



Enriching, Encouraging, Empowering

## Message from The Principal

Kia ora Families

This is the last newsletter for this term with school finishing for the term on Thursday next week.

I want to wish the school flipperball team all the best for Sunday when they will again take part in the flipperball final. They are currently undefeated and we wish you every success.

We are undertaking our annual PAT testing for our children in the middle and senior school this week and next week. Information from these tests will be used to design teaching programmes for our students and used in reporting next term.

I remind all families that school starts back for Term 2 on Wednesday 26 April and not the Monday as advertised on your Term dates magnet. This is because of the Ministry of Education allocated teacher only day on the Monday and Anzac day on the Tuesday.

Next week our senior classes have field trips to Gabriel's Gully where they will be taking part in gold mining and learning more about the gold rush. This is an introduction activity for their Term 2 Social Sciences topic and I am sure this will be a fun day out with lots of new information for them to take in.

Over the holiday break, we are having our boilers decommissioned and removed. This will involve the installation of new heat pump systems throughout the school. The contractors will have an area around the boilers fenced off while they bring in cranes to lift out the boiler flues. This will impact on access to Kids West and from the carpark to the playground for people using the school grounds during the break. The Kids West holiday programme will have an alternative entrance to the hall through the current fence and into the library.

With the removal of the boiler system, we have a quantity of coal that is no longer needed. We are offering this for sale to anyone who still uses coal. We are currently having it put into sacks and these will be available for sale and collection next week. We are selling these sacks of coal for \$15 per sack. If you buy 5 we will give you an extra one for free. This will be first in first served so if you would like some coal please email [office@elmgrove.school.nz](mailto:office@elmgrove.school.nz) and put your name on our list and we will contact you to organise a pickup time.

I wish you all a great weekend

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





**NGĀ TAU MIHARO MŌ NGĀ MĀTUA  
INCREDIBLE YEARS PARENT (IYP) PROGRAMME**

*for Parents*

The Incredible Years parenting programme acknowledges that parenting is one of the most important jobs adults can do. The programme aims to encourage positive family relationships.

**We provide:**

- Practical step-by-step suggestions for parents of 3 to 8 year olds, to help handle everyday family situations.
- An encouraging and supportive learning environment.
- Strategies to help parents manage challenging behaviours.

**Dunedin** delivered by Ministry of Education,  
contact Pamela Seccombe [pamela.seccombe@education.govt.nz](mailto:pamela.seccombe@education.govt.nz)  
Wednesday at Catholic Social Services rooms in Macandrew Road, South Dunedin.

**Dunedin** delivered by Family Works Otago,  
contact Nicola Roberts [Nicola.roberts@psotago.org.nz](mailto:Nicola.roberts@psotago.org.nz)  
Thursday evenings at Presbyterian Support rooms, Moray Place.

**Any questions contact our Learning Support Co-ordinator Kim Maskill or email the above contacts.**



**ELMGROVE COOKIE FUNDRAISER**



**Funds raised will be used to help support our school and students.**

**We have partnered online fundraising company Go Raise It. Go Raise It specialise in working with schools and clubs to maximise their fundraising efforts.**

**Each student will be able to setup their very own fundraising page on the website. By running our product sales campaign online, it makes it super easy for everyone - no more door knocking, everyone can fundraise from home - no need to worry about handling all that cash and bringing it in.**

**Each fundraiser simply signs up for their own fundraising page - sends it out to collect sales electronically, and Go Raise It will manage all the payments, ordering and reporting on who sold what and who bought what - making it super easy for us to run a hassle free pick up day and send the right products home with the right fundraisers. We then get paid our profits at the end of the fundraiser.**

**You can check out all the info and sign up for a fundraising page yourselves here:**

**<https://elmgrovecookiedough.raiseit.co.nz/hub>**

# TRIP TO WAIORA



Our Junior school exploring the environment at Waiora, hunting yabbies, building bivvies and participating in a giant leaf hunt



# 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](mailto:irene@elmgrove.school.nz).

If you have any queries please phone/text me on 027 696 1240, email [irene@elmgrove.school.nz](mailto: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](#)**

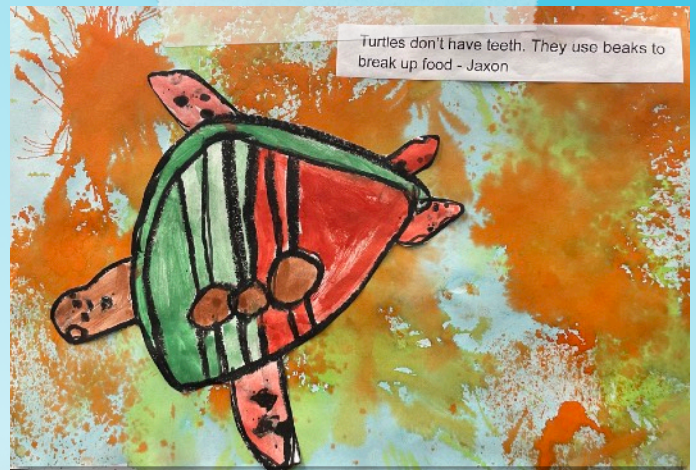
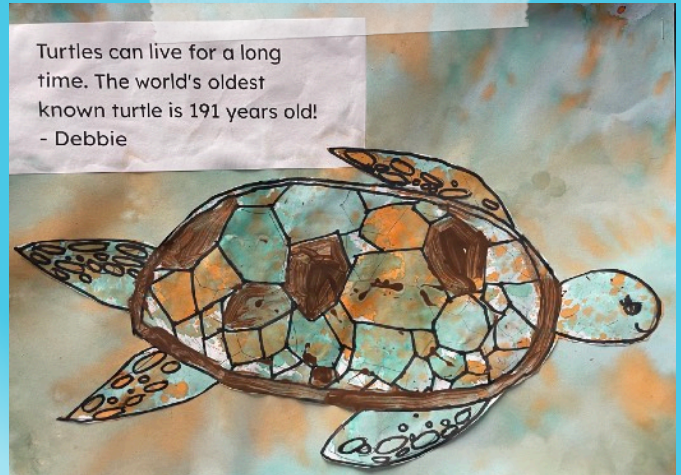
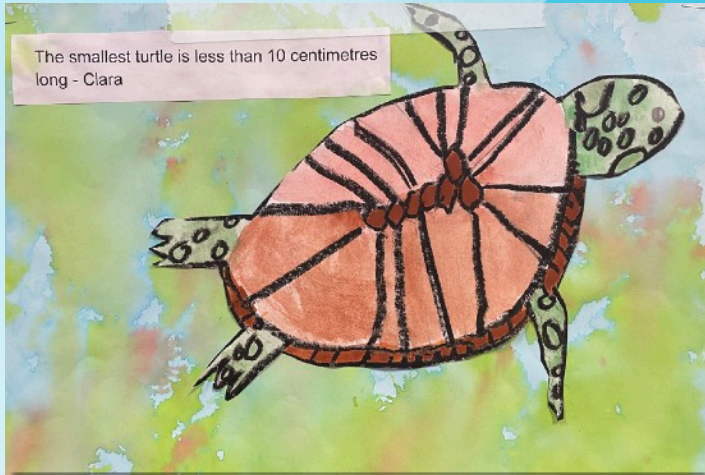
Thanks  
Irene and Kids West Staff

# MANUKA HUB

## Turtle Art / Turtle Visit

During Seaweek, Manuka Hub had a very special visit - Mickey the turtle. We found out some interesting facts about turtles, such as what they eat and how you look after them as pets. Thank you Maz and Whānau for bringing her in!

Inspired by Mickey, we created some turtle art. We experimented with bubble wrap, straws, and different colours to make a coral effect as our background. The students of Manuka researched some interesting facts to go with their art. Take a look:



# MANUKA HUB

## Rain Poems

We have been working on improving our writing by adding different language features. At the moment we are working on similes - when you say something is like something else. The Manuka Hub worked hard on these simile poems that were inspired by the heavy rainfall last week:



Rain is as...

Light as a feather  
Heavy as a rock  
Quiet as Manuka  
Loud as a tv  
Small as a mouse  
Wet as soda  
Cold as a fridge  
Clear as glass

BY Maz



Rain is as.....

Light as...a feather  
Heavy as...a pencil  
Quiet as...a mouse  
Loud as...rocks  
Small as...pencil sharpenings  
Wet as...glue  
Cold as...ice  
Clear as...shattered glass

By Chloe



Rain is as...

Light as a feather  
Heavy as ice  
Quiet as a leaf falling  
Loud as manuka hub  
Small as a butterfly  
Wet as water  
Cold as a freezer  
Clear as a water bottle

By Nellie

# MANUKA HUB

## Totality Maths Game

In Manuka, we spend one morning a week doing whole class problem solving. We played a game called Totality, which required students to slide a shared counter across several adjacent numbers, adding them up to make a 'running' total. To win the game, you want to make the final slide so that the chosen target is reached exactly. Manuka had lots of fun with this game and challenged themselves by making the running total bigger each time.

Take a look:

If you want to give this game a go at home, you can find it on <https://nrich.maths.org/1216>



# SCHOOL VALUE ACHIEVERS



These children have achieved  
5 Tumeke Cards

- ★ Khaldiya Alali
- ★ Sienna Grant-Rudd
- ★ Jade Miller
- ★ Tayla Mokotupu
- ★ Kenya Withey
- ★ Liam McCallion

**RESPONSIBILITY**



**RESPECT**



**CARING**



**PERSEVERANCE**



Congratulations to our children who attended the Otago Primary Swimming Champs in the weekend.

We had some amazing results.

WELL DONE, YOU MAKE OUR SCHOOL A SPECIAL PLACE.



# Whats coming up at ElmGrove.

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

### **Week 9- 27th-31st March**

31st March

Assembly - Hosted by Manuka

### **Week 10- 3rd-7th April**

4th April

Kowhai trip to Gabriels Gully

5th April

Kauri trip to Gabriels Gully

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.**

### **Week 1- 24th-30th April**

24th April

Teacher Only Day - No School

25th April

Anzac Day - No School

26th April

Elmgrove Fundraising meeting

26th April

School Duathlon

### **Week 2- 1st-7th May**

### **Week 3- 8th-14th May**

9th May

TSSA Duathlon

### **Week 4- 15th-21st May**

18th May

Moa Team to Otago Museum

### **Week 5- 22nd-28th May**

### **Week 6- 28th May-4th June**

30th May

National Young Leaders day

30th May

Duathlon

### **Week 7- 5th - 11th June**

4th June

Kings Birthday - No School


### **Week 8- 12th-18th June**

### **Week 9- 19th-25th June**

### **Week 10- 26th June - 2nd July**

28th June

Last Day of School for Term 2



PRIMARY  
AGE  
6.00 - 7.00 PM

INTERMEDIATE  
\*AND  
HIGH SCHOOL  
AGE  
7.30 - 9.00 PM

Gold coin  
donation  
requested



Limited to 100 youth each session



Nibbles  
provided  
Soft drinks  
for sale

# Community Disco

APRIL 11<sup>ST</sup> 2023

DRUG FREE - ALCOHOL FREE - SMOKE AND VAPE FREE  
BAG INSPECTIONS REQUIRED  
@ THE HUB - 4 CEMETERY RD, EAST TAIERI

BROUGHT TO YOU BY:

**Come, Play, and Enjoy**



**Mosgiel Junior  
Badminton Club**

**2023 Season starts  
Friday April 28th**

**Open to Children and Youth  
Ages 8-18 years**

**Club Nights**

Fridays 7pm – 8:30pm

School Terms 2 & 3

Mosgiel Memorial Park Gymnasium

*Welcoming new and existing members  
for social and competitive play*

**Fees:** 1 Child \$30, Family \$50,  
payment due on third week of play.

**Contact:** Daryl 027 485 6094  
MosgielJuniorBdmntn@gmail.com

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