23rd September 2022

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Message from The Principal

We have one week of school left for this term and this has been shortened to 4 days with the public holiday that has been scheduled for Monday next week in recognition of the death of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. I hope that the long weekend is one of relaxation for you all.

This week we had our first meeting of the new Board of Trustees. It was great to welcome Marlene Du Toit-Parks as the newest member of the Board. The Board explored the school Code of Conduct, looked at the Board reporting timetable for the year and were updated on our current property projects. They also finalised the Community survey questions which will be sent out at the end of the first week back next term. This survey seeks your opinions on the programmes and performance of our school as we look to set goals and focuses for 2023. This year we are offering a prize draw with a \$100 grocery voucher prize. All families who complete the survey will be eligible. The survey will still be anonymous but on completion of the survey you will be provided with a link to register for the prize draw. We are hoping for a good response from our community so that we can set our goals based on feedback that truely represents all of our stakeholders and not just a small group. Please look out for this survey early next term. We have just begun our new evaluation cycle with the Education Review Office. Our ERO partner will be visiting the school next term. This will be a good opportunity to discuss our school vision and direction as well.

This week we had school photographs which went smoothly, we will have the order forms back start of next term. We have added a pricing for these in this newsletter so families can start budgeting for these. We also had Bike skills for our Year 6 students with Bike School. This is a great day of learning how to control your bike correctly and ends with some time out on the local streets practicing the things they have learnt. Today the Manuka Hub went for a trip to the Library and Park. It is great to be out from under our restrictions and classes are making the most of the opportunities to participate in a wider variety of activities.

Tonight is the school disco and I am sure lots of children will have some fancy dance moves to share with me. This is another great fundraiser coordinated by our school fundraising group. This team are a very hard working team and are again looking for new members. Please do let us know if you can help them out. They do important work and it is a great way to get to know other parents in our community.

Nga Mihi Chris McKinlay Principal

KATHRYN BERKETT

25TH OCTOBER

Kathryn Berkett, has her Masters in Education Psychology, and has certified as a Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics practitioner. She has worked and trained nationally and internationally, on the subject of neuroscience for over fifteen years. Kathryn's workshops will give us a better understanding of what is going on with our children. Her up to date information will arm us with more tools and options for our interactions with them.



If the cost is an issue, please get in touch with our school, about an available subsidy, as we think this session will be extremely valuable to our parents.

7:00 – 8:30 pm Caregiver session (Cost \$10.00) Elmgrove School

Caregivers Register here by October 17

https://tinyurl.com/2j37d4am

REAT

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Ollie competed at the NZ Grappling League in Queenstown in the weekend taking out the gold for Boys No GI 8-9, 40kg division. Awesome Effort!!





Well done Max! Who made the under 12 Taieri plains touch team.

Kelk Photography Price List



MATAI HUB

WRITING

Our picture prompt this week was two people climbing out of a cave. We had to write a creative story about a cave. Our goal was to have a problem in our story and make it adventurous! Miss Renalson, Miss Edwards, Irene and Miss Ryan think we definitely achieved our goals!

One day me, Arah, Mckenzee and Max were climbing down a big rope. We were in a deep hole. It was dark and I felt scared. I saw a shark in the water. I was screaming a lot and I climbed out very fast! Arah. Mckenzee and Max were screaming "Help us Liam!" I quickly climbed back down and saved them. We called the builders to put the ground back to normal and we were all safe.

By Liam.

One sunny day me and Emily were camping. We packed our bags and went for a walk in the forest. We found a cave in the ground. It was humongous! We pinned the rope to the ground. We put a pin and held the rope. We slid down on it – like a fire pole. It was wet and mossy in the cave and there were so many spider webs too! We went inside. BOOM BOOM BOOM! "What was that?!" We said. "Uh, oh. I know what that was," I said. "BIG. HUGE ROCKS!" "AAAAAHHHHHH!" We yelled. "What should we do?" Emily asked. "Run!" We ran side to side. "Go up the rope!" I shouted to Emily. "Okay, hurry!" Emily replied. Aaaah! "This is awful!" I said. We went up, up, up. "Be careful to not fall off," I said. Finally, we got to the top. We collapsed to the ground. Phew!

I was with my friend Harriet. We went in a cave. We went skipping down the

cave. We saw diamonds!! We took some off the cave walls and some rocks came falling down while we picked the diamonds off the wall. We were trapped! "HELP! HELP! WE ARE TRAPPED IN A CAVE!" We shouted. We decided to dig our way out. We dug through the mud and finally we got out!

By Caitlyn. "Ooo ooo ah ah!" I heard a monkey in the jungle. I went up a ladder and I saw diamonds. I tried to steal them but I fell through a trap door to a hole. A rescue team saved me.

By James.



One sunny day I was on an adventure. I found a cave. I went inside. I took a rope. I was having a great adventure until I saw a spider. I figured out that I was trapped! I tried to escape. All of the spiders were venomous. They were chasing me everywhere. I ran as fast as I could. I saw a beach and a girl. I saw the spiders going towards her. I took her with me. She told me her name was Sapphire. She had red hair, a crop top and ripped jeans. I took my rope out but it was ripped. I didn't know what to do. Suddenly, Sapphire had an idea. She said "we need to look for another piece of rope". We looked around and saw some rope lying on the ground. I said "what do we do now?". Sapphire said "we are going to tie it together". I said "don't do that or the spiders will climb out." "Oh no! What are we going to do?" Sapphire said. Then I had an idea. "I still have my phone so we can call my mum and tell her where we are and she can get us out". Mum brought her rope and pulled us out. We lived happily ever after.

By Tensley.

One hot day I went to the beach for a walk. I went further down the beach and I ended up in a forest! I could hear the birds chirping very loudly. I kept walking in the forest until I heard people screaming "help!" I ran to the voices and saw people stuck in a cave. I got rope out of my bag and I rescued the people. They were 50 years old and they were travellers. One person was hurt so I rung 111 and a helicopter picked us up and took us to the hospital. One rainy day me and Ben went for a walk. It was a silly idea because it was raining. We went for a walk in a forbidden jungle. Ben and I could see all

kinds of birds flapping above us. We were surrounded by massive trees that had little holes of light from the sky. While we were distracted by the birds, we slipped and rolled, and rolled, and rolled into a hole! There was no way out. After two days, a search party came. They put ropes down the hole and the rescuers slide down them. Ben and I were so happy when we saw them. They put a harness on us and pulled us out. Mum and Dad were at the top waiting for us. Mum and Dad both said "Don't go in this forbidden forest ever again!" Then they gave us a big hug.

By Zac.

One hot shiny day I went with my Mum and Dad to a cave. We were going cave diving. We had no idea how to cave dive or how to get out as it was our first time! I felt excited and nervous to go cave diving. I did it! I jumped off the big cliff. It cracked a little from us all jumping off it. but it was fun! I did a back flip and bellyflopped into the water. I could see a bunch of fish and they were tickling me. We swam until we got to the cave and we found a rope hanging off the side. We played for a little while before diving off the cave. When we decided to go back to the rope – it was gone! It was no where to be seen! We looked everywhere and then we found it. Phew! It was in the same place, we just looked in the wrong place. We went up the rope and we got to the top of the cave and did some back flips and some belly flops and some side flips. We wanted to catch some of

the fish to take home because we were starting to feel hungry. We could not catch the fish as they were too fast but then my Dad caught some little fish. We went back

By Lincoln S.

home.











Earlier this term we learned about space. We then got to design our own planet and write some facts about it. Once we had completed our draft drawing, we got to get our hands slimy and do some paper mache! This week we got to paint our planets - we think they look pretty cool!









Kia Ora,

It's great to see mornings and evenings are lighter and we are seeing a bit of sunshine. Our holiday program will run from Monday 3rd October through until Friday 14th October 2022. Parents/Caregivers will be updated through our Kids West Facebook page and the blackboard outside the hall on any changes to our program. Entry to the Elmgrove School Hall is via the Ayr Street entrance (there will be a flag at the gate).

Our hours are 8.00 am – 5.30 pm. Please note - Our hourly fee is \$6 per hour, per child, capped at \$40 per day, per child. Additional charges for trips and bought lunches still apply. 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 8 am on the day will incur a three-hour charge as well as the cost of any trips booked on that day.

We have a fun-filled program planned (see attached link). There will be a small charge for our visitors attending the program and trip days (these prices are on the program). Children are welcome to bring along bikes, scooters, skateboards, and roller skates but please remember helmets! We hold no responsibility if these items get lost or damaged. We will also take (weather permitting) van loads of children to various bike parks/walks. We will rotate the children so over the holiday period all children will go if they choose. There will be no extra charge for these trips and these will only be done between 9.00 am and 3.00 pm.

We have hot lunches available on the days we are at school. Items available for purchase are Hot chips for \$2, mince pie for \$2, and Noodles for \$1. These need to be paid by cash on the day.

Please ensure your child/ren has EVERY DAY - A DRINK BOTTLE & A JACKET.

Please click on the attached 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 irenec@elmgrove.school.nz.

Kids West Holiday Programme Enrolment Form

Term 4 Holiday Programme

Parent Information

END-OF-YEAR DATES

Elmgrove School finishes for the year on Wednesday 14th December at lunchtime, there will be NO After School Care that day. We will run a Before Christmas program on Thursday 15th, Friday 16th and Monday 19th December 2022. Our proposed New Year program will begin Monday 9th until Friday 27th January 2023.

If you have any questions please ph/text me 0276961240, email or send a message through our Facebook page.

We look forward to seeing you in the holidays. Nga mihi Irene and Staff SCHOOL VALUE ACHIEVERS

These children have earned a badge!

* Responsibility

Amelliah Burgess Frankie Gallop Kobey McGuire

★ Caring Jack Boyd Xavier Cash

★ Respect

Tarn Kealey Hazel Laughton Liam Mccallum

These children have achieved **20 Tumeke Cards**

★ Joel Whitley ★ Makai Whaanga ★ Xavier Cash ★ Jack Boyd

These children have achieved **15 Tumeke Cards**

★ Jacob Coombes ★ Ahmad Alali 🗙 Savanna, Eaton,

These children have achieved **10** Tumeke Cards

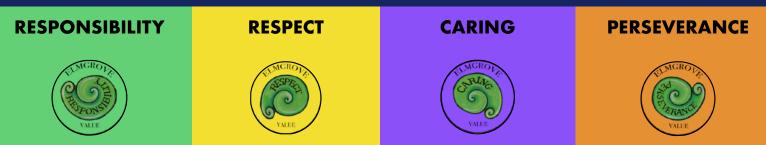
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★Liam McCallion ★ Jai Cunningham ★ Izaiah Philips ★ Liam Ferguson ★ Max LIttlejohn **★** Lachlan Gibbons

These children have achieved **5** Tumeke Cards

★ Henry Shepherd ★ Maci Hill ★ Alec Pieterse ★ Lincoln Cook ★ Charlie Gorton

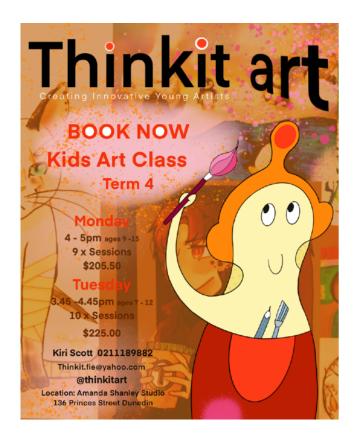
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Whats coming up at ElmGrove.

Important dates - (mark these on your calendar)

Week 9- 19th September -25th	September	
23rd September	Manuka Park/Library	
23rd September	Assembly - Hosted by Totara	
23rd September	School Disco - 6.00pm-7.30pm	
Week 10- 26th September -2nd October		
26th September	Public Holiday - No school today!	
27th September	Strike drumming performance	
28th September	Dunedin schools triathlon	
29th September	Sausage Sizzle	
29th September	Rimu trip to Wals	
30th September	Sports Award - Assembly	
30th September	LAST DAY TERM 3	
Week 1- 17th October-23rd October		
18th October	Fundraising meeting - Everyone welcome 7pm	
21st October	Assembly Hosted by Rimu	
Week 2- 24th October-30th October		
24th October	Labour Day - No School Today	
27th October	Ukulele Jam at Abbotsford School	
28th October	Pukeko - Science road show	
28th October	Assembly hosted by Kauri	
Week 3- 31st October-6th November		
All Week	Book Fair	
1st November	TSSA Athletics Yrs 4,5,6	
4th November	Year 6 Sevens Tournament - Taieri	
4th November	Assembly hosted by Manuka	
Week 4- 7th November-13th November		
	Assembly hosted by Kowhai	
12th November	Otago Primary schools swimming champs	
Week 5- 14th November-20th November		
15th November	OPSSA Athletics Day	
17th November	Elmgroves got talent	
18th November	<u>Teacher only day - No school today</u>	
Week 6- 21st November-27th November		
25th November	Orange day Parade - Road Patrollers	
25th November	Assembly hosted by Totora	
Week 7- 28th November-4th December		
1st December	Yr 3/4s Rail Trail	
1st December	Yr 2s Dinosaur Park	
Week 8- 5th December-11th December		
All Week	Junior Swimming	
7th December	Year 6 Rafting Day	
9th December		
Week 9- 12th December-18th December		
14th December	Last day of school for 2022	





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Donations Accepted with Thanks Contact Sue – 027 613 1116, or Claire – 029 396 7000 Fund raising for literacy and community projects

Dunedin Santa Parade

We are needing kids to be in the Santa Parade on Sunday 3/12/22. They need to be available from 12.30pm to 5pm on the day and an adult will need to accompany the child in the parade.

We particularly need kids aged 5 - 10, both boys and girls. Costumes are provided.

If interested they should email dnsantakids@gmail with names, ages and clothing size



Taieri Junior Cricket Club



Registrations are now open for 2022/23 season! Click on the below Link to register before 24 September 2022 <u>https://www.playhq.com/new-zealand-cricket/register/121572</u> Any enquiries please email <u>taierijunior@gmail.com</u>

Saturday Morning Music Classes

Annual Demonstration Concert 2022

After a year without this exciting event, we are back. The annual SMMC Demonstration Concert is back and we would love to have you there.

It is very important that young learners get the opportunity to demonstrate, in a performance, the progresses they have made in their chosen musical area. It is a huge experience for many young players and this year both first and second year learners will experience it for the first time.

You are invited to join us and the proud families and we have seating reserved for you in the Gallery so that you have a great view. The performance is free to the public with donations appreciated, and if you would like to attend please let me know asap so that I can.

We would love to see you there.

Best Regards

Leigh Brusse

Secretary

Email; secretary@smmcotago.nz

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