



Enriching, Encouraging, Empowering

Message from The Principal

Kia ora

Thank you to all of our families and parents for your support of our teachers on Wednesday. We really appreciate you making other arrangements and collecting your children so that our staff could attend their paid union meeting in town. It was good for all teachers from across Dunedin to be able to get together and discuss their upcoming contract negotiations, and what the priorities are for ensuring the best education possible for our children and providing staff wellbeing.

This week we have had a number of children sick with colds, sore throats and temperatures. We are aware that there is still a number of cases of Covid around and if you require any testing kits we do have these available at school.

Our value focus for this term has been respect. Children have been learning about respect and how to show this in the classroom and school environment. I hope that some of this is transferring into the home as well. All of our hubs, have been putting posts up on seesaw connected with our school values. I hope you had a chance to check these out and give the children some feedback on their work. If you do not have access to your child's seesaw account, please make sure you get in touch with the teachers as this is a great source of information and an opportunity to see what your children have been up to.

Today is the last day of swimming for this term, all of our junior children and middle students have now had swimming lessons. Our seniors will be having their lessons in term four when the new Mosgiel pool has opened.

This week Elmgrove has been part of Walk and Wheel week. It is great to see so many children bringing their bikes and scooters to school. We are recording the number of children walking or wheeling to school over the whole month of March. Children can collect stamps on their card as they come in the gate if they walk, ride or scoot to school. We encourage them to keep this up throughout all of March and while the weather permits. We will be having our normal wheels fun day next week.

Nga Mihi
Chris McKinlay
Principal



Welcome to Elmgrove



Chloe

Sausage Sizzle



Wednesday March 8th

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ELMGROVE FAMILY SKI WEEKEND

Cardrona - Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd July

Costs are as follows:

If you have your **own** gear - cost **\$83.00** per day, per person to ski

If you **need** gear - Helmet, Boots, Ski or board - cost **\$115** per day, per person to ski.

Under **6yrs old** - Lift pass **free** can hire gear at school rates: around **\$32** per person

We will send out a booking form early in Term 2, If you wanting to come along, put this date in your calendar, organise some accommodation and start saving as payments will be required by 1st June.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

ENROLMENT

We hope everyone has had a great term and made the most of our wonderful summer days. Our program will run from Tuesday 11th April through until Friday 22nd April 2023. Our operating hours are 8 am – 5.30 pm. PLEASE NOTE that we are closed on Monday 10th April to observe EASTER MONDAY. On Thursday 22nd April, our program will be operating out of the classrooms in the Junior block. Entry to the classrooms is still via the Ayr Street entrance and you can park on the P5 by the gate to the junior playground. We will have the flag out by the gate :).

Our hourly fee is \$6 per hour, capped at \$40 per day, additional charges for trips will be added to your account (the cost can be found on the program). 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 the 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 3-hour charge as well as the cost of any trips booked on that day.

We have a fun-filled program planned (see attached link). 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 blackboard outside the hall. Please ensure your child/ren brings a named drink bottle and named jacket every day. 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 and cheese 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 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 irene@elmgrove.school.nz.

If you have any queries please phone/text me on 027 696 1240, email irene@elmgrove.school.nz or message our Kids West Facebook page.

We look forward to seeing you in the holidays.

[Kids West Holiday Programme Enrolment Form 2023](#)

[Term Holiday Programme](#)

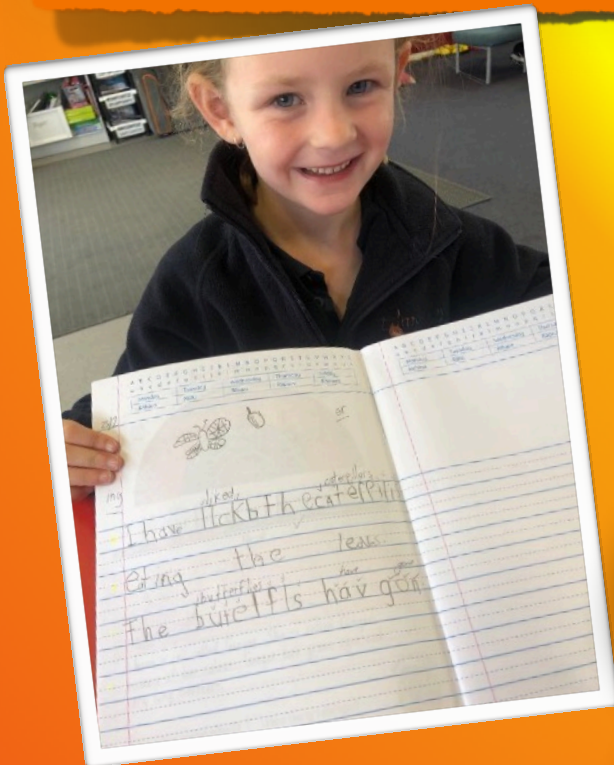
[Parent Information](#)

Thanks
Irene and Kids West Staff

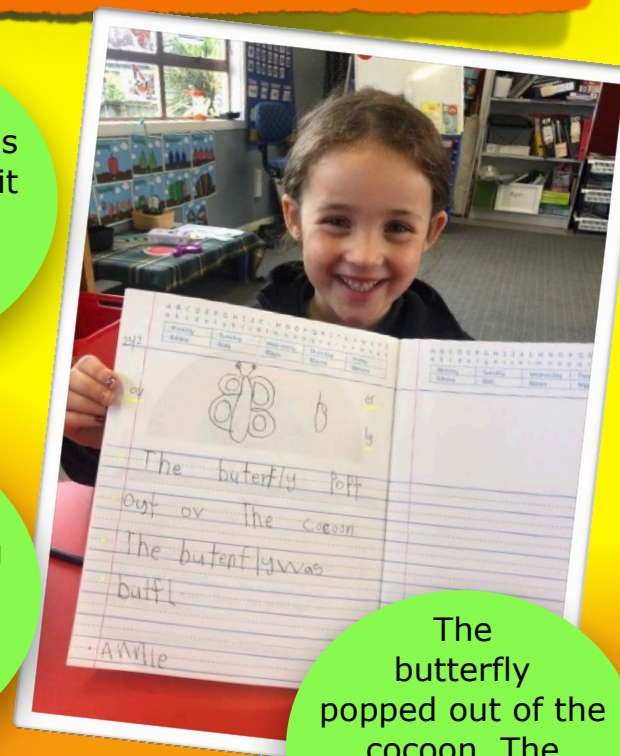
TOTORA HUB

We have been fortunate to have had caterpillars in our hub. We have enjoyed watching them munch and crunch and grow, then eventually turn into chrysalis.

We found it funny where they turned into chrysalis (one on a blanket, two on the window frame and only one on the swan plant) We were very excited to arrive at school to see them turn into beautiful monarch butterflies. Here are some of our stories.



The butterfly is on my finger, it feels tickly.
Alena



I have liked the caterpillars eating the leaves. The butterflies have gone.
Sophie

The butterfly popped out of the cocoon. The butterfly was beautiful.
Annie

The caterpillar eats leaves.
Harvey

I love watching the butterfly hatch.
Luke



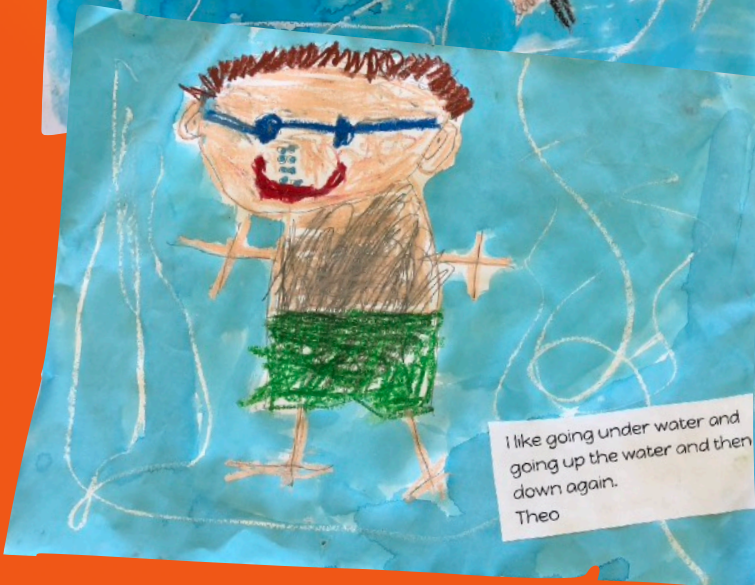
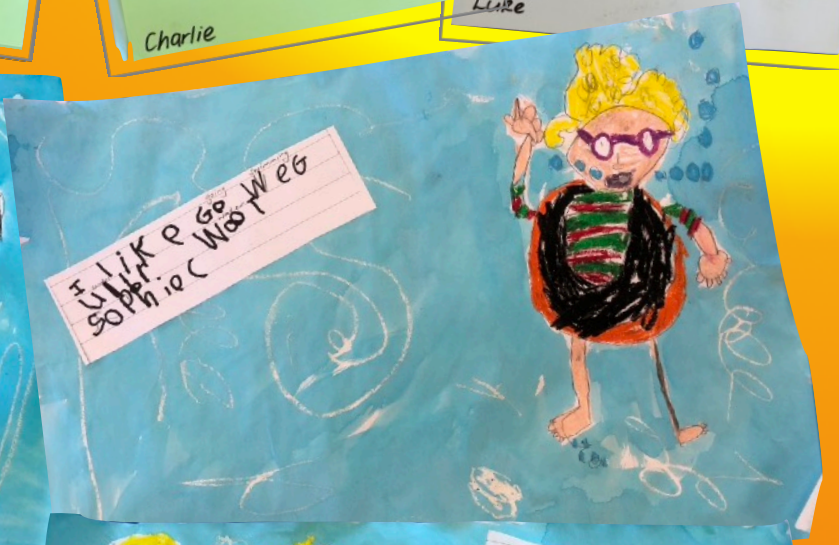
I like the butterfly flapping its wings.
Sylvia



I love watching butterflies fly away to find a new home.
Charlie

TOTORA HUB

This term we have been experimenting with colour. We have enjoyed learning about some famous artists, Dick Frizzell who is famous for his tiki artwork and David Hockney for his pool/swimming art. Look at our amazing masterpieces.



Whats coming up at ElmGrove.

Important dates - (mark these on your calendar)

Week 5- 27th February-3rd March

All Week

Swimming for Middles

All Week

Walk and Wheel Week

3rd March

Assembly - Hosted by Moa Team

Week 6- 6th-10th March

8th March

Sausage Sizzle

9th March

Girls Mini World Cup (Manuka/Matai Girls)

10th March

Singing Assembly

Week 7- 13th-17th March

17th March

Assembly - Hosted by Totora

Week 8- 20th-24th March

21st March

Board Meeting

24th March

Assembly - Hosted by Rata

26th March

Otago Primary School Swimming Champs

Week 9- 27th-31st March

31st March

Assembly - Hosted by Manuka

Week 10- 3rd-7th April

6th April

Last day for Term 1

7th April

Easter Friday

TERM 2 STARTS BACK- WEDNESDAY 26th April

Please note Elmgrove will return after the holidays on 26th April 2023 as 24th April is a Ministry allocated Teacher only day and 25th April is Anzac Day.



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Term Dates 2023

Term 1

Weds 1 February - Thurs 6 April

Term 2

Mon 24 April - Fri 30 June

Term 3

Mon 17 July - Fri 22 Sept

Term 4

Mon 9 Oct - Tues 19 Dec


SATURDAY MORNING MUSIC CLASSES 2023

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ENROLMENT DETAILS ~ SATURDAY 11 FEBRUARY at GEORGE STREET NORMAL SCHOOL MAIN BLOCK 9:30-11:00 or BATHGATE PARK SCHOOL FOYER 9:30-10:30, and WEDNESDAY 16 FEBRUARY at ELMGROVE SCHOOL 3:30-4:30

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TAIERI PLAINS JUNIOR NETBALL

AGM: Tuesday March 28TH

7.00pm

Taieri College Library

We need you to help us...

Please come along!



The Taieri Plain's Junior Netball Committee is a small group of volunteers without whom the Saturday netball games would not occur and this year more so than ever!

Unfortunately, there are several 'vacancies' needing to be filled to help with the day to day running of Saturday netball.

If you would like to join our committee either on an official basis or as a helping hand on Saturdays please come along on Tuesday March 28th 7.00pm and meet us all.

The successful running of Saturday netball depends on volunteers to spread the load.