ESKDALE SCHOOL

November 2021 Newsletter

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Principal's Report



November Newsletter

Welcome to the November newsletter. The year is certainly flying and it will not be long until everyone has their Christmas Trees up and decorated (In fact I know a couple of people who already do!)

Covid-19 Response: The Covid-19 response continues to provide a challenge for everyone and schools are certainly not exempt from these challenges. This was felt even closer to home this week when we had to make the tough decision to cancel our Year 8 Camp. Added to the challenges are the vaccine mandates which will be causing a level of stress in some households. As shared earlier the mandate covers all volunteers including parents volunteering for school trips and activities.

At school we continue to support our students, staff, and the wider community as we work through these challenges whilst sticking with the guidelines laid out by the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education.

Key Dates and Events for the End of Year: We have been leaving decisions about hosting events until as late as possible in the hope that alert levels change and we will be able to host events as planned. I know many schools have already made the decision to cancel/alter end of year events however we have been waiting until now.

It has come to the time when we need make some final decisions about most events. We will not be able to have spectators on Athletics Day and the Pillow Concert. The Pillow Concert will be performed during the school day to the students and will be recorded and shared with you so that you can watch the show at your convenience.

We are holding off making a final decision about the School Prizegiving until 2 December. On 2 December we will know whether Hawkes Bay has moved to the new traffic light system, what colour light we are on in Hawkes Bay and what restrictions are in place for schools at that traffic light colour.

Athletics Day 29 November At Eskdale Park – No Spectators

Pillow Concert 1 December Will be recorded and shared – No Spectators
Prize Giving 13 December Confirmation of format will come on 2 December

Last Day for Students 15 December

First Day for Students in 2022 - Wednesday, 2 February

Year 8 Cape Kidnappers Trip – After having their camp cancelled the Year 8's enjoyed exploring locally on Wednesday. As a group they headed out to Cape Kidnappers on Tractors to see the gannets. The students loved their day out and made the most of the learning opportunities. The Tractor driver/guides did a fantastic job in educating the students about the geology of the rock faces and formations. They also learnt about the nesting habits of the different birds including the gannets. One or two of our team also manged to takeaway more than they had bargained on from some of the birds. The students were excellent ambassadors for our school and the comments from the tour guides and from the other tourists on the trip were positive.



Central Federation Football- This year we had three of our students playing representative football. Sophie Smith and Genevieve Kruger were part of the U12 rep side and Abi Hutchinson was in the U14 rep side. They all played well for their teams over the last three months travelling to Gisborne, Whanganui, Ashhurst and a final tournament in Napier. The U14 rep side won their competition and Abi was named player of the tournament - Congratulations.



I hope you all have an awesome weekend and we look forward to working with you over the 2nd half of the term.

Tristan

Dates to Remember*

25 November School Sports Team Photos

29 November School Athletics Day at Eskdale Park

30 November Bus Monitor Training

Napier Girls High School Transition Morning

1 December Pillow Concert

6 December Year 5/6 End of Year Trip – Movies 7 December Year 3/4 End of Year Trip – Bay Skate

13 December End of Year Reports Home

School Prizegiving at 5.30pm

14 December Class Lists published to School Website

15 December Last Day of School for 2021
*See also Eskdale School Website Calendar: www.eskdale.school.nz

Principal's Certificates

Pupil's Name	For
Adam Satherley	Clever programming of the Dash robots to explain your life cycle of a ladybug
Alec Stanton-Croom	Clever programming of the Dash robots to explain your life cycle of a sea turtle
Kera O'Brien	Fantastic comprehension and inferring during reading time when exploring our Kiwi
	Innovators.
Lucas Malone	Remembering to use a very important strategy when reading - checking the letter
	sounds
Tayla Timms	Being a terrific member of Kotare and showing kindness to others.
Evie Mitchell	Being a terrific Tui classmate, working hard in all your learning.
Owen Ranston	Using your initiative, with fantastic sharing and "because" statements.
Charlotte Baty	For using fabulous similes in her writing - what great images you are creating
	Charlotte!
Reef Cave	Working so hard to edit and upgrade his writing, awesome mahi Reef!
Colton Bennett	Leading the way with some awesome maths thinking and application
Sophie Jensen	Amazing graphics and research on her bird of the year study.
Luka Hall	Leading the way with some awesome maths thinking and application
Carter Glenn	Working hard with his phonics to learn the 'code'
Sam De Barre	Demonstrating creativity and perseverance with his STEAM project.
Kyra Dudding	Amazing graphics and research on her bird of the year study.
Millie Berkett	Setting really high standards with the quality and output of her work.
Erin Bartleet	Making a real effort to complete quality work in a timely manner.
Riley Hall	Fantastic progress with his Reading - awesome work Riley!
Koji Crofskey	Terrific start to Term 4 - keep it up Koji!
Mack Insull	Being respectful of others by using kind and thoughtful words. Ka pai.
Jessica MacDonald	Being fully involved in our class discussions - thanks for your contributions Jess!
Manaia-Jayde Aranui	Working so hard to edit and upgrade her writing carefully - super work MJ!
Iyla Kohlis	Working sooo hard with your writing and handwriting ,like a real author. Ka pai!
Robert Jensen	Being a terrific Tui classmate, always helping and thinking about others Ka Pai!
Lucy Wise	Being a hard working and caring member of our class - thank you Lucy!
Maddie Verry	Showing fantastic artistic skills and sharing this with others. Ka pai Maddie!

Lost Property Update!!



A quick reminder, the lost property will be cleared out on **Wednesday 15 December 2021**.

If the items are named we will return these to their owners. Any unnamed, unclaimed clothing will be donated to charity.

Ultimately, we want our students to be responsible for their own belongings.

Library News

With the year coming to an end, we would appreciate if all library books could be returned to the returns box in the library over the next two weeks.

If you would like some holiday reading for your child/ren, please ask their teacher and they will arrange some books for you.

In 2021 your purchases through Scholastic Lucky Book have enabled us to buy and additional \$1,820.67 worth of books for our school library. For every book purchased through Lucky Book we receive 20% of the sale proceeds.

Thank you for your continued support.



List and sell your home with me and I will personally donate \$500 to Eskdale School*

Residential & Lifestyle Specialist

Sam - 021 0239 3856

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PTA Market Day Cancellation Info

It is with sadness that we are having to cancel the Bayview Market Day.

Napier City Council have <u>not</u> given us the green light due to recent Covid-19 concerns.

We feel for all involved from stall holders to organizers and patrons of our annual event.

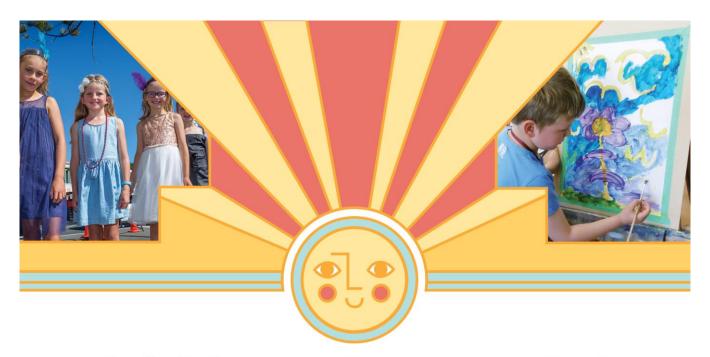
The Eskdale School PTA would like to thank all involved from past and present PTA members, Eskdale School and parents that have put in the hard yards to get this far.

If this news saddens you and you wonder how you can help. Selling extra raffle tickets would be much appreciated. We are extending the sale of tickets till the Friday 26th November. Raffles will be drawn Monday 29th November.

More information to follow in the coming days relating to the Mystery Envelope sales and secondhand goods.

School Holiday Programme Info





CAN-DO DECO

ENTER NOW FOR THE CAN CHILDREN'S ART EXHIBITION!

Create Art Deco inspired artworks and see them on display for the CAN-DO Deco Art Exhibition!

It can be anything from painting, sculpture, printmaking, ceramics, photography or all of the above with mixed media.

There are three age categories and six 'Best in Show' prizes to be won!

AGE GROUPS

5 - 8 years • 9 - 12 years • 13 - 16 years

\$10 entry fee • Deadline 8 Feb • Exhibition 18 Feb - 3 March 2022

More information available at www.thecan.co.nz or contact CAN 06 835 9448 or email us at bookings@thecan.co.nz



Creative Arts Napier 16 Byron Street, Napier 06 835 9448 www.thecan.co.nz

We're climbing towards the end of the year!



We are updating the Skool Loop app regularly. Dont forget to check our school app to avoid missing important end of year notices and events.

- ✓ Events ✓ Notices ✓ Push Notifications
- ✓ Newsletters ✓ Permissions Slips ✓ Contacts
 - ✓ Absentees ✓ Parent Teacher Interviews

And check out the *NEW* translation function on our school notices

