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## Message from The Principal

The first game of mini-ball was held this week. We have 5 teams competing in this competition, and the children were excited about their first game. We have created a new area on the school website dedicated to our school sports. On this page you will find all the information you need about the different sporting activities. This includes access to registrations, team lists and the weekly draws for the different sports. We also have information about other one off, sporting activities such as the cross country, triathlon, swimming sports, athletics and other TSSA events. The next event being held is for the year 4 - 6 students who will be attending the TSSA orienteering event next Tuesday. I would encourage you to check out this new page and bookmark the site so you know what is happening and have easy access to draws. Netball is still a few weeks away from starting but information and draws will be online on this page when the season starts.

While I am talking about how you can access information from the school, I want to again mention the Skool loop app. You need to have access to this app in order to book school interviews which are being held 22nd - 24th June. You will also have access to all of the other communications we put out including links to the school website.

This week we have noticed a change in weather with the arrival of some good frosts. Please make sure you are careful walking or traveling to school in these winter conditions. Should school be required to close or start late any time during winter, due to ice or snow, we will notify parents via our facebook page and using the skool loop app. This information is also broadcast on local radio stations. Hopefully we will not have to use these measures.

With the arrival of winter conditions we also see an increase in the instances of cold and flu. Please be conscious of this and keep children who are unwell home to prevent the spread to others. Children who home with vomiting or diarrhoea should be kept home for 24 hours after they stop.

I have today booked in the next of our outdoor projects for the school. We will have a crew here repairing and relaying the breaking asphalt in the driveway and beside the senior block. This will be done in June and will mean the driveway access to the school will be blocked off for a couple of days. Senior students will need to access the school via the carpark gate or through the office during this time. I will remind you of this closer to the time. It will be good to have the asphalt repairs completed and made safer for our scooting population.

Have a great weekend and enjoy your weekend winter sports.

**Chris McKinlay**  
Principal



# Welcome to Elmgrove



**MCKENNA**



It's Stars on Stage time once again and this year we are looking for a parent or group of parents to form a costume group who will be able to sew and collate all the costumes for this year's production. We have quite a few costumes at school that we can re use however new ones will also need to be made. If you think you have the time and could make this happen we would love to hear from you. Email Jenny on [jennyr@elmgrove.school.nz](mailto:jennyr@elmgrove.school.nz) .

Please click on this link which will take you to the:

## **Elmgrove School Sports Page**

Here you will find all the latest information for:

**Miniball**

**Netball**

**TSSA Orienteering**

**This is the place to go for all upcoming sporting information.**

## **2021 Term Dates**

### **Term 2**

3rd May - 9th July

### **Term 3**

26th July - 1st October

### **Term 4**

18th October - 15th December

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



*Liam Whyte - Perseverance*



*Alexandra Thomason - Responsibility*



*Will Tod - Responsibility*



*Riyam Alali - Responsibility*



*Michael Kirk - Responsibility*



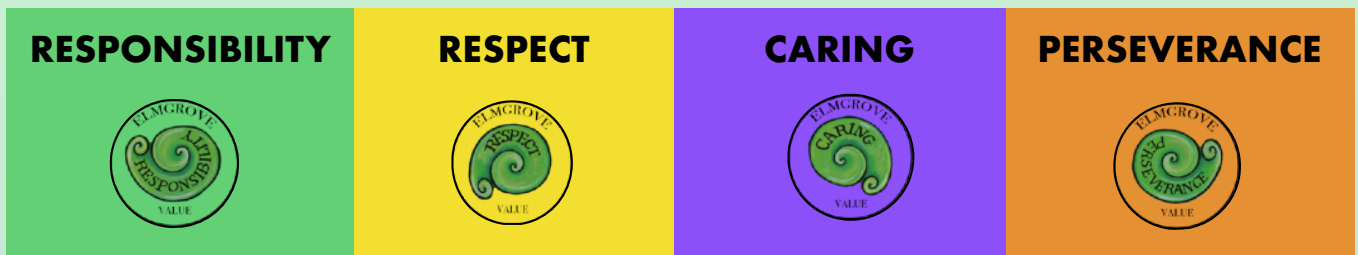
*Stella Pomeroy-Corfield - Responsibility*



*Riley Stichman - Responsibility*



*James Cartwright - Responsibility*



**For demonstrating our school values the following children have achieved 10 Tumeke Cards this week!**



★ *Olive Bone*



**For demonstrating our school values the following children have achieved 5 Tumeke Cards this week!**

★ *Gabrielle Knopp-Jenkinson*

★ *Lily Norrie*

★ *Harry Tibble*

★ *Sasha Harris*

★ *Braxton Gibson*

★ *Joel Whitley*

★ *Sacha Foster*

★ *Kallin Spence*

★ *Lily McGuire*

★ *Kieran Hayward*

★ *Jai Cunningham*

★ *Olivia Greiner*

★ *Katie Higgins*

★ *Tom George*

★ *Isaac Mitchell*

★ *Aaliyah Smith*

★ *William Tod*

★ *Chelsea Wilcock*

★ *Sienna Evans*

★ *Indie Struthers*



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 now 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.

**ALL PARENTS PLEASE TAKE NOTE**

# Totara Hub

*This term in the Totara hub we have been learning about Autumn. We have had lots of fun creating autumn art, writing what we love about autumn, going on autumn hunts, and finding huge piles of leaves and jumping in them!*



*Autumn is cold. The leaves fall from the trees. The leaves are crunchy and fun to jump in. - Evelyn*



*I like Autumn because I like to eat the ice. Sometimes I can collect the leaves. I like jumping in the leaves. - Xavier*



# Totara Hub

The leaves change to yellow, red and brown. I jumped in the leaves, it was fun! The leaves feel like sharp prickles. They fell from the trees. I like how they fall. - Sienna



Autumn is cold, leaves tickle under my feet, Leaves feel weird. I jumped on the leaves, they were on my legs and feet. The leaves are red and orange. I like jumping in the leaves. - Joel



Pink Shirt Day is a day when people wear a pink shirt to symbolise a stand against bullying. We encourage our students to dress in pink, or wear their uniform and have pink accessories for pink shirt day on Friday 21st May. Classes will be undertaking activities around the school to reinforce this very important message.



*Kōrero* MAI  
**KŌRERO ATŪ**  
**MAURI TŪ, MAURI ORA**  
**SPEAK UP, STAND TOGETHER, STOP BULLYING**

**FRIDAY 21 MAY 2021**

JOIN THE MOVEMENT:  
[WWW.PINKSHIRTDAY.ORG.NZ](http://WWW.PINKSHIRTDAY.ORG.NZ)  
[#PINKSHIRTDAYNZ](https://twitter.com/PINKSHIRTDAYNZ)

 **Mental Health Foundation**  
OF NEW ZEALAND  
*mauri tū, mauri ora*



# Whats coming up at ElmGrove.

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

### Week 2 - 10th May - 16th May

14th May

Family Time Assembly - Hosted by Totara

14th May

Schoolastic book club due

### Week 3 - 17th May - 23rd May

17th May

Educational Magic Show

18th May

Orienteering Yr4, Yr5 & Yr6 - Botanical Gardens

18th May

BOT Meeting

19th May

Jnr Assembly

21st May

Pink Shirt Day - Anti Bullying (children to wear pink)

21st May

Family Time Assembly - Hosted by Kauri

### Week 4 - 24th May - 30th May

28th May

Family Time Assembly - Hosted by Rata

### Week 5 - 31st May - 6th June

31st May

National Young Leaders Day

3rd June

Sausage Sizzle available today

3rd June

Family time assembly - Hosted by Kowhai

4th June

Teacher only day - No School

### Week 6 - 7th June - 13th June

7th June

Queens Birthday - No School

9th June

Jnr Assembly

### Week 7 - 14th June - 20th June

18th June

Family Time Assembly - Hosted by Matai

### Week 8 - 21st June - 27th June

22nd June

BOT Meeting

22/24th June

Parent Teacher Interviews

25th June

No Family Time Assembly

### Week 9 - 28th June - 4th July

2nd July

Family Time Assembly - Hosted by Rimu

### Week 10 - 5th July - 11th July

7th July

Mataraki Evening

8th July

Sausage Sizzle Available today

9th July

No Family Time Assembly

9th July

Last day of school for Term 2

## 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)



OTAGO MEDICAL STUDENTS ASSOCIATION  
PRESENTS

# TEDDY BEAR HOSPITAL

WHEN: Saturday 15th May 10am - 4pm

WHERE: Hunter Centre North Dunedin  
([bookings essential](#))

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