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## Message from The Principal

On Tuesday night we had our Board of Trustees meeting for this month. The Board spent considerable time looking at the draft biennial staff survey. This is completed every two years to give the Board a better understanding of work load and staff satisfaction and wellbeing. We believe that this is particularly important at this time with the ongoing struggle to get recognition of our teachers value from the government through contract negotiations.

They also went over this years PAT mathematics results. This standardised assessment provides excellent information for teachers on student learning progress and gaps in understanding that they can then use to inform their teaching programmes. It is completed by Year 3 - 6 students. The results show another lift in student achievement in mathematics and student progress above expectation in all year groups when compared with the NZCER norms. At a time when Mathematics achievement has been receiving much negative publicity it is great to see that our programmes are performing strongly in meeting the needs of our students.

Our property projects continue to progress with our contractors working in the junior bathrooms currently. They will move onto the roof alterations next and then onto the bathroom upgrades in the senior school. Our new heat pumps have been installed and the fundraising committee have contributed to upgrades and new equipment for the school playgrounds.

The fundraising group have organised a Bingo night for the 9th of June and I understand they have had a good response to this. It should be a fun night and something different so check out the notice in this newsletter for more details and book in your group. A fun night out and an opportunity to raise funds for stage 2 of our playground improvements is a win-win for everyone, so get involved.

I would like to make a special mention of Joshua Rudd who was on the front page of the Otago Daily Times this week for the work he did to get more inclusive play equipment installed for his friend Scarlette at Hudson Park. It is always good to hear of students working to make a difference for others and this clearly demonstrates our school values.

Today in assembly I will be handing out some awards to some of our high achievers. We have Otago Swimming championship ribbons as well as some science badges that have been awarded. We also have a number of Tumeke badges being awarded.

This week our senior students have again had some coaching from the Rugby League Association. Next week they have a trip planned to the museum and planetarium as part of their latest studies.

On Fridays our Senior students will be assisting us in answering phone calls and being in charge of the office during the morning tea and lunch breaks. This presents a valuable opportunity for our seniors to gain experience, and they are excited to assist Nicola in the office. If you call during these times, we kindly ask for your patience as they are still learning.

I have seen lots of crafts this week especially in the juniors aimed at Mothers Day this weekend. I hope that it is a special day for all of our mothers and thank you for the very important work you do for yours and others children.

**Nga Mihi**  
**Chris McKinlay**  
**Principal**



# ELMGROVE FAMILY SKI WEEKEND



Cardrona - Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

## Family ski weekend booking form



Congratulations to Josh on helping his friend Scarlette get her new roundabout swing at the park, by demonstrating our school values of caring and perseverance, Josh has truly shown what it means to be a compassionate and determined individual. Let's all take a moment to celebrate Josh's incredible accomplishment and the spirit of generosity that he embodies. Way to go, Josh! You're an inspiration to us all.

## Important School Report Update

Our school reports will now be sent out via email. We understand that this is a new approach, but we believe it will provide a more efficient and secure way of delivering your child's progress reports.

In order for you to receive your child's report, we kindly request that if you have recently updated your email address you ensure the school office has the correct email address for you. This will make certain that you receive the report in a timely manner.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

# FUNDRAISING TEAM

To all our Families,

We are excited to announce that we will be hosting a Bingo night on Friday 9th June and we need your help to make it a success. To make the event even more enjoyable for everyone, we are asking for your support in donating prizes, vouchers, toiletries, plants, and even baking goods (obviously these would need to be dropped off closer to the time) or anything that is prize-worthy.

If you are able to contribute, we would greatly appreciate it. Any items donated will be used as prizes for our raffles and will help to make the night a memorable one.

Please email [maat@elmgrove.school.nz](mailto:maat@elmgrove.school.nz) if you are able to contribute and what you will be donating. You can drop off your donations at our school office. If you are unable to drop off your donations, please let us know and we will make alternative arrangements.

Please e-mail [maarth@elmgrove.school.nz](mailto:maarth@elmgrove.school.nz) if you want a seat or two saved, it'll be first in first served if we book out.

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Thank you for your support in making this event a success.

Sincerely,  
Elmgrove Fundraising Team.

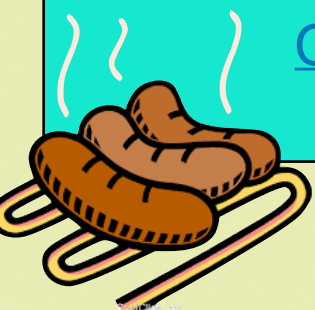
## Sausage Sizzle

Elmgrove School will be running a sausage sizzle on Thursday 18th May. These must be preordered and paid for by Monday 15th May.

Please fill out one form for each child

Sausages are \$2 each

[Order Form](#)



A vibrant orange poster for a Bingo Night event. At the top, it says 'Elmgrove SCHOOL' with a leaf logo. Below that, 'BINGO NIGHT!' is written in large, bold, blue and orange letters. The event is on 'FRIDAY 9TH JUNE' with 'doors open 6pm first call 7pm'. It's hosted by the 'TAIERI BOWLING CLUB' and has a 'GOLD COIN ENTRY'. Prizes include a '\$15 BOOK OF 10 GAMES' and '\$5 SUPER HOUSE'. There are several circular callouts with numbers: 5, 7, 15, 19, and 26. The background features several bingo cards with numbers on them.



# MATAI HUB

Matai hub has been busy working on their biodiversity topic this term. We have been designing and creating bird feeders. We were also lucky enough to have Jenny come in from the Dunedin City Council to talk to us about monitoring pests that are in our school. The children set out tunnel tracks and bite cards and checked on them over the weekend.

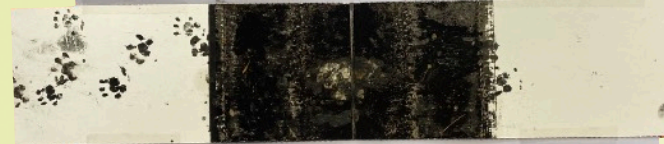
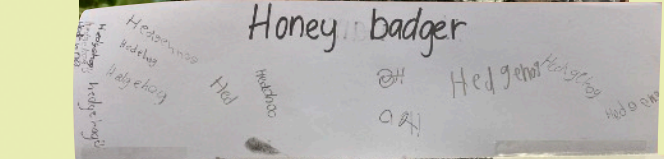


I like investigating the animal footprints that were left on the tunnel tracks

- Zuan

I enjoyed when Jenny came and gave us the pest investigations to do with my group -

Leighton

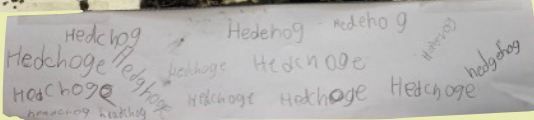
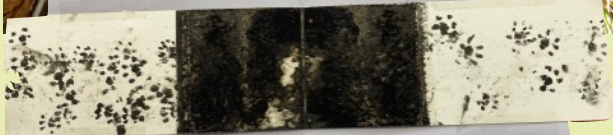


I liked getting to design my bird feeder in my topic

- Heidi J

I liked getting to put the tunnel tracks outside and checking on them after the weekend

- Keeana

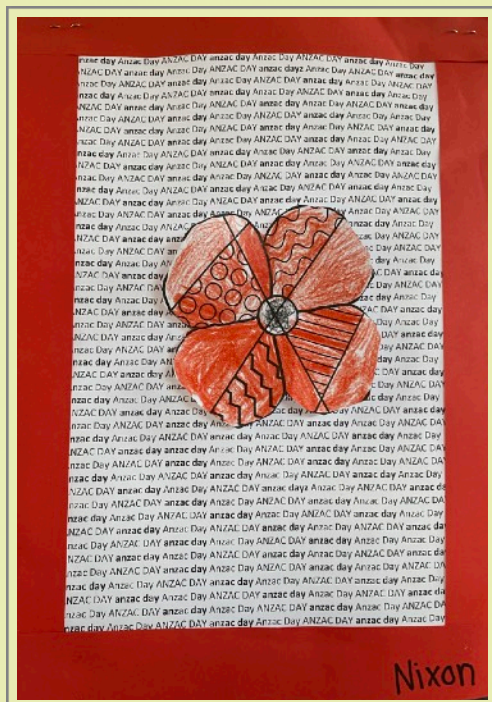
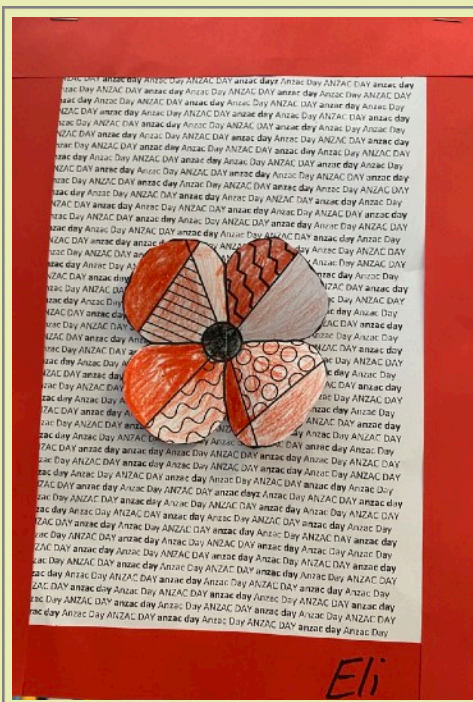
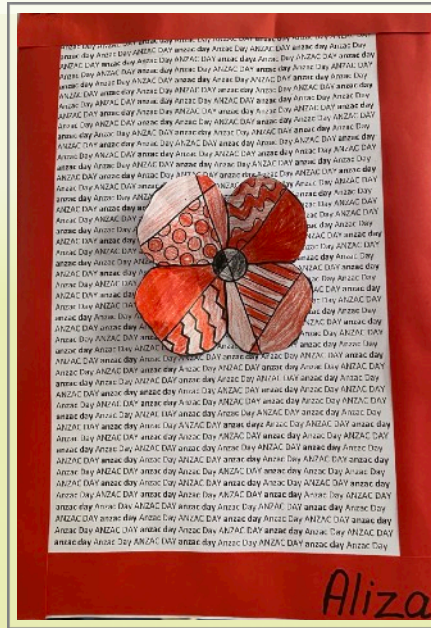




# MATAI HUB

## ANZAC ART

Matai looked at using one colour to colour in a poppy using different pencil pressure to achieve light and dark shades.





# SCHOOL VALUE ACHIEVERS



## These children received 5 Tumekes

- ★ *Ruben Shaw*
- ★ *Eva Mitchell*
- ★ *Paige Lennox-Toa*
- ★ *Laura Mooney*
- ★ *Keira Landrebe*
- ★ *Savanna Eaton*
- ★ *Mia Everitt*
- ★ *Leah Walmsley*
- ★ *Beth Leslie*
- ★ *Bianca Keen*
- ★ *Oscar Heller*

## These children received 10 Tumekes

- ★ *Kenya Withey*
- ★ *Teagan Robertson*

## These children have earned a badge!

### ★ *Perseverance*

- Jade Botha*
- Paige Lennox-Toa*
- Teagan Robertson*
- Kenya Withey*
- Zoe Coombes*

### ★ *Caring*

- Eva Mitchell*

### ★ *Respect*

- Braxton O'Sullivan*
- Caiden Wallis*
- Heidi Campbell*

### ★ *Responsibility*

- Rongomai Smith*

## These children have earned a School Values Badge

- ★ *Jade Botha*
- ★ *Paige Lennox-Toa*
- ★ *Kenya Withey*
- ★ *Zoe Coombes*

WELL DONE, YOU MAKE OUR SCHOOL A SPECIAL PLACE.

**RESPONSIBILITY**



**RESPECT**



**CARING**



**PERSEVERANCE**





# Whats coming up at ElmGrove.

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

### **Week 3- 8th-14th May**

12th May

Assembly - Hosted by Rimu

### **Week 4- 15th-21st May**

16th May

Rugby League Training (Kowhai/Kauri)

17th May

Rugby League Training (Kowhai/Kauri)

18th May

Moa Team to Otago Museum

18th May

Sausage Sizzle

18th May

Assembly - Hosted by Matai

### **Week 5- 22nd-28th May**

26th May

Assembly - Hosted by Kowhai

### **Week 6- 28th May-4th June**

30th May

National Young Leaders day

1st June

No Assembly today

### **Week 7- 5th - 11th June**

5th June

Kings Birthday - No School

8th June

TSSA Duathlon

9th June

Assembly - Hosted by Totara

### **Week 8- 12th-18th June**

13th June

Board Meeting

16th June

Assembly - Hosted by Manuka

### **Week 9- 19th-25th June**

20th,21st,22nd June

Parent Teacher Interviews

22nd June

No Assembly Today

### **Week 10- 26th June - 2nd July**

29th June

Sausage Sizzle

30th June

Assembly - Hosted by Kauri

30th June

Last Day of School for Term 2

# OTAGO DEVELOPMENT DAY

Sunday, 21st May

## Morning Session:

- What: Skills, drills, games wellbeing & NRL Pathways.
- Where: Sargood Centre/Logan Park (40 Logan Park Drive).
- Time: 9:30am-12:00pm (sign-in from 9am)
- Age grades: Years 5, 6, 7 & 8 (primary/intermediate)
- Bring: Boots, mouth guard, water and snacks.
- Cost: Free

## Afternoon Session:

- What: Skills, drills, games wellbeing & NRL Pathways.
- Where: Sargood Centre/Logan Park (40 Logan Park Drive).
- Time: 1:30pm-4:00pm (sign-in from 1:00pm)
- Age grades: u14s, u16s & u18s.
- Bring: Boots, mouth guard, water and snacks.
- Cost: Free

Registration link:

<https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/234293>



## Sign up for Music Lessons!

Choose your instrument and sign up now at [www.musiqhub.co.nz](http://www.musiqhub.co.nz)

- ✓ A structured curriculum with quality lesson books
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### UPCOMING HOLIDAY CAMPS

CYC Waiholā runs school holiday camps every year for children and youth ranging from year 5 - 13

### WINTER BOYS CAMP

**LORD OF THE RINGS**  
03 - 07 JULY 2023

- For all boys in school years 5 - 8 in 2023
- Our theme this year is Lord of the Rings!
- Monday 03 - Friday 07 July
- \$190
- To enrol, visit [www.cycwaiholā.org.nz](http://www.cycwaiholā.org.nz)

### TEEN GIRLS CAMP

**Never Alone**  
03 - 07 JULY 2023

- For all girls in school years 9 - 13 in 2023
- Our theme this year is community!
- Monday 03 - Friday 07 July
- \$220
- To enrol, visit [www.cycwaiholā.org.nz](http://www.cycwaiholā.org.nz)

### JUNIOR GIRLS

**Winter Camp**  
10 - 14 JULY 2023

### WINTER GIRLS CAMP

- For all girls in school years 5 - 8 in 2023
- Our theme this year is 'light party!'
- Monday 10 - Friday 14 July
- \$190
- To enrol, visit [www.cycwaiholā.org.nz](http://www.cycwaiholā.org.nz)

Come, Play, and Enjoy



**Mosgiel Junior  
Badminton Club**

Open to Children and Youth  
Ages 8-18 years

Club Nights

Fridays 7pm - 8:30pm

School Terms 2 & 3

Mosgiel Memorial Park Gymnasium

Facebook

SCAN ME

Welcoming new members  
for social and competitive play  
All equipment provided  
Play commitment free for 3 weeks



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