



Edendale
Primary School

5 August 2021

Newsletter at a glance

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- Leadership Team message from Jonathan R
- Policy review – Concerns and Complaints and Behaviour Management
- Lucky Book Club
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- Planting bee
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- Incredible Years parenting course
- Free hearing tests for pre-schoolers

Kia orāna,

It is hard to believe that this is week two of the third term and on top of all the curriculum initiatives that you will hear about from each team, we have a few property projects on the go. The artificial turf project is yet not complete but we hope will be by next week, weather dependent.

This week LISK put up fencing to make safe the building site for the new Garden to Table kitchen. On this, we are looking for parents who may have access to buying appliances at a good rate. Please email jonathan@edendale.school.nz if this may be something you can help with. And we are also wanting to put out there an idea that may resonant with some of you around sponsoring an appliance for the GTT space. We will have the following appliances: 4 x 60cm wall ovens [\$900 ea], 4 x 60cm ceramic tops [\$700 ea.], 4 x 90cm range hoods [\$1800 ea.], commercial glass door fridge [\$5000 ea.], commercial stainless freezer [\$6000 ea], commercial dishwasher [\$7000].

These items have all been budgeted for but if we can get sponsorship this will free up money for other initiatives around our kura.

We are always happy to respond to questions, wonderings, or concerns. We feel strongly that hearing from our school whānau early will often prevent something from becoming an issue if left longer. We try hard to communicate well but know there will be times when we have not done as well as we think we have.

Usually, your first point of contact will be your child’s teacher. There may be times when contact with the team leader or a senior leader may be needed. The contact details for all of our staff can be found on our website in the

Lastly, if you could all please make sure that you update us when phone numbers change or address this will make communicating with you easier.

Have an amazing upcoming weekend and stay well, stay safe, and be kind.

Ngā mihi

Nā

Jonathan R

Principal | Tumuaki

School donations:

As you will be aware Edendale has signed up to the Government \$150 per child scheme and this means we can not ask you for a donation or monies for school trips. This was a hard decision to make as we are financially worse off but thought it would help families from those who previously have paid a donation to those who haven't been able to.

Even though we are unable to ask for a donation, we'd like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who have decided to make a donation this year freely. This will help us hugely and we will issue you a receipt so that you can make a tax claim.

We are keen to hear from any parents/whanau that have any ideas about how to financially support our unique programmes [e.g., Garden to Table, art specialist teacher, music teacher...] all of which the Ministry of Education doesn't deem a priority in primary education but you have clearly signalled to us that they are important and play an important part sitting alongside our other programmes. The **costs of running the art, Garden to Table and music programmes is around \$140,000 and none of this is provided by the MoE directly.** We believe it is the whole package that makes Edendale Primary School the amazing and special place that it is.

Policy review:

This term, the board, staff, and parents are reviewing **Concerns and Complaints, and Behaviour Management.**

Edendale uses SchoolDocs for our policies. You can find the instructions to access SchoolDocs on our school website by following [this link](#).

Once you have accessed SchoolDocs, go to **Current Review** tab on your site for review instructions and links to the current review topics.

For more information about how to submit a review, see the short but informative video [How to take part in the SchoolDocs policy review process](#) in the [SchoolDocs Video Library](#) (YouTube).

Lucky Book Club:

Lucky Book Club Issue 5 is now open for ordering. Orders can be placed online only, the instructions are on the back page of the catalogue. The last day for ordering is Friday 13th August.

Yummy Apple stickers:

There's still time to collect Yummy Apple stickers and bag labels. Each year the school is able to choose free sports gear in exchange for the Yummy Apple stickers our community collects. Collection sheets are available from the office or you can use the links below

[Sticker collection sheet](#)

[Bonus collection sheet](#) (for select varieties of Yummy Apples)

[Cut-out bag label collection sheet](#)

Planting bee – Saturday 4th September 10:00am – 2:00pm:

We need your help planting 140 wharariki (mountain flax) along the poolside slope. At our last garden bee, no one turned up, so we need all the numbers possible this time. Extended

family members and friends are welcome, of course. Bring a spade and some garden gloves. All you need to do is dig a hole and plant a wharariki. Please come along, even if it's for 20 minutes. The poolside is quite steep so good balance is required.



We hope you all enjoyed the break and are now back into the swing of things for Term 3!

Bake Sale.

Our next Bake Sale of the year will be on Friday afternoon **6th August**. Rooms 16 (Tahi), 6 (Adrienne) and 17 (Ingrid) will be baking up some yummy treats that will be available in two locations near the gates in the school grounds from 2:50pm, as well as a Junior table (for years 0-3 only) set up on the concrete area outside the Junior classrooms. Please remember to bring along some cash on the day to support this event. We will close by 3:30pm unless sold out prior.

Quiz Night : Face the Music – Friday 20th August

Tickets are on sale now. Thanks to all those who have purchased tables already. There are still a few tables left, so get in quick before they disappear. We will be having a Quiz Night stall at the Bake Sale tomorrow so if you have any questions, or want to book a table, come and see us!

\$320 per table of 8, so only \$40 per person. Email us at pta@edendale.school.nz with the subject line PTA Quiz Night Tickets to secure your spot.

For those who have purchased tickets we will send out more information about the night closer to the date.

A big thank you to all those people who have supported us by providing items for the raffle. We will be opening the raffle up prior to the event for everyone to get involved, so keep an eye out for more information about this very soon.

Planting Bee – Saturday 4th September 10:00am – 2:00pm

Members of the PTA will be helping Fleur plant 140 mountain flax at the school and we're encouraging as many volunteers as possible to bring your spade along to help make it light work! So come along with the family and enjoy some time in the garden! We hope to see you there.

Meetings

Our next meeting of the year is an early one prior to the end of term, 5th August, TONIGHT! The meeting starts at **7:00pm** and is held in the meeting room (off the office foyer). If you would like to join us, email us on pta@edendale.school.nz or just show up to the meeting. It's always great to have new people come along and see what is involved with the PTA.

Edendale PTA

Edendale term dates 2021 (note these may change slightly)		
Term 3	26 July – 1 October	Teacher only day: 27 August
Term 4	18 October – 14 December	Teacher only day: 22 October Labour Day: 25 October
Next Board meeting		Tuesday 17 August at 7:00am
Next Friends of Edendale meeting		Thursday 5 August (tonight!)
First day of school 2022		Tuesday 1 February 2022

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Keep reading for our team newsletters

Aroha – rooms 1-5

Atawhai – rooms 6-10

Mahi Tahi – rooms 11-17

Akoranga – rooms 18-22

Tuakana – rooms 24-29

AROHA TEAM NEWSLETTER

WEEK 2 TERM 3

TEAM UPDATE

Kia ora koutou,

Welcome to the beginning of term 3. This term we are studying dinosaurs, birds and early New Zealand life. We are planning a trip to Auckland Museum and will keep you updated about the date and time of our intended visit.

Your child has a 'Spellathon' list of words to learn. If you could please encourage your child to learn these, thank you.

You may have noticed the new astroturf going down outside rooms 1 to 10. This will be great for the children to play on throughout the year and ideal for all kinds of play.

A reminder to please make sure your child brings a change of clothing to school each day especially through the winter months.

Kind regards,

Rosie, Callum, Ariel, Philippa and Hayley
Aroha team



ROSIE & ARIEL

We wore red on Friday to raise money for Cure Kids. We are pleased to be back at school and we are working hard in term 3.

This term, it's all about learning about dinosaurs. Rm 1 is excited to show some of their introductory play and work. We started with what they know then to their questions about what they want to know more about dinosaurs.

INGENUITY- ROOM3

Ingenuity has been playing a lot with dinosaurs. We have been learning about their different attributes and how they lived. We've also been getting creative with our dinosaur writing such as imagining what you'd do if you woke up one morning and found a dinosaur in your backyard!



PERSEVERANCE- ROOM 4

Dino-fever has hit room 4 this term! We've been exploring and researching all about dinosaur habitats (including going down to the bottom field and imagining we were living 65 million years ago!) and have started creating our very own "DINO-ramas" - check it out!



CURIOSITY- ROOM5

Dinosaurs have captured our imaginations and interest. As part of being scientists, we took part in a classification activity. We grouped animals into categories: mammals, reptiles, sea creatures and dinosaurs. There were some animals that we had to think carefully about where to place. We realised that there are many different ways that animals can be grouped!



Team Atawhai *Newsletter*

Term 3 2021

Issue 1

Tena koutou katoa

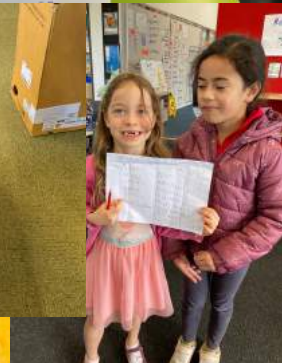
Hello Parents, Whānau and Caregivers,

What a busy beginning of the term! We have been diving right into our learning and it appears that the Team Atawhai children are really excited to find out about "Minibeasts". In particular, we want to explore how these tiny creatures are so significant for a healthy environment and how critical their existence is for our own survival. We also want to have a look at the past and inquire how our grandparents and their grandparents regarded minibeasts.

Later in the term we will visit Auckland War Memorial Museum, view their bug collection and participate in their learning session.

It has been great to reunite with the children, seeing them refreshed after the break and hearing their gorgeous reports about the activities they did. No matter, whether they go far or stay near - they always have a story to tell. A very warm welcome to our new families.

In rooms 8, 9 & 10 learners have been looking at samples from the natural outdoor environment and practised the "Notice Think Wonder" routine. This routine helps us to make careful observations and thoughtful interpretations.



The Pukeko group (room 8) has spent a few sessions on learning about friendship skills and golden rules which are important to our learning. Last Friday we created kindness badges.



Newsletter

Gymnastics



Room 6 tamariki are demonstrating their gymnastics skills! Do you like our yoga poses?



Room 9 showing their fantastic gymnastics skills, from jumping and balancing on beams to their ability to go through obstacles.



Rooms 8 and 10 are doing gymnastics this term. They are learning to do forward and backward rolls, balancing beams, going through hurdles and climbing and jumping.

We value your cooperation and support. You can help by sending us well-rested children with full tummies and a hug and a kiss still fresh on their minds. This sets the stage for a lovely day.

The Team Atawhai teachers
Latha, Melody, Fabienne, Adrienne & Heike

MAHI TAHI

Team newsletter - Week 2 Term 3 2021

BAKE SALE

Room 16 and 17 with their buddy class Room 6 will be hosting the Bake Sale on Friday, 6th August. We designed colourful posters to advertise this wonderful fundraising event.



WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING HOW TO DESIGN AND CREATE 3D BOOKMARKS WITH JAMIE DURING STEAM CLASSES. WE HAD SO MUCH FUN MAKING THEM.

Think, Learn, Create

This term, in the senior school, we are looking at innovation. We will be looking at different inventions and why new ideas are created. Part of this will be looking at media and how we influence media and how media influences us. We will also be creating our own news agencies and inventions.

Literacy Plan

Home Think Learn Create

Think

Wonderings

The news
Where do you and your whānau get your news from?

Collection of news sources
What news sources do you use to get your news?

Interview
Write some interview questions to ask a journalist or someone famous.

Create

Design your own invention

The Invention Process

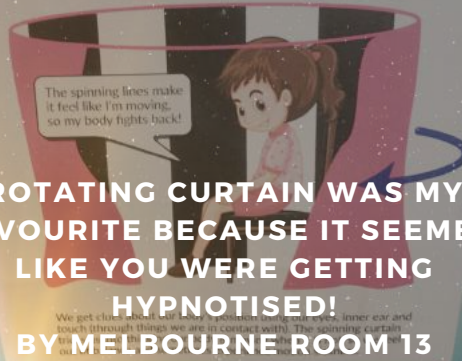
REFLECTIONS

ON WEDNESDAY 28TH JULY, SCIENCE ROADSHOW WAS IN THE HALL. I LEARNED A LOT! HOW THE ACID IN ORANGE SKIN CAN POP A BALLON. HOW NITROGEN DIOXIDE CAN PUT A CANDLE OUT WITHOUT USING LIQUID, JUST GAS. ALSO, I LEARNED HOW ELECTRICITY CAN MAKE YOUR HAIR GO UP. NOW KNOW THAT EXPERIMENTS CAN GET POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE RESULTS. YOU CAN DO A LOT OF FUN THINGS WITH SCIENCE.

BY HUGO ROOM 12



Tricking your sense of balance



Can the lemon juice pop a balloon?



I really liked the rotating curtain. It was an illusion and it hurt my brain a little bit but it was cool.

Lucca Room 15

Rotating Curtain was awesome. It felt like I was moving.

Anaum Room 17

I liked trying the honey because it was really sweet!

Grace Room 16

I liked the jump experiment because you could see how high you could jump.

Jasskerat Room 11

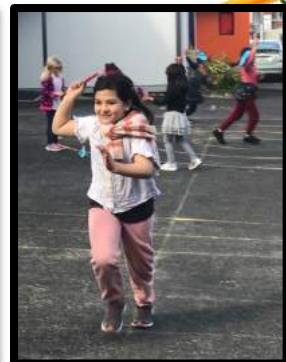
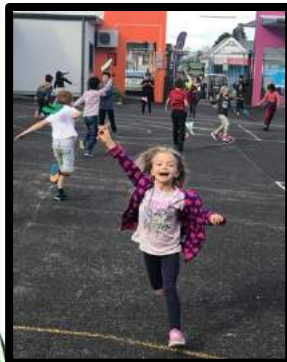


Akoranga

STEAM

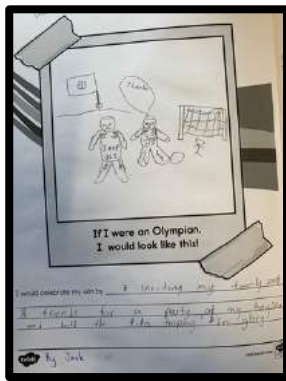
S= Science, T= Technology, E = Engineering, A = Art, M = Maths

We are lucky to have Jamie who is our specialised STEAM teacher. Our classes all have the opportunity to join Jamie this term and the focus is exploring the Seven Kites of Matariki. Our little engineers will need to use their maths measuring skills to make their kites, their science skills to gather and interpret data, their technology skills to make a video and much more. The result is a fun filled day with a lot of learning, here are some photos of those who have had a great day in STEAM so far:



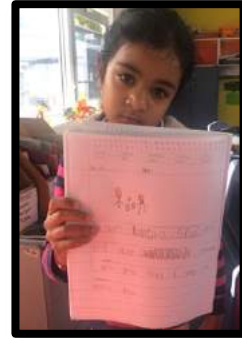
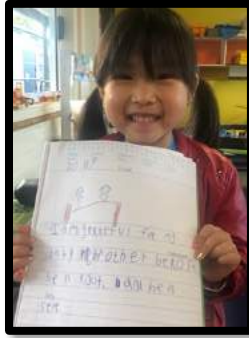
The Olympics

We have been cheering on all the athletes taking part in the Olympics. It was so exciting to watch Team New Zealand compete and win medals. We have loved looking at all the different and new sports added this year like skate boarding. We were inspired by the resilience shown by all the athletes especially NZ BMX rider Rebecca Petch. We discussed how when she fell off her bike she got up and tried her best, she never gave up. We put our counting and addition skills to work when we watched sports like the archery ($10+9+7=??$). We learned how to use tally marks to help us keep track of the scores and are using bar charts to graph how many medals we are winning. Very exciting! Some children even decided to make some gold medals to compete for in school. Let The Games Begin!! Check out some of the writing the games has inspired.



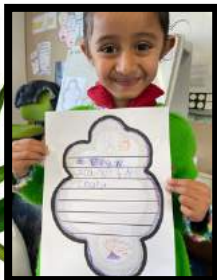
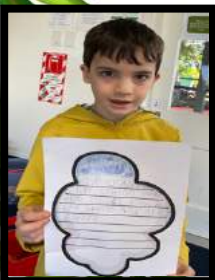
♥ Gratitude ♥

As part of our Positive Behavior for Learning (PB4L) program we are learning all about gratitude. We have talked about all the things in our lives that we are grateful for. It's always beautiful to see the love we all have for our families.



Rumble in the Jungle

This term our inquiry focus is on all things wild and wonderful. We will be learning about life cycles of different animals, exploring the diverse habitats found in nature. Examining how different climates affect our planet. Last week we looked at the clouds. We wondered what they might taste like (turns out it's cotton candy), then we made some cloud dough. In maths we made bar charts to find out what our favourite animals are.





TUAKANA - YEARS 5 & 6

TEAM NEWSLETTER - WEEK 2 TERM THREE 2021

Action-packed term 3

Can you believe it? We're now half-way through our school year! We've already had an action-packed start to the new term; with Science Roadshow, Garden to Table, music, pottery making with our specialist art teacher, Kus, intermediate visits for our year 6's and the launch of our new TLC (Think, Learn, Create) plans in our classrooms. There's always a sense of excitement when we introduce the new plans - from both the students and the teachers. This term the theme is Innovation and we have links with technology, media and of course, the Olympics.

For our literacy focus we are looking at newspapers and other media, and we already have some experts in our own community who are giving up their time to share their knowledge with our learners. Thank you to these wonderful people who are helping our tamariki to make connections with what they are learning at school to the outside world. If we have any other specialists out there - with a passion and knowledge about technology, inventions, media and sports - we would love to hear from you and how you can help, please send an email to our

Tuakana teachers, and we will get in touch.

Tracy, Tuakana Team Leader & Shamin, Braedon, Katrina, Claudia, Nik

What's coming up

- Reports go home week 5
- Teacher/parent/student conferences week 6
- Spellathon - school fundraiser
- Y4-6 Production - week 10
- Camp payment due 17 August



Making worm tea

On Thursday the 29th of July, my class (room) 26 learnt how to make worm tea and how it affects the earth.

First Fleur Tuck told us how we used the worm bins and what they do. She told us what to put in the bin and why. I learnt to not put citrus in the worm bin because it cooks and stings the worm's delicate body. You're supposed to put banana peels, apple cores and stuff like that in the worm bin. You can also put paper and cardboard in because it's made out of trees.

Here at Edendale we try to copy what nature does to make compost for our plants and we also try to have zero waste lunch boxes.

(This is how to make worm tea)

First, the microbes (tiny germs) eat the food scraps, then the worms eat the microbes. The worms produce a thing called casting which then go into a bucket under the bin. You mix that with their poop and a bit of water and done!

You should use your worm tea right away otherwise it won't be as good.

By Payton, Rm 26

Camp - Pay it forward \$\$\$

Camp monies are due on 17 August. Thank you to families who have got in the camp permission slips and payments. A reminder that if you wish, you can pay a little extra to help fund the trip for other students. Every little bit helps to make sure all students have the same opportunities.

We're still on the lookout for Garden to Table helpers. If you can just help out for just a one-off session in the kitchen or garden, or regularly, we'd love to see you!

If you can help out, please email kylie@edendale.school.nz



Olympic profile

Valerie Adams

Valerie Adams was born on 6 October 1984 in Rotorua. She's 36.

Medals - she's won 2 gold medals and 1 silver medal.

In the Olympics, Valerie Adams does shot put in athletics. She has now won a bronze medal in Tokyo 2020.

Her height is 1.93m.

Facts about Valerie Adams

She won her first gold medal in 2008. Her personal best throw was 21.24m. She also has 3 siblings 2 brothers and 1 sister her sister's name is Lisa, and her brother's names are Warren and Stevan. Valerie's parents are Sid and Lilika.

Valerie Adams has been to four Olympics games (London, Rio, Beijing and Athens).

She was beaten by Michelle Carter who had a personal best of 20.63m in 2017. Valerie also won the world's youth championships in 2001.

Valerie's one of the most successful and celebrated athletes. She moved her training base to Christchurch.

By Honor, Room 25



TUAKANA - YEARS 5 & 6

TEAM NEWSLETTER - WEEK 2 TERM THREE 2021

Students get hands on at the science roadshow

On Wednesday the 28th July, we went to the Science Roadshow. There were lots of interesting activities and experiments there. I found the 'Spinning Curtains' especially interesting because there was a ring of curtains and inside was a chair. When you sat on the chair, the curtains would start spinning. There were black and white stripes on the inside of the curtains, so when it started spinning it looked really trippy. At the end of the Roadshow, they showed us an experiment that made a balloon blow up. It made a giant heatwave and it was very loud, it made a big BANG!

By Isobelle, Rm24



Balmoral Intermediate School Tours

Balmoral Intermediate two open mornings where parents and children can visit the Balmoral Intermediate School to see the classrooms in action. The dates are

- Thursday 19 August 9:30 am – 10:30am
- Thursday 28 September 9:30 am – 10:30am

[Click here to register your interest in and Intermediate School Tour](#)

We look forward to seeing you here.

Incredible Years Parenting Programme

for parents of children
3-8 years



The Incredible Years parenting programme was developed by Dr Carolyn Webster-Stratton in the U.S.A.

Evaluations of the programme show that it significantly improves parent-child interactions.

The programme is provided by the Ministry of Education at no cost to the participant and is facilitated by trained group leaders.

Incredible Years Parenting Programme

The Incredible Years parenting programme acknowledges that parenting is one of the most important jobs adults can do. The programme aims to encourage positive family relationships.

We provide:

- Practical step-by-step suggestions for parents of 3 to 8 year olds, to help handle everyday family situations
- An encouraging and supportive learning environment
- Strategies to help parents manage challenging behaviours.

What is covered in the Programme?

- Connecting with your child through play
- Using praise to build your child's self-esteem
- How to use praise and small rewards to motivate your child
- Setting limits
- Helping your child to develop life-long skills through positive discipline.



Involvement in an Incredible Years Group means you will...

- Learn strategies to manage problem behaviours
- Develop strategies to build positive relationships with your children
- Participate in group discussions
- Attend 14 sessions
- Meet once a week for 2.5 hours.

You are welcome to bring a partner, close friend or relative with you.

Contact us

For more information about the Incredible Years programme contact:

IncredibleYears.Northern@education.govt.nz

Website address

www.incredibleyears.com

<http://pb4l.tki.org.nz/Incredible-Years-Parent>

Youtube

<https://www.youtube.com/user/TheIncredibleYears>

FREE Hearing Tests for Infants and Children

Available during March-June, July-October



When: Building 507, 22-30 Park Avenue, FMHS, University of Auckland Grafton Campus.

To help our students gain experience in testing young children, we have a promotion in place.

We are offering free hearing tests for children aged between 7 months – 5 years 11 months of age. If you are happy to volunteer your child or know of someone who may appreciate a free hearing test for their child, we'd love to hear from you!

The children will be tested by students from the Master of Audiology degree programme.

Students are supervised by experienced, senior audiologists.

Please email your contact details to clinics@auckland.ac.nz

Free parking is available in Building 507. We are also close to public transport links. Appointments usually take 1 hour.

Appointments are available for children aged between 7 months – 5 years 11 months.