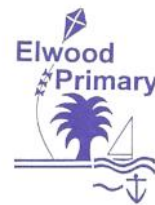




# Newsletter



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Dear Parents

## School Production 'Celebration'

There is one week left until the school production, 'Celebration'. Great excitement fills the school as our students, teachers and music team complete final preparations for the night. It will be a celebration of the last 100 years, the school and our wonderful community. Tickets have sold well but there are seats still available for family and friends.

**All students will be at The Palais next Wednesday during the day for our full rehearsal. Students will travel by bus which has been paid through your term planner.**

**Note : There will be NO lunch orders on Wednesday 6 September.**

## September Market

This weekend will be the next market and I look forward to seeing you all there for what should be a lovely day. Enjoy a coffee, something to eat and shop for last minute gifts for Father's Day. All baked goods for the cake stall are greatly appreciated. Funds from this year's market will pay for the garden and carpark works that were completed earlier this year.

## 100 year Celebration and Open Day

Our Open Day will be combined with the school market on Saturday 28 October. It will be an exciting day running from 8:30am - 4:00pm. We expect many past students and staff to attend and wander through classrooms, look at the memorabilia display in the JLC and hall, have their photos taken at various times throughout day and watch the many performances that will be on the stage.

**Help Wanted** - the 100 year committee has been working hard to put together

the day. We are now inviting interested parents who would like to be involved in the organisation of the day to come to a meeting on Tuesday 5 September at 4:00pm. We are looking for people who will be able to help set up displays and other tasks that need to be completed for the day.

## Kitchen Renovation

Our kitchen renovation will take place in the Term 3 break at a cost of \$100,000. Funding for this project will come from our Building Fund which is generously supported by our parent community.

There will be stainless steel bench tops, glass splashbacks, new floors, painting and an extra dishwasher and other modifications. The renovation should be completed in time for kitchen classes and the market in Term 4.

## Staff Carpark

The staff carpark is working very well after the renovation in the Term 2 holidays. Please remember the carpark is strictly for staff with no parent parking at any time. Some parents are dropping off and picking up students in the staff car park, this places students at risk. Please do not use this car park for drop off and pick up.

## Ski Team results

The ski team had an excellent time at Mt Buller last week and competed against hundreds of keen skiers from all over Victoria. The team did themselves and our school proud. There is a report & photos later in this newsletter.

A huge thank you to Dairne for organising the team and all parents for taking time off work to travel with their kids to the event.

**30 August 2017  
No.15**

## CALENDAR

### Thursday 31 August

Parent/Teacher Interviews  
Fathers' Day Stall

### Friday 1 September

Try & Pick Summer Sport - Gr 5 & 6  
Father's Day Stall  
HATS are back!!

### Saturday 2 September

Community Market - Preps rostered

### Tuesday 5 September

Production Rehearsal at school

### Wednesday 6 September

Production rehearsal & performance at The Palais (students travel by bus)  
**NO lunch orders**

### Friday 8 September

Division Athletics - qualifying students only  
Police CyberSafety - Grade 6

### Monday 11 September

3.00pm Assembly - No performance

### Tuesday 12 September

Elwood Student Council - bring a gold coin donation for the Cathy Freeman Foundation and wear a colour from the indigenous flag.



**HATS**

Spring has sprung ... so our SunSmart Policy says students must wear their sunsmart hats from Friday 1 September (tomorrow) until 31 April. Baseball caps are not sunsmart. Students without hats are to play in our designated shade areas.

*Rob Csoti*

**‘Celebration’ DVD**

The 2017 EPS School Production ‘Celebration’ on Wednesday 6 September at The Palais Theatre will be recorded professionally by Video Essentials using a two camera mix. The end product will have a highly professional look with a variety of wide angle and close up footage.

The cost of the DVD is \$25.00. [Click here for an order form.](#) Orders need to be returned to your classroom teacher by Friday 8 September.

**Victorian Ski Championship**

Congratulations to the EPS ski team for their excellent representation of the school, enthusiasm, effort and results at last week's State Ski Championships at Mt Buller. The team consisted of Campbell 2J, Harry 3K, Henry 5C, Jamie 6J, Marnie 5J, Ollie 2A and Raffi 1D.



Next week, the National Ski Champs are also being held at Mt Buller. We have two teams who qualified to compete, the Division 6 Skier Cross team, Campbell and Ollie; and the Giant Slalom (GS) Division 6 team, Campbell, Ollie and Raffi. Campbell also qualified individually for the GS, placing 11th - an excellent result. Fantastic effort and best of luck to you.

A special thanks also to all of the parents involved - it was a team effort and loads of fun!

*Dairne Poole... EPS Ski Team Manager*

**Balaclava District Athletics**

Last Friday 72 students from Grades 4 - 6 represented Elwood PS at our Balaclava District Athletics Carnival. All of the students who participated should be extremely proud of themselves as they all participated

so well. Forty of our students have now made it through to the Division competition, including each of our relay teams from each of our age groups. Overall, we won the day, and this is the first time since 2008 that Elwood PS has brought the trophy home!



A special mention to Wesley and Elena who placed 1st and 2nd respectively in the 100m championship race against the fastest students from each of the schools.



*Sam Casey ... PE teacher*

**You Can Do It!**

**Term 3: Persistence**

Persistence means trying hard to do your best and not giving up when something feels like it's too difficult or boring. Examples of persistent behavior are continuing to try even when schoolwork is hard, not being distracted and checking work when it's finished to make sure it's correct.

**This fortnight we will focus on : Seeing it through**

Being persistent is easier said than done ...you need self - confidence, dedication and discipline. Once you move closer to your goals and success ... not only do people around you support and encourage you ... all of a sudden you can believe in yourself even more!



**That's the thing about being persistent and seeing it through.....sometimes you may have to work hard at a goal or activity without seeing instant results ...** sometimes you don't see results for a very long time, yet you keep moving forward anyway. Have patience, the results will come ... it's a matter of time.

How do you see things through when it is tough?

- \* *First of all you must be persistent and if you feel that it's the right thing to do, keep trying!*
- \* *Be determined.* Know what you would like the outcome to look like.... picture yourself reaching your goal ... enjoying the success
- \* *Believe in your goal, all the time, every time.* Because if you don't ... it's less than likely that you will keep going when things get tough. Don't let others question your goal and have conversations with friends who support you

Once you put faith in yourself to see it through... it's not long before others start to see that too. By being persistent and seeing it through ... you succeed eventually ... and then start to inspire people ... your actions convince them to have a go at their dreams too.

**You Can Do It !**

**Manners Matter**  
**Respecting Property -**  
**Yours and Others**

Around our school, our home and the homes of our friends, there are many things we use that make our life more enjoyable. At home it may be the television, the stereo or computers. At school it may be sports equipment, the POD, art materials or other equipment in the yard. Whatever we use, we need to look after, not just for ourselves but because others like to use these things as well.



Respecting property - yours and others - shows everyone that we are thoughtful, considerate and friendly children. **All part of being an Elwood Kid.**

**Our Global Calendar**

Our Global calendar is a way to celebrate significant cultural and environmental events and is a terrific springboard for conversations at home! What's on in the coming weeks?

**1-7 September: Spina Bifida Awareness Week**

Spina Bifida Awareness Week aims to increase awareness of the disease that affects roughly 5,000 Australians.



**3 September: National Flag Day**  
 Australian National Flag day celebrates the anniversary of the Australian Flag, first flown in 1901.

**3 September: Father's Day**

The best day to celebrate all fathers across the world and to show your appreciation for them, Grandpa, Uncle, brother or significant male in our lives. We also take this time to thank the wonderful volunteers who are setting up and running our fantastic Father's Day Stall this week!

**3-9 September: National Child Protection Week**

The campaign aims to engage and educate all Australians to understand they have a part to play in keeping our children and young people safe from violence, abuse and neglect.



**5-11 September: Spinal Injury Awareness Week**

Every day in Australia, someone's life changes in an instant due to a spinal cord injury. The week is relevant not only to people living with spinal cord injuries, their families and friends; but the broader community, venues and business.

**6 September: Indigenous Literacy Day**

Indigenous Literacy Day aims to help raise funds to raise literacy levels and improve the lives and opportunities of Indigenous Australians living in remote and isolated regions.



**6 September: National Health and Physical Education Day**

National Health and Physical Education (HPE) Day has been designed to raise awareness of, and advocate for, a greater focus of HPE in our schools.



**8 September: International Literacy Day**

Today, one in five adults are illiterate, which causes many social and educational issues. International Literacy Day is a reminder of the importance of literacy. For more info or to assist head to:

[www.unesco.org/new/en/education/themes/education-building-blocks/literacy/](http://www.unesco.org/new/en/education/themes/education-building-blocks/literacy/)

**8 September: R U OK? Day**

Are You Ok Day is an annual, national day of action that aims to get Australians, right across the entire spectrum of society, connecting with friends and loved ones, by reaching out to anyone doing it tough and simply asking: "Are you ok?" R U OK ? Day is about prevention: preventing little problems turning into big problems. You can email: [hello@ruokday.com.au](mailto:hello@ruokday.com.au) or visit: [www.ruokday.com/](http://www.ruokday.com/)



Enjoy your upcoming weeks, whatever it holds or whatever you are celebrating and don't forget to check in now and then and ask someone R U OK?

*Nicole Richards* ... Assistant Principal

### Leaving EPS in 2018 ??

Planning for 2018 is already taking place. It is very important to have an accurate picture of student movement for the upcoming year. Accurate anticipated student numbers has a huge impact on planning for the number of classes we have and our budget. If you know that you will not be at Elwood PS next year.

Please complete the form below, email or call the office on 9531 2762 as soon as possible. Many Thanks



*Rob Csoti*

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#### Links/Attachments :

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### 'Ugly Mugs Club'

Here at Elwood Primary School we are conscious of waste and caring for our environment. We are always trying to find ways to be more sustainable and are trialling a new initiative at our September Community Market to reduce coffee cup waste.



Please ask for an ugly mug when you order your coffee and save \$\$\$\$\$\$ AND feel good that you are helping our environment.

**Coffee in an Ugly Mug \$3.50**  
**Coffee in a Non-Recyclable Cup \$4.00**

Please return your cup to us at the coffee stand so we can use it again!

### Intention for Next Year

I wish to advise that my child/children will NOT be returning to Elwood Primary School next year.

Student/s Name/s & Grade/s : \_\_\_\_\_

Reason : We would very much appreciate your comments/feedback to assist with future planning.

Moving House : \_\_\_\_\_

Family moving Interstate : \_\_\_\_\_

Transferring to another Victorian State School :  
Name of School (to assist with transfer documents) : \_\_\_\_\_

Transferring to Private School : Name of School : \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_ I am happy for a member of the school staff to contact me.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**





## Team Holiday Elwood: Program Update

*We have an exciting week ahead, this week is National Super Hero Week! We have lots of fun craft and games that can show of the children's super powers. We will also be celebrating Father's Day and all the male role models in our lives. Next week we will be focusing on child directed learning as it is Kids Teaching Kids week. We have a new menu out and have added some yummy foods, such a baked beans and French toast for breakfast and potatoes with the lot and quesadillas for afternoon tea. As always we love to hear your feedback, please pop in and say hi to the team. As we say at Team Holiday 'Let the Fun begin!'*

### Activities for the next fortnight

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Club/Special Activity	TH Club: Super Soccer	TH Club: Epic Games!	Dodgeball	TH Club: Epic Games!	Face Painting
Craft/Cooking	TH Club: Art Attack	TH Club: Junior Chefs	TH Club: Art Attack	TH Club: Junior Chefs	TH Club: Art Attack
Games/Sport	Treasure Hunt	Dance Off!	Flinch Ball	Super Hero Craft	TH Club: AFL Legends

The Team:  
 Liz : Director of Service  
 Rhiannon: Assistant Coordinator  
 Educators: Brady, Niamh, Andrew, Emily, Harriet, Nikita, Maddie and Shaun



Meet Niamh!  
 Niamh has been lucky enough to travel and teach overseas in Malaysia and Vietnam. She loves to talk and enjoys Irish dancing. Niamh is very excited to meet you all and maybe even teach you some Irish dancing!

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### Fees and Times

Program	Times	Full Fee	Out Of Pocket
Before School	7:15 am - 9:00 am	\$19.50	\$6.78 to \$9.75
After School	3:30 pm - 6:00 pm	\$25.95	\$8.74 to \$12.98

### Important Info:

Dear families, please remember that you will need to enroll and book you child/ren into Before and After school care. To find out how, please go to our website: [www.teamholiday.com.au](http://www.teamholiday.com.au)



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# Spring Holiday Program

Elwood Primary  
September 25th - October 6th

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Check our website for what's planned these holidays at your preferred venue.

