



EPUNI

Term 1, week 4
24 February 2025

Whats coming up

March

- 3 – Movin March begins
- 7 – Kōwhai Celebration of Learning, 9:15
Twilight Gala
- 14- Staff Only day – School closed for instruction
- 21 – Tawhai Celebration of Learning, 9:15
- 26 – Board Meeting

April

- 7 & 8 – 3 Way conferences
- 11 – End of Term 1

The Epuni Way

Te Mara Kotahitanga

On a Tuesday all tamariki have learning time in our Children's garden with Sophie our school gardener.

The garden provides tamariki with

- An opportunity to learn skills of patience, cooperation, teamwork and social skills.
- An opportunity to develop skills and knowledge about their environment through planting, cultivating, harvesting, and eating vegetables and fruit from the garden.
- An outdoor, hands-on learning opportunity which complements lessons about plant and insect life cycles

Whānau are always welcome to join us anytime during these sessions.

Kia ora e te whānau

It is wonderful to be able to welcome some new staff to Epuni School.

- Julz Butler will be teaching in all classes, releasing teachers for their non-contact time.
- Katie Brazer will be teaching alongside some classroom teachers to support teaching and learning.
- Melanie Dee and Janine Lambourn will join our support staff working with a number of students across the school.

School Docs

Our policies and procedures are stored and managed on the School Docs website. These are specific to our school and are kept up to date with the latest legislation. The Board and school regularly review these on a 3 year cycle. Whānau and our school community are also able to view and provide feedback for the policies that are currently under review. There is a link to SchoolDocs on our website or you can go to the School Docs website and put in the username and password.

Website: <https://epuni.schooldocs.co.nz>

Username: epuni

Password: 5star

Term 1 policies being reviewed:

- Health, Safety and Welfare Policy
- Safety Management System
- Risk Management
- Healthcare

Kiwi Kaha

Kiwi Kaha is a wonderful programme that teaches Tamariki about our school values in a fun and engaging way. Unfortunately it will now be starting later in the year. The organisation that runs the programme, 'Graeme Dingle Foundation' has had some changes in their funding and staffing.

Twilight Gala

The Whānau group are holding a Twilight Gala on Friday 7th March from 4:00pm to 7:30pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a community while supporting the school raising funds to further improve our school's outside area.

Each class will be running a game or event as part of their inquiry learning this term. A great opportunity to put their learning into action. Please spread the word to family and friends.

Working together we can make such a difference for all our tamariki.

*He tini ngā whetū e ngaro i te kapua iti.
Many stars cannot be hidden by a small cloud.*

Ngā mihi nui
Janet Evans
Principal

THE EPUNI WAY

SPORTS

Term 1

Touch Rugby (Y1-6)
Team building & Whetu groups

Term 2

Netball (Y5-6) & Basketball (Y1-6)
Cross country Fun Run

Term 3

Netball (Y5-6) & Basketball (Y1-6) &
Badminton (Y5-6)
School swimming

Term 4

Touch Rugby (Y1-6) & Netball (Y1-4)
Senior Athletics

MUSIC LESSONS

Weekly lesson in Ukelele or Guitar
with Levi for Y2-6
\$12.50 per lesson, max \$100 per term

CULTURAL DAYS

We celebrate various holidays and
fun days throughout the year

HUTT FEST

End of Term 2

GARDEN TUESDAY

Every Tuesday for 20-30 min

ART SPLASH

Dance Concert for ages 5-13



FREE Dental Checks!

Epuni School

The Bee Healthy Dental Mobile will be parked at your school in Term 1 from 4 March to 14 March. Once seen, your child will be given a completion certificate which will inform you of what happens next.

Please search your child's school bag for one of the following:

- Your child requires no further appointments this year
- Your child needs an appointment at your local Dental hub for further care.

Your local Hub clinic is: **Naenae**

If your child is **not** enrolled in the service please scan the QR code below to complete the enrolment form:



To update your contact details, please call **0800 TALK TEETH (825 583)** or scan the QR code below:



If you have pre-school aged children please call us to arrange an appointment for their annual dental checkup at the Dental Hub.

To book or reschedule an appointment, please call **0800 TALK TEETH (825 583)**.

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