

Enriching, Encouraging, Empowering

Message from The Principal

Kia ora koutou,

Yesterday both our middle school and senior school Kapahaka groups performed at the annual Polyfest event. It was great to see a good group of parents there, supporting their children as they performed and I hope others made use of the live feed that was being broadcast of the event. These students will be performing in this weeks assembly to share their talents with the wider school and community. We will also have sports certificates handed out in this weeks assembly for the winter sports.

I remind you that School Photographs are being taken tomorrow Friday 13th September. Make sure that children have a tidy uniform on and that you have completed a siblings photos request with Nicola in the office if you want these taken.

This week the Board of Trustees meet. They were presented with a number of reports around our Positive Behaviour for Learning programme, Our sports and arts programmes and the individual hub focuses in developing student independence and agency. They also received a report on our six year old testing results with a comparison to previous years. They found these very informative and enjoyed the insight into the workings, processes and programmes within the school.

The Board of Trustees discussed the new donation funding proposal from the Ministry of Education. This offer is \$150 per student based on their July 1 roll for decile 1-7 schools, who opt in and elect not to ask parents for donations. We looked at the funds available to the school under this scheme and the benefits to our families of choosing to opt in. Following this discussion the Board have decided that for 2020 we will take up this option from the Ministry of Education and we will not be asking parents for school donations or activity contributions in the 2020 school year. Parents will still be asked to pay for some components of schooling including overnight camps, uniform, stationary and participation in sports teams. We believe this will be a very positive thing for our families.

The Board approved our enrolment scheme advertisement which should be in this weeks Star newspaper. We are now accepting applications for out of zone positions in the school in Terms 1 and 2 2020. Applications for these positions close on 18th October which is the end of the first week back next term. If you are looking to enrol your child in Term 1 or 2 next year and live outside the published zone please get in touch with the office. If you have already returned enrolment papers for your child you do not need to do anything more.

The Board approved the appointment of Blair Liffton as a new entrant teacher for Term 4. We will be opening another class to cater for the new children coming into the school next term. This will enable us to maintain good adult, student ratios. Blair is a very experienced teacher with excellent skills both with young children and fellow staff. We look forward to having him as part of the junior team.

Kia pai tō rā whakatā











High Importance - Measles Update

Elmgrove school has been advised that since 22nd August, five people have been confirmed with measles in the Southern region and the disease is now likely to be spreading in the wider community.

The number of cases may seem relatively small in comparison with the population, but one person with measles can infect many others.

PHS advises that immunisation is the best protection against measles.

Immunisation is safe, effective and free.

Measles is serious and highly infectious viral disease that causes fever, cough, sore red eyes and a rash. It can make people very sick. People with measles can be infectious even before they start feeling unwell. While almost all people will make a complete recovery, it can lead to hospitalisation and in rare cases, death.

Parents/guardians need to find out whether their children are protected against measles.

Regarding your child's immunisation status:

- If your child has not received their measles immunisation (MMR vaccine) as per the Immunisation Schedule (1st MMR at 15 months and 2nd MMR at four years), call your GP as soon as possible. Arrange a time to immunise your child as it is never too late.
- Infants and children who are not travelling to Auckland or overseas to a country with a measles outbreak are recommended to get their MMR vaccinations as per the Immunisation Schedule at 15 months and 4 years.
- Infants aged 6 to 11 months who are travelling to Auckland or overseas to a country with a measles outbreak, can have their first MMR vaccination (MMR0) after consulting with their GP, however they will still need to have the MMR vaccinations at 15 months and four years as per the Immunisation Schedule.
- Infants aged 12 to 14 months who are travelling to Auckland or overseas to a country with a measles outbreak, should receive all four 15 month vaccinations (MMR, varicella, Hib and PCV10) at least two weeks before travelling to allow immunity against measles to develop.

If your child has received only one measles immunisation (i.e. one MMR vaccination), call your GP as soon as possible to see if you need to arrange a time to immunise your child with their second MMR. Two measles immunisations provide better protection than one.

- If your child has received two measles immunisations, or they have definitely had doctor-diagnosed measles infection in the past, they are considered protected. Over 99% of people who are fully immunised are protected from measles.
- If you are not sure of your child's immunisation records, look in your child's plunket book or check with your GP.
- If your child is not immune or you choose not to immunise your child, they are not protected from measles. If they come into contact with someone with measles, they will likely have to be excluded from school or ECEC for up to 14 days.

Signs of measles

It usually takes 10 to 14 days for someone who has caught measles to start showing symptoms.

If your child develops a high fever, runny nose, cough, sore red eyes, or a rash see a doctor (call ahead to alert your doctor about the possibility of measles before visiting and take this letter along).

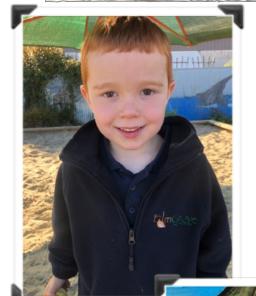
If your child has a weakened immune system (e.g. if they have an inherited immune problem or are receiving chemotherapy for cancer), please contact your doctor to discuss further. If this occurs: Call your GP or Healthline (0800 611 116) as soon as possible for advice. Your GP will advise the safest time for your child to return to school. If your GP suspects measles, they will arrange for testing and Public Health South will be in contact to offer support and any follow up regarding contact tracing.

For more information about measles, contact Healthline on 0800 611 116 or visit https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/conditions-and-treatments/diseases-and-illnesses/measles

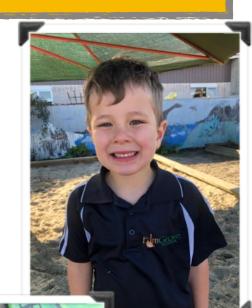
If we do not have a copy of your child's immunisation certificate, you will receive an email asking you to provide us with a copy of this.



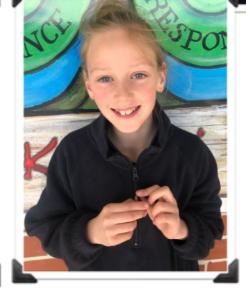
Welcome to Elmgrove



Lily Nikau McKenna Kobey







If you want to order a stars on stage DVD

Come to the office to order



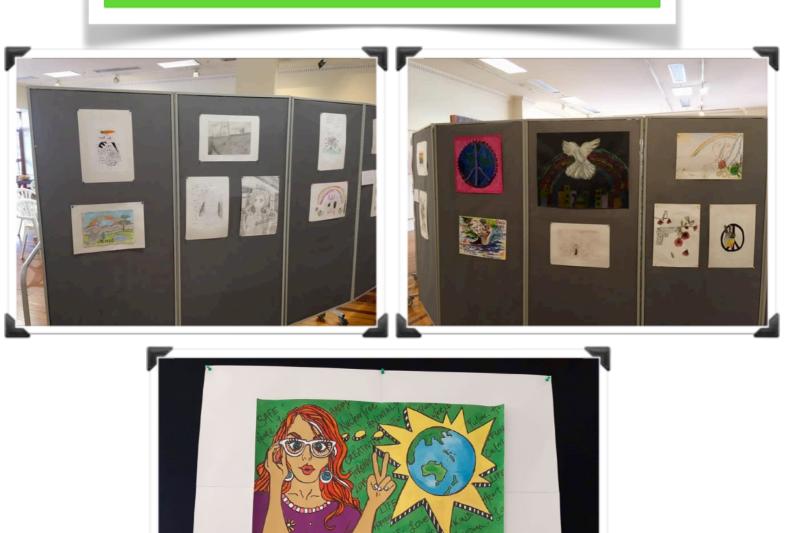
Featuring every school from all three nights, plus a photo bonus section!

JUST \$20

Name____

Number of DVD's

October Ryalls and Seb De Meyer entered the Peace for art competition, and their art work was picked to be displayed at community art gallery in princess street. Well done!





Matai Hub

In the (Datai Mub, we have been working on student agency during our maths time. This means that we have goals that we are working towards and we know how to achieve these. We also know what to do to prove our goal. We love having these goals to work towards and really enjoy the challenge! We are also starting to work on a process of 'share it' and 'teach it' once we have achieved a particular goal. Some of us are very excited and motivated to work towards running our own workshops teaching other children or videoing ourselves so that we can put it on our digital page for other children to watch and learn by watching.

LEARN IT

I can learn the goal I am working on by:

- · Going to a workshop
- Watching a tutorial
- · Learning it from my peers

PRACTISE IT

I can practise the goal I am working on by:

- · Choosing the right activity from the boxe
- · Choosing a digital activity
- · Playing a game
- · Choosing an activity from the clearfiles

PROVE IT

I can prove my goal by:

- · Showing the teacher orally
- Using materials
- · Showing work in my book
- · Posting videos on SeeSaw of my learning
- Posting videos into my learning pathway as evidence

SHARE IT

I can share my learning by:

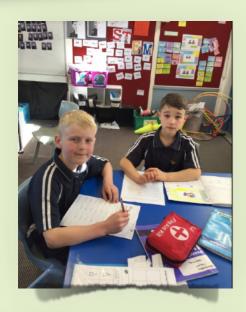
- · Posting on SeeSaw
- · Sharing with a buddy
- · Sharing with another Hub

TEACH IT

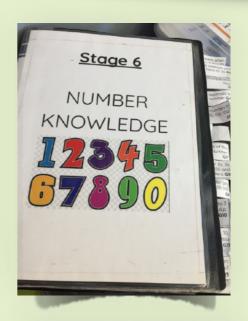
I can teach my new learning to others by:

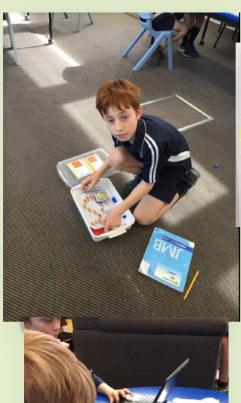
- Running my own workshop
- Videoing myself and posting on our digital page (under 'Learn it')
- Sharing my learning with others through SeeSaw

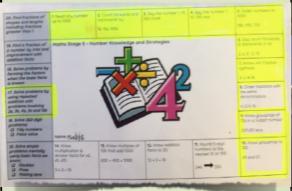
Matai Hub













School Holiday Programme

Hi all,

Our holiday programme will run from Monday, 30th September - Friday 11th October. Hours being 8.00am-5.30pm each day.

We have a fun filled time planned but also welcome new ideas from children and parents. Art and craft activities, indoor and outdoor games are available every day. Children are welcome to bring scooters, bikes but must have safety gear. Technology is welcome but needs to be put in our safe place, and will be used in a controlled environment and for limited periods. We hold NO responsibility if it gets lost or damaged.

Our trips include Frasers Gully, Bowline, Dinosaur park, Minigolf, Ross Creek, Woodhaugh Gardens & The Edgar Centre. Each trip is \$5 each per person. (Please see link below for full timetable) These charges will be added to your account.

PLEASE NOTE -

On Wednesday, 2nd October, children 8+ years will have the opportunity to go to Parkour Gym. Spaces are limited so first in first served. There is a charge of \$5 for this trip.

We have lunch options available, hot chips (\$2), pie (\$2) and noodles (\$1) available on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. You can order and pay by 10am on the day.

Please bring EVERY DAY a drink bottle and jacket.

As our weather is unpredictable -

Please listen to The Hits or check out our facebook page -

kids.west.after.school.care.and.holiday.programme for late starts or cancellations due to weather.

If you are interested in joining us in the holidays please fill in the online enrolment below by Friday 20th September once your form is submitted your place in the programme is guaranteed for the days you put down.

Any queries please ph/txt 027 696 1240 or email me, irenec@elmgrove.school.nz . I look forward to receiving your enrolment forms and seeing you all again in the holidays :)

Enrolment Form
Programme for Term 4
Parent Information

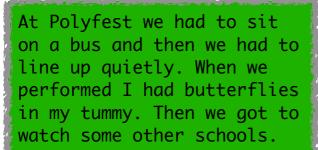
Thanks
Irene and Kids West Staff

Polyfest



On Wednesday some of us went to Polyfest, We had to be quiet backstage, When it was almost our turn to perform. After we performed we walked down the hallway and watched other people perform.

BY ANNABELLE WEBSTER



BY YULIA NEILSON





At Polyfest we had to perform and had to sit for hours. Then we had to watch other schools for a long time.

BY RILEY STITCHMAN

On the 11th September some of us went to polyfest, we had to wait for the bus. When we got to the Edger Centre we had lots of fun performing.

BY OLIVIA GRACE GREINER

Polyfest

Utaina was my favourite song to perform. Polyfest was fun because we sing lots of songs and danced. Polyfest was fun and I am defiantly doing it next year. When I first started iw as scared and nervous but now I love doing it and I'm confident. I love learning new actions.

BY SOPHIE MCCALLION



At Polyfest we did Maori dances and songs. We sang our school song Tohoroa Nui and the Maori version of Hallelujah. It was very nerve racking but I pulled through. It was very fun and our class watched the seniors on live stream.

BY CAIDEN GUTHRIE

Utaina was my favourite song because of the haka. I was shouting and lost my voice. Polyfest was fun and I'm defiantly doing next years. We all sang on the Bus, I saw lots of my friends from different school's.

BY SEB DE MEYER



To See more photos from yesterday please follow the link below Photos Link

Sports Registration

<u>Thank you to everyone who registered for Summer sports</u>
<u>- Team lists have been posted to Facebook</u>

Below are sports we will be taking part in as a school for Summer. Unfortunately we didn't get enough interest in Futsal or Softball. Registrations are still open for Weetbix TRYathlon for next year if anyone wants to take part in this.

Touch - Starts on Monday 16th September 2019

Flipperball - Starts Beginning of term 4

Weetbix TRYathlon - 1st March 2020

Registration link:

Weetbix TRYathlon

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

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.

Fundraising for Elmgrove

ART WORK FUNDRAISER!

The children have been hard at work creating individual pieces of artwork which have been turned into calendars, notebooks, diaries, cards and mousepads. Look out for your child's individual order form coming home and order some of these wonderful pieces of artwork. They are a great Christmas present and a great keepsake of your child's artwork.

Orders are now open and close on Sunday 29th September. Orders will be delivered in the first couple of weeks of Term 4 (plenty of time for posting away for Christmas).

Examples of the products are in the office if you would like to take a look.



Whats coming up at ElmGrove.

Important dates - (mark these on your calendar)

Week 8 - 9th September - 15th September

- 13th September School Photos

- 13th September Family Time Assembly - Hosted by Pukeko Team

- 13th September Sports Assembly

Week 9 - 16th September - 22nd September

- 17th & 18th September Otago Cricket sessions

18th September Junior Assembly (2.40pm) - Totara Hub
 20th September Family Time Assembly Hosted by Kiwi Team

- 20th September School Disco

Week 10 - 23rd September - 29th September

25th September Junior Assembly (2.40pm) - Rata Hub
 27th September No Family Time Assembly Today

- 27th September Sausage sizzle- 27th September END OF TERM 3

TERM 4

Week 1 - 14th October - 20th October

16th October
 18th October
 Junior Assembly (2.40pm) - Rimu Hub
 Family Time Assembly Hosted by Moa Team

Week 2 - 21st October - 27th October

- 23rd October Junior Assembly (2.40pm) - Totara Hub

- 25th October Family Time Assembly Hosted by Pukeko Team

Week 3 - 28th October - 3rd November

- 28th October Labour Day - No School

- 29th October TSSA Athletics

- 1st November Family Time Assembly Hosted by Kiwi Team



Term 4 - 2019
14th October - 19th December

Term 1 - 2020

3rd February -10th April



COMMUNITY NOTICES





