



Newsletter



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Dear Parents

Parent Opinion Survey 2017

The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey conducted by the Department of Education and Training amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at each school.

It is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

The survey will be conducted **online** by **ORIMA Research Pty Ltd** and only takes **15 minutes** to complete. It can be accessed via desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time within the fieldwork period from **Monday 7 - Sunday 27 August**.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous.

The survey results will be reported back to our school at the end of September. A summary of the survey will be reported back to the school Community through School Council, the Annual report and the school newsletter.

If you have been randomly selected to complete the survey you will be sent an email with your own secure log on and link.

School Production Tickets

Tickets are on sale now and are available through Ticketmaster. The performance is on Wednesday 6 September 2017. Tickets adult \$29.02 and Concession/Student/Senior \$18.82. To avoid handling charges, you can purchase directly at a Ticketmaster outlet (there is one in Brighton,

Gardenvale Newsagency, 168 Martin Street), or by internet or phone. You will also be able to buy tickets at the Palais box office on the night but there will be no guarantee of ticket availability at that late stage. There is no limit on group bookings. To book online go to www.ticketmaster.com.au and Search Elwood Primary School to secure your seat. As we are performing at the wonderfully refurbished Palais Theatre, we must sell the tickets through Ticketmaster. Thanks for your understanding.

Students are enjoying their rehearsals and everyone is looking forward to the big night!

100 Year Celebrations and the Premier's Office

5J have been writing to various people about our 100 year celebrations and the time capsule. The Queen, politicians, the mayor to name a few.

Daniel Andrews our premier was very excited to receive a letter and is running a Facebook poll to ask Victorians what kind of information should be included in the time capsule so he can reply to 5J's letter.

Have your say by searching Daniel Andrews Elwood Primary School on Facebook and read our letter.

Aerobics Team

Good luck to our aerobics team who will be competing this Friday. After many months of practice they are ready. We have three teams who all warmed up with a great performance at assembly on Monday. Congratulations to Julie, Gretl and Millie for all their hard work with the teams.

Rob Csoti

**3 August 2017
No.13**

CALENDAR

Wednesday 2 August

100 Days of Prep
3.30pm Enhanced Learning

Thursday 5 August

Community Market with
Grade 1 rostered

Monday 7 August

House Athletics Gr 4-6

Wednesday 9 August

Enhanced Learning

Thursday 10 August

Family Life Evening Sessions
5.45pm Yr 1 & 2
7.00pm Yr 3 & 4
8.15pm Yr 5 & 6

Friday 11 August

Athletics Practice Gr 4-6

Monday 14 August

3.00pm Assembly - Snr Choir
Performing

Tuesday 15 August

9.00am Prep - Gr 2 Maths
Parent Workshop Morning

Wednesday 16 August

Grade 1 Dinner
Enhanced Learning

Friday 18 August

Athletics Practice - Gr 4-6

Monday 21 August

Prep Author Visit

Tuesday 22 August

Parent Info Night - Literacy

Manners Matter

Listening

Listening is a very important social skill to develop as it allows us to access learning, recalling information, shows we care about others, models good conversational skills and allows us to interact in social situations.

Part of being interested is showing interest in what others have to say. You show interest and courtesy mainly by:

- *Listening
- *Asking good questions

Listening Do's and Don'ts

- *DO look at the person who is talking
- *DO stand or sit still when you're listening
- *DO pay attentions and think about what is being said.
- *DO show that you have been listening by asking a good question based on what the person has said.

- *DON'T look at the ground or other things around you
- *DON'T fidget
- *DON'T let your mind wander
- *DON'T just concentrate on what you want to say next
- *DON'T ask questions that change the topic

Good listening shows others that you are thoughtful and considerate.

All part of being an Elwood Kid.

You Can Do It

Respecting differences

There are many things we have in common and share at Elwood PS. But there are many ways in which we differ too.



Some of us like football, where others prefer netball. Some like maths, others prefer reading books. Some people like to listen to CDs and music, others like to play on the computer. Some of us are tall, some of us are short. Some are strong and some are fast. In some way or another, we are all different and that makes us all the more interesting.

It would be pretty boring if everyone went around doing exactly the same thing – we would all be like robots. Thankfully we are not robots, we are human and we are all different. Even in the same family, we are different from our Mums and Dads, different from our brothers and sisters.

Rather than worrying about these differences, we need to accept and respect them and also to celebrate them. It is good that we are all different from each other and all special and unique!

You Can Do It !

Nicole Richards ... Assistant Principal

CHICKEN POX Health Alert

There has been a confirmed case of Chicken Pox in Prep. You may be at high risk if you do not have immunity including newborns, pregnant women and those immunosuppressed individuals with haematological malignancies, on chemotherapy, high dose steroids or HIV infection. If you have any concerns contact your local doctor or visit <http://www.rch.org.au/kidsinfo/> for more information.

Due to Immunisation, many cases of the disease present with few symptoms, however the disease is still highly contagious and should be reported to the school. Chicken Pox is a notifiable disease and is reported to the Department of Health for better health management in future. A visit to your doctor is recommended.

Lost Property form Quiz of the Century

There are a few items that have been returned from the Quiz night. If you think you may have left some items behind, please drop past the school office.

Also could the winning bidder of the luxury boat prize please contact the office on 9531 2762 to claim your prize.

News from the Kitchen Garden

A huge thanks to all our volunteers who cared for our chickens over the weekends and during the holidays last term. They are all looking so healthy and happy thanks to your care and attention. Feeding our chickens and collecting their eggs can be a delightful task to share with your children.



If you are interested in volunteering over weekends, please contact our garden teacher, Kathy, at beckwith.kathryn.a@edumail.vic.gov.au, or swing by the garden to have a chat with her.

Girls Soccer Championships

After a gruelling day of back to back matches, the EPS Girls Soccer Team emerged victorious at the Beachside Division Soccer Girls Winter Play-Off, held on Wednesday 26 July. Our team of Grade 5 and 6 girls played with consummate skill and sportsmanship throughout, returning home after a nail-biting Grand Final match with five total wins and no goals conceded for the day.

Many congratulations to Scout H, Alyssa V, Harriet CF, Bella TM, Nikita A, Elena L, Polina M, Paris I, Mikayli B, Alice S, Akasha, Catherine M, Charlie B, and Myra H, and all the best for the State Championship.

Gretl Tan - 5G



Elwood College School Production

Last night saw the opening of the Elwood College school production, 'A Day of Sky - The Wasteland'. It was a hugely successful night with incredible performances from the students. The production was written by one of their Year 11 students, Harrison Stone which showcases musical theatre songs, cleverly weaving in a narrative to progress the show and plot. 'A Day of Sky' is a human tale of struggle, hope and acceptance that transcends time itself, yet feels familiar to us all.

Come along and enjoy a wonderful night of entertainment. The show will be on again tonight, Thursday 3 and Friday 4 August at the Phoenix Theatre, Elwood College, Glenhuntly Road, Elwood. To find out more about the show and to purchase tickets (adult \$15, student \$10), go to Try Booking at www.trybooking.com/300580 or purchase at the door.

Attachments:

Parent Information Session

Market Flyer



Elwood Primary School
Celebrating 100 Years 1917 - 2017

Parent Information Session

Helping my Child with Maths



Prep to Two



Join us to hear about the;

- *Skills & understandings that are essential*
 - *Specific vocabulary and meaning*
 - *How we teach Maths at Elwood PS*
- *How you can help your child with Maths*

WHEN: Tuesday 15th of August

9.10am - 10.00am

WHERE: Staffroom

Presented by Sara, Ariana and Jay

ELWOOD COMMUNITY MARKET PRESENTS

Winter OnesieLand

Saturday August 5th, 9am - 1pm

WEAR A ONESIE | BE WARM | HAVE FUN | PRIZES TO WIN



COLLECT YOUR PRIZE DRAW RAFFLE TICKET (IN YOUR ONESIE) AT THE CHECKOUT (NEAR THE BBQ AREA)

PARADE at
11:30am on Stage.

Every-onesie goes
into the prize draw

