



Elstow-Waihou School

Reach for the Stars - *Totoro hoki nga whetu*

SUCCESS TEAMWORK ATTITUDE RESPECT

December 4th

Tena Koutou, nga mihi nui,

There has been a change in venue for our Staff/BOT/PTA End of Year Dinner 4th December: It will now be held in the Endeavour at 6.30 pm. People are reminded to bring their own cutlery, crockery and refreshments. Thank you to the folk who are preparing salads and desserts this is hoped to be a low key, easy gathering for all that work really hard together to make our school the success it is.

STAR of the Week: This week we have three children who are our Stars. Each of these girls has shown great leadership and themselves to be great role models. **Jessica Rayner** was recognised for her willingness to help other children on the bus and we were asked by Jeff our bus driver to acknowledge her kindness. **Rebeka McCallum** and **Abby Miller** are superb girls who have been teaching Room 2 girls their end of year dance. Thank you so much to these wonderful children for stepping up.

Prize giving and Supper: It is coming up to a very exciting part of the year with prizes being awarded at the Prize giving at 6.30pm on Monday the 14th December. Please ensure that your child/children are here and assembled in clean uniforms with anything they may need. Supper – Can each family please bring along a plate to share for the evening?

Concrete Block Wall: Thank you to Mr Duncan Morris, Ethan Morris, Mr Brad Wilson and Taine Wilson for their work on getting our concrete wall to earthquake safety standard. Your hard work and expertise is very much appreciated.

Room 1 Open Morning: The last open morning for the year will be this coming Wednesday the 9th. Everyone is welcome.

Car Park: A reminder to parents to please use the main carpark when dropping off or picking up students. Children should be using the bus gates for their entry to and from school.

Year 7 & 8 Dinner: To be held in the Endeavour on Wednesday 9th starting at 6:00pm. This is a very special occasion where we get an opportunity to all dine together to celebrate our children growing into young adults.

Blogging: Just a reminder that our classes are now blogging, please see if your child or their class has uploaded anything on via the school website through their blog. Go check it out!

Chromebooks for 2016: All of our chromebook stock has been sold. We are looking to see if we supply chromebooks again next year in a package similar to this year, we want to know how many families would be interested in taking this up? Could you please inform the office of your intention on purchasing a chromebook next year, also if there is any Year 8 student from this year who is likely to have to change their digital device for their secondary education next year we would be interested at possibly purchasing your chromebook for re-sale?

Santa Parade: There have been a number of children who have offered to 'Star' in the Santa Parade on the 19th

October. Please remember to register your intent of joining us. It would be best if children particularly junior children could be assisted by a parent or caregiver.

Beach Education Day - 9th February: We are asking for expressions of interest to help with Beach Education Day. We need 15 adults to support us to do this. The older two classes will participate in the Beach Education Programme run by the Waihi Surf Club while the younger two classes will participate in beach activities. The Waihi Surf Club determines the number of students to take part in their programme thus there will be two different programmes for that day. Parents will be required to get into their togs to help out with the water activities. Bus cost and Beach Education Day will be \$20 per student for those students in Room 3-4 who are doing the beach education, for all other children the cost will be \$15 for the bus. Due to compliance with Health and Safety requirements unfortunately no pre-schoolers will be able to attend this Beach Day.

Enrolments for 2016: Enrol your child now for school next year. Our classes are filling up quickly. Please enrol your child at your earliest convenience.

School Swimming: is underway and there is an expectation that every child bring their togs & towel for swimming every day.

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FROM THE CLASSROOMS:

Room 1: Tena koutou, How are you all? As we are nearing the end of the year we need to start gathering our resources back in and do a bit of a stock take. As such we will not be sending anymore reading books home with the children as of next week. Could you also please have a good hunt around at home for any library books and reading books that may be hanging around the house? We will have one more week of homework next week. Also we will have Mr Muir in on Monday to work with the children on water safety. If possible could the children please have their togs for this day? Thanks for your help! Ma te wa.

Room 2: Kia ora whanau. Well it certainly is getting towards the end of the year with a hurry and as always we are trying to pack lots of stuff into our days so that it gets finished by next week. Our Samoan dances are going so well and I am sure you will all be so impressed with the children at the end of year assembly. Thank you so much to Abby and Rebeka who are helping the girls perfect their Siva Samoa, you are doing a great job! Our research projects about tapa cloth and siapo patterns are coming along well and if you haven't checked out our "Wall of Shame" yet, come in and look through the stories.

Room 3: Kia ora everyone! I cannot believe that we are at the end of week 8... time flies when you're having fun! Room 3's dance is coming along well. I hope that they all remember to smile on the night! We have been busy with their explanation writing on electricity. Most of the children are publishing their writing now. We have also been having fun with 'decipipes' which have helped us to understand decimals. Room 3's Kiwiana art is looking fabulous. They have done such a good job with the pastels to create bright and eye-catching artwork. Have a lovely weekend!



PLEASEFILL IN AND RETURN !

CHROME BOOKS

I intend to purchase a Chromebook bundle from the school for 2016. Yes No

I have a Chromebook to sell back to the school at the end of this year. Yes No

BEACH EDUCATION DAY - 9TH FEBRUARY:

We are asking for expressions of interest to help with Beach Education Day. We need 15 adults to be able to do this.

Yes I can help No I can't help

Family Name:.....

Room 4: Kia Ora. On Tuesday the Year 8 students had a fabulous trip to Rainbows End. The weather played the game and as a result everyone enjoyed the day. A huge thank you to the parents who provided transport and supervision for the day. I understand they too had a great day with the kids. As their teacher I was impressed with their behaviour throughout the day. Well done Year 8's. We are in full swing with our dance practice and hopefully we can remember the routine on the night. The Year 7 and 8 dinner is fast approaching. We are also getting prepared for this "big" night. This function is an event that all students look forward to and start planning at the beginning of the year, almost! Room 4 continues to work on their daily programme and it would be great to see everyone with their swimming togs each day. Have a good weekend.

CRICKET:

Week 7 Cricket Results: Unfortunately due to the weather all Year 3 / 4 and 5 / 6 cricket was cancelled last weekend. Year 7 / 8: R & P Stainless Te Aroha Tornadoes travelled to Maeroa Intermediate and unfortunately lost to them for the second time this season.

Week 8 Cricket Draw:

Year 3 / 4: Elstow-Waihou Rebels v David Street@ David School – 9.00am start

Year 7 / 8: R & P Stainless Te Aroha Tornadoes vs Otorahanga Kiwi Crushers@Innes Common – 9.00am start



HAPPY BIRTHDAY: to Paige Adamson who celebrates her birthday this week. We hope you have a great day Paige.

POOL KEYS: We will be opening the pool over the summer holidays. A big thank you to Mrs O'Dette Williams who has volunteered to look after the pool for us. Keys are available at the office, \$45 each.

COUNTRY FAIR Friday 19 February 2016 5pm: We are excited to announce that the Ranfurly Shield will be here! Also HUGE THANKS to our first major sponsor - JT Carter Plumbers - who have donated a 32" SMART TV as a prize. Follow and Like our Elstow-Waihou School Country Fair facebook page to hear the latest exciting news. Thank you to everyone that has signed up to help and for grocery donations, please add you name to the list in the Endeavour. We need mystery bottles, white elephant stall items, Corflute, plastic real estate signs we can use for signs. We are also looking for sponsorship if your family or business can offer it. Talk to Anna-Lee, Mel, Louise or Jocelyn.



SWIMMING: Debby Davie will be doing swimming lessons at Elstow school. Teaching water confidence through to stroke work. Starting Friday 18th December for six days \$60 per swimmer. Phone or text on [0273854542](tel:0273854542).

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LUNCHBOX RECIPES

PIZZA PINWHEELS

2 C self-raising flour
90g margarine
2/3 C milk

3 Tbsp tomato paste
1 C grated cheese
150g chopped ham

Switch to dried fruit for a sweet alternative

Sift flour into bowl. Use fingers to rub margarine into flour until it's like fine breadcrumbs. Add milk. Mix until dough begins to hold. Knead dough on floured bench until smooth (approx. 5mins). Add more flour if dough is sticky.

Roll out dough, 1cm thick. Top with tomato paste, ham and cheese. Roll up dough and slice into 12 pieces. Bake at 200°C for 20-25mins.

Adapted from kidspot.co.nz

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COMING EVENTS	
Dec1st	Year 8 trip to Rainbows End
2nd	Flouride Treatment for children
9th	Junior Room Open Morning 6:00pm Year 7 & 8 Dinner
14th	6:30pm Prizegiving
15th	Last day of School
2016 Feb 2nd	Term One begins

Regards from:
Heather Tanner,
Wendy, Deane,
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