

**EBBETT PARK SCHOOL****EXCELLENCE, PRIDE & SPIRIT****THINGS TO NOTE****Striking: Wednesday 29th May**

As a result of the Paid Union Meetings that were held last week both secondary and primary teachers have voted to strike on Wednesday 29th of May. This means that Ebbett Park School will be closed on this day. While I understand the inconvenience of this I hope that you will stand with us in support for getting more classroom support for our Tamariki. This is NOT about money it is about classroom and learning support for all students.

**Anti-bullying Week**

This week our students will be focusing on this topic. We will be looking at challenging the attitudes towards bullying and developing the understanding that no-one is born a victim and no-one is born a bully. Bullying is a learnt behaviour and not an innate characteristic of anyone, so it's important not to define yourself by your actions and experience. You are more than a label and it's up to you who you choose to be.

To celebrate this learning this week we will be holding 'Pink Shirt Day' on **Friday 17th May**. It would be great to everyone in a pink shirt rather than their usual school uniform shirt.

**NETBALL DRAW**

Ebbett Park Elite Vs St Matthews Magic - Played at St Josephs

Ebbett Park Electric Vs St Josephs Toru - Played at St Josephs

**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.

# WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

## Classroom Champions



### Wearable Arts

Mrs Bush is looking for plastic biscuit packs for her wearable arts unit that she is doing with room 9 this term. Please bring them in to the office for her.

# WHAT'S COMING UP

## Values Focus for this week: Anti-Bullying

Students will be working together to understand that bullying is not something to blame yourself about and it is not to be ignored whether you're experiencing bullying, you've witnessed it or if you're perpetrating it; **SPEAK UP**. Talk to someone and make sure you let people know what's happening.

**NEED TO TALK?**

**1737**

**free call or text any time for support from a trained counsellor**

We're here. Free call or text 1737 any time, 24 hours a day. You'll get to talk to (or text with) a trained counsellor. Our service is completely free.

- Are you feeling anxious or just need someone to talk to? Call or text 1737
- Are you feeling down or a bit overwhelmed? Call or text 1737
- Do you know someone who is feeling out-of-sorts or depressed? Let them know they can call or text 1737

Whatever it is, we're here.  
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# Board Of Trustees - ELECTION

It is that time again: we are looking for community representatives to be on the school BoT. Nomination forms have been sent home in the post. A letter in this piece of mail provides all the details you need to understand the nomination process. If you have any questions please call the school office or principal.

## SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

School trustee elections are coming up.

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Contact your school for a nomination form or learn more about trustee elections

@ trustee-election.co.nz  
☎ 0800 353 284  
✉ electionsadvice@nzsta.org.nz

### What is a school board of trustees?

Almost all state and state integrated schools in New Zealand have a board of trustees. School board membership includes parent representatives, a staff representative, a student representative (where there are students above year 9) and the principal. Your board may also include other types of trustees. Contact your school for more information on the composition of your school's board.

### Who can become a trustee?

Parents, caregivers and people from the wider community can put their name forward to be on a school board during the board of trustee elections.

### What do trustees do?

The board is accountable to its parents and community and for student progress and achievement. Here are some specific things a board does:

- Sets the strategic direction and plans for the school and monitors the school's progress against them.
- Monitors and evaluates student progress.
- Oversees the management of staff, property, finances, curriculum and administration.
- Ensures that the educational needs and aspirations of Maori learners, Pasifika learners and learners with special learning and behaviour needs are identified, planned for and met.
- Fulfills the intent of the Treaty of Waitangi by valuing and reflecting New Zealand's dual cultural heritage.
- Appoints and supports the principal and assesses their performance.

### What skills do trustees need?

Trustees are active leaders in their schools and need to work well in a team, ask challenging questions and have good communications skills. Boards need a balance of skills and experiences around the table to ensure effective processes for planning, monitoring, reporting and reviewing of the school's performance are in place.

### What help do school trustees get?

New Zealand School Trustees Association provides free advice around employment and governance, support and resources. NZSTA also provides a variety of professional development opportunities for trustees.

# **DATES TO REMEMBER: TERM 2 2019**

## **Week 3: BULLY FREE WEEK**

**Wednesday 15th May: Reading Together programme begins**

**Thursday 16th May: BoT meeting @ 6.15pm**

**Friday 17th May: PINK SHIRT DAY - Gold Coin Donation**

**Week 4: Tuesday 21st May: Young leaders Conference in Palmerston North (Mr Dufty and Mrs Bush)**

**Week 6: Monday 3rd June: QUEENS BIRTHDAY LONG WEEKEND - no school on this day**

**Wednesday 5th June: Duffy Theatre 11.20pm Full school**

**Friday 7th June: Badminton Sessions end and Rugby Sessions begin for year 4,5 and 6s.**

**Week 7: Thursday 13th June: Barefoot 7's Tournament**

**Week 8: Monday 17th June: Gymnastics Competition - Juniors**

**Tuesday 18th June: Gymnastics Competition - Seniors**

**Thursday 20th June: BoT meeting @6.15pm**

**Week 10: Thursday 4th July: Books, Blokes and Breakfast**

**Friday 5th July: Rugby Sessions end, School Show Case Day and last day of term**

**School Show Case: School Open for terms work to be show cased to family and friends. All Welcome.**

**TERM 2 ENDS: Friday 5th July @2.45pm**

## 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

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