ESKDALE SCHOOL

February 2019 Newsletter

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Sport, What's Coming up, Device time

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2019. Welcome back to you all and a special welcome to the 23 students who began their time at Eskdale on Monday, with 13 of those children having their first ever day at School. It was awesome seeing the children coming in on Monday. They had smiles on their

faces, they were excited and when it came time for class they were ready to learn. Those three combined make this a great place to learn and to work. welcomed all of our new families with a powhiri and I was impressed with the way our children were able to perform on the very first day back.

The partnership between home and school is an important one and has proven to be a key ingredient in students being successful at school. We look forward to working with you in 2019 to ensure that your child/ren succeed at Eskdale School.



The students were happy to catch up with their mates after the break!

Eskdale School Teaching Team and Support Staff: I am pleased with the teaching and support staff team we have put together for 2019. I know that they are all looking forward to the year ahead. A key aspect of the school home partnership is communication. If you ever have any concerns, worries, wonderings please make contact with the classroom teacher in the first instance. sooner we know the sooner we can attend to issues and little things don't become big things. If you ever feel that an issue hasn't been addressed please contact either one of the Deputy Principals or myself, my door is always open.

During the school day an email is often most effective way of getting in touch with a teacher.

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School Cleaner: Linda Barnes



The pool has been in hot demand since our return on Monday! Over 250 swimmers through on Tuesday.

The children are certainly making the most of this awesome resource.

Reporting to Parents/Meet the Teacher Night: After parent's feedback and moving forward with best practice we have reviewed our process of school reporting to parents.

This year we will begin with the meet the teacher evening on Monday 18 February. Timings for this are 5:30pm - 6:15pm for Junior School and 6:45pm to 7:30pm for Senior School. During the changeover time we will be putting on a free sausage sizzle.

The other elements to the new reporting process are a parent/teacher interview at the end of Term 1 and second parent/teacher interview at the end of Term 2. At the end of the year there will be a written report coming home.

We look forward to sharing with you your child's progress, strengths, and challenges throughout the year.

School Fees/Donations: We have been able to keep the recommended school fees/donation at the same amount as last year - \$35.00 per term. These form an integral part of ensuring we can provide all of 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 reading recovery time and bought some robotics, and STEAM resources.

2019 Recommended School Fee/Donation: \$35 per term or

- Individual Child \$140.00 per year discounted if paid in term 1 to \$120.00.
- Two Children \$280.00 per year discounted if paid in term 1 to \$240.00.
- Three or more children \$420.00 per year discounted if paid in term 1 to \$360.00.

STEAM and "Learning through play": Both of these are terms you may well be familiar with or have heard your child talking about at home. If not yet, I am sure you will hear them talking about it in the coming months. STEAM and learning through play are two child centred initiatives we use to deliver the New Zealand Curriculum at Eskdale School. On Monday night at 6.00pm to 6.30pm in the hall we are having a night where we will be sharing information about these initiatives.

Hats: The summer terms (Term 1 and 4) students are required to wear a hat. Please remind your child to bring their hat and to apply sunscreen before leaving home.

Shade Sail: On the first day of the summer break we had one of the school shade sails stolen (Blue one). If you notice one where there wasn't one before I am sure the police would love to know. Thank you Adrian Tayler for setting up some surveillance cameras after this incident to deter other troublemakers.

Napier City Council Speed Limit Bylaw review: As some of you may be aware they are reviewing the speed limits around Napier. As part of the review they are proposing that Hill Road has a maximum speed of 80kmph. They are also recommending that the speed limit past all urban schools be changed to 30kmph. This would not include our school. For the safety of our children I believe the speed limit past our school should also be 30kmph and I am sure many of you would agree that our children deserve the same level of safety as the town schools. You can submit your thoughts to speedlimits@napier.govt.nz before 8 March 2019. I am sure the more feedback they get the more they will listen.



Recreational Screen time: A number of studies are beginning to raise concerns about the amount of recreational screen time children and young adolescents are having. Recent studies in the UK, Canada and Australia have shown that too much recreational screen time encourages obesity, has a detrimental effect on sleep, fitness, and cognitive, social and emotional development. The factors outlined are all important for children achieving well at school. In new guidelines released after considering the results from the study Australia, Canada and South Africa recommend that recreational screen time should be avoided in 0-2 year-olds, limited to a maximum of 1 hour a day in 2-4 year olds and 2 hours per day in 5-17 year olds. These guidelines are things we should all keep in mind along with knowing what our children are viewing online.

Jaap's Sunflowers: Jaap planted the sunflower seeds he was given last year and this is what happened over the summer break. Must be some sort of record!

Culture Corner: Our whakatauki for our value of 'Community' is "He waka eke noa" which means - we are all in this together.

As part of our teacher development and learning with our tamariki in the classroom, we look deeply into our school whakatauki and what it means to us and our community. Here are some ideas you can talk about at home with your child/ren that we will also be talking about at school:

- Waka is often used as a metaphor for a journey. When we are in a waka, there is unity in a shared purpose.
- Sometimes we may feel out of our depth as the canoe moves faster and the water gets deeper.
- There is a possibility of tipping out of a waka and sometimes we can feel like this with our learning or when we make mistakes.
- Sometimes we cannot see where we are going and we need to have to trust for others to help guide us.

With all of this in mind, we must always remember that we are all in this together. We support, trust and look after each other. Do you have any other ideas to add to our whakatauki that might be useful for our shared understanding? Send your ideas to culture@eskdale.school.nz

Thank you all for your support at the beginning of the year. This year has been the smoothest beginning to a year since I have been at Eskdale. The children have returned to school prepared and ready to learn. Keep an eye on the school calendar and in particular the dates of upcoming events because as always it is going to be a busy term.

Tristan

DATES TO REMEMBER *

STEAM Play Information Evening 6.00pm 11 February

12 February Weetbix Triathlon

15 February Art Deco Dress Up Day Meet the Teacher Evening 18 February

Beach Education Trip Year 5 and 6 (Kereru/Karearea) 19 February

Beach Education Trip Year 5 and 6 (Hihi/Toroa (year 5's only) 20 February

Junior School Swimming Sports at Eskdale School 5 March

7 March Junior School Swimming Sports back up day

8 March Swimming Sports at Napier Aquatic Centre, Onekawa

13 March Coastal Cluster Swimming Sports

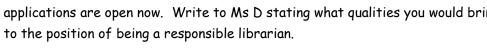
15 March Fun Triathlon and Picnic 5.00pm at Eskdale School

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

Welcome to another year. Our school library is now ready to be used again. Each class will have a specific time in which they will visit the library as a class, please ask your child what day they go, this will help you/them organise when to send books back to school. The library will be open during lunch and play times during the week after week 3 when students are able to come in and change books, just read or chill out with friends or by themselves.

This term the main focus for the library managers will be to sort out our senior readers and reclassify many of them with input from teachers and students. Last year we were able to reclassify our non-fiction / information books and the junior and fast fiction readers.

Wanted: Any Year 5 or 6 students who wish to apply for a librarian position applications are open now. Write to Ms D stating what qualities you would bring to the position of being a responsible librarian.



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

ESKDALE SCHOOL HOODED SWEATSHIRTS - 2019 ORDER

Eskdale School have made sweatshirts available for purchase for all students. These are good quality Kukri sweatshirts that can be worn to sports games, interschool events or to school. The sweatshirt is <u>not compulsory</u>.



How to Order:

Make payment by Internet banking to: Eskdale School Board of Trustees 12-3144-0214570-00

Ref: Hoodie & Student Name

and one of the following....

1. Tear off the below order form and drop into the school office

<u>OR</u>

- 2. Email the following information to mareeb@eskdale.school.nz
 - Option 1 or 2
 - Size
 - Name for back of Sweatshirt (if choosing Option 2)
 - Student Name

by 3pm Wednesday 13 February**

**Please note: There is a delivery time frame of approximately 12-13 weeks. All orders <u>MUST</u> be in by Wednesday, 13 February for sweatshirts to arrive in the first couple of weeks of Term 2. <u>Please note, we will only be placing ONE order this year so please ensure if you want a sweatshirt you order it in Term 1. The next order will be in 2020.</u>

If you have any queries please contact Maree on 06 836 6845 or mareeb@eskdale.school.nz

would	vould like to order a sweatshirt for							(student)			
	Option 1	UN-NAMED	\$63.2	5 inc gst							
	SIZE (plea	ase circle one)	5-6y	7-8y	9-10y	11-12y	13-14y	XXS	XS	S	
	Option 2	NAME ON B	ACK	\$69 inc	gst						
	Name to a	ppear on back	(in capi	itals)							
	SIZE (plea	ase circle one)	5-6y	7-8y	9-10y	11-12y	13-14y	XXS	XS	S	
Pay	ment has h	een made to E	skdale	School		Y/N					

Hooded Sweatshirt

330g Cotton Sweat, 100% Polyester Mesh Lined Hood Applique logo, Hoodie Pouch Pocket, Ribbed Cuff & Hem No Drawstring (does not apply for sizes 2XS, XS & S)



Option One UN-NAMED \$63.25

No Name on back of sweatshirt

Sizes 5-6 years

7-8 years

9-10 years

11-12 years

13-14 years

XXS*

XS*

S*



Option Two NAME ON BACK \$69.00

Your Name on back of sweatshirt

Sizes 5-6 years

7-8 years

9-10 years

11-12 years

13-14 years

XXS*

XS*

5*



^{*} these sizes come with a drawstring in the hood

KUKRI SIZE CHART (INCHES)

SIZE	5-6y	7-8y	9-10y	11-12y	13-14y	XXS	XS	S
Chest	24	26	28	30	32	34	36	38
Waist	23	24	25	26	27	28	30	32

^{**}Larger Adult sizes are available if required. (M, L, XL, XXL) without name \$74.75 / with name \$80.50



'Yummy' School Sticker Promotion

What is it?

Eskdale School has been registered in the 2019 Yummy Sticker Promotion. The Yummy stickers collected will be converted into a winning share of the \$200,000 sports prize pool from DG Sport.

What to do?

Shop at your local New World, Pak'n Save and participating Four Square stores. Purchase Yummy apples, either bags with cut-out labels or individual apples with Yummy stickers. One cut-out label is worth 10 apple stickers.



Send the stickers into school to be placed on collection sheets in each class. If you would like your own collection sheet for home please collect one from the school office.

What will happen?

At the end of Term 3 all collection sheets will be collated and sent off to the promoters and we will then be contacted to let us know how much we have to spend on sports equipment.

The more we collect, the more sports gear we get, so get going and start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers! It would be great if we could all get behind this and collect as many stickers as possible.

2018 saw Eskdale receive close to \$400.00 worth of PE equipment. It would be great if we could do this again in 2019.

If you have any queries please contact me kellieh@eskdale.school.nz

For more information visit: http://www.yummyfruit.co.nz





