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## Newsletter at a glance

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#### Tēnā koutou katoa,

The third term is at an end and so is three quarters of the school year. It is hard to believe that we are at this point in the year with only one term to go. It was great to see so many of you at the parent/teacher conferences this week and thanks also for the positive feedback around receiving the *progress report* electronically this term. It was special to engage with the children of Rooms 6 and 7 earlier this week [and parents] where the children showcased their investigations from Term 3. A great example of *thinking*, *learning*, *creating*.

The Board newsletter this term will update you on the work done this year to review our Charter. Please keep an eye out for the newsletter. You will have noticed that the righthand side stairwell to the two-storey block is currently closed. This is due to an issue with some of the stairwell treads. These are being repaired over the coming break and will [hopefully] be back in action on day one of Term 4.

Staffing: we are in the midst of looking at staffing for 2020 and are pleased to announce that Shamin [one of our regular relief teachers] will be returning to Edendale in a fulltime role, Anna Swain [an ex-parent] will be joining us from 2020 as a teacher and is coming to us from May Road School. We have decided not to fill the two team leadership vacancies but to fill them with teachers for 2020 [this is due to the current teacher shortage and to allow us to review our middle leadership structures in 2020]. We will be joined by Yashika Dheda and Christopher Quincey. We are hopeful to have a new music teacher appointed towards the beginning of next term and will update you once this has been finalised. Jamie, who is currently on maternity leave, will be returning to Edendale in Week 2 next term and will take up a role in Aroha team until the end of 2019.

We would like to remind parents and caregivers of the process for dealing with issues related to your child/ren at school if they arise. Firstly you would contact the classroom teacher and second if required the team leader and then a senior leader.

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The year six children are currently going through a process of deciding what their *graduation* will look like this year. We have decided to ask them what they would like and parents will be updated as this work continues. Please watch out for requests for help.

Last fortnight I received confirmation from the MoE [TeachNZ] that I have been awarded a ten-week paid sabbatical for 2020 and this will mean that I will take some time off school [dates to be decided]. The sabbatical involves some rest and recreation plus also an 'investigation' of current educational issues as related to our context and the wider system. I will update you further as details become clearer.

Have a restful and safe two weeks with your whānau and we will see you all on Monday 14th October for the first day of Term 4.

Ngā mihi.

Nā.

Jonathan Principal | Tumuaki

## **Quick reminders**

**Lost property** – any items that haven't been claimed by 3:30pm tomorrow will be donated to charity.

**Porridge** - Tickets for our production of 'Porridge' at 6:30pm on the 23rd and 24th of October are selling fast. It promises to be a super night with lots of laughs! Book your tickets now via Kindo to avoid disappointment! <a href="www.edendale.school.nz/kindo-school-shop">www.edendale.school.nz/kindo-school-shop</a> **Yummy Apple** stickers - Thank you to all the students and families collecting Yummy Apple stickers, we managed to collect 4500+ towards free DG sports gear. Please continue to collect stickers for Edendale, collection sheets can be printed out <a href="https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/SSP-pdf">https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/SSP-pdf</a> Sticker Collection Sheet compressed.pdf or collect one from the office. Well done everyone!

**Dog safety** - A gentle reminder to please mention to your child not to approach dogs they do not know, they may not be well socialised. Please do not interact, i.e. put your fingers, arms, hands through or over fences to pat dogs who are in their own territory (fenced in at home), on the way to and from school. Thank you for looking after our tamariki.

#### **Book fair**

The Scholastic Book Fair will be at our school from Tuesday 29th October to Friday 1st November. The fair is a celebration of reading with hundreds of fun, engaging, and affordable books for kids to discover. For this event we will be looking for parent volunteers to help set up or pack up the fair each day and to also help children with finding the perfect book. So if you are keen to join the volunteer team, keep a look out for further information in Week 1, Term 4.

We would be so grateful for your support! Yana Dennett yana@edendale.school.nz



# **Book Fair**

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November

**Edendale School Library** 

# PhotoLife class, individual and sibling photos

Portrait, sibling and class photos will be taken on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

We will be working with PhotoLife using their Online Payment system. Please keep an eye out for more details regarding ordering and payment, following the photo shoot day. Sibling photograph order forms will be available from the office next term.

#### **Production fundraiser**

Please support our production fundraiser. Check out our silent auction items that will run both nights of our production, "Porridge," 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> October. The proceeds will go towards production costs and the Edendale drama budget. We will also accept email bids at fleur@edendale.school.nz.

Auction 1 is for a large hamper. Thank you to our growing list of generous sponsors: Body Shop, Auckland Zoo, Warehouse Stationery, First Scene Fancy Dress, Sarah Rae (home baking and goodies), Edendale Eats, Jane Evans pilates and Westfield St Lukes.

Auction 2 is for two days at a spacious country home in Ohakune, near Mt Ruapehu. Fantastic skiing in winter and beautiful bush walks, bike rides and alpine crossings in summer. It is available for 2020 during school term time. Thank you Suzie Nielson for your kind donation.

https://www.homeaway.co.nz/holiday-accommodation/p20019356?uni id=3720850





We are still looking for auction items so if you have any products, services or accommodation you could gift us please contact <a href="mailto:fleur@edendale.school.nz">fleur@edendale.school.nz</a>. A huge thanks to our amazing sponsors!

#### **EPro8** competition

Last Thursday, Edendale entered two teams into the EPro8 year 5/6 competition. The Techno-bots (Miller, Callum, James and Guy Rm17) and the Llama-bots (Jemma R17, Ollie, Salvador and Sadie Rm18). They had a lot of fun, showed great teamwork and conquered really challenging tasks. The Techno-bots came third and will take part in the semi-finals in November. The Llama-bots came seventh, which was also a great achievement. Well done

to both of our teams for their commitment and hard work, both on the day and in the lead up to the competition. Thanks also to Nik for his engineering expertise! Here are a few photos from the day. – Amanda



#### Zero to hero week winners

Thanks everyone for helping make Zero to Hero Week such a popular event. Some pictures from Wheels Day are below. At this week's assembly, the classrooms with the lowest travel emissions for week 9 will be announced. We will also draw winners for children who brought zero waste lunches. Overall, it was the environment who was the biggest winner. You will find most ingredients for school snacks at bulk bins - PaknSave New North Rd and Binn Inn Onehunga have a great selection of lunchbox snacks. A tip is to wash out and reuse your bread bags from home. Go zero and be a hero!



#### Wheels and walking

Reducing our emissions at Edendale School is a priority. Let's celebrate Myah, Marissa and Ayla, Y5 and Kavita, Learning Assistant, Liam, Y1 and Alex, Y4 who walk or cycle to school.



*Pictured left* 'Here's Year 5 students Myah, Marissa and Ayla walking back home from school on a rainy day', says Kavita. *Pictured right* 'Liam and Alex like to cycle, scoot or walk to school almost every day,' says Jessie.

We would like to showcase your low emission travelling: walking, biking, scootering, busing and carpooling (with two or more families). This is an ongoing promotion so please send us your photo and description to <a href="mailto:fabienne@edendale.school.nz">fabienne@edendale.school.nz</a> or <a href="mailto:fabienne@edendale.school.nz">fleur@edendale.school.nz</a> Thank you.

# triends of EDENDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Wow, it's the end of Term 3 already! We wish our Edendale whānau a restful, fun and safe school holidays. We look forward to seeing you back in Term 4.

#### **Quiz Night**

Just a note to say that we raised over \$10,000 at this year's Quiz Night! So thank you again to all those who supported this fundraiser.

#### Meetings

Our **next meeting** of the year is on the **17**th **of October**.

If you would like to join us, email us on <a href="mailto:pta@edendale.school.nz">pta@edendale.school.nz</a> 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. Our final meeting of the year will on 21st November, and will be our AGM.

#### **Cards and Calendars**

Edendale students are putting their final touches on some gorgeous artwork that will soon to be turned into greeting cards, calendars, sketch pads, mouse pads and diaries. These products make beautiful presents for friends and family, here and abroad. It'll be easier than ever to sort this year's Christmas presents! Online orders will be available early in Term 4. We will send out information about ordering online closer to the time.

#### Edendale PTA

Edendale term dates 2019		
Term 3	22 July – 27 September	
Term 4	14 October – 16 December	
Next BOT meeting		Tuesday 29 October
Next Friends of Edendale meeting		Thursday 17 October

Edendale term dates 2020 (note these may change slightly)			
Term 1	28 January – 9 April	Waitangi Day: Thursday 6 February	
		Teacher Only Day: Friday 7 February	
		Good Friday: Friday 10 April	
Term 2	28 April – 3 July	Anzac Day Observed: Monday 27 April	
		Queens Birthday: Monday 1 June	
Term 3	20 July – 25 September		
Term 4	12 October – 10 December	Labour Day: Monday 26 October	
2021 start day		2 February 2021	

#### Out of zone enrolments

The Edendale Primary School Board invites applications from parents who wish to enroll their child at Edendale Primary School for 2020.

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office.

The board has determined that five places are likely to be available for out of zone students next year.

Applications are to be made in writing, addressed to the Principal at Edendale Primary School.

The deadline for applications is by midday Tuesday 15 October 2019.

If the number of out-of-zone applications exceeds the number of places available, students will be selected by ballot. If a ballot is required it will be held on 22 October 2019. Parents will be informed of the outcome of the ballot within three days of the ballot being held.

#### Instrumental music lessons with Lewis Eady at Edendale Primary!

Our students will have the opportunity to learn to play musical instruments at school with Lewis Eady (commencing Week 1 of next term). Lessons will take place during the school day.

Lewis Eady's beginner music programme **Musical Jam** - a fun, instrumental prep programme for children in Year 1 and 2, is a great way to get started!

For children in Year 3 and upwards, **30 minute lessons (group or one-on-one)** are available on **piano, keyboard, guitar and ukulele.** Singing, recorder, strings, woodwind, drum kit and brass will also be available should there be sufficient interest.

To secure a place for your child for music lessons commencing Week 1 of next term (Term 4, 2019) please visit <a href="www.lewiseady.co.nz">www.lewiseady.co.nz</a> and enrol online by Friday 27 September 2019.

We're happy to introduce Scott from Lewis Eady who will be taking band practice for Term 4. They will be held in the hall foyer on Thursdays, 11.30-12.00pm. Your first practise will be 17 October with Scott. Please remember to bring your instruments and music.

Scott Thomas joined Lewis Eady Music School 2010 and teaches woodwind, brass and guitar for us at Remuera Intermediate, Ponsonby Primary School, Kowhai Intermediate and at our Epsom studios. Scott recently returned to New Zealand after a year away in Europe where he was working as a full time touring musician with German band - Smalltape and US/German band - Alex's Hand. Scott completed a Bachelor of Music majoring in jazz saxophone in 2011 and has since been a regular performer around Auckland and New Zealand in bands (House of Shem, Fortress Europe, Queen City Big Band and more) and as a theatre musician (including Auckland Theatre Company's "Jesus Christ Superstar", "Guys and Dolls", "Amadeus" and Silo Theatre's "Peter and the Wolf"). As an instrumental tutor Scott teaches saxophone, flute and clarinet as well as guitar, ukulele and brass.





You can also register online <a href="https://aeonmusique.co.nz">https://aeonmusique.co.nz</a>



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