



Community Link

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www.trybooking.com/236549

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Please Note!

Friday 9 June

Winter Sport - Grade 5 & 6

Monday 12 June

Public Holiday - Queen's Birthday

Tuesday 13 June

Grade 5 - Bike Ed

Wednesday 14 June

Grade 5 - Bike Ed

3.30-5.45pm Enhanced Learning

Thursday 15 June

Bookstore Visit - 5J

Friday 16 June

Winter Sport - Grade 5 & 6

Bookstore Visit - 3V

Monday 19 June

Assembly - Grade 2 Choir performing

Tuesday 20 June

City Excursion - Grade 6

Wednesday 21 June

Grade 1K, 1S & 1C NGV Excursion

3.30-5.45pm Enhanced Learning

Friday 23 June

Ready Set Go: Session 2 - Prep 2018

4.00pm Creative Music Concert

Monday 26 June

4.00pm Creative Music Concert

Friday 30 June
End of Term 2
2.30pm Dismissal

Before and After School Care New Provider - Team Holiday

Camp Australia have notified our community that they will finish their service at EPS at the end of this term.

Please rest assured that we have done our due diligence over the last few months and have appointed another provider, Team Holiday.

Full details of our new Before and After School Care arrangements will be communicated to you soon and be fully in place at the commencement of Term 3.

Market News

It was a wonderful day for the Elwood Community Market on Saturday. Whilst the winter markets are traditionally "slower", lots of people took advantage of the beautiful weather to come along to browse the stalls, pick up some bargains, enjoy the music and savour the treats.

The third edition of the Elwood Centenary Anchor went on sale on Saturday. This edition featured stories from the 1940's and 1950's, and included some great photos from those years.

The Elwood Community Market Children's Book Stall continued its popularity from the previous market. Hundreds of books found new homes, and it was delightful to see so many students enthusiastically shopping for new books to read.

The cake stall was literally overflowing with cakes and treats, many of which were exhibited at Australia's Biggest Morning Tea the previous day. The Elwood Community Market Committee was pleased to sell these cakes at the market, which helped raise an additional \$234 for the Cancer Council. Congratulations to all of the students who baked cakes for this fundraising event.

A big thanks to Henry Parkinson, Lily Paloma, and Randal who entertained us on Saturday. And a big welcome to Kayla Skafta who made her debut at the Market. The Elwood Community Choir also made their Market debut. We hope to hear more from the choir at future markets.

We would like to thank the local businesses who generously support our market each month. This month we thank Foodworks Elwood for their generous and continued support of the market.

A huge thanks goes to all of the volunteers who helped put on

such a great market. We thank all of the enthusiastic volunteers from Grade 5 and others who donated their time, cooked, served, set up and packed up. The market cannot operate without the help of the volunteers, so thanks to everyone who contributed to the market.

We would especially like to thank Sarah G and Fionn for assisting with the coffee stall first thing in the morning, and to Paul Dimattina for his marathon stint on the coffee machine – you really saved the day Paul, thank-you.

Money raised from the Elwood Community Market funds projects at Elwood Primary School that the whole community benefits from. This year, market funds will go towards improvements of the school grounds. The June market raised \$7,000.

We look forward to seeing you at the Elwood Community Market again. The next market is on Saturday 5 August (Grade 1 rostered).

2017 Elwood Community Market Dates:

5 Aug – Grade 1 rostered

2 Sep – Prep rostered

28 Oct – Grade 4 rostered

2 Dec – Grade 2 rostered

Elwood Community Market Committee

New Reports

As of this year, the Department of Education & Training are asking schools to move from a uniformed and mandated report format to one that fits their school community, students, staff and needs.

We are slowly working on this process with the Leadership Team researching various report formats and layouts, talking to staff and then later in the year, surveying and working with you – the Community.

In the meantime, our reports will have only a few modifications with a new report format coming in Semester 2; which will include consultation with you.

One modification that we have made already is the removal of the A-E rating. Use of the A-E scale has been criticised by many parents, students, teachers and schools, as where a “C” represents a “Consolidating”, “Satisfactory” or “Expected” level of achievement, this “C” scale does not actually recognise students working at a high level and certainly does not reflect the progress a student has made when many students receive the same A-E scale year after year after year. Most schools have removed the A-E rating from their report as we have.

We still have individual student achievement shown through a graphic representation related to an age expected level, individual comments, student behaviour and effort in class and absences.

We look forward to working with you on our decision-making about reporting student achievement at our school level rather than at a system level for all schools and then providing you with a report that will reflect our teaching and learning programs at Elwood Primary.

We will ensure that our reports continue to be clear, individualised and provide accurate information on your child’s learning progress related to the Victorian Curriculum.

Garden Development

The completion of the school front garden development will commence in mid June and culminate with the redevelopment of our school carpark. This development will further create an engaging and beautiful aspect of our school. Funds for this project will come from our 2017 market funds.

Mother’s Day Stall

A big thank to Suzanne, Rebecca and their wonderful team of helpers who organised and ran the Mother’s Day Stall. There were many happy faces leaving the stall and I am sure happy mums on Sunday morning. I am always in awe of our amazing parents.

Rob Csoti

EPS Hosts Environmental Film Night

Our Environmental Film Night featuring Melbourne Down Under and Bay Keepers, is fast approaching and ticket sales need a boost! I would strongly encourage you to come along to this important film night to hear about how incredible our bay and local environment are but also how they are under threat and feeling the impact of plastic use in our community.

It’s a cheap night out (family ticket \$25) and you will marvel at the sea life that’s so close and ask yourself, “How can I protect our nearest wild place?”

All proceeds will go to Boomerang Bags, working to reduce plastic bag use in our local community. Don’t miss out on this wonderful opportunity to support our local environment. You can purchase tickets at www.trybooking.com/280163

Elwood Learning Hub Links

Poet’s Grove Children’s Centre :

<http://www.poetsgrove.com/home> and follow link to newsletter

Elwood College :

http://elwood.vic.edu.au/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=113&Itemid=117

Quiz of the Century

Tickets are available NOW via QKR for the Quiz of the Century which will be held on Friday 21 July. We are still in need of donations for the silent auction and raffle prizes and are asking our fabulous Elwood community to think of how they can contribute? Some ideas include: Services - Handyman, gardening, trades, interior design (great way to promote your business!!) wine, hampers, toys, books, beauty products, beauty services, massage, homewares or vouchers. If you can't donate something yourself, ask friends/family or a local business you frequent - please don't be shy!!! **Your contribution will be gratefully received!!** For donations contact Kate Allen kate.a.groom@gmail.com or Sue Cox rayandsuzy@bigpond.com

Saints Hockey Holiday Clinic

Saints will be holding a hockey clinic for boys and girls on 11 & 12 July for boys and girls aged 6 - 12 years at Albert Park Hockey Field, Hockey Drive, Albert Park. Cost is \$25 per day plus registration. For more information contact anne.cerche@bigpond.com



Health tips for a happy healthy school year

Did you know that washing hands is the single most effective way to avoid getting sick and to reduce the spread of germs? Have you ever watched how your children wash their hands?

A quick rinse is not enough! Remind your children about the importance of a soapy lather to kill the germs and should be done before eating, after using a bathroom, after blowing nose/sneezing or being around someone who is unwell.

Coughing/sneezing into their inner elbow or tissue is a good practice to prevent the spread of germs too. Dirty tissues belong in the bin.

Katie and Sue - School Nurses

Attachments:

EPS Environmental Film Night
Afternoon at the Movies
Girl Guide Biscuits

Fortunate FootyCards 2017



We collect, sort and pack footy cards for underprivileged kids.

**Donate your cards now!
Start a collection at your school**



fortunatefootycards@gmail.com

Fortunate Footy Cards 2017 is a charity organisation that collects spare Footy cards and donates them to children who cannot afford to buy or collect them. If you have any spare doubles or triples, please place them in the FFC box located at the office by Friday 23 June. The cards, along with new footy albums donated by the AFL, will then be given to underprivileged children.

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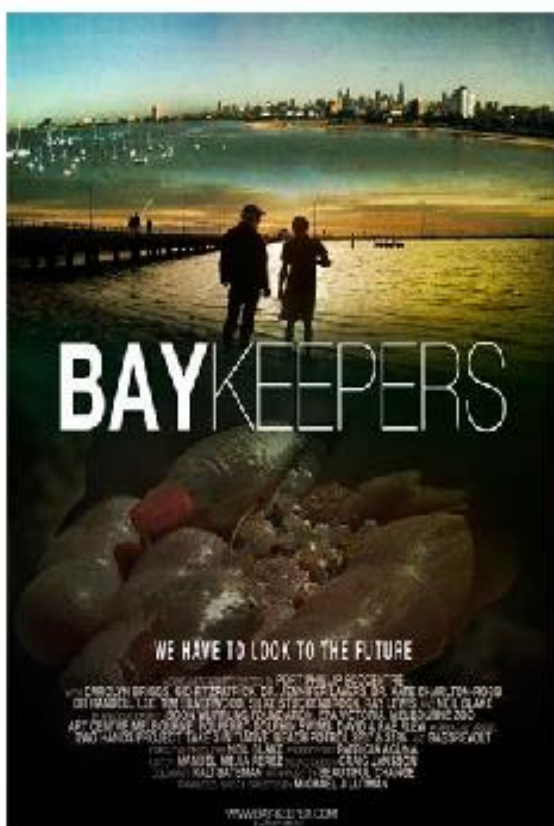
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ELWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS



Our Bay: Treasures and Truths

Two short films about Port Phillip Bay's amazing marine life and threats from plastics in the marine environment - "Melbourne Down Under" and "Baykeepers". You will marvel at the sea life that's so close and ask yourself "How can I protect our nearest wild place?"

Tuesday 27 June 6.30 - 8.30 pm

Phoenix Theatre

Elwood College 101 Glenhuntly Rd Elwood

Tickets: Child \$5 Adult \$10 Family \$25 (2 adults & 2 children)

Bookings – www.trybooking.com/280163

This is a ticket free event – guest list will be at the door

Proceeds to Boomerang Bags...

working to reduce the use of plastic bags in our local community



We gratefully acknowledge the generous support of Elwood College for donating their Phoenix Theatre

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ON THE LAST DAY OF TERM?

AFTERNOON AT THE MOVIES

WHEN: FRIDAY 30TH JUNE AT 4.00PM

WHERE: CLASSIC CINEMA

9 Gordon Street, Elsternwick

COST: \$15.00 (Movie & Popcorn)
BYO WATER BOTTLE

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