



Edendale News

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THE EDENDALE EXPERIENCE: MAKING CONNECTIONS BETWEEN THINKING, LEARNING AND CREATING

Kia ora, kia orana, namaste, talofa lava, malo e lelei, ni hao ma, fakaalofa lahi atu, asalam alikum, bonjour, greetings, hello everyone

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whānau,

We are nearly halfway through this term. There has been a lot happening! Here is an update on some changes that are taking place.

We welcome Sheikha Shoaib to Aroha Team and also our new tamariki: Muhammad, Muhammad, Cooper, Luke, Guy and Mika who have started at Edendale in the last couple of weeks. Today the students in Room 25 moved to Room 30. After this move, Aine Connaughton is returning to Ireland and will be away from Wednesday 29 August and will return on Wednesday 12 September. Sue Saxon who is an experienced Junior teacher will be her reliever for most days that Aine is away. Sheikha will establish a class in Room 25 from existing students across the Aroha Team. This will mean that the overall class sizes will be reduced and more manageable for the Y0-1 teachers. We acknowledge the parent concerns raised regarding the class sizes and we have been focused on addressing them. With the current Y0-1 pre-enrolments numbers, we will also be welcoming Michelle Burgess (Mondays - Wednesdays) and Vivienne Gardiner (Thursdays to Fridays) to start our next new entrant class in Room 31 at the beginning of Term 4. Thank you to those parents who have completed pre-enrolment forms. However if your child/ren is due to start in Term 4 or early in 2019, please can you complete your pre-enrolments at the office soon. This will help with forward planning and allow time for staffing matters to be sorted.

Gillian Appleby will be leaving us on Friday 17 August and we wish her all the best. Bronwyn Ward will be the teacher for Room 6 until the end of the year. She has experience teaching Y5-6 students as well as taking over a class part way through a school year.

Petra McDermott will be leaving us on Friday 28 September (last day of Term 3) and we wish her well in her new job, closer to home. Sue Saxon will be the teacher for Room 23 from the start of Term 4 until the end of the year.

As you will be aware the teachers went on strike yesterday to highlight a number of issues, one being the shortage of class teachers. This increasing shortage affects the number and availability of relief teachers to cover classes when teachers need to be away. As a consequence and last option, classes may need to be split from time to time to ensure that students are supervised, and planned events can take place.

Here are some student highlights and activities that have taken place in the last two weeks. Congratulations to our Netball teams who represented us in the Eden Albert Tournament last Thursday. The teachers were very proud of the student's efforts. Thank you to Nikita Tabora, Byron Stephenson, Emma Henry and Annette Herbert for running practices and organising the trip. Thank you to all the parents and families who supported the players.

Some of our Y5-6 students performed at The Kids Sing event at the Town Hall on Tuesday. This is the first time our students have taken part in this event. They were fabulous and the choral singing was outstanding! Thank you to Vanessa Felix and Liz Osokin for training the students and organising the trip. It is an occasion that the students are likely to remember for a long time.

Our Young Leaders group are encouraging students to bring canned food to school which will be donated to the Salvation Army. Last year the final number of cans donated was 1,055. They hope to exceed this total. Thank you to those students and families who have already brought in cans for this worthy cause. Please keep the canned food rolling in. Thank you to Annette Herbert for supporting the students in this group.

A few parents have asked about the availability of language classes at Edendale. Currently there are two lunchtime language programmes running. These are run weekly. Due to the high interest, the teachers have had to put a limit on the number of students that can participate. For this term, Fabienne Gillies is running a French class for some students from Rapu team and Ingrid Cheung (with some parent support) has started a Mandarin class for some Ako and Rapu students. Alongside these language classes, there are a range of other weekly lunchtime activities available for students. It is wonderful to see the student participation and enthusiasm in these staff-led activities.

Ngā mihi nui

Jenny Tong

Deputy Principal/Tumuaki Tuarua

Be in to win a \$100 petrol voucher!

If your child's 2018 School Contributions have been paid in full, you will be put into a draw to win a \$100.00 petrol voucher. There are 3 x \$100 petrol vouchers to be won.

To get into the draw, just have your child's 2018 School Contributions fully paid by Friday 24 August 2018.

Winners will be notified on Monday 27 August 2018.

Payments accepted, through KINDO ([click here](#)) or at the school office via cash, cheque or eftpos.

School Information

ICAS Awards

Well done to the students who took part in the ICAS Digital Technologies and Science exams. A special congratulations to the students who received a Merit, Credit, Distinction or High Distinction award.

Digital Technologies

Merit: R.1: Amber, Inez, Esther, Jacob; R.2: Isabelle, Nathanael, Hunter; R.6: Simone, Shania; R.9: Emily, Rohan, Victor; R.10: William, Jack and R.14: Aaryan **Credit:** R.3: Preesha; R.13: Alley; R.14: Shyna and R.14a: Isla, Lachlan **Distinction:** R.2: Bethan, Jemma and R.13: Ahmed **High Distinction:** R.7: Miller

Science

Merit: R.1: Esther, Eliza; R.2: Bethan, Gabe; R.5: Jatin and R.9: Emily **Credit:** R.3: Elizabeth; R.4: Taniela, Clarice, Ruth, Ayla; R.7: Miller, George; R.8: Callum, Pia; R.9: Juliana, Rohan; R.10: Luka; R.11: Oliver, Natalya, Hannah and R.13: Alley **Distinction:** R.1: Amber; R.2: Jemma; R.3: Tanisha; R.9: Victor; R.12: James, Rudy and R.14a: Isla **High Distinction:** R.14a: Lachlan



Wattie's Cans For Good

During 13 - 17 August (Week 4) the Young Leaders of Edendale 2018 will begin a fundraiser called 'Wattie's Cans for Good' (WCFG). We will ask students to bring canned food into school during Week 4. We will collect them on a daily basis. When we have collected all the cans we will be giving it to the Salvation Army and they will be giving it to people who may not have enough food at Christmas time. Last year we did this and collected 1,055 cans, and that's amazing! We would like to collect 1,000 cans or more. Wattie's Cans for Good is a really great fundraiser because you're helping lives and making them better

Wattie can you do to help?



Te Ope Whakaora

Yummy Apple Sticker Promotion

Thank you to everyone who has been collecting Yummy Apple stickers and bag cut outs. Please send all your sheets, complete or not, to the office by Friday 7 September. Collection sheets for stickers and bag cut outs are available from the school office or www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schoolstickerpromo

Last year we earned \$1,293 of free sports equipment. How much have we collected this year?



Walking School Bus Wizard Visit

The Lambeth Road Walking School Bus won a visit from the Walking School Bus Winter Wizard who dished out prizes to all the parents and children who are part of one of the three Walking School Buses at Edendale School.



Gumboots Please

If anyone has odd kids gumboots kicking around at home please bring them to the office. We would like to use for pot planters like in the photo on the left

School Information • Notices

Eden Albert Netball Tournament

On Thursday 9 August four teams of boys and girls traveled to the AMI Netball Centre and represented Edendale at the Eden/Albert netball competition. Mrs Herbert, Miss Tapora, Mr Stephenson and Whaea Emma were very impressed with the way these students played hard but fairly. They came up against some very strong teams. It was a very enjoyable day!

We would like to thank Sarah Yallop, Danielle Freeman and Emily Jones for giving up their time to go along and umpire the games.

A special congratulations go to our boys team (Edendale Lumberjacks) for coming second in their division. He pai nga tamariki.



News from the Friends of Edendale (Our PTA)

Our **next meeting** of the year is tonight **16 August**. 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 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.

Quiz Night – Friday 7 September

Held at Edendale Primary School Hall, Doors Open (along with the bar!) at 6:00pm with the night finishing at 11:30pm.

We still need your help!

We need Auction and Raffle items for our Quiz Night. All donations big and small are most welcome. Just a few ideas:

- Do you, friends or family work for a company who might donate an item or service?
- Do you have a bach you could offer up for a weekend/week?
- Would you like to donate some yummy treats or items to add to raffle baskets?
- What sport or after school activities do your children do, could you approach them for a terms lessons or other form of sponsorship?
- Get together with a group of friends to purchase an item to be auctioned off
- Donate money to Friends of Edendale and we can use these to purchase items for auction
- Have extra Fly Buys? This can be a great way to purchase an item for the auction.

This year we're also looking at putting together hampers for the night, for both prizes and to auction. We're looking for nice food items or such to add together to make hampers. So next time you're shopping, see what you might be able to add in for the auction! There will be a box at the office for drop off, otherwise email us at the PTA and we can arrange to collect.

We really appreciate your help. All sponsors will be recognised on the night, in posters/advertising leading up to the Quiz Night and in the Newsletters following. Please e-mail us pta@edendale.school.nz, approach one of the PTA team or drop items off in the office for us to collect. Thank you!

All auction items need to be to us by 24 August, unless other arrangements have been made.

As well as your support with the auction items, we also need volunteers for the night. Please email us at pta@edendale.school.nz. So if quizzes aren't your thing, but you would like to take part in the fun festivities, just let us know!

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 getting 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.

Cards & Calendars

Edendale students have been creating some amazing artwork that can be used as the design on packs of greeting cards, calendars, sketch pads, mouse pads or diaries. Get your Christmas presents sorted early!! Artwork is available to view in your child's room now.

Order forms will be sent out shortly. If you would like to use another piece of art or a photo please follow the instructions on the order form. Samples of the cards and calendars can be viewed on display in the office. Forms are due back **Friday 24 August**.

Payment by direct credit to our account is preferred (the account number will be on the form). One payment per child and please always add reference details - child name and room number to help us match the payment to the order.

Friends of Edendale

Ako Team Waste Audit

Ako Team completed a Waste Audit on Monday to gather some information about the waste we make and how to reduce this amount by the end of the term.

On Monday we had to save all our rubbish from morning tea and lunch because we were going to sort out and measure the rubbish we make in one day. In the afternoon each class from Ako had one sheet to put all their rubbish on. Then we had to sort the rubbish with a rubber glove into different categories (Plastic, paper, compost/food waste and other). Once this was done we counted and weighed it all, one person had to stand on the scales with the rubbish bag to find out how heavy the waste was! **Mica R.12**

I felt unusual picking through all the rubbish and extremely surprised that it didn't smell! I was surprised at how much rubbish our class had made because I did not expect it! **Julia R.12**

We started looking through the recycling bin then we counted all the pieces of paper. There were 66 bits of paper in the bin! I felt amazed that that there was so much paper in the bin. **Emily R.12**



Why we shouldn't have homework

Do you like homework? Well, if you do I'll give you some amazing reasons why we shouldn't have homework, here are the reasons.

If you don't have homework you can play games with family and friends. Games are good because they keep you fit and you can use your imagination, they keep you fit by running round by playing tag or something like that.

Without homework we can use this time to rest and get ready for school again. If we keep on going doing work our brain might overflow or melt like butter in the microwave and we won't remember anything anymore.

Also we can spend some important time with our family. If we don't spend this time with them we won't see them much. If we do have homework in the holidays we won't get to do things like: you won't get to play games, get fit, rest your mind or spend important time with our families which would be horrible.

Here's one last reason why we shouldn't have homework. Do you have free time? Well if we are doing homework we are losing all our free time by doing math or spelling. But without homework we will be so much happier, hope that changed your mind. **Sienna R.13**

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 3: 23 July - 28 September

Public holidays falling in school terms

Term 4: 15 October - 18 December

Monday 22 October - **Labour Day**

Term 1 2019: 31 January 2019 - 12 April 2019

Board of Trustees

Next meeting will be held in the Meeting Room
Tuesday 18 September at 6:15pm
All welcome to attend.

Friends of Edendale (PTA)

Next meeting will be held in the Meeting Room
Thursday 16 August at 7:00pm
All welcome to attend.