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1. **5 Nov – School Closed for Teacher Only Day**
2. 6 Nov – Junior School Athletic Sports
3. 9 Nov – 2.15 pm, Assembly – Ropu Ruru & Fundraising team
4. 12 Nov – BOT meeting, 5.45 pm in staffroom
5. 14 Nov – Primary teachers NZEI Strike day (TBA)
6. **16 Nov – Canterbury Show Day – School Closed**
7. 19 Nov- HPV vaccination Year 8 pupils.
8. 19 Nov – planned opening of West Eyreton pool
9. 23 Nov – Junior Gymnastics
10. 23 Nov – 2.15 pm, Assembly – Ropu Karearea & Technology team

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018

Kia ora koutou

We were so lucky with the beautiful day yesterday for Pet Day.

Everything shone! The weather, the pets and the children's exhibits making for a very enjoyable event.

The changed layout enabled the day to run very smoothly (we've had lots of positive feedback for this layout for future pet days); the hall was festooned with colour, creativity and evidence of many hours of thought & preparation having gone into all the craft entries.

Well done to all the children for the high standard of work, care and attention they demonstrated.

Thanks to all our wonderful judges who willingly give up their busy lives to make Pet Day such a success; another well deserved congratulations goes to Val O'Loughlin for her organisation of the judges and certificates.

Thank you to our hard working FOTS committee for the delicious hot food on sale and to Gerard van Rooy for making hot coffees throughout the event.

The value of Pet Day is in seeing how much pleasure it brings for our pupils as they strive to do their best work and show off their fine efforts; they certainly do this with huge pride.

### **School Closed for Teacher Only Day – this Monday 5 November:**

The school will be closed so teaching staff can attend professional development with staff from the seventeen Rangiora schools in the Puketeraki Community of Learning (COL).

### **Teacher Strike Day Canterbury Schools – Wednesday 14 November: (to be advised).**

The BOT is considering school closure on this day due to the teacher strike that is rolling out through the country. Canterbury Primary school teachers will hold their strike day on 14 November.

The BOT will inform shortly if West Eyreton School is closed for all pupils & staff on this day – keep an eye out for notification by a text on the school's phone app & email please.

Jillian Gallagher  
Principal.

## Board of Trustee News:

Kia Ora Koutou,

Further to the announcement in the previous newsletter about Jillian's retirement, the Board is seeking feedback from you about how you see the school being shaped for the future. This is an ideal time for us to gather your initial thoughts so we can provide the new Principal with some clear community objectives. Where we see really interesting suggestions or common themes we may have meetings in the new year to explore them further.

Please log onto the survey and provide your thoughts. It will be open until the end of the weekend. The link will also be posted on the FOTs Facebook page <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/92WS62K>

We're also collecting feedback from the teachers, support staff and children. We have a great opportunity to come together as a whole community to mould and shape a future that meets all our needs.

I hope to have the role advertised by the time you receive the newsletter.

Ngā mihi  
Dan Harris Board chair

## Pet Day Photos







## School News:

### New Pupil:

Welcome to Bella who started in the New Entrant's room this week.

### E Awards:

The E focus for Weeks 3 & 4 is Excellence – “Striving to do your best.”

The whakatauki for **Excellence** is “**Whaia te iti kahurangi, ki te tuohu koe, Me he maunga teitei.** Pursue Excellence; should you stumble, let it be to a lofty mountain.”

### REMINDER - URGENT PLEASE Return School Cups & Trophies:

In preparation for this year's end of year Prize Giving ceremony, it is now time for all 2017 prize-giving recipients to return their cups and trophies to school **no later than Friday 9 November**. It would be very much appreciated if the silverware could be cleaned and polished before returning please.

### Return Pool Keys:

With the pool season not far off, there are still a few families who haven't returned their pool keys; this means they will be unable to use the pool this season. We would appreciate these keys being returned.

**Thank you very much to:**

Kate Baldwin for writing the grant application to the Southern Trust for ten new trestle tables for the school hall. The grant was successful and the new trestles will be much appreciated when holding school events.

**School Chess Team:**

We are so proud of the West Eyreton School Chess team.

Over the weekend they went to the National Chess Power Finals held in Auckland. On Saturday Jacob H and Joshua H both played in the individual Champions Trophy with Jacob gaining a Merit (being in the top 50%) and Joshua getting a Credit (being in the top 25%). They both played 9 games on the day and there was only .5 of a point between them. This competition was played between all ages and levels with 267 players on the day.

On the Sunday they were joined by Oliver K and Zephryn H for the Chess Power Teams National Finals. The Team placed 17<sup>th</sup> out of 27 teams in their Intermediate section. Congratulations boys. There were 71 Schools and 359 competitors brought together for this final.

A big thank you to the parents and teachers involved over the last year who made it possible for our team to make it to the finals. They did the school proud with other school teachers commenting on how sportsman like they were in winning and losing. Well done Team.

Thank you to Mark Henderson, parent, for taking the chess team to the Nationals.





**School Choir:**

Last Friday night our West Eyreton School choir sang at the Horn Castle Arena as part of the Christchurch Schools' Music Festival. They can feel extremely proud of themselves as they sang along with 38 schools and in front of a crowd of two thousand. The highlights of the night for the children, were singing, listening to the concert band and performing with the orchestra.

Thank you to Mrs Jo Gooch our school choir conductor for training and managing the school choir this year.

Thanks also to Mrs Pip Wyatt, parent, for her help with the choir at the music festival.

**Bible in Schools Christmas Concert:**

Parents are informed that Rooms NE – 4 pupils will be attending a concert performed by the Oxford Bible in Schools on Friday 7 December, at 9.00 am here at school.

**Kapa Haka Performance:**

The Kapa haka group will be performing on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 2.10p.m. in the school hall. All parents are most welcome to attend.

**School Office News:****School Photos:**

All photos have now been distributed and sent home to families that ordered. If you have any problems with your photo order please telephone the photographers direct on 03 3653554.

**Found:**

In the grassed area by the tennis court, one man's Lorus Sports silver watch with Black face. This watch can be collected from the school office.

**Junior Athletic Sports – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November:**  
**(Starting time 10.50a.m.)**

**JUNIOR PROGRAMME:**

<b>TIME</b>	<b>PROGRAMME</b>
10:30am	<b>INTERVAL 20 MINUTES</b>
10:50am	Meet on West Eyreton netball Court
11:00am	Round 1
11:20am	Round 2
11:40am	Round 3
12:00pm	<b>LUNCH 25 MINUTES</b>
12:25pm	Meet on West Eyreton netball Court
12:30pm	Round 4
12:50pm	Round 5
1:10pm	Round 6
1:30pm	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Lunch play</b>
2:00pm	Round 7
2:30pm	Finish

**Order of Events for 2017**

GROUP	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	ROUND 3	ROUND 4	ROUND 5	ROUND 6	ROUND 7
Yr 0/1G	Shot put	Sack race	High Jump	Sprints	Discus	Distance	Long jump
Yr 0/1B	Long jump	Shot put	Sack race	High Jump	Sprints	Discus	Distance
Yr 2 G/B	Distance	Long jump	Shot put	Sack race	High Jump	Sprints	Discus
Yr 3 G	Discus	Distance	Long jump	Shot put	Sack race	High Jump	Sprints
Yr 3 B	Sprints	Discus	Distance	Long jump	Shot put	Sack race	High Jump
Yr 4 G	High Jump	Sprints	Discus	Distance	Long jump	Shot put	Sack race
Yr 4 B	Sack race	High Jump	Sprints	Discus	Distance	Long jump	Shot put

Now is that time of the year again to start thinking about school gardens. If your child/children would like to participate in the above please complete the form included and send back to the school office.

Judging is normally done either in December or February of the following year depending on how your garden has developed. Judges from the Cust/West Eyreton Garden Club will be notified of children participating and will arrange with the families to visit the gardens on a suitable day and time that is convenient to them.

The Judges always look forward to seeing what little extras the children add to their gardens like scarecrows, garden ornaments and other items that they have decided to place to make the garden look attractive and more appealing.

**NAME OF CHILD:**.....

**I would like my garden to be judged (December 2018 ( ) OR February 2019. ( ))**

**Parent's Signature:**.....

**AGM/Event Planning Meeting - We will be having our AGM TONIGHT Thursday 1 November at 6.00pm in the school Staff Room.** We will be electing committee members and officers for our coming year so please send any nominations for Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer to [fots@westeyreton.school.nz](mailto:fots@westeyreton.school.nz) by Monday 29 October please. Also if you would like to be part of the committee but are unable to attend our meeting - please send your apology in. All welcome to this meeting.

Please join us on our facebook page to receive regular updates on what events we are part of in the school community. Follow us at 'West Eyreton FOTS'.

## Community News:

**West Eyreton Youth Group:** - (information included)

**Eyreview Equestrian** – (information included).

**St. John – Cust Division** – (information included).

**West Eyreton Youth Group:**

### **CHANGE OF DATES!**

Hi everyone, sorry but we have had to change the dates for this term.

New dates are 10<sup>th</sup> Nov, 24<sup>th</sup> Nov, 1<sup>st</sup> Dec, and 8<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Please contact Marina 027 2671747 or Aidan 027 610 2460 for details).

**St John Area Committee:**

The AGM will be held on 21st November at the Cust Community Centre at 7.30pm.

Annual reports will be presented.

New members welcome.

Any enquiries E Smith 0274312500.

Granny Flats – (information included).

Liz Smith (Secretary)

**Te Kura – Te AHO O Te KURA POUNAMU:**

### **The Correspondence School.**

Information has been sent to us regarding this free early childhood service. The programme is based on The National Early Childhood Curriculum Framework, Te Whariki and is funded by the Ministry of Education.

Teachers are trained and registered and work in partnership with families, whanau and caregivers to plan a programme of learning that suits each child. This is a programme learning at home for three to five year olds.

For further information on who is eligible for the programme please call into the school office for more details.

**Eyreview Equestrian:**

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