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## Message from the Principal

Kia ora Families

Last week we had a teacher only day on Friday making Queens Birthday Weekend extra long. This time was used by the staff to work with a facilitator from the University of Otago to look at upcoming changes in our national curriculum and to reflect on what is most important for us in our practice here at Elmgrove School. This is the start of this phase of work which will continue over the next 18 months as the national curriculum refresh and the introduction of Aotearoa New Zealand Histories is introduced.

Today we have our first full school assembly in nearly a year. Parents are invited and asked to wear masks if they attend. It will be good to gather together again.

School reports are in the final stages of preparation and are scheduled to come home to you in two weeks time. Parent teacher interviews will be held the following week on Tuesday 28th Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th June. Bookings for these interviews will open at the end of next week Friday 17th June. Parents will need to have the skool loop app in order to book an interview so make sure you have downloaded this prior to next Friday. As with previous years we will be finishing classes at 12.30pm on Tuesday 28th June to allow interviews to start early on this day and our staff to complete all of their interviews within the three days set for them. We therefore ask parents to pick up children at lunch time on this day if they are able. Any children who are unable to be picked up will be supervised by some of our support staff for the afternoon and we ask that you communicate this need to the classroom teachers so we know how many children will be left at school.

This week was support staff week and we acknowledged the significant contribution our support staff make to the smooth running of our school and to the education of our students. I encourage you as families of our school to take the time to also thank our support staff for the work they do with your children.

This year Matariki is a public holiday. This is being nationally celebrated on Friday 24th June. This year we will have our annual Matariki evening on Wednesday 22nd June. This is always a great evening with the children performing for our whanau followed by a parade around the streets with our lanterns. Make sure you have this date in your diaries.

I would like to make a special mention of the school fundraising team who have been very busy this term. They have run a number of fundraisers including bulbs, bakehouse pies and cookie dough. Thank you to this small team for your continued work to raise extra funds for our school programmes and equipment. We will be updating the fundraising board in the office in the next couple of weeks with photos of projects completed and new items we are raising funds for.

Have a good weekend.

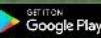
**Chris McKinlay**  
Principal



# JUST A HEADS UP

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# SKOOL LOOP

Skool loop is our main form of communication for our school, it enables you to receive school notices, text notifications, school newsletters, access to the school calendar and submit your child's absences.

**Skool Loop is going to be used to book in Parent-Teacher interviews. All of our families will need this app to access the booking portal. Please follow the step by step guide below to download and activate the application in preparation for school interviews later this term.**

### Downloading the Skool Loop app - a step by step guide

- Download Skool Loop App, Via either your Google Play or App Store.
- Open the Skool Loop App - you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the "Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school or follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the "select schools' button in the top right corner.

Any questions or concerns feel free to contact the office.

**\*\* Please note School Interviews are not yet open to book, we are preparing for when they do go live. \*\***

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# Fundraising

## 🍪Frozen Cookie Dough Fundraiser!🍪

Our 40g cookies are super easy to bake at home. No need to thaw! \$12 per pack (18 cookies) and 3 fantastic flavours (Choc Chip, Anzac & White Choc & Macadamia).

You can check out all the info and sign up for a fundraising page yourselves here:

[https://  
elmgrovecookies.raiseit.nz/  
hub](https://elmgrovecookies.raiseit.nz/hub)

Last day for Orders - Sunday 19th June  
Order Pick up date Thursday 7th July

Congratulations to Alena who won the Razor Techno Kick Scooter



## Foster Hope PJ Drive

Many children in foster care have never had a new pair of their own pyjamas. Your donation of new winter PJ's for children aged 0-17 not only ensures they are warm this winter, but also shows them that their community cares about them. Please donate today.



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If you wish to donate, We are a collection point for this wonderful cause. Please bring your donation into our office.

**Look who has earned a school values badge this week!**

**★ Caring**

Gabrielle Knopp Jenkinson  
Joel Whitley

**★ Respect**

Liam Rickerby  
Laura Mooney  
Khaldiya Alali  
Lucy Jenkins  
Adalyn Tibble



**★ Responsibility**

Mackay Boyd  
Liam Gibbons  
Max Littlejohn  
Logan Oke  
Madison Sanderson

**★ Perseverance**

Lily Norrie  
William McCallum

**RESPONSIBILITY**



**RESPECT**



**CARING**



**PERSEVERANCE**



**These children have achieved  
15 Tumeke Cards this week!**

**★ Makai Whaanga**



**These children have achieved  
10 Tumeke Cards this week!**

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|---------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>★ Makai Whaanga</b>    | <b>★ Liam Rickerby</b> |
| <b>★ Oscar Heller</b>     | <b>★ Jade Botha</b>    |
| <b>★ Savanna Eaton</b>    | <b>★ Laura Mooney</b>  |
| <b>★ Teagan Robertson</b> | <b>★ Mia Everett</b>   |
| <b>★ Lucy Jenkins</b>     | <b>★ Emma Burton</b>   |

**These children have achieved  
5 Tumeke Cards this week!**

- ★ Daxia Grant**
- ★ Corban Van Zoomeren**
- ★ Isla Hill**
- ★ Coen Whaanga**



# School Holiday Programme

Kia Ora,

We hope everyone has had a great term and keeping warm now the colder days are here. Our program will run from Monday 11th July through until Friday 22nd July 2022.

As winter is also upon us – Please listen to The Hits and The Breeze Radio stations or check out our Facebook page for late starts or cancellations due to the weather. With the weather being unpredictable there may be changes to the program. Parents/Caregivers will be updated through our Kids West Facebook page and on the whiteboard outside the hall.

Entry to the Elmgrove School Hall is via the Ayr Street entrance (there will be a flag at the gate). Our hours are 8 am – 5.30 pm.

Please note - Our hourly fee is \$6 per hour, per child, capped at \$40 per day, per child. Additional charges for trips and bought lunches still apply. Occasionally we have children booked into our program who fail to arrive on the day without any notification. This has caused some families to miss out, especially on trip days. This has also cost the program, as we are required to provide correct staff to children ratios and pay for children booked on trips rather than those who actually attend. Failure to attend booked sessions in the holiday program that have not been notified by 8 am on the day will incur a three-hour charge as well as the cost of any trips booked on that day.

We have a fun-filled program planned (see attached link). There will be a small charge for our trip days (these prices are on the program). On Thursday 21st July children 9+ years will be going to Resistance climbing while the children 8 years and younger will be going to Leap.

Children are welcome to bring along bikes, scooters, skateboards etc but please remember helmets! We hold no responsibility if it gets lost or damaged.

We also have hot lunches available on the days we are at school. Hot chips \$2, mince pie \$2, Noodles \$1. These need to be paid in cash on the day.

We always welcome new ideas and activities. If you or your children have any suggestions please email them to me

Please click on the attached link to enrol your children. Once enrolled you should receive a copy of the enrolment back for your records and that is your confirmation. Please check your spam mail in case it goes there or if you are unsure please email [irenec@elmgrove.school.nz](mailto:irenec@elmgrove.school.nz)

If you have any questions please phone/text me on 027 696 1240, email [irenec@elmgrove.school.nz](mailto:irenec@elmgrove.school.nz) or message our Facebook page.

Please ensure your child/ren has EVERY DAY - A DRINK BOTTLE & A JACKET.

Cell phones will be locked away and if your child needs to use them they will have to ask a leader.

## [Kids West Holiday Programme Enrolment Form](#)

## [Term 3 Holiday Programme](#)

## [Parent Information](#)

We look forward to seeing you in the holidays.

Irene and Staff

# Rata Hub



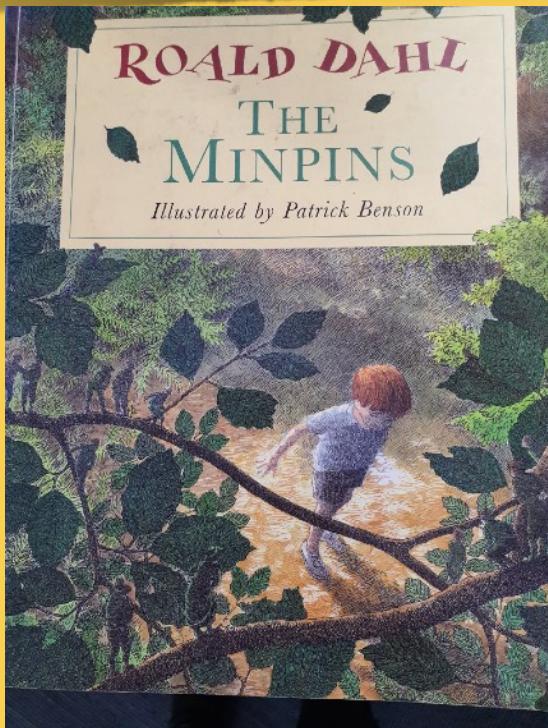
Rob Profit - White came to school last week and took us for a Maths lesson. He taught us some new language and some tricks with numbers. It was fun.



Ethan Julian has earned all our value badges therefore he has gained the final 5th values ambassador badge. Well done Ethan we are very proud of you.



We have started making our lanterns for Materaki



Come deep into the forest if you d are, but  
beware the Terrible Bloodsucking,  
Toothplucking, Stonechunckling Spittler.

If you climb up into the trees you may be  
lucky enough to meet some of the thousands  
of tiny minpins who live there. Happy friendly  
folk in suction boots, their miniature homes  
fill every tree, with windows the size of  
postage stamps.

## The Minpins By Roald Dahl

We have just finished a book called the Minpins. It is about a boy called Little Billy. He is really bored and wants to go to the forest beside his house, but his Mum won't let him. One day he gets enough courage to go to the forest and when he gets in there he is chased by the terrible Gruncher. He jumps up into a tree and climbs as high as he can. When he gets his breath back he looks around him and he sees a whole lot of little people looking out of their little windows. Don Mini is the leader of the Minpins and he helps Little Billy get home. The Minpins ride on the backs of birds to get to the places they need to go because they cannot walk on the forest floor because of the terrible Gruncher. Don Mini gets a swan so Little Billy can ride it and tease the Gruncher towards a lake that is near. They are successful and the Gruncher dies and the Minpins are free to walk anywhere they want now and Little Billy can go home. Swan visits Little Billy every night and takes Little Billy for rides around the world. He sees some amazing things. Over time Little Billy gets too big to ride the swan so the Minpins go and visit him and Little Billy goes and visits the min pins in their trees. They can only do this at night time though because they don't want the humans to know they exist.

This was a great story and we would recommend this to other children aged 8 -

# Whats coming up at ElmGrove.

## Important dates - (mark these on your calendar)

### Week 6 - 6th June - 12th June

10th June Assembly - Hosted by Rimu

### Week 7 - 13th June - 19th June

15th June Fundraising committee meeting - All Welcome  
15th June Totara/Rimu Scooter Skills with DCC

### Week 8- 20th June - 26th June

21st June Rata Hub Scooter Skills with DCC  
22nd June Matariki Night  
23rd June Jumping June Day  
24th June Matariki Holiday - No School today

### Week 9- 27th June-3rd July

28th June-1st July Parent Teacher Interviews

### Week 10- 4th July-8th July

8th July Assembly - Hosted by Rata  
8th July Last day of School for Term 2

### Term 3 - Starts back 25th July

#### Term 2

Monday 2nd May - Friday 8th July

#### Term 3

Monday 25th July - Friday 30th Sept

#### Term 4

Monday 17th Oct - Wednesday 14th Dec

## Reporting Absences

We have several ways for parents to advise that a child is not attending school

1. Use the Skool Loop App (Download this in your App Store)
2. Ring and leave an absence on phone line. 03-489 6252
3. Text - 0274622920
4. Email [office@elmgrove.school.nz](mailto:office@elmgrove.school.nz)

**Please make sure your absence is sent by 9.00 am**

**Also, please advise the office if your child is going to be away on holiday or away for an extended period.**



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