Market News

The Elwood Community Market was held on Saturday 2nd August.

Really cold and wet is the best way to sum up the early part of Saturday morning. There were very few people brave enough to come out early, and as such it was a quiet start to the market. But as the skies cleared and the sun started to shine on a bright (but still frosty) winter’s morning, we saw lots of happy faces enjoying the Elwood Community Market. People came to shop, chat, drink “Jerry’s” coffee and snack on the famous Elwood egg & bacon burgers and spinach & ricotta rolls.

A huge thanks goes to all of the volunteers (from PJ, PH, 3V, 3K and other grades) and the market committee members who help make this market so great. There were over 100 enthusiastic volunteers from the school community who volunteered their time for the market. The market cannot operate without the help of the volunteers, so thanks to everyone who helped out on the day or made something for the cake stall.

Thanks also to all of the local traders who generously provide goods and services in support of the market. This month we would like to recognise The Leaf Store, Ormond Rd Elwood, for their continued support.

Money raised from the Elwood Community Market funds projects at Elwood Primary School that the whole community benefits from, such as the synthetic turf between the junior and senior school, and the new basketball rings which were installed last year. The Elwood Community Market raised over $54,000 last year. The August market raised almost $4,000.

We look forward to seeing you at the next market, on 6th September 2014. Grades 2N, 2R, 3A, 3C, & 3H rostered.

The Hub Art Show - Art Safari
A Trek Trough the Hub

Preparations for this year’s art show are gathering momentum. Students are working on their art pieces and we anticipate a night of visiting the JLC to look through our fantastic art work in along with an opportunity to wander through Elwood College and Poets Grove to help celebrate the visual arts across the three sites. The next stage of our preparations is to run an art competition to select the art work that will appear on our bill boards, brochures and other marketing material.
The art competition details are attached to the Community Link. Leyna, Jo and Andrea will talk to our students when they go to art classes over the next week. The Bendigo Bank are donating savings accounts for three pieces of work selected from each setting.

We are looking for as many entries as possible.

So get trekking through art!

Call for Market Volunteers

The Elwood Community Market Committee is looking for “first point of contact” early rising “market gate” volunteers to meet and greet stall holders, assist them to locate their stalls and handle general traffic management and queries on market mornings.

After 5 + years of dedicated market service our Grade 6 parents are “graduating” and we have several positions to fill. We require happy, easy going and quick to think on your feet type people for 8 markets per year (first Saturday of the month – February, March, May, June, August, September, November & December).

Shifts start at 6.30am and conclude at 9.30am.

Support the work of the market, get to know your local community and work with a great team of fun committed school parents.

End your shift with an egg & bacon roll, great coffee and a good laugh.

Please contact Camille Sunshine on 0407 477 754 if you would like to be part of this wonderful team of parents.

Elwood Community Market Committee

Upcoming Parent Nights

Thursday 7th August
7:00pm – 8:00pm in the JLC
‘Our School – The next 5 Years’

This session will focus on what my vision for what our school will look like over the next 5 years. This was part of the recent Principal selection process and should be of great interest to all parents.

Areas of focus will be school tone, our curriculum, our teachers, parent involvement, our student focuses, the HUB, specialised curriculum and our facilities and grounds.

Thursday 14 August
7:00pm – 8:00pm JLC
‘Numeracy at Elwood Primary School’

This session will focus on numeracy at Elwood PS. Nicole Richards, Ariana Peters and myself will talk about some of the myths and best practice around numeracy teaching at EPS. We will then break into P-2 and 3-6 to look at:

- Curriculum content covered throughout the year
- How maths teaching has changed in recent times
- Skills, strategies and approaches that are core to our teaching
- How parents can support students at home

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2015 Prep Enrolments

Prep enrolments for 2015 close this Friday 8th August 2014. If you are intending to enrol your child for next year, please ensure you have submitted your enrolment form along with all relevant documentation by this date. Please note if your child is already a student attending our school then no action is required.

Kindergarten Open Day

Lady Forster Kindergarten (LFK) is a relatively new, not-for-profit kindergarten situated in a beautiful location by the bay in Elwood at 63B Ormond Esplanade (through the Council playground next to La Porchetta). Their Open Day is on Friday 5th September from 9.30am - 11.00am.

LFK offers two parallel 4yr old kindergarten programs; one sessional (25 children) and one Long Day Care (19 children). In addition, a 3yr old sessional program is offered. The friendly, community-centric kindergarten boasts a large and natural space with room for children to run, climb, ride, scoot, swing, dig, build and enjoy the seaside with regular visits to the beach. For enrolments, call 9531 6812. The 2015 waiting list is now open.

Attachments:
School Interviews Online
Elwood Learning Hub Art Competition

Elwood Learning Hub Links

Poet’s Grove Children’s Centre :
http://www.poetsgrove.com/home

Elwood College :
Dear Parents/Guardians,

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held on: Thursday 28th August from 3:40pm until 7:30pm. You can now book interviews at times that suit your family best.

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions:

**BOOKINGS OPEN MONDAY 11th August in the afternoon**
**BOOKINGS CLOSE FRIDAY 22nd August at 5:00pm**

**School event code**

**UMX74**

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au
Enter THIS school event code. Then follow the 3 simple steps.

1. Enter your details
2. Choose teachers
3. Choose times

When you click finish, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - check your junk mail folder if you do not receive your email immediately.
You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

**BOOKINGS OPEN Monday 11th August** so that all families may book at the same time

For parents that don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones, you can still make bookings by either calling the office or your child's teacher and they can access the times for you.

Interviews are strictly timed, and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements. We understand that for some parents, this date may not be suitable and classroom teachers may be available at other times and days for you, such as before or after school. If this is the case, please check the times of availability on School Interviews Online or contact your child's teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

If you have more than one child at school and are making bookings across the day for various teachers, please leave time between meetings to allow for moving to the different rooms.

Parents can change their interview bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Parents wishing to change their interview times after the closing date should contact the office or class teacher directly.

If you have any problems, please contact me directly or the office staff and we will endeavour to assist you.

Regards,
Nicole Richards
Assistant Principal
ELWOOD LEARNING HUB

ART competition

What do YOU need to do to enter our exciting ART competition and celebrate our HUB ART SHOW 2014?
It's as easy as 1, 2, 3........

1. THEME
ART SAFARI - animals, nature, landscapes, urban environments, holidays, the beach, friends, family, the community, anything.

2. SIZE
SIZE - A4, horizontal or landscape format

3. MEDIUM
Absolutely anything - pencils, paints, crayons, textures, markers, glitter, fabric, collage, montage, it's up to you!

PRIZE for winning submission
all submissions will be displayed in the ART SHOW.