

EBBETT PARK SCHOOL

EXCELLENCE, PRIDE & SPIRIT



Things to note...

Measles

As you will be aware there is a measles outbreak in Samoa. I hope that if we have any families heading to the pacific islands during our summer break that you seek medical advise and ensure that all needed immunisations are up to date.

E pei ona e nofouta o lo’o i ai le malala o le misela i totonu o Samoa. Ou te fa’amoemoe pe afai ei ai so matou aiga e agai atu i motu tutotonu i le taimi o matou malologa o le mafanafana e te sailia fautuaga faafoma’i ma faamautinoa ua mana’omia uma tui puipui.

WATER ONLY:

We made it! Water only for a month

I am not sure how the rest of you are feeling but I have certainly noticed the difference in only drinking water for a month! I am sleeping better and, thanks to the pee chart, I know how to monitor my body’s health.

Now that we have made a positive change in our drinking health here at Ebbett Park School we are going to keep it that way and a ‘Water Only’ policy will be presented to the Board this week for consideration.

Thank you for your support and understanding regarding this health move within school and we appreciate your support.

Ebbett Park School will be WATER ONLY from here on in - remember that also includes any visiting whanau and community members also.



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

Celebrating Student Success

Principals Award



Aaryan is an outstanding school role model, friend and member of room 7. His initiative and dedication help him to uphold excellence, pride and spirit in all school situations. Aaryan exhibits Excellence in all his behaviour. Constantly showing respect and listening to his peers and other adults. He is very committed to his responsibilities and shows excellence in his denotation towards being the flag monitor. Aaryan constantly demonstrated spirit in his relationships. He is empathetic and quick to notice when someone is unhappy. He always tries his best to embrace challenges and improve his learning. This keen attitude has helped him to make steady progress in all subjects.



Robert is an absolute star member of ruma rima. He shows excellence, pride and spirit in everything he does. Robert is a reliable member of his classroom, anything that needs to be done Robert will do. Robert shows spirit through caring and always being a kind friend, not only to his classmates but to the EPS students as well. He is compassionate and empathetic towards his friends and goes out of his way to include others in play and in games. Robert uses his initiative and consistently does the right thing without needing to be asked. Robert is the epitome of excellence, in manners and behaviour. He cares about his classroom and always looks after the equipment showing respect. Robert is polite and greets others with his beautiful smile.

Reading Recovery Graduate

Brooklyn started on level seven and is now on Level 19. She now writes amazing stories and has a high bank of high frequency writing words. She has been a pleasure to teach as she oozes enthusiasm and has a vibrant personality. Congratulations Brooklyn what a fine example of excellence, pride and spirit you are.



Classroom Champions



Congratulations to our Classroom Champions for week 7.

These students have been acknowledged for their leadership, focus and trying new things.

Well done Kydan, Paige, Jaxson, Carly, Daniel, Jah and Lylah for your outstanding efforts this week. Keep it up!

Values Bands

As we are heading towards the end of the year we are awarding the last of the values bands for 2019. Last week we awarded 'Excellence' bands to Hine, Kereama, Aaliyana and Robert. Aaryan was awarded his 'Spirit' band.



Gang Patches and Colours

I would like to respectfully request that any gang insignia is kept away from school property please. Please do not be offended if you are asked to remove any as we wish to keep the school environment a neutral space. Thanks you for your understanding.

Sickness

There seems to be a few 'bugs' around at the moment. Please remember to keep yourselves safe through thorough hand washing. If your child seems unwell please keep them at home so that we do not spread anything around to others.



PUBLIC NOTICES

Welcome to Summer Sparks - Hastings Library Summer Holiday Activities

Hastings District Libraries is again running the Summer Sparks Challenge for children aged 5-12.

You can sign up online by filling out the form below, with the programme running between 2nd December 2019 and 23rd January 2020.

What is Summer Sparks?

A fun set of challenges and activities providing an innovative and dynamic way of encouraging children's learning and discovery over the summer holidays.

The programme incorporates a variety of literacy forms and methods, including, but not limited to, traditional reading based elements.

How does the programme work?

Children aged 5-12 years complete activities and then tell us, show us, or amaze us with whatever wonderful form that has taken.

Each child gets an activity log with 25 different activities on it, arranged by type into 'challenge sets'. These sets are themed so children can complete ones that appeal to them more, or all of them, should they wish to.

The programme activities are broad and easily scaled up or down depending on the age and ability of the child. There is no right or wrong way to complete the activities, it's all about imagination.

Children can come in as many (or as few) times as they like. Children that go away for large parts of the holidays can still participate – just come in when you can.

Themes for this summer



This year there is also an extra sticker for those who complete 5 activities across multiple challenge sets.

Prizes

There are a bunch of great prizes up for grabs!

The more challenge sets a child completes the more entries they receive. Children can gain up to 11 entries into prize draws of their choice. If they complete all 25 challenges, they will also be entered into a Super Sparks prize draw.

End of Holiday POOL PARTY!

When Summer Sparks winds up, there will be a pool party held to act as a culmination of all their hard work, as well as an opportunity to hold a prize-giving. This will happen on Friday 24 January 2020 at Frimley Pool (503 Frimley Road, Hastings).

The Plan: Doors open at 9:30am, begin at 9:45am with a prize-giving, in the pool by 10am, out of pool by 11:30am, out of the complex by 11:45am. (If you want to stay on for the afternoon you need to leave the complex then re-enter as general public and charges will apply.)

All children must be accompanied by an adult 16 years or over, and all swimmers must be wearing appropriate swimwear.

We'll only cancel if there is really horrible weather (like thunder and lightning) 'cause we are REALLY looking forward to it!

TERM 4 Calendar

Week 8: Tuesday 3rd: Water safety Pool Session: Life Jackets - This is now Monday 2nd Dec
Tuesday 3rd : Board of Trustees meeting @6.15pm (moved from Thursday)

Week 9: Monday 9th December to Wednesday 11th December: **normal school days** (some teachers will be packing up rooms to move classroom space but this WILL NOT affect the school programme at all.
Thursday 10th December: Teachers to move to their 2020 classrooms with the support of some students. Other students will be involved in activities so school as normal.

Friday 13th December: Staff and Students End of Year event (closed event - no parent help required) - PERMISSION SLIPS ATTACHED!

Week 10: Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th: Celebration Assemblies (time TBC)
Wednesday 18th: End of Year Prize giving Assembly (time TBC)
Thursday 19th: Term 4 Ends @12pm (noon)

Monday 16th December: 9-10 class as normal. 10-11 session 1 with 2020 class.
11.30-12.30 class as normal. 1.30pm: Celebration Assembly (all whanau and friends welcome) - special acknowledgment will be happening during this prize giving.

Tuesday 17th December: 9-10 class as normal. 10-11 session 2 with 2020 class.
11.30-12.30 class as normal. 1.30pm Service Awards Assembly (all whanau and friends welcome)

Wednesday 18th December: normal school day with an early morning tea (time TBC).
11.00am End of Year Final Prizegiving (all whanau and friends expected). Reports home at end of day.

If students leave early PLEASE sign out as expected via the office.

The academic years begins on Monday 27th January 2020



Aquatic Centre Fun Day

Dear parents,

On Friday 13th December, we will be travelling by bus to the Hastings Aquatic Centre for a school fun day. We are leaving at 9.45am and returning to school 2.15pm.

Your child will need the following:

- **\$3 per child towards bus cost**
- A packed lunch
- Water bottle
- Sun block
- Togs and towel

Please return permission slip and money to the office.

Aquatic Centre Fun Day

I give permission for: _____ Room _____
_____ Room _____
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_____ Room _____

to attend the Aquatic Centre trip on Friday 13th December.

Guardians signature _____