

EBBETT PARK SCHOOL

EXCELLENCE, PRIDE & SPIRIT



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Lunchtime Reading

I would like to make a public 'Thank You' to Tumu. This wonderful company has very kindly donated 2 apple boxes for us to store and transport the 10 lovely outdoor beanbags the BoT purchased last year for us. The purpose is for students



to be able to sit together, under the trees in the summer and in the hall, during the colder months and read during the lunch break. The kids seem to really enjoy this already and it has been great to see different students taking part. I would also like to thank Mrs Bush's father who very kindly made some reading 'cars' and a giant Jenga game.

Thank you to those public community members that help us to help our students.



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.

Skool Loop

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

Class Champions for Week 3



Congratulations to these fantastic students: Robert, Jordan, Annalise, Kyra and Leahmara. Demonstrating Excellence, Pride and Spirit through their learning.

WHAT'S COMING UP

Paid Union Meeting



Ebbett Park School Teachers are due to attend a Paid Union Meeting in March. While I know that an early finish is not always ideal it is important that staff attend these meetings and it is nice for us to be a united front. Therefore I need to inform you that **Ebbett Park School** will be **closing early (1.30pm)** on **Wednesday 20th March** so that staff can attend the Hasting meeting. Please make note of this and ensure that you make alternative arrangements for your child/children for this early finish.

Champions

Champions is a Values Based Christian Education Programme that is offered to our students during the lunchtime break on a Thursday. This programme has started. Attached at the back of this newsletter is the 'Opt In' form that indicates that you are happy for your child to be involved. It caters for students years 3-6.

School Assemblies

These will now be held on a Monday morning. We would like to use this time to set the scene for the week and discuss our value focus. Certificates will still be presented. They will be presented for the previous week. You are welcome to join us.

Sickness

There seems to be flu like symptoms around. Please look after yourselves. If your child is not well please consider if they are healthy enough to be at school. We do not want to spread anything around others. If your child is unwell please make a call to the office to let us know so that we can record their absence appropriately.

THINGS TO NOTE

BULLYING

Thank you to the parents/caregivers that have been in to see me regarding bullying. It is one of those things that if we are not told about it it will go unnoticed. Please be assured that Bullying will not be tolerated at Ebbett Park School. If your child is experiencing any bullying encourage them to see the classroom teacher and tell them what is happening. If you, as the adult, hear about it please discuss with the classroom teacher also.

Pizza Lunches

This year we will be offering Pizza Lunches **every Friday**. Each term the money raised will be going to a particular venture: This term we are focusing on beautification of our school grounds. Please see the attachment at the end of this newsletter: Orders and Monies MUST be in by Friday 9am.

School Security

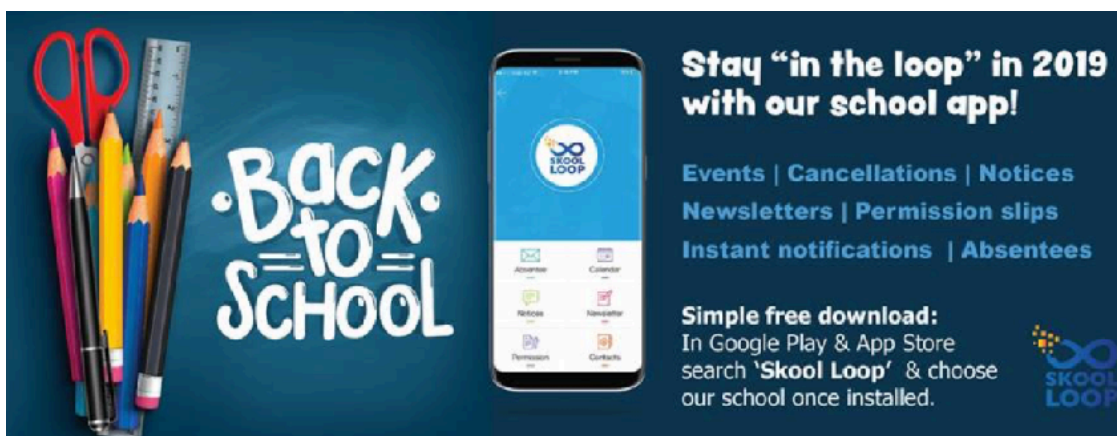
Thank you to the member of the public that noticed unlocked and open doors during the weekend and called the police. We appreciate the vigilance of the neighbours and community members that look out for the school during the weekend and holidays.

School Hats

Part of the required uniform for this term and term 4 is a sun hat. Students will not be allowed to play outside without one of these. The hats are BLUE bucket hats. There are some of these available from the school office. We will NOT be accepting anything except the regulation hats from week 2 onwards. Please ensure you purchase one as soon as possible.

Skool Loop App

We have moved from schoolstream as the app to communicate with families to Skool Loop. Please ensure that you move to the Skool Loop App to stay in touch with what is happening.



Stay "in the loop" in 2019 with our school app!

Events | Cancellations | Notices
Newsletters | Permission slips
Instant notifications | Absentees

Simple free download:
In Google Play & App Store search 'Skool Loop' & choose our school once installed.

Girls Singlets and Knickers

We have been lucky enough to be gifted a number of singlets and knickers. We have already sent some home with our families and still have more available. If you wish to have more, sizes 8 -16 these will be available to purchase \$1 a piece via the school office. Multiple colours available: grey, black, orange, green, pink and black.



DATES TO REMEMBER: TERM 1 2019

Week 4: Monday 25th February - Vision/Hearing Technician in at EPS.

Week 5: Wednesday 6th March - Hastings Schools Swimming Sports @ Raureka School. - **PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE**

Week 6: Wednesday 13th - Friday 15th: Life Education Trust in for all classes.

Week 7: Monday 18th - Tuesday 19th: Life Education Trust in for all classes.

Wednesday 20th - Paid Union Meeting: EPS early finish at 1.30pm - **(NEW ENTRY)**

Thursday 21st - Primary Beach Fives Tournament

Week 8: Tuesday 26th - EIT Candidate Teachers commence at EPS

Wednesday 27th - Mitre 10 Tough Kids Challenge

Thursday 28th - BoT Meeting; 6.15pm

Friday 29th - Magic Show: Be Bright Eat Right: Whole school: 9.30am

Week 9: Monday 1st April - Friday 5th April: Safe Spark Programme for all classes.

Week 10: Friday 12th April: School Show Case: School Open for terms work to be show cased to family and friends. All Welcome.

TERM 1 ENDS: Friday 12th April @2.45pm

PLEASE ATTACH THIS TO YOUR FRIDGE AS A VISUAL REMINDER

Pizza Fundraiser

All classes can order a slice of ham and cheese pizza for **\$2 per slice**.

Money and orders can be brought to the office during the week but ***must be in by 9am on Friday***.

Pizza Orders

Name: _____ . Rm _____ Quantity _____

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We are pleased to be able to offer our Champions programme to Ebbett Park School this year. Champions is a fun and relevant Values Based Christian Education programme for **Years 3-6** run by Champions Presenters Benji, Carla, and Elke. Champions will be on each week during Thursday Lunchtimes. Values like Resilience, Compassion and Help are becoming increasingly important to reinforce and be taught in a variety of ways.

We understand the current situation and teach in a way where students can learn and chose to participate in a way that is meaningful for them. Please feel free to contact me via the school office, Benji Carey (Community Liaison for CEC in Hawkes Bay).

OPT IN FORM

Please fill out this form and return to the school if you are happy for your child to attend **Champions**.

STUDENT: _____

YEAR: _____

CLASS: _____

SIGNED BY PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

For more information visit www.cec.org.nz

