



Enriching, Encouraging, Empowering

## Message from The Principal

On Wednesday we had a mufti day and lots of our children dressed in various sports team colours to represent some of their favourite teams. There were lots of bright colours throughout the classrooms and playground. The money raised from this event is part of the fundraising efforts of our parent support team who do fantastic work and have been raising funds for playground improvements as well as some upgrades in our school owned hall. This group is currently relatively small but the work they do is immense for the benefit of all our students. I would encourage all parents to think about how they can support this group. They meet once a term and plan out fundraiser events. We would really like some more parents to step up and join in with this group so that we can spread the load. Please contact the office or email [fundraiser@elmgrove.school.nz](mailto:fundraiser@elmgrove.school.nz)

This week the Board of Trustees meet. As part of this meeting we looked at progress outcomes from the intervention programmes that ran in Term 2. These programmes are funded by the Board as booster programmes for children and have demonstrated good results over recent years. Whanau who have had children in these programmes should have now received information from the teachers on outcomes for their children. We have started our Term 3 groups. The Board also looked at the results from the Student Wellbeing survey, got updates on property projects and spent time going through the revised Board code of conduct which has recently been released by the Ministry of Education. It was a very productive meeting.

We have had an increase in sickness of our students and our staff. We have been reminding all our students of good hand washing techniques and ask that parents make sure they do keep children home for at least 24 hours after finishing a gastro bug that includes vomiting or diarrhoea.

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



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Welcome to  
Elmgrove**



**Ariana**

## **40 hour Famine Money**

We are still waiting on some children to return their books and money! These are now overdue, please hand them into the office.

Thank you once again for your tremendous

## **Sausage Sizzle**

Thursday 10th August

Order here



**HAPPY  
DAFFODIL DAY**

## **Donations**

Next week we will have daffodils for sale in the school office in support of daffodil day. Please pop past drop a donation in the box and support this wonderful fundraising cause.

## **Food Bank**

The Foodbank are after some supplies if you wish to donate any they are short of spreads, especially Vegemite and Marmite and they also need biscuits and crackers. People can drop off to 2 Wickliffe Street between 10am and 11.45am on weekday mornings, or we will have a box in our school foyer for donations and we can take them down.

# SCHOOL VALUE ACHIEVERS

These children received 5 Tumekes

★ Arlo Campbell  
★ Tyler Gable  
★ Maci Hill  
★ Caiden Wallis  
★ Marco Wallace

★ Kieran Hayward  
★ Harvey Clouston  
★ Luke Thomson  
★ Florence Scholten

These children received 10 Tumekes

★ Lienke Scheepers

These children received 15 Tumekes

★ Jade Miller

These children have earned a badge!

★ *Respect*

*Mia Everitt*

★ *Perseverance*

*Savanna Eaton  
Sienna Grant Rudd  
Beth Leslie*

★ *Responsibility*

*Nellie Jullian*

★ *Caring*

*Isobel Strong  
Leah Walmsley*

★ *School Values*

*Savanna Eaton*

RESPONSIBILITY



RESPECT



CARING



PERSEVERANCE



# MANUKA HUB

Sharks  
Aiming to catch prey.  
Sharp teeth bolting through the sea.  
Eating salmon fish.  
By Chloe Jeffery



Snakes  
"Hiss Hiss Hiss" at you.  
They slither across the land.  
RUN RUN RUN AWAY!  
By Clara Hodge



Kiwi  
Brown and fluffy fur.  
Bright blue eyes and cuddly.  
Small nose on their beak.  
By Xavier Cash



The Manuka Hub learnt about Haiku Poems this week. A Haiku Poem consists of three lines, with five syllables in the first line, seven in the second, and five in the third. Check out our 'Haiku Zoo'...

Cheetah  
Stalking their large prey.  
Lightning speed like the fast wind.  
They have cute, black spots.  
By Indie Struthers



Cheetahs  
Cheetahs camouflage.  
Cheetahs live in the jungle.  
Cheetahs have black spots.  
By Jacob Coombs



# MANUKA HUB

Manuka was lucky enough to visit the Orokonui Ecosanctuary on Tuesday last week. We learnt about some native bird species in NZ, pests, plants that you can eat, how the ecosanctuary is run, and much more. We had a blast!



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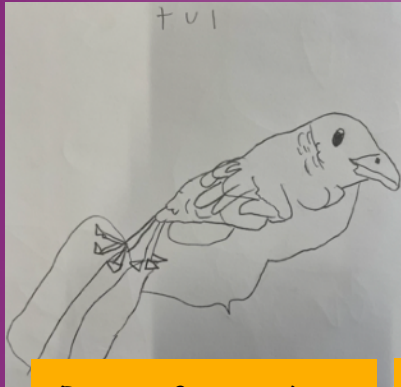
## Orokonui

Orokonui was fun and really cool because there were birds and reptiles. My favourite bird was the kakapo. Kakapos are like keas but a little different. The worst part about Orokonui was me falling in the pond. I got my shoes wet but luckily I bought spare shoes. There were no Kiwi because they only come out at night to look for food like worms. There are also Tui. I like them because the thing under their chin it's kind of like a beard. The first bird I saw was a robin.

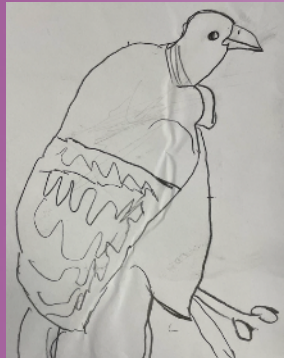
By Nikau Haldane

# MANUKA HUB

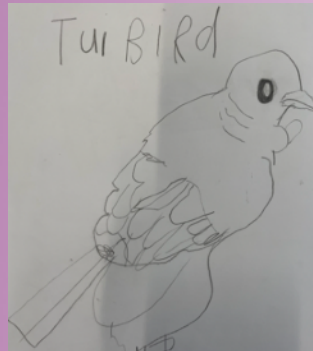
After visiting Orokonui, Manuka was inspired to draw some native birds. We followed some step-by-step tutorials and practised our sketching skills. Check out these sketches:



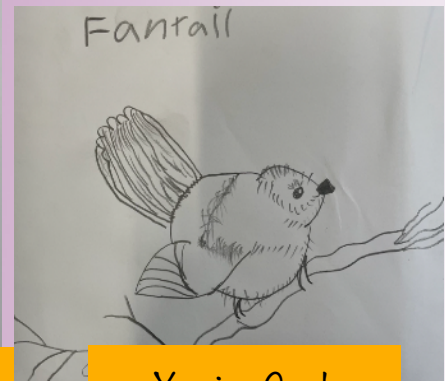
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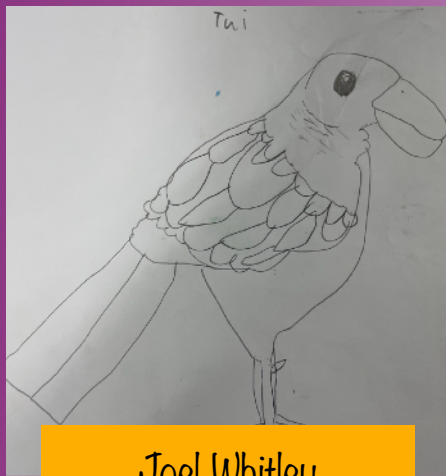
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Maci Hill



Xavier Cash



Joel Whitley



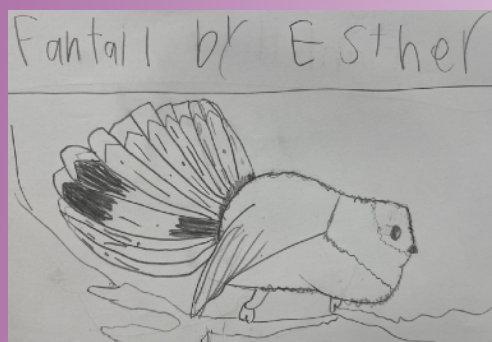
Michael Kirk



Mason Maclean



Maz Eaton



Esther Morrison



Reuben Dickie

# Whats coming up at ElmGrove.

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

### **TERM 3**

#### **Week 3- 31st July-6th August**

4th August Assembly - Hosted by Rata

#### **Week 4- 7th -13th August**

All Week Maths Week

8th August TSSA Cross Country

10th August Sausage Sizzle

11th August No Assembly

#### **Week 5- 14th -20th August**

18th August Edger Centre day for year 5/6

18th August Assembly - Hosted by Manuka

#### **Week 6- 21st -27th August**

24th August Omathalon

25th August Rugby League Comp Yr 5/6

25th August Assembly - Hosted by Kauri

#### **Week 7- 28th August -3rd September**

All Week Senior Swimming

31st August Matai Museum Sleepover

31st August No Assembly

#### **Week 8- 4th-10th September**

All Week Senior Swimming

5th September BOT Meeting

8th September Disco

8th September Assembly - Hosted by Rimu

#### **Week 9- 11th-17th September**

12th September School Photos

13th September Polyfest

14th September Manuka Museum Sleepover

15th September Assembly - Hosted by Totara

#### **Week 10- 18th-22nd September**

22nd September Assembly - Hosted by Matai

22nd September Last day of School for Term 3



# PLAY T-BALL & SOFTBALL THIS SUMMER!

SEASON MONTHS  
OCT 2023 - MAR 2024

OPTIONS FOR THE  
WHOLE FAMILY!

Ages 4 - 84  
No limits!!

Softball  
OTAGO

FUN, FAST &  
ACTION PACKED!

T-BALL  
UNDER 7 & UNDER 9

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UNDER 11, UNDER 13, UNDER 15,  
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Catholic Social Services

## THE INCREDIBLE YEARS PARENTING PROGRAMME

- Do you have a child between the age of 3-8 years?
- Would you like practical suggestions for challenging behaviours?
- Receive support in a friendly environment to help embrace your child's wellbeing?

Then this 14 week programme is for you.  
Beginning 17 August 2023, Thursday Evenings from  
6:30pm-9pm

### CONTACT TO ENROL

office@cathsocialservices.org.nz  
Phone: 03 455 3838

## Special Rigs for Special Kids 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023

Edgar Centre, Portsmouth Drive  
Dunedin



No pre-registration required, just arrive  
from 8.30am.  
A great day for everyone.

Enquiries Contact Greg Inch Phone 0274 358 508  
For further information please like and follow us on Facebook



# Enrolments for 2024 close on 18 August 2023.

If you require any further information,  
please contact the college on 489-3823.

## Let's go fishing

Otago Fish & Game Council is running four *free* Take A Kid Fishing sessions from 10am to noon at Southern Reservoir, Reservoir Road, Dunedin, on September 2, 3, 9 and 10, 2023.

You must register to attend this popular event. Go to the Otago Fish and Game Council Facebook page, or follow the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CNDY7L2>



We are excited to announce  
a new location for  
Taieri Traditional Karate Centre

## ELMGROVE DOJO

THURSDAYS

Juniors @ 5.30pm  
Combined Class 6-7pm

Elmgrove School Hall  
Commencing Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August



## BEGINNERS WELCOME!

ALSO TRAINING AT FAIRFIELD HALL ON  
WEDNESDAYS SAME TIMES  
PLS EMAIL [TAIERIKARATE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:TAIERIKARATE@GMAIL.COM)  
FOR MORE INFORMATION





**Help your community vote.**  
Register to work at the 2023 General Election.

For more information,  
visit **[work.elections.nz](https://work.elections.nz)**

We are currently recruiting people to work at voting places in your area for the 2023 Election. There are a variety of roles available on Election Day (October 14) and the preceding two weeks. These are paid roles. If you are interested in applying, please go to [work.elections.nz](https://work.elections.nz) and apply online for the Taieri Electorate.