



Enriching, Encouraging, Empowering

Message from the Principal

Kia ora koutou katoa,

Can you believe it? We only have one full week of school left for 2024! School finishes at 12.30 pm on Tuesday, 17th December.

You will receive your child's class placement on Wednesday next week, with transition visits to new classrooms scheduled for Thursday morning from 10 am to 11 am.

Our final assembly will be held at Taieri College on Friday the 13th December, from 2 pm to 3 pm. Please collect your child from the Taieri College at 3pm. The school bus will be available for students who usually catch the bus from Taieri College also.

School reports will also be emailed to you on Friday, 13th December. Please keep an eye on your inbox, including your spam folder.

This week has been incredibly busy. Our Year 6 students had a fantastic Big Day Out at Waiora. Many of them enjoyed the yabbie hunting, while others pushed themselves outside their comfort zones with activities like water sliding and abseiling. After a delicious lunch and ice cream, they returned to school. This day is a celebration of their time at Elmgrove and a thank you for their leadership throughout the year.

The Middle School team also had a busy week, with a trip to the dinosaur park and a rail trail adventure to Hyde. It was great to see the students excitement and determination, especially those who completed the entire 16.5 km ride. A well-deserved swim in the Middlemarch pool followed.

Congratulations to the lucky winners of the recent raffle. Thank you for your support of this fundraiser. We still have a small amount of toilet paper and hand towels left in the office, so be quick if you'd like to purchase some.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Chris McKinlay

Tumuaki





Important DATES

Term 4 2024



Week 9 - 9th December - 13th December

9th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manuka day out - Library, Park and Pool
10th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kiwi Team Day Out - Waiora
13th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Week 10 - 16th and 17th of December Only

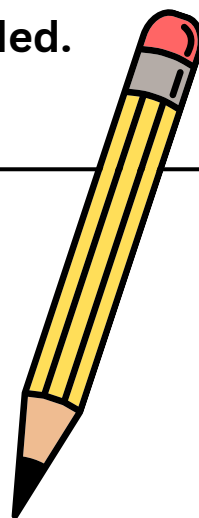
16th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matai day out - Library, Park and Pool
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Last Day Of The Year - 17th of Decmber finishing at 12.30pm

Week 1 2025 - 4th February - 7th February

3rd February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher Only Day
6th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waitangi Day

The Office will be open the week before school starts back from 10 till 12 for any uniforms or anything else needed.





Congratulations

VALUE ACHIEVERS

These children have earned 5 Tumeke Cards

Kingston Campbell

Liam Ferguson

Holly Little

Finn Rickerby

Bohdi Van Den Hoven

Matthew Wilson

Lincoln Uriaro

These children have earned 10 Tumeke Cards

Reuben Dickie

Michael Kirk

These children have earned a badge



**Whakaute
Respect**

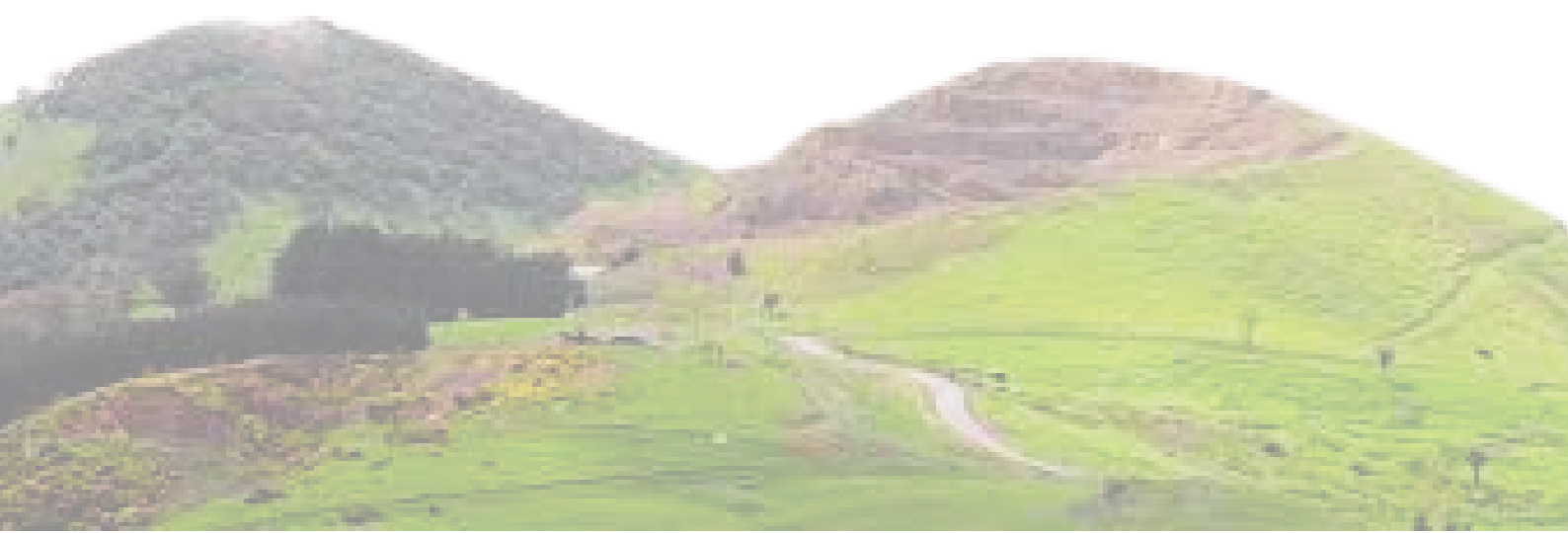
Caitlyn Logie

Scarlett Brimble



**Māngai Kāwanatanga
Value Ambassador**

Scarlett Brimble





Kids West

SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

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Our Summer Holiday Programme will run from 18th to 20th of December 2024 before Christmas and then 13th of January to the 31st of January 2025

Elmgrove School finishes on Tuesday 17th December 2024 at lunch time. There will be NO After School Care available that day.

We will be running a program before Christmas on Wednesday 18th, Thursday 19th, and Friday 20th December 2024. There will be no trips those three days. We will be at school doing fun activities and Christmas craft.

Our 2025 Summer program will run from Monday 13th January until Friday 31st January 2025. Elmgrove School starts back on Tuesday 4th February 2025. There will be NO care available on Monday 3rd February 2025.

Please click on the link below for all other details.

[Summer Holiday Programme Information](#)



If you have any questions, please contact Irene on 027 696 1240 or email irenec@elmgrove.school.nz We look forward to seeing you in the holidays
Merry Christmas, from Irene and the Kids West Staff

Christmas Raffle Winners

7 Hampers

Aaron
Alisha Watkins
Evan Mitchell
Morrison Family
John Heller
Lucas Mitchell
Den Daiz



Family Portrait Session

Amos Rouse

1x Paper Towel & 1x Toilet Paper

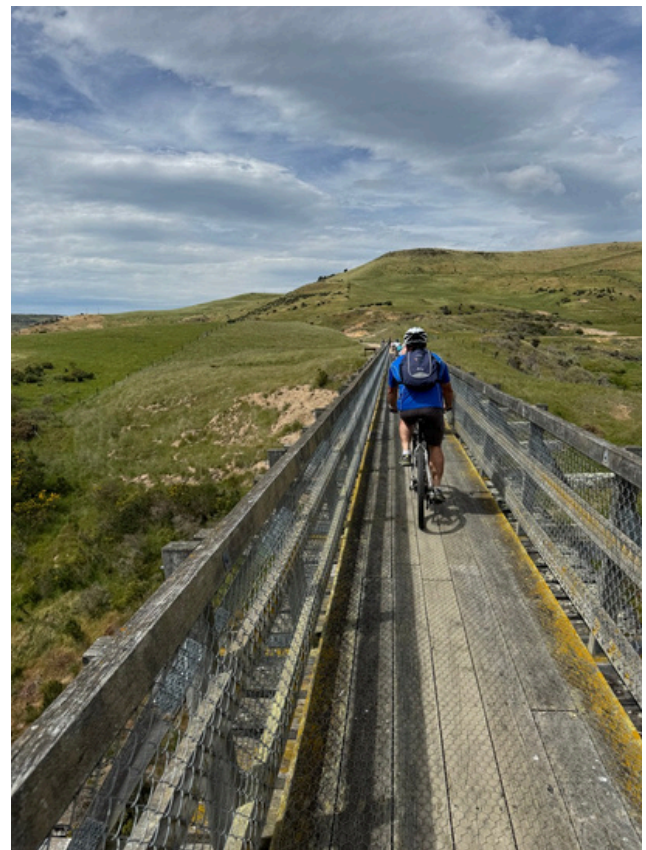
Rachel

We raised \$4000 from this years christmas raffle which will help us resurface our courts early next year so thanks to everyone that helped to sell a raffle card.

RAIL TRAIL

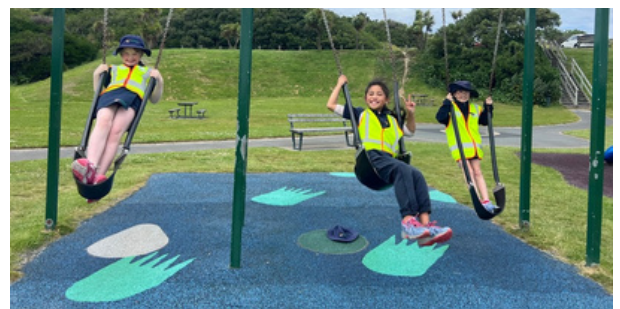


On Wednesday a group of children from the Pukeko syndicate headed off to Hyde to bike a section of the Rail Trail. They all showed perseverance especially when biking up the hills! They then cooled off with a play in the Strath Taieri Pool.



DINOSAUR PARK

The rest of the Pukeko hub set off to the Dinosaur Park on Wednesday. It was a great day with the children enjoying the scooter track and playground. We even had a special guest that was a seal!



CLASS PLAYS

The Manuka hub children have been working hard this term on their class plays. We recently invited in our friends and family to come along and watch us perform.

This was my first time doing a play in front of parents and I want to do it again!



I felt really anxious before we performed our play. I am proud of myself for doing it in front of an audience



I was feeling nervous but also excited. We worked really hard on our play



I felt proud of myself after I did my play





Swimming Togs

Some of our spare swimming togs are missing. If any have come home please return to school.

We would appreciate any spare togs to add to our collection. Thank-you



THIS SATURDAY



LAST GAME
VS WHAI
RAPID 4PM / TAUHI 5PM
EDGAR CENTRE, ŌTEPOTI DUNEDIN



Better.



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**A FREE interactive journey around the
World to celebrate Christmas, including
activities, craft, food & more**

FRIDAY 20 DEC 5PM-7PM

SATURDAY 21 DEC 11AM-1PM

SATURDAY 21 DEC 4PM-7PM

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