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Newsletter at a glance

Highlights (more details are outlined in this newsletter)

- **Board of Trustees Election**
- **Charter Consultation**
- Scholastic Lucky Book Club
- Friends of Edendale

Tēnā koutou katoa,

It is hard to believe that we are in the second half of this term and nearly halfway through this year. I am grateful for the warmest welcome I have received from Edendale tamariki, staff and the wider community. Every day I look forward to coming to school and enjoying my time learning new things and getting to know the Edendale whānau.

Last week teachers and principals gave up another day's pay to speak up for better working and learning conditions for our tamariki and teachers, and a pay scale that motivates outstanding people to train for this amazing profession. Teachers and learning assistants regard their work as a vocation, not just a job. We have a strong calling to serve children and families, and by doing so, our country's future. Every day at Edendale I see capable professionals who spend many many hours working, thinking, planning and problem solving to ensure that our tamariki become lifelong learners. While we know the strike action is disruptive for all, we hope the outcome will ensure that there are enough teachers to maintain New Zealand's world-class school system in the future. This whakatauki sums up well what we expect for our tamariki.

Hapaitia te ara tika pumai ai te rangatiratanga mo nga uri whakatipu.

Foster the pathway of knowledge to strength, independence and growth for future generations.

Last week we hosted the Science Roadshow in our school hall. Our Tuakana and Mahi Tahi tamariki got a very special opportunity to explore various science and technology concepts by 'touch and feel'. Here are some photos of our enthusiastic and curious children who enjoyed their time doing some hands-on activities.



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Staffing update

This week, we have welcomed Sarah Rae and Rochelle Maclennan to our Garden to Table [GTT] programme. They are currently spending their time organising resources and preparing the programme and working alongside Jonathan Jackson [DP responsible for the GTT programme]. We are aiming for our Garden to Table programme to be back up and running in its entirety by next term, and meanwhile, a modified programme will be in place until the end of this term. One small change to our programme is that neither Sarah or Rochelle are dedicated kitchen or garden teachers but will share both roles.

After three years of service, Grant Taylor has decided to retire from his post as our SENCo (Special Education Needs Coordinator). We will farewell him on the last day of this term. Grant will be greatly missed at Edendale. Parents and whānau who have a more direct relationship with our SENCo can contact Marg Talbot [DP responsible for special education].

Mark your calendar for some important dates

Friday 7th June: Voting closes for Board of Trustees Election

Shared lunch to celebrate Eid al Fitr in classrooms

Friday 14th June: New Board of Trustees take office

• Thursday 20th June: Eden/Albert Cross Country from 9:00am -2:00pm

School Disco and Parent/Community charter consultation

Looking forward to seeing you all at the School Disco and Community charter consultation evening.

Ngā mihi,

Nā.

Bhairavi

Tumuaki Tuarua/Deputy Principal

Charter Consultation [at the Disco]

Come and meet the Board of Trustees while your child/ren are at the Disco on Thursday 20th June. At this meeting there will be a summary of your feedback given to the Board at the Family/Whānau picnic held in term one of this year, along with some further questions that the Board would like your input on before committing to a finalised School Charter document that will lead the School's strategic direction for the next five years. We hope to see you there.

Room 13

Congratulations to Liese van Dam who will be taking leave for her wedding from Monday, 17th June (Week 8) and returning at the beginning of Term 3. Shanthi Latchoumanane will be teaching Room 13 in her absence.

Wheels and Walking

Do you walk, bike, scooter, bus or carpool (with more than one family) to school? Reducing our emissions at Edendale School is a priority. We would like to showcase children and their low emissions travelling. This is an ongoing promotion so please send us your photo to fgillies@edendale.school.nz and ftuck@edendale.school.nz for us to share in the Edendale news.

Thank you for helping promote lower emissions at Edendale School.

Board of Trustees Election 2019

Nominations have closed for Edendale Primary School's Board of Trustees election, with 8 candidates putting themselves forward.

Voting forms with candidate profiles were mailed out last week.

Votes must be post marked before noon, 7 June to be valid, or you can hand deliver your voting form/envelopes to the school office before this deadline.

If you have not received voting papers by now, please contact Alan Curtis our Returning Officer if you would like to participate.

The office are unable to issue new voting forms.

We will ensure all papers received before 12 noon on June 7 are placed in a courier bag and sent to GMS. All papers in the courier bag are acknowledged as received in time.

We hope you are able to participate in our Board election process.

Timeline:

Election Day: Voting closes noon, Friday 7 June 2019.

Count Votes: Thursday 13 June 2019 Board Takes Office: Friday 14 June 2019

Returning Officer: Alan Curtis, Governance Management Strategies

Email: allscots@gmail.com

Request from Art Room

Magazines: food, nature and home type please. Clean ice cream containers, containers and

lids. Thank you.

Scholastic Lucky Book Club

The Scholastic Issue 4 Catalogue will be sent home on Friday, 7 June.

Orders are online only.

All orders must be placed by Friday 14 June.

The Science Roadshow Explainers

Edendale recently hosted The Science Roadshow. These students spent two days being Science Explainers for both our school and visiting schools. They did an awesome job facilitating fun science activities. Well done team!

Amanda Ray



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Room 17 took up The Mask Challenge today to raise awareness of pollution for World Environment Day. Great work!



Travelwise

Check out a few of our awesome Travelwise Leaders who did a Green Man Crossing Campaign on Sandringham Road on Wednesday 5th June.

They were reminding the public to cross safely with the green man!



Edendale term dates 2019			
Term 2	29 April – 5 July	Queens Birthday: Monday 3 June	
Term 3	22 July – 27 September		
Term 4	14 October – 16 December		
Next BOT meeting		Tuesday 2 July	
Next Friends of Edendale meeting		Thursday 13 June	

Edendale term dates 2020			
Term 1	28 January – 9 April	Waitangi Day: Thursday 6 February Teacher Only Day: Friday 7 February	
		Good Friday: Friday 10 April	
Term 2	28 April – 3 July	Anzac Day Observed: Monday 27 April	
		Queens Birthday: Monday 1 June	
Term 3	20 July – 25 September		
Term 4	12 October – 10 December	Labour Day: Monday 26 October	
2021 start day		2 February 2021	

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Meetings

Our **next meeting** of the year is on the **13th of June**, one week earlier than usual due to the school disco. We will be finalising any last minute disco items, as well as getting in to organising the Quiz Night. We would love for you to come along and see us in action! If you would like to join us, email us on pta@edendale.school.nz or just show up to the meeting. The meeting starts at **7:00pm** and is held in the meeting room (off the office foyer). We hold our meetings monthly, during term time. These are held every 3rd Thursday of the month during term time and generally last for around an hour. 2019 meetings: February 21st , March 21st , May 16th , June 13th , August 15th, September 19th , October 17th , November 21st (AGM)

Disco Thursday 20th June

Not long now until the disco, so hopefully those costume ideas are in full swing! This year's theme is **Somewhere Over the Rainbow**. There will be prizes on the night for best dressed, so set your imaginations alight and start thinking about costumes. Colour, magic, fantasy, dreams! The opportunities are endless, so where will you find your pot of gold?

We split the disco into age groups – Years 0-3 and Years 4-6. We run a sausage sizzle, a bake stall, and sell ice blocks, drinks, chips and we do facepainting, and tattoos too! As well as dancing the night away to a DJ, it's a fantastic night for all!

Know how to light up the night sky? We are looking for lighting for the disco, so if you are associated with a lighting company, or know of anyone that is that would like to help us out, please email us at pta@edendale.school.nz.

Do you have baking skills you're eager to show off? On the night we will have a bake sale running and we are on the lookout for expressions of interest in helping out by making brownies, cupcakes, muffins, slice, etc. This is a great way to help us out, so let us know by email pta@edendale.school.nz if you're keen to bake! We will require all goods by 3:00pm on the night of the disco.

Entertainment Book 2019/2020

We are once again delighted to offer all our supporters, families and friends the chance to help us fundraise through purchasing an Entertainment Membership. To find out more about these go to https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/

This year all orders will be done online, so head to http://www.entbook.co.nz/991b27 for the link to the Edendale Primary School order page. Not only does the Entertainment book provide for a worthy cause for our school, the 2019 Membership contains hundreds of 25-50% off or 2-for-1 offers from some of Auckland's best restaurants, cafes, attractions and events.

Quiz Night Cards and Calendars Friday 6th September
For sale around August/September

Kowhai Intermediate School

Yes, it is that time of year again!

At Kowhai Intermediate School we are well into planning for the 2020 intake of new students - your current year 6 children.

My email is to invite your students to visit our school for our Open Morning tours.

Open Morning - Tuesday 6 August Parent Information Evening - Wednesday 7 August

