

Enriching, Encouraging, Empowering

# Message from The Principal

Welcome back to school for the final term of this year. I hope the break was a good one for both you and your children and you are looking forward to the final Term. I have been out and about in the classrooms and it is good to see the children back in their classrooms and into their learning. We have a number of events coming up this term that you need to keep your eyes open for, these include the Taieri 7s tournament, Elmgrove's got Talent, Athletics and of course the end of year Year 6 activities and celebrations. You will find dates for these activities in the upcoming events section of the newsletter.

Our Junior school have started into swimming and are having lessons at Te Puna o Whakaehu. These are on either Tuesday or Thursday depending on classroom and will run for the next five weeks.

I want to remind families that next weekend is Labour Weekend and that we also have a teacher only day on Friday next week making the weekend even longer. This will make the next two weeks short weeks with school closed on Friday 20th October for the teacher only day and again on Monday 23rd October for Labour Day. Please make sure you have made arrangements for the care of your children on these days.

I am away to a conference in Auckland next week. Any urgent matters will need to be referred to Jenny Ryalls our Deputy Principal. Otherwise I will be back on Thursday.

I am not sure how many of you are following the Rugby World Cup, the Cricket World cup or the Netball constellation cup. For those who are it is a big weekend for sport and we wish the New Zealand teams all the best.

This weekend is also the final chance to vote in the General Election. Our school hall is one of the official voting sites on Saturday. If you have not already voted make sure you have your say and cast your vote.

**Chris McKinlay Principal** 



# Welcome to Elmgrove



Finn & Khloee



#### Teacher Only Day!!!

REMINDER!!! We have a Teacher only day on Friday 20th October which is next week!!

#### Term 4 = SUNHATS

Sunhat's are to be worn if your child wants to play outside, these can be purchased from the office for \$14 each.

#### **School Photos!!**

School Photos came home this week. Your child should have come home with an order envelope, proofs and pricing details for their recent school photo. Please return all envelopes to our office. All proof numbers need to be quoted on the order envelopes and the correct money enclosed. If parents wish to pay with EFTPOS, Kelk has kindly said you are welcome to head into their studio to do this.

Individual photos came home, The full class photo proofs are displayed in our office and also on your child's classroom door.

Orders need to be returned by: **Friday 27th October** 



# Rimu Hub

In term 3, we learnt about native birds.
We read through some reference books from the library, before we came up with our own question/ wondering.



Read up on some of our facts!!

Austin: Tui's have 2 voice boxes to talk.





Greg: About 25 million New Zealand native birds are killed by predators every vear.

Georgie: Flamingos are pink because they eat pink and orange foods. Our teachers put us into groups based on our wonderings, we explored many topics including; mechanics of flight, features of birds, bird calls, predators and habitats. In the last week of school, we shared our learning back to the class!

Ruby S: Pucks add preening oil to their feathers to keep them dry.

Aria: Some common predators are possums and rats.

Jackson: We can use traps to try to get rid of predators.

Charlie: Birds have special muscles to make them fly and people don't.





Look at our amazing wonder wall!



# ATTHE Pool

We are SUPER excited to be swimming at the new pool! Look at our great swimming skills.













# SCHOOL VALUE ACHIEVERS

#### These children received 5 Tumekes

- **★**James George
- ★Lucas Taylor-Holmes

  ★Drago Faring

- ★Hazel Laughton
- ★Stella Biernat
- ★ Telyna Mateariki
- ★Olive Bone

#### These children received 10 Tumekes

- \*Harper Brimble
- ★ Eva Mitchell
- ★Oscar Heller

#### These children have earned a badge!



Stella Biernat Isla Hill Jade Miller Levi Wilson







## **GOLF FUNDRAISER**

THANK YOU for the support last year with our 1<sup>st</sup> ever Elmgrove School Golf Fundraiser. It was a very successful fundraiser for our school making just over \$11,000. We are now planning our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual day which will be held on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023**.

Again, to make this such a successful day we **NEED** your help.

We are asking for businesses & parents help with the following:

Team prizes for the day -1<sup>st</sup> prize we are wanting accommodation somewhere for 4 people or something similar. All teams will get a prize of some sort, whether that's \$50 voucher or a cap.

Auction Prizes – Large items we can auction on the night. (Have been donated a TV already for the auction)

Raffle Prizes – Any items at all. Anything from eggs to hats to vouchers. We will be happy with anything offered to us.

Please, we need parents and businesses to help with this request.

All prizes can be dropped at the school office, or you can text Lyn on 0212546454 or email: <a href="mailto:fundraiser@elmgrove.school.nz">fundraiser@elmgrove.school.nz</a>

**Thank you - Fundraising Committee** 

### Whats coming up at ElmGrove.

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

#### TERM 4

Week 1-9th-15th October

13th October Assembly - Hosted by Rata

Week 2- 16th-22nd October

18th October Ukulele Jam - At Taieri College 19th October Years 4-6 School Athletics

20th October Teacher Only Day - No School Today

Week 3-23rd-29th October

23rd October Labour Day - No School

24th October BOT Meeting

26th October Year 6 - 7 aside at Taieri College 27th October Assembly - Hosted by Kowhai

Week 4- 30th October-5th November

31st October TSSA Athletics

1st November Dunedin Primary Schools Triathlon

3rd November Assembly - Hosted by Kauri

All Week Book Fair

Week 5- 6th-12th November

9th November Elmgroves Got Talent

10th November Assembly - Hosted by Matai

Week 6- 13th-19th November

All Week Science Road Show

Week 7- 20th-26th November

20th November MOE Teacher only Day - School Closed

21st November Otago Champs Athletics 24th November Assembly - Hosted by Totara

Week 8-27th November -3rd December

1st December Assembly - Hosted by Manuka

Week 9- 4th - 10th December

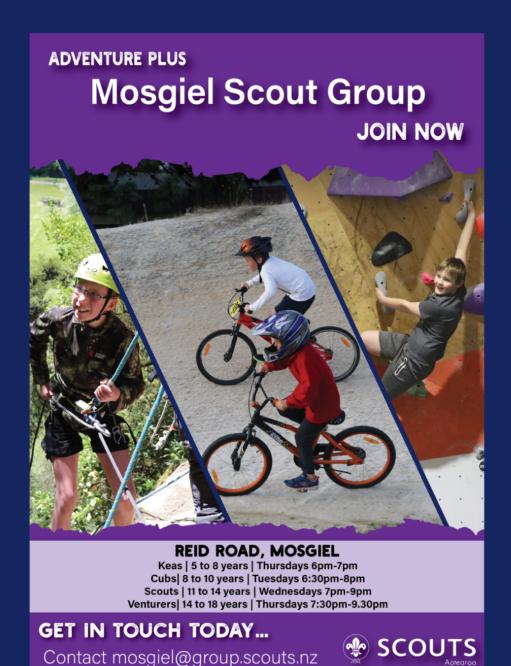
1st December Assembly - Hosted by Rimu

Week 10-11th - 17th December

15th December Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Week 11-18th - 19th December

19th December Last day of Term



Altrusa
International of
Taieri Raising Funds for
Community
Projects

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October Green Island Rugby Club 6pm for food & drinks 7pm BINGO starts

Cancer Society

Wellness Gym

Mosgiel Food Bank

Tamariki, Togs & Towels two fat Ladies

**Books for Babies** 

Families in need

The Elderly

Cargill Enterprises

Women and Men's Health

Structured Literacy in Schools



Local Schools and staff

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