



Enriching, Encouraging, Empowering

Message from the Principal

Kia ora Elmgrove whānau,

We are off to a fantastic start with many exciting events and opportunities ahead for our students and community. As the warmer weather settles in, please remember that sunhats are a must for all students this term. It's essential for keeping everyone safe from the sun during outdoor activities.

Book Week kicks off next week, celebrating our love of reading! We are holding a book character dress-up day on Wednesday 30th October.

Our year 4-6 school athletics was held yesterday to qualify for our inter-school TSSA Championships. It's always a great event for students to showcase their physical skills. The TSSA Athletics will be held on 5th November, where students who have qualified will represent Elmgrove. Our year 1-3 students will also participate in athletics events run at school on this day.

Junior Swimming lessons have begun, and it's wonderful to see our younger students gaining confidence in the water especially now that it is close to summer.

The Taieri College Year 6 Tournament is coming up next week, and we are excited to see our teams give their best. Practices for this have begun and it is always nice to see ex-Elmgrove students from Taieri College return to support our teams.

Elmgrove's Got Talent is just around the corner! We encourage as many students as possible to audition and share their unique talents with the school community. Practice is key to being successful at their audition. The show is going to be held on the 14th of November. We will let you know when tickets are available. It's sure to be a fun and entertaining event.

Labour Day is on Monday, 28th October, so school will be closed. Enjoy the long weekend with your families.

Ngā mihi nui,

Jenny Ryalls
Deputy Principal





Important DATES Term 4 2024

Week 3- 28th October - 01st November



28th October	• Labour Day - No School
29th October	• School Athletics Postponement Date
31st October	• Junior Swimming
31st October	• Yr6 Taieri College 7 Aside Tournament
1st November	• Matai Hub Assembly
1st November	• School Photo Orders Close

Week 4 - 4th November - 8th November

5th November	• TSSA Athletics
5th November	• Year1, 2 & 3 School Athletics
7th November	• Junior Swimming
8th November	• Teacher Only Day

Week 5 -11th November - 15th November

14th November	• Junior Swimming
14th November	• Elmgrove's Got Talent
15th November	• Kowhai Hub Assembly



Week 6 -18th November - 22nd November

19th November	• Otago Athletics Champs
21st November	• Otago Athletics Postponement Date
22nd November	• Golf Tournament Fundraiser

Week 7 - 25th November - 29th November

28th November	• Parent And Daughter Night
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Congratulations **VALUE ACHIEVERS**

These children have earned 5 Tumeke Cards

**Maisie Aitken
Arthur Dawson
Hazelle Verburg**

These children have earned 10 Tumeke Cards

**Snow Donaldson
Rose McLeary**

**Duandre Schwarz
Khloee Stanley-White**

These children have earned a badge



**Manawanui
Perseverance**

Mason Sanderson





Golf Fundraiser

WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP!!!!!!!

We have an annual fundraising target of \$25,000 which we are on our way to achieving. The funds raised will be going towards the court upgrades which is the main focus of the fundraising committee this year.

We have our major fundraising event coming up which is our annual golf day on the 22nd of November 2024.

During our golf day we have Auctions and raffles which we are needing prizes for. All donations will be gratefully received.

If you can help with a prize or know of a business that can, we would appreciate the support to make this once again a huge success.

Email: lynw@elmgrove.school.nz

or drop prizes/donations into the school office.

Thanks, Elmgrove Fundraising Committee





Elm Grove
SCHOOL



TERM DATES 2025

TERM 1

TUES 4 FEB - FRI 11 APRIL

TERM 2

MON 28 APRIL - FRI 27 JUNE

TERM 3

MON 14 JULY - FRI 19 SEPT

TERM 4

MON 6 OCT - THURS 18 DEC

PARENT AND DAUGHTER NIGHT

**To be held at School
For The Year 6 Girls**

**Thursday 28th November
630pm till 730pm**

Please email or call the school office to let us know if you would like to attend.



Elmgrove School Book Fair

**TUESDAY 29TH OCTOBER TO
FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2024**

**School Office
8.30am - 9am
2.45 - 3pm**





Your Brax is off to the UK!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Congratulations to Braxton Cape who has just been offered a spot at the UK development tour 2025 followed by his performance at the Gold coast football academy he recently just finished up in September this year!



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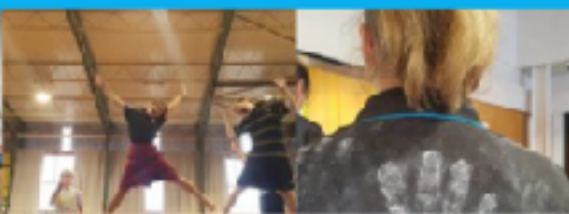
- Caledonian Gym

Cost:

- Free Trial then \$12/hour (\$18 per 1.5h session)

Contact:

- Email: dunedin.trampoline@gmail.com
- Phone: 02702212095
- Facebook: facebook.com/dunedintrampoline



GREAT READ AND REMINDER AS WE GET UNDERWAY WITH OUR SUMMER SPORTS

In twenty years, it won't matter if they were the best on the team, if they were the fastest on the field, or if they had the most impressive stats. It won't matter if they were recognized for their accomplishments or if they ever received the title of "MVP".

It won't matter if their travel team was the best in the league, or if other coaches ever pointed them out and said, "Keep an eye on that kid." It won't matter if they started every game or scored the game-winning run.

Don't get me wrong, I'm my kids' biggest fan.

I LOVE watching them in all of their activities. I'm proud and honored to get to do so. And yes, we're a family who likes to win (and I think that's okay!) But sometimes, it's easy to lose sight of the fact that so much of this sports-parent season is temporary. We get caught up in the competitiveness of wanting our kid to be the best, when really it's kind of insignificant in the bigger picture of their lives.

In twenty years, the things that WILL matter are the other skills our kids are learning during their time playing youth sports.

The skills they'll only learn if we put our parent egos aside and have fewer conversations about stats and more conversations about things like—

Kindness.

Humility.

Hard work.

Being a team player.

Supporting their peers.

Being a good sport even when things don't go their way.

Right now, sports are such a big part of our world.

From the outside it seems like our kids are working on things like proper technique and fundamentals of the game—and that's part of it, sure.

But really, this is an even bigger chance for them to learn lessons about life.

And when they've hung up their cleats for the very last time, I hope to walk into the next season of life knowing we haven't just raised accomplished athletes, we've raised incredible humans.

