



Enriching, Encouraging, Empowering

Message from the Principal

This week has been a very short week with only three days of school. I remind you that next week is also a three day week. There is no school on Monday or Tuesday next week due to Easter. We have received a few inquiries as to why school is closed on Tuesday. This is a Ministry of Education requirement. I share this explanation directly from the Ministry of Education website:

I hope you can all make the most of the long weekend.

Easter Tuesday

The Tuesday following Easter Monday is a school holiday (but not a statutory holiday), meaning schools must not be open.

The terms and holidays are usually set so that Easter occurs during the first term break and the Easter Tuesday school holiday goes unnoticed. However, in some years Easter falls much earlier than usual such as in 1997, 2005, 2008, 2013, 2016, 2021 and 2024.

School closures

- State and state-integrated schools must be closed on Saturdays, Sundays and Easter Tuesday (a school holiday).
- On public holidays and anniversary dates.

Our teacher only day of Friday was very successful. It was great to meet as a whole staff and explore our behaviour management approaches with the ministry team and look at where they can be enhanced through the restorative practice model. We met again as a staff yesterday and discussed what this will look like in practice. I will be sharing some more with you over the coming term about the types of questions we use when working through conflict with children and hopefully you may find them useful in the home setting as well.

The Ministry of Education have set two more teacher only days for this year. Our next one is currently planned for 31st May 2024. I will have further information on this early next term.

Next week we do have our walk and wheels day on Wednesday. This is always a lot of fun and we have lots of bikes and scooters here. Our PALs will again be setting up an obstacle course to try out during the lunch break.

The Board of Trustees signed off our new school policy website at their last meeting. A complete set of all school policies will be available for reading and comment on this site. We will keep you updated on which policy areas are being updated each term. This term policy updates have been made to include the government mandates about cell phones in schools and 1 hour of reading, writing and Mathematics each day. Both of these were already part of normal practice here at Elm Grove and therefore this has meant only minor wording changes. As soon as the School Docs Team release our website link I will send it out to whanau. I expect this to be available in the next week.

Chris McKinlay
Principal



Elmgrove Reminders

**Please
Keep Gate
Closed**

*This is a
Child Safe Area*



Gate Signs

Please be mindful of the new signs posted on our gates requesting that they remain closed when entering school grounds. This to to keep all of our children safe,

Adult Tutor Reading

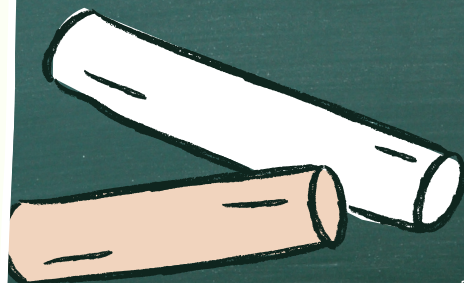
At Elmgrove School we are keen to start up our Adult Tutor Reading programme. This involves coming to school a couple of times a week (or as often as you are able) to listen to some children read. This helps our readers to develop mileage and fluency. If you have some spare time and would be interested in helping out then we would love to hear from you!

Please e-mail
melissac@elmgrove.school.nz
alternatively you can pop in and chat to Melissa or Kaye at school.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Community Pantry

If you have an item in your cupboard that you could please put in our pantry please drop off to our office. Many Thanks.



Walk N Wheels Wheels Day 2024

*Dress up your
bike or scooter*



*Decorate
your helmet*



Walk N Wheel day is on
Wednesday April 3.

The PALS have loads of prizes to give out.
They will be hosting a wheels event at lunchtime on Wednesday.

Junior event: The Junior Court.
Middle & Senior Event: on the Senior court.
Whole School Event: Pump and Bike Track

Congratulations

VALUE ACHIEVERS

These children have earned 5 Tumeke Cards

Jake Littlejohn
James Russell
Paige White
Charlotte Haggerty
Tayla Mokotupu
Sehajdeep Singh
Izaiah Philips
Charlie Lunjevich

These children have earned a badge



Manaaki
Caring

Chad Osborne



Manawanui
Perseverance

Arlo Campbell
Izaiah Philips



Whakaute
Respect

Aliza Taylor-Holmes
Joel Whitley



Māngai Kāwanatanga
Value Ambassador

Joel Whitley

BINGO NIGHT

BAR OPEN

RAFFLES

FRIDAY 17 MAY
DOORS OPEN 6 PM FIRST CALL 7 PM

\$15 BOOK OF TEN GAMES
\$5 SUPER HOUSE

TAIERI BOWLING CLUB
GOLD COIN ENTRY
CASH ONLY

DABBERS FOR
SALE \$3

BYO SNACKS

LIMITED SPACES BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
BOOK NOW!

EMAIL - fundraiser@elmgrove.school.nz

TEXT -

Lyn 0212546454



NETBALL REGISTRATIONS

Register Here

NETBALL IS PLAYED IN TERMS 2 AND 3, AND IS AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN IN YEARS 1-6.

GAMES ARE PLAYED ON A SATURDAY AT TAIERI COLLEGE.

FEES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- **YEAR 1 (FUN FERNS): \$15**
- **YEAR 2: \$20**
- **YEAR 3/4: \$30**
- **YEAR 5/6: \$30**

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR IF YOUR CHILD IS INTERESTED IN PLAYING NETBALL, PLEASE FOLLOW THE LINK TO REGISTER THEM.

REGISTRATIONS OPEN: 12TH MARCH 2024

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE: 3PM THURSDAY 28TH MARCH 2024

MINIBALL REGISTRATIONS

[Register Here](#)

MINIBALL IS PLAYED IN TERMS 2 AND 3, AND IS AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN IN YEARS 1-6.

GAMES ARE PLAYED AT THE MOSGIEL MEMORIAL PARK COURTS ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

- YEAR 1-3: WEDNESDAY
- YEAR 4: MONDAY
- YEAR 5/6: TUESDAY

FEES ARE \$25 PER PLAYER. IT WILL BE ENDEAVOURED TO MAKE TEAMS OF 8 TO MAXIMISE ON COURT PLAYING TIME.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR IF YOUR CHILD IS INTERESTED IN PLAYING MINIBALL, PLEASE FOLLOW THE LINK TO REGISTER THEM.

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Kidswest



HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Hi All,

We hope everyone has had a great term and made the most of our wonderful summer days. Our program will run from Monday 15th April through until Friday 26th April 2024. Our operating hours are 8am – 530pm. PLEASE NOTE that we are closed on Thursday 25th April to observe ANZAC DAY.

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 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 8am 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 bring 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 \$2.50, mince pie \$2.50, Noodles \$1.50. These need to be paid by 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 attached link to link to enroll 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 ire nec@elmgrove.school.nz. If you have any questions please phone/text me on 027 696 1240, email ire nec@elmgrove.school.nz or message our Kids West facebook page.

We look forward to seeing you in the holidays.

Irene and Staff

[Kids West Holiday Programme Enrolment Form](#)

[Term Holiday Programme](#)

[Parent Information](#)

TOTARA HUB



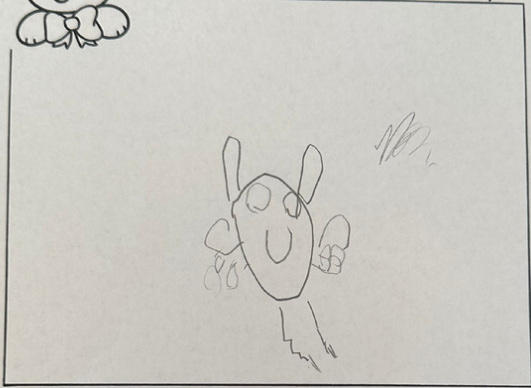
On a Tuesday afternoon we had a visit from the Elmgroves. This is a great time to meet the new children prior to them starting school and a chance for them to familiarise themselves with our environment and make new friends while playing in our 'mini action stations' in the Totara Hub.





Name Ihaia

If I were the Easter Bunny...



I wd save the

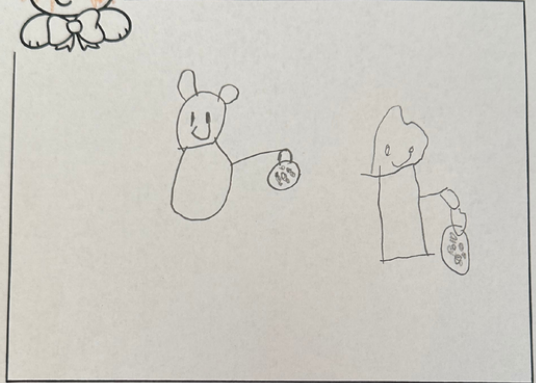
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Name Isabella

If I were the Easter Bunny...



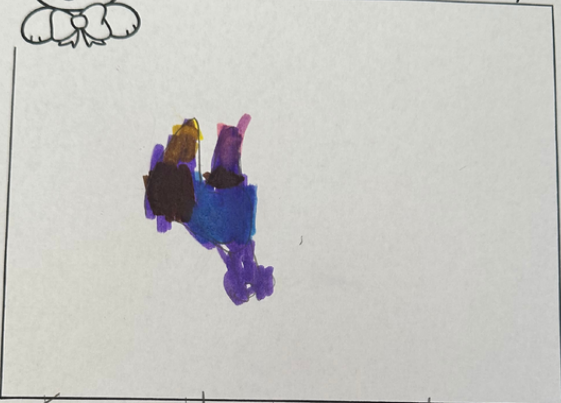
I would deliver

all the eggs.



Name Zirah

If I were the Easter Bunny...



I wd eat all the

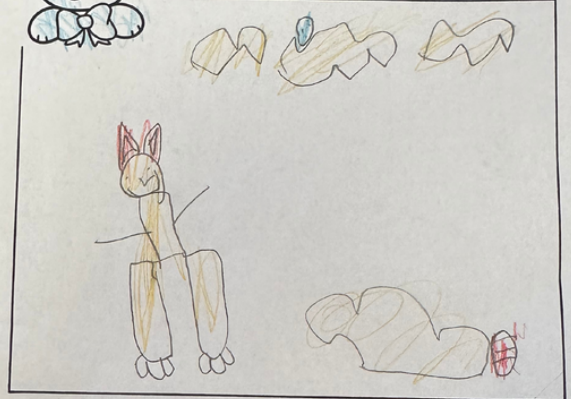
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Name Millie

If I were the Easter Bunny...



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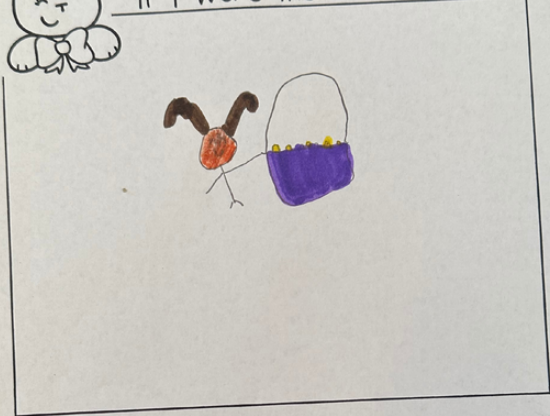
and hid thm



Name Beau



If I were the Easter Bunny...



I would go on
a treasure hunt.



Name Ezra



If I were the Easter Bunny...



I would walk over

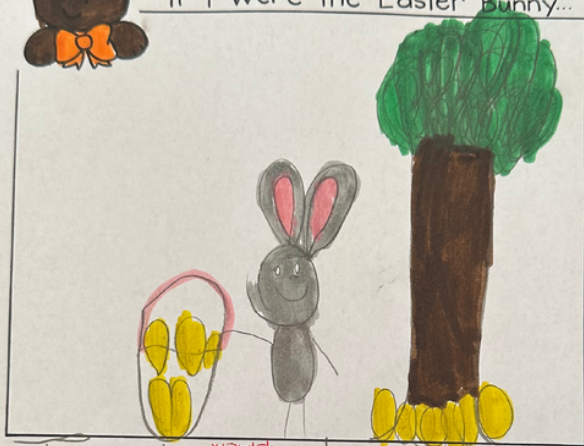
the rainbow.



Name annabelle



If I were the Easter Bunny...



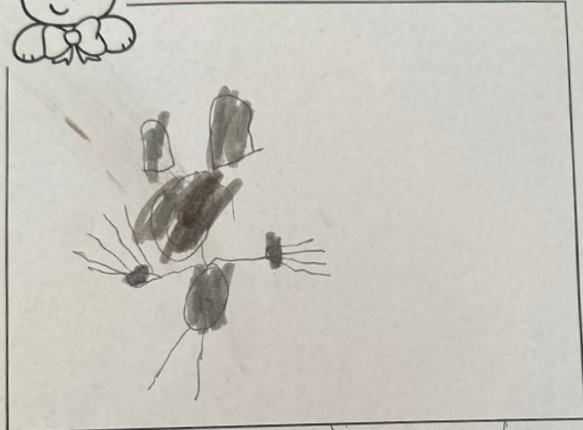
I would hide
the eggs behind
a tree.



Name Adriel



If I were the Easter Bunny...



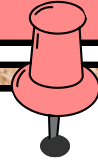
I would eat

one egg.





Important DATES



Term 1

- **Week 10- 1st - 7th April**

- 1st April Easter Monday - No school
- 2nd April Easter Tuesday - No school
- 3rd April Walk and Wheel day
- 4th April Junior Swimming
- 5th April Assembly hosted by - Totara

- **Week 11- 8th - 14th April**

- 8th April Otago Nuggets visiting year 5/6 students
- 12th April Last day of term 1

Term 2

- **Week 1- 29th April - 5th May**

- 29th April Tem 2 starts
- All Week Middles Swimming
- 30th April Fundraising Meeting

- **Week 2- 6th - 12th May**

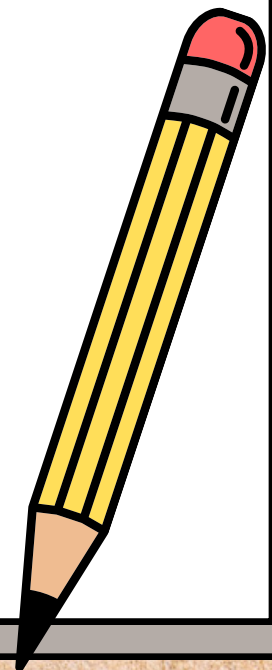
- All Week Middles Swimming

- **Week 3- 13th - 19th May**

- 14th May BOT Meeting

- **Week 4- 20th - 26th May**

- 14th May Kowahi Hub to art gallery
- 21st May Yr5/6 girls league training
- 22nd May Dog safety education - Rimu Hub



WANT TO WRESTLE?

Season begins Monday 29 April 2024



TAIERI AMATEUR WRESTLING CLUB

Come along and try wrestling!

Wear t-shirt and shorts (no zips)
Bring a water bottle

Facebook: Taieri Taniwhas Amateur Wrestling Club

When: 5.45pm, Monday 29 April

Thereafter Mondays & Wednesdays

Juniors 5.45pm - 6.30pm

Seniors 6.30pm - 7.30pm

Where: Taieri College - Hollamby Hall
(inside the Indoor Training Centre),
3 Green St, Mosgiel.

A poster for a Junior Ballers Clinic. It features a group of children and two adults standing on a tennis court. The text reads: "SCHOOL HOLIDAYS / 22-24 APRIL", "CLINIC", "Years 4-6 10pm - 1.30pm / Years 7-8 1.30pm - 3pm", "200 Monday / 180 Tuesday / 120 Wednesday / 120 Thursday / 120 Friday / 120 Saturday / 120 Sunday / 120 Monday / 120 Tuesday / 120 Wednesday / 120 Thursday / 120 Friday / 120 Saturday / 120 Sunday". There is a logo in the top left corner.

A poster for Taieri Tennis Club. It features a silhouette of a tennis player swinging a racket. The text reads: "TAIERI TENNIS CLUB presents... TENNIS", "LESSONS IN TERM 2", "AGES 3 - 12, FOUR AGE GROUPS!", "SATURDAY AFTERNOONS", "Do active, fun skills. Play with friends. Amazing coaches. Rackets and balls provided.", "Hot Shots Autumn: 4 May - 22 June (\$45 / \$55)", "Also! Non-members can now book a court online!", "For more info, and to sign up, please visit www.clubspark.diaf.co.nz/taieri-tennis-club". There is a logo in the top left corner.