



Edendale
Primary School

7 March 2019

Tēnā koutou katoa,

It is hard to believe that we are halfway through term one already. It has been a busy start to the year but we are very grateful to you, the Edendale community, for being so supportive and wonderful to work with. So far this term we have managed to appoint two new deputy principals: Bhairavi Vara (from Oranga Primary) and Margaret Talbot (from St Cuthbert's College), and a new teacher for Room 12, Tahi Vaneveld who we welcome back to the Edendale team. Deborah Perring who is taking over from Danisha Lal in Room 18 started with us this week. We are very excited to have these new people on board and I'm sure that you will make them feel welcome here at Edendale. We are sad to see Danisha leave us and would like to thank her for all the mahi she has done here at school. Danisha has been an integral part of the Tuakana team over the last few years taking on numerous responsibilities at the school such as assisting with the Garden to Table programme. We wish you all the best Danisha.

Last week was the Parent Teacher conferences. Here parents were provided the opportunity to come and meet their child/children's teachers and share how they felt students were settling in to class. It was a valuable time for teachers to listen and hear feedback regarding the students they taught, while also providing an opportunity to discuss how their classroom ran and some of the exciting learning happening here at Edendale. Edendale also held a new parent morning tea and a meet the senior leadership team. It was a pleasure to see such a good turn out at these events and would like to thank all involved and for all the positive feedback we have received.

Coming up in this term are the following events:

- The Whānau Picnic - Tuesday 12th March [5-7pm at Edendale Reserve]
- Eden/Albert Cricket - Tuesday 19th March
- The Colour Run- Sunday 24th March

Again, welcome to 2019 and please ask or make contact if you'd like to know/find out anything or give us feedback. Thanks also to those of you who have already paid your school donation and activity fee. This allows us to provide a more exciting programme for our children.

Ngā mihi,

Nā.

Jonathan
Deputy Principal / Tumuaki Tuarua

Paid Union meeting

Coming up week of the 18th March. Teachers will be given time to attend the union meeting during the school day. The school will not be closed during this time. Thank you for your understanding and support regarding this matter.

School Policy Review: Close date for feedback is the 12th April

This term we are reviewing the following policies:

1. School Swimming Pool
2. Alcohol, Drugs, and other Harmful Substances

Your feedback around the above can be made online via the School Docs portal:

<http://edendale.schooldocs.co.nz/>

Late or Absentee Students

If your child is going to be late to school or absent for the day, please leave a message on the school absentee line before 9:00am in the morning, or send a message through the school app. If you are emailing a teacher regarding an absence please copy the school office in as well on office@edendale.school.nz so they are also aware of the absence.

The Whānau Picnic

This will be held on Tuesday 12th March from 5:00-7:00pm at the Edendale Reserve (next door to the Plunket). Access to Edendale Reserve is off Sandringham Road or Shorwell Street. The Friends of Edendale will be holding a sausage sizzle. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Assembly

Please come and join us if you can tomorrow at just after 9am for our whole school assembly run by the Mahi Tahi team.

Music

Music at Edendale has taken off! As well as a number of exciting projects in the pipeline, we have started the ball rolling with a couple of groups already:

- We have a budding young group of Ukulele players already playing some chart hits and looking forward to learning the material for the Kiwileles festival later this year.
- The APPA choir has had their first rehearsal and are sounding fantastic! We can't wait to get started with some more complex pieces in preparation for the concert in November. We also have a choir running on a Tuesday lunchtime which will be open to anyone from Year 3, 4, 5 and 6. Come along if you'd like to join in!
- Marimba group will be starting very soon and there are some absolutely brilliant song arrangements this year. Watch this space for more information about rehearsals!

Keep your eyes and ears open for more over the next few weeks!

Eden/Albert Swimming Sports



A group of twelve Year 5 and 6 students represented Edendale at the Eden/Albert Swimming Sports this week. The children were great representatives for our school both in and out of the pool.

Congratulations to all the swimmers for giving their best. Extra special recognition goes to Alicia, Jake and Pia who made the finals and swam their hearts out.

Also a huge thank you for all the support from the parents. Thanks from Ms Dennett & Ms Christensen.

Garden to Table

At Garden to Table this term we have welcomed Mahi Tahi to our classroom. It has been fantastic to see everyone back again and be introduced to a few new faces. The summer garden has been producing an abundant harvest of tomatoes, corn, shallots, basil, capsicums, bananas and beans. The pumpkin, cucumber, zucchini and eggplant grow larger every week and some are almost ready to harvest. Most of the produce the students grow is used to create fabulous seasonal food in the kitchen, some will be preserved for the leaner time of winter.

It is now the ideal time to plant for the autumn/winter harvest, Spinach, Rainbow chard, Broccoli, Cabbage, Beetroot you can see ours growing in the pots under the passion fruit vines. Weeding is next on the list, as, along with the plants they are growing well, luckily most of our weeds end up as compost which in turn will feed our gardens.

The kitchen has been a hub of activity this term, we have loved making the most of all the fresh summer produce. Highlights have been Mexican week where we made Street Corn Salad, Tomato Salsa and homemade Tortilla Chips. Pizza week was loved by all where we made two varieties of pizza.

Hopefully your children have been bringing home their recipe folders so you can reproduce our meals in your own kitchen. Each visit the children are given the recipes for the week, so that by the end of their time with us they have a good collection of recipes they can make at home.



We were saddened at the start of the year to discover that someone had taken all of the pears from our tree in the orchard. Slowly over following weeks Limes, Chilean Guava, Oranges and Kawa Kawa have been disappearing from the trees and shrubs around the school.

Please be aware that the fruit and vegetables at Edendale are grown and eaten by your children during their Garden to Table sessions and we would appreciate everyone keeping an eye out.

Below is a recipe for banana ice cream that wasn't included in this weeks recipe sheet. It's very easy - give it a go!

ONE INGREDIENT BANANA ICECREAM

Ingredients

Ripe bananas, sliced and frozen

What we do

1. **Pulse the frozen banana pieces in a small food processor or powerful blender.**
2. **Keep pulsing — the banana will look crumbly.** Keep pulsing. At first the banana pieces will look crumbled or smashed. Scrape down the food processor.
3. **Keep blending — the banana will look gooey.** It will look gooey, like banana mush. Scrape down the food processor.
4. **Keep blending** It will get smoother but still have chunks of banana in it. Scrape down the food processor.
5. **Watch the magic happen!** Suddenly, as the last bits of banana smooth out, you'll see the mixture shift from blended banana to creamy, soft-serve ice cream texture. Blend for a few more seconds to aerate the ice cream.

You can add anything you like to this - frozen berries, cocoa powder, nutella, cinnamon, coconut cream and mango - the options are endless!!

Anna and Jodie would like to acknowledge the support of our parents and whānau who give up their time to volunteer at Garden to Table, we couldn't run the program without you. Thank you.

If you are free to offer some time to Garden to Table we would love to hear from you. Contact Anna at asutcliffe@edendale.school.

Art

Aroha Team have been painting, cutting, collaging and print making in the Art Room!



Friends of Edendale Primary School

Whanau Picnic: Tuesday, 12 March.

Come meet the PTA and support our fundraising event by buying from our sausage sizzle. Halal lamb and vegetarian sausages will be for sale.

Next meeting: Thursday, 21 March. If you would like to come and 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). We hold our meetings monthly, during term time. These are held every third Thursday of the month and generally last for around an hour.

Colour Run: Sunday, 24 March

A fun run followed by the throwing of powdered colour, based on the Holi Festival. Keep an eye out for more details very soon.

Edendale T-Shirts and Caps for Sale

Please pre-order your T-shirts before 15 March, forms are available from the office.

Caps are available now - \$20 from the office



March 2019

Walking School Bus Month

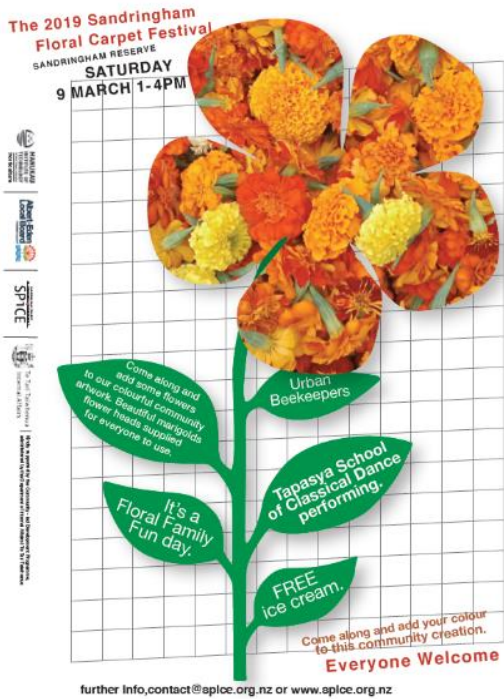
Celebrate a fun theme each week

- 4-8 March: Funky Feet week
- 11-15 March: Superhero week
- 18-22 March: Waaky week
- 25-29 March: International week

Send in your pics each week to be in to win. Sign up at AT.govt.nz/walkingschoolbus

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Auckland Transport - Walking School Bus Month



Floral Carpet Event - Saturday 9 March, 1:00-4:00pm at the Sandringham Reserve
 Help create Auckland's only annual floral carpet and celebrate the colourful blooms of summer before they go!

SPiCE invite you to Sandringham Reserve (in the Sandringham Village shops) Saturday 9 March to create a colourful community floral carpet. Jodie and the Edendale Primary School Garden to Table team has been growing marigolds to add colour to the carpet. We will also have buckets of beautiful marigold flower heads for everyone to use.

There will also be free ice cream (while it lasts!), a dance performance by Tapasya School of Classical Dance, and a chance for you to talk with Urban Beekeepers on the day.



At Kelly Club Edendale, our programme is focused around sports, cooking, discovery time, art & craft activities and structured 'free-time' after a busy day at school. These activities will be incorporated into themed subjects each week, that give children the opportunity to extend their learning outside of the school classroom. We provide quality childcare in safe and fun surroundings. Our friendly staff are passionate about working with children and are provided with training on first aid, behaviour management, child protection and activity planning and delivery.

Our available Sessions are:

- Before care - Full Session including breakfast (7:00am to 8:30am), \$11
- Aftercare - Half Session (3:00pm to 4:30pm), \$11
- Aftercare - Full Session (3:00pm to 6:00pm), \$18

Book now at www.kellyclub.co.nz/Edendale to avoid disappointment as spaces are limited! For more information please contact Amanda Beaver on 021 072 1723 or by email, edendale@kellyclub.co.nz