

Don't forget - Every family who has paid their Donation and Activity/Specialist Payment by Friday 22nd March (tomorrow!) will go in the draw to win 1 of 3 \$150 Grocery Vouchers!



Edendale
Primary School

As-salāmu ‘alaykum,

Last week it was a privilege to meet and spend time with our community at the Whānau picnic. Hundreds of people descended onto the scout den field to gather and spend time together. The teachers and staff enjoyed getting time to talk and engage with the community and spend valuable time getting to know families in a more informal setting. The Friends of Edendale had a busy time selling sausages and ice blocks with queues which stretched as far as the eye could see. It was also great to see students of all ages playing games together and even past students coming and reminiscing about old times.

The last and next couple of weeks is a busy time for the school. Routines and classroom practices are up and running and teachers are starting some assessments to help with their teaching programmes. The senior students went out to the Eden Albert cricket competition and we were all very proud of the attitude the students showed and the successful results we had. Some teachers are off over the next couple of weeks on some professional development on play based learning and collaborative professionalism.

Coming up in this term are the following events:

- The Colour Run- Sunday 24th March
- Powhiri/whakatau for new Deputy Principals - Friday 29th March at just after 9am

After the horrific events of last week it has been pleasing to see the community stand strong and support one another. We understand that people within our communities will be feeling the effects of this tragedy and we want you to know that we are here to support you and your whānau. If you need extra support please ring the Ministry of Health on 1737.

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,

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Jonathan
Deputy Principal



Our community at the Whānau picnic, Feedback from the picnic, Aroha's new pig friends

Teaching staff and emails

At Edendale we value the use of email as a way of arranging meeting times with parents, colleagues, organising school events such as sporting tournaments and to share information about class events and learning. We never want to forget the value of face to face communication.

Please take these factors into consideration when emailing teachers. If you do have concerns please only use email to briefly outline the concerns and to arrange an appointment time to discuss these with your child's teacher. As per standard business practice a response can be expected within two working days.

Staffing update

Jamie Christensen is off to have her baby in Term 2 and will be on maternity leave until early Term 4. From May 13th Nik Edwards will be the new teacher for Room 19 until Jamie returns. We are excited to have him as part of the Edendale team and know you will make him feel welcome when he starts next term.

Music corner

Marimba madness! We have started our rehearsals for this year's ONZA Marimba Festival which will take place on Saturday 31st August 12:00pm at the Barfoot and Thompson Stadium. The theme this year is 'Songs From Ranginui'. We've had a great turnout to the first few sessions and I know it's blowing our own trumpet (pardon the expression) but we're already sounding fantastic!

As part of our music programme at Edendale, Year 6 have been learning about African Cyclic Patterns and have been trying their hand at recreating some Djun Djun rhythms using paint buckets, cow bells and claves. Year 2 and 3 are also busy learning a song from Rarotonga and responding to music through movement as well as trying their hand at some simple xylophone pieces.

If you're interested in what's on offer for Music at Edendale, please feel free to pop into the music room and have a chat with Chris after school!

Eden-Albert cricket champions

On Tuesday 19th March, three Edendale teams took part in the Eden-Albert Cricket Tournament at Cornwall Park. Although the weather was grey and overcast, with occasional bouts of drizzle, the cricket certainly wasn't. All three sides played positively, as a team and with great respect towards the opposition and the cricketing officials. Our teams also had a successful tournament. The Edendale Girls team came second in their competition whilst the Edendale Boys A team also came second in their competition. The Edendale Boys B team came first in their competition and were duly presented with the B Grade Cup. A big thank you to all the parents who came to support the players, in particular Cameron Walker and Karen Miller for supervising the Boys A team.

Matua Alan and Tahi Vaneveld

PTO for pictures



Boys B cricket team champions, B team with the cricket trophy

friends of EDENDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

School Picnic

Thank you to all those who supported our sausage and ice block fundraiser at last week's school picnic. It was great to see so many of you at the event. A big thank you to all those who helped out with the cooking and selling. It was great to see people sparing an hour or so to help out with the event.

Meetings

Now would be a great time to come and join us – our **next meeting** of the year is on tonight! **Friday 21st March**. 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). We hold our meetings monthly, during term time. These are held every third Thursday of the month during term time and generally last for around an hour.

2019 meetings: February 21, March 21, May 16, June 20, August 15, September 19, October 17, November 21 (AGM)



Colour Run

The Annual Friends of Edendale **Colour Run** is on this Sunday 24th March, from 3.30pm. Children walk or run a course around the school field. At the finish children are showered or dabbed with colour.

The colour is a powder the texture of talcum powder and it is used in the Indian festival of Holi.

We recommend that children wear a white or a black t-shirt to make the best of the colour run. And parents, to avoid colour streaks in the car remember to bring a towel to wipe your children down after the race!

Children will start the event in year groups at 10 minute intervals.

Sonia Gray and Jaquie Brown will be our MC's this year.

We will be selling ice blocks at the event, so be sure to bring some change!

Please BYO water bottles. There will be no water available other than the water fountain on the bottom field.

If you would like to help out at the event, be sure to email us at pta@edendale.school.nz to let us know.

Upcoming Events

Disco **around June**

This is one of the highlights of the year for the kids! 2017 was the first year we held our disco mid-year in winter. In 2018 the theme was Stars which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The theme is yet to be confirmed for this year.

We split the disco into age groups – Years 0 – 3 and Years 4 – 6. We run a sausage sizzle, a bake stall, and sell ice blocks, drinks, chips and we do face painting, and tattoos too! As well as dancing the night away to a DJ, it’s a fantastic night for all!

Movie Night **around May**

Quiz Night **Friday 6 September**

Cards and Calendars **For sale around August/September**

Edendale PTA

Edendale term dates 2019		
Term 1	31 January – 12 April	
Term 2	29 April – 5 July	Queens Birthday: Monday 3 June
Term 3	22 July – 27 September	
Term 4	14 October – 16 December	Labour Day: Monday 28 October
Next BOT meeting		Tuesday 9 April
Next Friends of Edendale meeting		Thursday 21 March

Expression of Interest

for after-school Chinese Classes to be held at Edendale Primary School

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Levels: Absolute Beginner / Intermediate

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(quoting student's name and school year)

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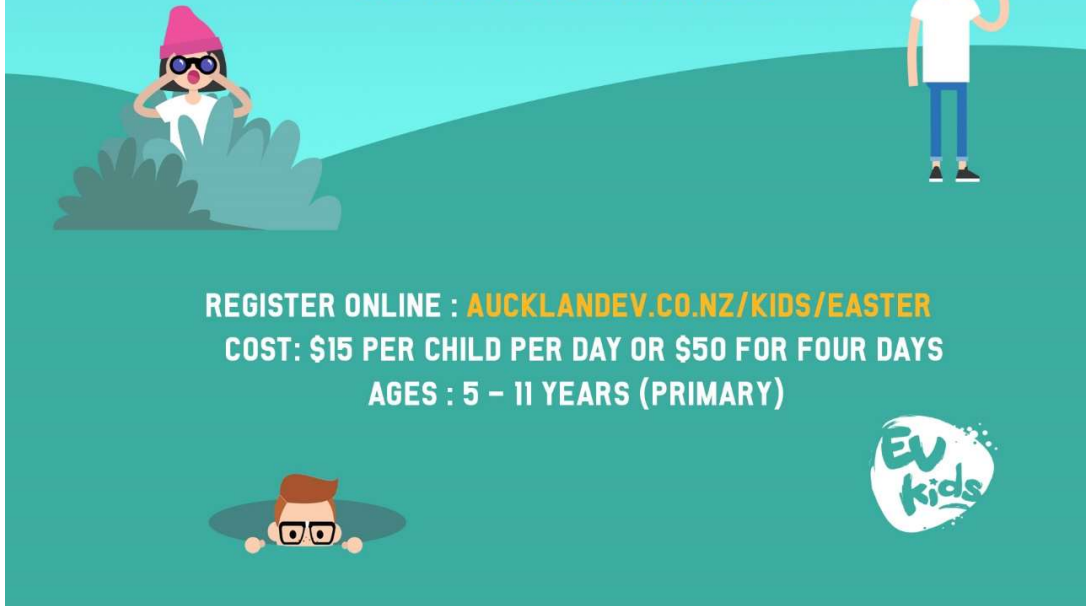


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AGES : 5 - 11 YEARS (PRIMARY)

