TERM ONE

WEEK 9 MONDAY 27TH MARCH.

# EBBETT PARK SCHOOL EXCELLENCE, PRIDE & SPIRIT



2023

## **Principal Message**

It is hard to believe that 3 years ago on Saturday 25th March, 2022, New Zealand entered a nationwide lockdown to stop the spread of a new and mysterious virus, COVID.

Since then we have experienced an 'alert level system', traffic light system, self isolation, cues at supermarkets, bears in windows, shortages of toilet paper and a change in the way we live and mange ourselves.

We then started the 2023 year with a weather phenomena that affected our beautiful region in so many ways that it is unlikely that it will look or be the same again.

Our tamariki have experienced so much in the last 3 years and they are now managing to work and learn in their school environment that has its restrictions due to building and development. While the building and changes to the school environment are very exciting it can be very frustrating at the same time. All of this just continues to show strength of our tamariki and their ability to be resilient and manage adversity.

There is no denying it's been a tough month, not to mention a few years, so to celebrate our progress and show our solidarity and support for our region Ebbett Park School will take part in the 'Hawkes Bay Together in Black and White' on Thursday 6th April.

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Vision Empowering akonga to be culturally inclusive and engaged community members of the future. Striving to excel, standing with pride and connecting with spirit.



**Mission** Ebbett Park School will challenge students to excel and provide them With all they require to be lifelong learners.

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# What's Been Happening

## **Building Up-Grade Up Date**

Progress is being made in regards to the up-grade of Block A.

The old boiler room is beginning to take shape with walls lined, suspended ceiling in place, lights and painting. We are expecting carpet and wall lines to be in place by the end of the term with the possibility of having this space open and workable for term 2.

Classrooms 2 - 4 have walls being reinstalled, power and data connections put into place and sing off for the final works has been completed.

At this stage a firm timeline has not yet been confirmed but we are looking forward to being able to share further developments with you shortly.



## **Pool Side Swimming sessions**

Towards the end of last week we were fortunate to have swimming support from Swimming New Zealand. The 'coach' was impressed with the behaviour and participation of our tamariki and has enjoyed the time she has spend at Ebbett Park School. Over the last two weeks of school there are 3 more session so we are hoping that the weather continues to shine for us as it has done over the last week.



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## **Emergency Procedure Drills**

Last week we took some time to practice our safety procedures. Ms Medlicott

was highly impressed by the response to all procedures practiced. She even went as far as to say that these practices had demonstrated the best response ever.

If school is ever in the situation where the procedures take place for real the school will communicate with the community through Skool Loop first followed by Facebook and Seesaw.





# What's Coming Up

#### **WOOD WORKING BEE**

#### Saturday 1st April from 10am

(No JOKES! We are serious!)

Many hands make light work







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## **Student Programmes for term 2**

We have spaces available in two student programmes that will run at Ebbett Park School this year. Contact Kate if interested: <u>kmedlicott@ebbettpark.school.nz</u>

1. **Finding Our Brave Programme:** A programme designed to build resilience in children and help them to manage their anxiety. (6 week programme)

2. **Social Skills Programme:** A programme designed to develop and enhance children's social skills.

These sessions have started for this term but if you are interested in your child taking part in either or both of these programmes in future terms please email Kate and she will send home a permission slip to be filled in and returned as soon as possible.

## **Reading Together Programme**

## A programme for whānau

*Reading Together* ® is a gold standard, research-based workshop programme which helps parents/whānau to provide effective support for their children's reading.

If you are keen to be part of this group during term 2 please fill in the RETURN SLIP at the back of this newsletter.



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# **Things to Consider**

## Morning Drop Off, Afternoon Pick Up and Parking

While I know that entering and exiting via Wall Road is not ideal I appreciate the support and understanding our whānau, neighbours and community have shown us during the challenging time.

As we head into the winter months we are expecting to see an increase in traffic on Wall Road. Therefore, it is VITAL that we all practice safe driving methods.

Please avoid: parking in or in front of our neighbours driveways

doing U-turns from one side to another of Wall Road

double parking

turning up too early for the exit of your child/ren

The purpose of staggered exits is to ensure that we DO NOT have an excess of traffic at one time.

2.30pm is for Road Patroller and YMCA OSCAR students ONLY

2.40pm is for those that have siblings also attending Ebbett Park School

2.45pm is for those learners that DO NOT have any siblings attending Ebbett Park School.

Pick ups are being hindered by families that park early and wait for the last group to exit. If you could wait much closer to 2.40 our whanau groups will be exiting and parks will become free of you to park and pick up your precious tamariki.

## Lulu and Max OSCAR @ EPS

There are spaces available for tamariki to attend before school and after school care at Ebbett Park School..

If there is any interested in registering your child/ren for Lulu and Max programme @ EPS use this link <u>https://www.luluandmax.co.nz/enrolnow</u>. Select Hastings and in the notes identify Ebbett Park School as your preferred site.



# **Term 1 House Results**

**Our Term One Classdojo Leaderboard** 

Each week our students are busy showing off their awesomeness and earning Classdojo points. As a parent you can also see how many points they are getting and what they are getting their points for. If you are not connected to Classdojo please contact your child's teacher and they will help you.





# Classroom Champions and Values VIP winners



Room 5:Abby

Room 6: Mirihapi

Room 7: Sofia

Room 8: at swimming session

Room 9: Grayson

Room 10: Manaia

Room 5: Maxton

Room 6: Ivie-May

Room 7: Ezekiel

Room 8: At swimming session

Room 9: Rakena

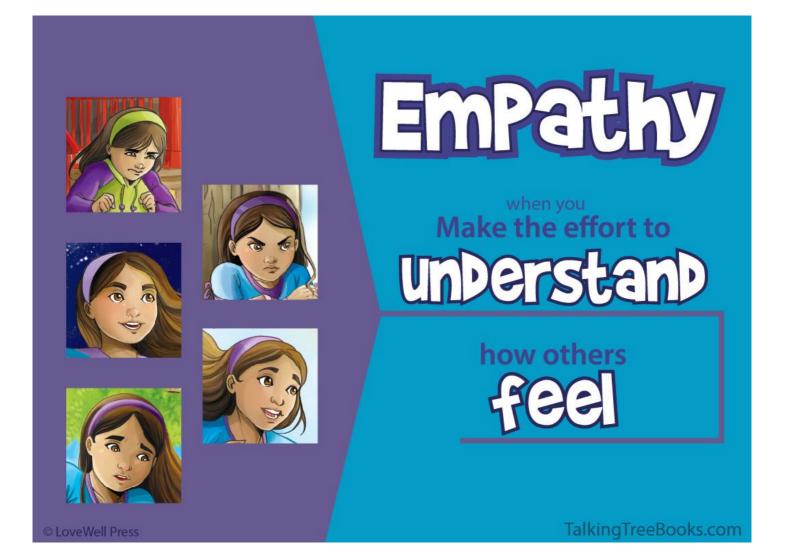
Room 10: Aaliyana



# Values Focus For Week 8

#### **SPIRIT**

Showing Empathy - understanding how others are feeling.



# **Public Notices**





Need wood for your winter fire? Contact the Ebbett Park School Office for more details.

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#### **April Holiday Programme**

Take part in our *Action April* holiday programme! Hands-on fun your budding marine biologist will love, with five themes repeating each week.

- REPAIR: Can you fix it? Yes you can! Get imaginative and share skills to reduce waste and help the ocean (17 April only)
- REFUSE: Unleash your inner campaigner and influence our community to use less and think outside the box to save our oceans.
- REUSE: Can you make something beautiful from nothing? Unlock your inner designer and create your own recyclable wearable arts.
- REDUCE: Make your own movie and inspire our local community to do more for our ocean through your directing, producing and acting skills!
- RETHINK: Grab your tools, get inventive, and transform the everyday into something out of this world.

Morning and afternoon tea is provided, so all you need to do is pack a lunch and drop them off to us for the day.

Bookings are essential and spaces are limited (12 children per day) enroll your budding biologist today!

#### **Details**

When: 8.30am-4.30pm, weekdays Tues 11 April - Friday 21 April

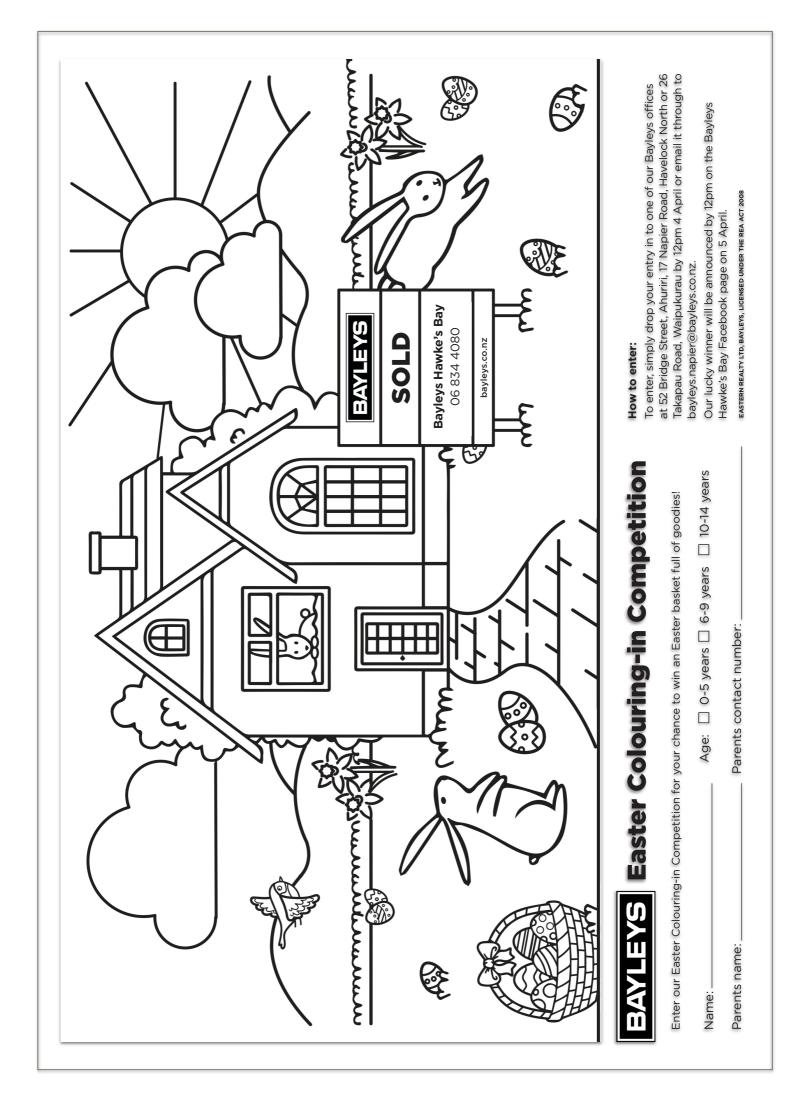
Where: National Aquarium of New Zealand

Cost: \$60 per child per day (morning & afternoon tea provided)

Discount: 10% Friends of Aquarium members discount (please contact our team for discount code prior to registration)

Age: 6 - 12 years

Maximum number per day: 12 (ratio 6:1, child:educator)



## **READING TOGETHER PROGRAMME**

**RETURN SLIP** 

Dear parents	Marken E
Term 2 we will be running a Reading Together Programme starting on Tuesday 2nd May from 9.00am – 9.40am at school in the staffroom	YOOU I
We will be able to give you lots of good ideas that will support you and your child with home reading. Tuesday 23rd May will be a group trip with your child to the town library.	
There will be three sessions and you need to be able to attend all three.	
(Tuesday 2nd, Tuesday 9th and Tuesday 23rd May)	
Reading Together Programme	
I would like to attend all three Reading Together sessions.	
Name:	
Name of child:	
Phone:	
Please return this slip to the classroom teacher	