

THE EDENDALE EXPERIENCE: THINKING, LEARNING, CREATING

Kia ora, Kia orana, Namaste, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Ni hao ma, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Asalam alikum!

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you so much to everyone for all the lovely chats, emails, phone calls and cards wishing me well as I leave Edendale. I will write my final letter tomorrow. This is my last newsletter piece. Your support and kindness is lovely and much appreciated. The past two weeks have been a great time to connect with parents and whanau as Edendale continued to celebrate Matariki with open classrooms in Aroha, Kahu and Ako and Three Way Conferences on Tuesday and Wednesday. Thank you to all the families that were able to attend to support your child and their teacher.

You may have noticed that we have lots more seating around Edendale as the PTA have recently purchased new picnic tables for the children. The PTA work so hard to provide wonderful resources for the school. The recent disco organised by the PTA to raise funds was such a great night. As well as the new tables, the PTA have given us the gazebos we take to sports days, new Edendale hats, subsidies for the buses for school trips so that the cost for parents is reduced, and a freezer for the office to store ice packs for bumps in the playground. I will be sad to miss the world famous Edendale Quiz Night later in the year. Thank you so much PTA for your tireless support for Edendale.

We had an exciting visit from chef Al Brown and landscape designer Dan Mackay to Garden to Table last week. The Garden to Table organisation were promoting their Young Gardener of the Year competition, and asked if they could film at Edendale. Thank you to Anna and Jodie for all their work behind the scenes to ensure that the visit went smoothly. Thank you to the Y.5/6 children who agreed to be interviewed and showed the guests around. A special thank you to Julie Crombie and R. 5 who managed to carry on as normal with their Garden to Table session while surrounded by lots of adults, cameras and microphones! Al Brown also visited our school tuck shop, Edendale Eats, and was very impressed with the work Sue Knight does creating delicious, nutritious options for our school community. He said he wished more schools could offer such a great selection of food choices to their children. Well done Sue and thank you for providing for us so well. The NZ Herald produced a great little video which stars some Edendale children. [Click here to see the video.](#)

This morning I had a very special performance from the Edendale School Band. They played three great pieces which was impressive. Thank you Band, you were amazing and thank you to Fiona Bygrave for ensuring that so many Edendale children have the opportunity to learn an instrument.

Warm regards,

Carolyn 'Aukafolau



Last Day of Term 2 is Friday 6 July

School will finish at 3:00pm. Kelly Club will run on this day. Any lost property that has not been claimed will be donated to charity.

Holidays are almost here! Kelly Club Holiday Programme bookings are now open for 9-20 July. Book online at www.kellyclub.co.nz/Edendale

School Information

Mathletics Certificates

We are so pleased with the effort being made by students doing Mathletics and achieving so many certificates during Term 2. The students will receive their certificates at assemblies next term.

You must earn five Bronze certificates to qualify for a Silver certificate and four Silver certificates to qualify for a Gold certificate. An impressive achievement!



Silver certificates: R.1: Vinita, Eve, Riddhi; R.2: Ohm; R.3: Harini, Raj, Elizabeth; R.4: Prisha, Nivaan, Ayla, Oscar, Raihan, Shlok, Bevon; R.5: Sara, Ryan; R.7: Arvi, Jenet; R.8: Rajvi, Abisheka, Mariya; R.11: Clement, Manya, Shira, Marissa; R.12: Gauransh; R.13: Suniska; R.14: Rishon, Alicia; R.15: Prasanna; R.16: Methuki, Tanvi; R.17: Joe, Jesse, Waniya, Aizah; R.18: Claire, Marshall, Janat and R.19: Vishesh, Ayska, Edison

Gold certificates: R.5: Felicity; R.6: Harry; R.9: Victor; R.10: Aryan; R.11: Alexander and R.14: Austin

Aroha Team Scientists

The Aroha team have been enjoying predicting and observing while doing science experiments. Look what happens when you put M&Ms in water.

The Aroha team welcomed their whanau into the classroom last week to celebrate Matariki and show some science. The children had such a good time and I hope our whanau did too.



Here is some writing from **Ishaaq R.28:**

Matariki is a time to plant trees and go fishing and do you know what Matariki is about? It is about the seven sisters. Yesterday the parents came to my room. My dad came first and then my mum came. We made kites and ate lunch. It was really cool.

We were also really excited about the Science van coming in to school.

Alan and Emily did some experiments at school today. It was fun. My favourite part was the explosion. The gas made a cloud.

By Zoe R.28



R.29 children are trying to make themselves as tall as they can during 'Measurement Time' at Maths.

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News from the Friends of Edendale (Our PTA)

Firstly, we would like to say a big thank you to Carolyn 'Aukafolau for all the support that she has given us at Friends of Edendale. We would not have been able to achieve as much as we have without her continued enthusiasm and encouragement. We will miss you greatly and wish you all the best for this next phase in your life.

We also wish our Edendale family a restful, fun and safe school holidays. We look forward to seeing you back in two weeks.

Our **next meeting** of the year is **26 July**. This is a week later than usual, due to the term break. If you would like to join us, email us on pta@edendale.school.nz or just show up to the meeting. The meeting starts at **7:00pm** and is held in the meeting room (off the office foyer). Our meetings are *usually* held on the third Thursday of each month.

We would love to have you come along to a meeting, as we're looking to grow in numbers with a few of our members leaving at the end of the year as their children leave Edendale.

For those with keen eyes, you may have spotted some new Edendale hats around at sporting events recently. Friend of Edendale have purchased caps and bucket hats with the Edendale logo. At present, school sports teams will be wearing these at events, and we will also be looking to sell them near the end of Term 3, in time for the sunny weather! More information will be given out about these closer to the time.

Starry Night Disco

Thank you to all those students who attended the school disco, it was great to see so many amazing costumes and the fabulous dancing! It was a fun filled night and we really appreciate all the effort made by the students, staff and parents in making it a success!

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped out for the night, and an especially big thank you to all the staff that gave up their night to support the event. We would also like to thank Sound Division, 35 William Pickering Drive, Albany, who donated the use of the lights for the evening; and Bayleys, who not only contributed to the supply of the sausages, but also helped out by cooking and serving for the evening.



The image shows the logo for Sound Division, a Pro Audio & Lighting Store. The logo features the word "Sound" in a bold, black font, followed by a stylized graphic of four colored squares (red, white, green, blue) arranged in a cross pattern, and the word "Division" in a smaller, black font. Below the logo, it says "Pro Audio & Lighting Store". To the right of the logo, there is a photograph of the store's exterior. The store is a modern building with large glass windows and a sign that reads "Sound Division". A silver car is parked in front of the store. To the right of the photograph, there is a black box with white text that reads: "ALBANY BRANCH NOW OPEN", "35 WILLIAM PICKERING DRIVE", and "NZ'S LARGEST SOUND & LIGHTING STORE".

Dates for the diary:

Quiz Night – Friday 7 September.

Be sure to mark this one down in your diary! It's a great night of fun and is our biggest event of the year. Information about how you can help out with this event, as well as the date of ticket sales will be announced at the beginning of Term 3. We will once again be holding an auction on the night, so start thinking about how you may be able to contribute to the night in donating items or services to be auctioned off.

Entertainment Book 2018/2019

We are once again delighted to offer all our supporters, families and friends the chance to help us fundraise through purchasing an Entertainment Membership. To find out more about these go to <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/>. We've already had some books sold, so make sure you visit the website to find out more about this great promotion, with Friends of Edendale receiving a percentage of each book sold.

This year all orders will be done online, so head to <http://www.entbook.co.nz/991b27> for the link to the Edendale Primary School order page. Not only does the Entertainment book provide for a worthy cause for our school, the 2018 Membership contains hundreds of 25-50% off or 2-for-1 offers from some of Auckland's best restaurants, cafes, attractions and events including new offers from Antoine's, Euro, Paris Butter, The Garden Shed, Boy & Bird, Homestead, Onslow Bar & Eatery, The Midnight Baker, Eiffel en Eden, as well as existing favourites such as The Grove, Fish, The Abbey, Café Melba, Circus Circus, Flying Burrito Brothers, Mamma Mia, McDonalds, St Pierre's Sushi, Starbucks, Eve's Pantry, Rainbow's End, Auckland Zoo, Motat, Event and Hoyts cinemas, plus many, many more.

Cards & Calenders – Term 3

In Term 3 Edendale students will be creating some amazing artwork that will be used as the design on packs of greeting cards, calendars or diaries that can be ordered this year. Get your Christmas presents sorted early!! More information about this fundraiser will be sent out next term.

Friends of Edendale



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Whanau and friends visiting R.23 and R.24 during Aroha Team's Matariki open day



For information or to make a booking for Before Care, After Care or the Holiday Programme, go to the Kelly Club website www.kellyclub.co.nz/edendale

Edendale Term Dates 2018

Term 2: 30 April - 6 July

Public holidays falling in school terms

Term 3: 23 July - 28 September

Term 4: 15 October - 18 December

Monday 22 October - **Labour Day**

Term 1 2019: 31 January 2019

Board of Trustees

Next meeting will be held in the Meeting Room
Tuesday 7 August at 6:15pm
All welcome to attend.

Friends of Edendale (PTA)

Next meeting will be held in the Meeting Room
Thursday 26 July at 7:00pm
All welcome to attend.