

EBBETT PARK SCHOOL**EXCELLENCE, PRIDE & SPIRIT****Whats been Happening**

Last week was 'Bully Free Week NZ' and the staff introduced the concept to the students by wearing pink to assembly on Friday. As a school we will be focusing on 'bullying' this week through our Values teaching. Students will be involved in developing an understanding about what bullying is, how it feels and what they can do when/if they are bullied and/or if they see it happening to others. Sadly, bullying will always be around but we can make every effort to minimise this happening at Ebbett Park School through education and encouraging our students, whanau and community to be strong and stand up to the bullies. I hope the students share their learning with you this week regarding this.



Our students will be able to celebrate their learning on Friday 25th by wearing something PINK to school.

**Seesaw**

A free app to access your students learning and experiences while at Ebbett Park School.

**ClassDojo**

A free app we use to reward students and an easy way to communicate with your child's teacher.

**Schoolstream**

A free app for us to share notices, for parents to sign permission slips and to inform us of your child's absence.

PB4L at Ebbett Park School

Below are our behaviour expectation for Week 4. As mentioned we will be using our values to focus and educate our students about bullying with the 'Anti-bullying' message

Excellence

- I will keep my hands to myself
- I will use kind words
- I will sit properly and keep my hands and feet to myself

Spirit

- I deal with conflict positively
- I will try and get along with everyone
- I will encourage others
- I will give everything a go and support others
- I will always use kind words
- I will encourage and include others



Classroom Champions



Congratulations to last weeks classroom champions: Faatau, April, Kryshayla, Carly, Michael, Mia, Harmeet and Eternity. They all had an awesome week working hard, showing the school values and making the most of the opportunities available to them.



Ebbett Park School 'Friends and Family'

This is a great opportunity to get to know other families from EPS. It is a group that work hard and give back to the school through fundraising and establishing events that provide a social get together. The school community would be lost without them.

In order to continue the great team we would like to extend an open invitation to meet the current 'Friends and Family' and hear about the work that they do. If you are keen to lend a hand, join in and be part of this team you will be able to do so during this meet and greet.

Meet and greet the 'Friends and Family' team and consider being part of this: Thursday 24th @2.30pm under the tree in the playground area by the juniors - muffins available.

Safety Notice

During the past week there have been a number of incidents in our area involving a man approaching students (from different schools at different times). It is unclear if the incidents involve the same man or not. The incidents have involved a man trying to entice students into a car or following them on foot. Last week the teachers spoke with their students about keeping safe while walking to and from school, walking with a buddy and not engaging with any conversation with people they do not know or approaching cars. We ask that you support us with this safety message and talk with your child/children at home. We want to keep everyone safe. Kia Kaha.

Absent from School?

If your child is going to be absent from school, please contact the school either by phone and leave a message or school stream.

For the safety of your child/children if they are not at school we need an explanation please.

Kindergarten Vacancy

Raureka Kindergarten has vacancies for 2 -6 year olds.

The hours for this are 8.30am - 2.30pm and there is no cost involved. If you are interested in finding out more about this please contact the Kindergarten directly, details are below:

Physical Address: **1006 Campbell Street, Raureka, Hastings**

Phone: **878 8216**

Email: raureka@hfka.co.nz



Medication at School

If your child needs medication while at school, a written consent form must be filled out in order for staff to administer it. The approved form can be collected from the school office. **Medication must be delivered to school by parents/caregivers, not by students.**

Community Notices

Raureka Community hub have a series of legal workshops available to our community. These workshops are free for those that wish to attend. They are all held at the Raureka Rangatahi Centre.

The next work shop is: **Friday the 25th of May 12:00pm-2:30pm** – Consumer: Retail, electronic contracts, delivery trucks. Dealing with debt collectors.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Week 4: Monday 21st May - Young Leaders Conference in Palmerston North

Thursday 24th May - Barefoot Rugby Tournament

Friday 25th May - Wear Pink to celebrate our learning around 'Anti Bullying'

Week 6: Monday 4th June - Queens Birthday (Long weekend)

Week 9: Thursday 28th June - Duffy Assembly

Week 10: Tuesday 3rd July - Year 3/4 Netball Season finishes

Thursday 5th July - Last day of term 2 for Ebbett Park School students

Friday 6th July - Teacher Only Day - Professional Development Day for Staff

(Please note: the Teacher only day at the end of this term will mean that our final day of school for the 2018 academic year will be: FRIDAY 14th December rather than Thursday 13th as previous planned)