William Reti	Writing an awesome descriptive piece of writing
	Maggie Parsons	Presenting a mature and inspirational speech at Year 7/8 open evening
Karearea	Skye Wright	Performing a beautiful rendition of Nora Jones' song "Don't know why" at our Year 7/8 open evening
	Evelyn Baty	Improvement in vocal skills - a beautiful voice!

Skills For Success

We look forward to reading reports about the last two inspirational speakers in our next newsletter.



SCHOOL LIBRARY BOOKS

Because of the extension of the school hall the library will have to be relocated again. So please would you help us by finding and returning all library books you may have lurking on shelves, under beds or anywhere else.

We would like to sort out the shelves before the end of the term.



Many thanks Jo Drager

SPORT NEWS

The whole school are currently involved with Hockey skills training run by Hawkes Bay Hockey. It is highly recommended that your child has a mouthguard for these sessions please.

A reminder for sports coaches to please email Mrs Doohan (<u>admin@eskdale.school.nz</u>) any sports results/news for the newsletter as we have a large number of sports teams this term.

Congratulations to the Year 7/8 Hockey team who have made it through to the finals this Friday. Good luck for your final game!

On the 15th of September the year 4 - 6 students went to the Coastal Cluster Cross Country event. The schools that competed were Clive School, Haumoana School, Port Ahuriri School, Westshore School, Te Awa School and of course Eskdale.

Overall we came 2nd! We received a certificate. We are all very proud of the runners because they tried their best and encouraged one another. Great job runners! By Leah Hay

SPORT RESULTS

HOCKEY

Eskdale Hawks V Te Mata Thundersticks, 7 -1 win. Great last game, great team work throughout the whole game....well done team. Thanks so much to Raechel Hayes for coaching the team this year.

Year 7 & 8 Hockey

On Friday the 9th of September Eskdale's yr 7&8 hockey team faced Maraekakaho and we won 4-3. Angus Roff was player of the day. Well done team that was the semi finals so this week is the finals. At the moment we are second. GO ESKDALE!!!!

Friday this week is our last game and it's against Central HB Senior so it would be awesome to have lots of supporters cheering us on. The game starts at 5:00 and should be a real exciting one. See you all there!

By Nicholas Olsen

Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$150,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

\$500

To take up this offer, your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between the 2 May 2016 and 31 December 2016.

ASB lending criteria, and terms apply. Fees may apply. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property. This donation offer is only available when you apply for new home lending through an ASB branch, contact centre or mobile lending manager. Other terms apply. For full details and to download the voucher visit asb.co.nz/schoolbanking.

ASB

ASB School Banking

Competition currently running for our pupils who bank with ASB through Eskdale School click on this link.https://www.asb.co.nz/banking-with-asb/school-banking.html

The School Office has application forms for ASB pupil banking if you are interested. Children receive a banking pack when signed up.

EnviroMatters

Conserv

Get into nature this Conservation Week.

Studies show children who are connected to nature will want to enjoy it and save it, now and in the future. Spending time in nature also improves physical and mental health and wellbeing – it's all about Healthy Nature Healthy People. Get your kids into nature this Conservation Week and experience it for yourself.

Did you know that after rainfall 69% of NZ's rivers are deemed unsafe for swimming due to contamination?



It would be great if you could rummage around in your drawers and toy boxes and bring into School any unwanted mobile phones you may have.

Phones collected help our School gain valuable rewards and also the environment benefits by keeping our landfills free of mobile phones and their array of hazardous toxic substances.

By providing this form of environmental responsible recycling we are all helping to divert phones and accessories away from our landfills, keeping our environment healthy and protecting our future.

BRING YOUR OLD OR UNWANTED PHONES TO THE OFFICE!





Senior EFS students creating items to sell at our stall at Market Day. Many thanks to those people who donated wool and craft supplies.

Juicies for sale each Thursday @ \$1 each proceeds to EFS Vision projects

Native Bird Studies

Mrs G's Year 3-4 writing group, have been writing information reports about native birds of New Zealand. Last week we had Brent Stephenson come and talk to us about native birds. He showed us how long albatrosses wings are with a piece of string (wow they are huge!), he showed us lots of pictures of birds that he had taken with a camera. After, we did a quiz to see what we had remembered - it was fun. A big thanks to Brent from the year 3-4 writing group.

To make our information reports we first had to gather information then number it into an order and make our three paragraphs - features, life cycle and habitat. We had to put all of our information into our own words. We did not do just any ordinary native birds, we did the name of the classes; Tui, Kea, Ruru, Kokako, Karearea, Kereru, Hihi, Korimako, Piwakawaka, Kotare and Toroa. We had real fun doing it!

By Quillan Squires.





The Kotare

Kotare is a native bird also known as the kingfisher. Kotare eat small fish, insects and crabs, they also eat reptiles and mice. An interesting thing about the Kotare is how they always eat their food head first.

You can spot the Kotare because of its special features. Kotare have pointy, skinny beaks because if it was round and wide it would make a splash and the fish would swim away before the Kotare could get them. The way you tell between the male and the female is the beak. The male's beak is black and the female has a pink-orange tinge to the lower part of the beak. Kotare have a wingspan of up to 24 centimetres depending on what type the Kotare is. Kotare's feather colours are brown, grey, blue, green and silver with white specks. Kotare are small birds and

weigh only1-2 ounces. Kotare make an interesting noise. It sounds like 'key key' or a mouse squeak.

Kotare start laying when they about one year old. The mothers of the Kotare lay their pink eggs and incubate them for 24 days. Kotare lay three to six eggs at a time. Kotare lay from November to February. Kotare chicks are fed for seven to ten days. After leaving the nest, they start catching food for themselves. Kotare have a lifespan of five to seven years.

Depending on what the weather is, depends on where the Kotare live. In warm months, Kotare live on land, by rivers or lakes, near forests or bush. In Winter, Kotare are found by the sea or river mouths. They may also be found in public gardens. Kotare make their homes in tree trunks or cracks in cliffs. Kotare find their food on land or in water.

Now you know about the Kotare's features, lifecycle and habitat.

By Jamie Dunnett-Welch



PTA NEWS

Market Day

Market Day is fast approaching and we currently looking for 2 people to manage the running of the school café in the soccer rooms this year. We do have a list of people keen to help in the café but we still need someone to manage the coordination of this. If you are interested or wish to know more please txt Leanne on 021 355 341 or email eskdalepta@gmail.com.

We will be holding a second-hand stall again at market day this year. Last year this raised \$1100. If you are planning a clean out in the next couple of months please bring your items to the school office or liaise direct with Angela Beamish-White ange@pixelbook.co.nz or 836 7470.

Calendar Art

This year the PTA will be coordinating calendar art for parents to purchase www.kidsartworks.co.nz. As well as calendars there is also diaries, mouse mats, notebooks and cards. All their products can be seen on their webpage and samples will be available in the office closer to the date. Artwork is now underway in classes and will be finalised by 16th September. Forms will be going home and all orders are due back by 23rd September, the project is timed so we will have our items back in time for posting overseas for Christmas. There is an option for parents to upload photos instead of using their child's art. Instructions on how to do this is on their website: http://www.kidsartworks.co.nz/submit-photos.aspx. Please note you need to place your allocated number on the order form when it is time to place your order.

Pimp my ride raffle

Tickets will be coming home early next term. Watch this space to score a pimped ride to school!

COMMUNITY

Bay City Gym would like to invite Eskview School family and friends to come and try a class and/or gym workout during the month of September. We have new Les Mills classes launching plus we have a new product called Fitness on Demand which are virtual classes members can do in their own time. Owned and operated by Bay View locals, Hamish and Chrissy Newall. We understand how busy family life, work and other commitments can be and do our best to cater for everyone's individual health and fitness needs. Please give Chrissy a call or pop in and take a look at the newly renovated, spacious Bay City Gym.

HOUSE FOR SALE - 44a Le Quesne Road

4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, huge section, fully refurbished. Open home Sunday 1.00-1.30pm. Ph 02102220387

Netstars Holiday Programme will be available to Napier during the September-October School Holidays. Something for very age group (1-8). Please register on Hawkes Bay Netball website http://www.hawkesbaynetball.co.nz/home under the Title "Holiday Programmes" click on appropriate year, example "Year 1-3 Holiday Programme Flyer" and/or to register "Year 1-3 Registration Form" please fill in your information and submit. Limited to 60 children per programme so don't miss out!

Kelly Sports Holiday Program

"Kelly Sports will be running the Holiday Programme from the 26th Sept - 7th October 2016. Offering a great mixture of sporting and craft activities the programme offers something for everyone. Prices start from \$35 per day, with family discounts and full week specials available. The program is OSCAR accredited so WINZ subsidies are available. For more information please visit www.kellysports.co.nz or alternatively please contact us at hb@kellysports.co.nz or on 06 843 4219"



Sept/Oct Holiday Programmes

Animal Keeper

What's it like to be a Keeper at the National Aquarium?

Come be a Junior Keeper for the morning and find out what we really do.

- Go behind the scenes
- Meet the reptiles
- Prepare animal food and feed it out
- Practice water testing and tank maintenance

Pick from one of the following dates:

September 27, 28 or 29, October 4, 5 or 6 Ages 6-12 years old.

Sessions run 8.30am - 12.30pm and the cost is \$29.00 per session per child.

>> Read more

NAPIER CITY ROVERS FOOTBALL SKILLS PROGRAMME -MONDAY 3 - THURSDAY 6 OCTOBER 2016

Monday- Wednesday 9.00am - 3.00pm Thursday 9.00am - 12.00pm

Napier City Clubrooms Park Island with Senior coaches and players from Napier City Rovers

\$80.00 per child or two or more player family **\$75.00** per child Registration forms: AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

Winter School Holiday Programme

Napier libraries have a wide range of free kids' programmes taking place during the winter holidays, including **Drawing Comics** with illustrator Craig Phillips; a 'Zine Workshop with 'zine aficionado Murtle Chickpea; and stories and crafts for the younger kids.



Go to http://www.napierlibrary.co.nz/children/school-holidays/ for dates, times, age ranges, and more information, or pick up a flyer from the Napier or Taradale library.



Maths is Fun!

Maths is Fun will be back at the Napier Library these October holidays.

This is a free program for years 1 to 8 that encourages children to have fun with number skills, increases confidence in maths, and shows how mathematical concepts are used in everyday life.

There are four levels of *Maths is Fun:* years 1 — 2; years 3 — 4: years 5 — 6; and years 7 — 8. Sessions will be held at different times from Monday the 3rd of October through to Thursday the 6th of October.

Parents interested in signing their children up for *Maths is Fun* can do so at the Napier Library children's department from Monday the 12th of September. Places are limited. For more

information, contact Matthew or Jessie on 834 4141.



October Holiday Program
Havelock North
5/6/7 October
Bookings now open!

Contact Us: classes@thedramaworkshop.co.nz
Enrol online:

http://thedramaworkshop.co.nz/play-on/



<u>Drama Holiday Program.</u>

October 5/6/7. Havelock North. Join us as we make a play in just three days! Program includes a visit to the Spiegel tent. For more information:

http://thedramaworkshop.co.nz/play-on/

Classes opening in Napier.
We have two classes opening in Napier in term four! A primary class for yrs 3-6 and secondary class for yrs 9 & 10. For more information: http://thedramaworkshop.co.nz/play-on/