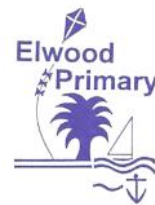




Newsletter



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Dear Parents

School Council & AGM

Our Annual General meeting will be held before the next School Council meeting on Thursday 18th May. At this meeting, our Annual Report for 2016 will be presented. The report covers School Achievement, Wellbeing and Student Engagement and 2017 School Initiatives. Our School Council President Ralf Huempel will present as well as myself. The Annual report will be available on the website after the AGM. The AGM will commence at 6:30pm in the JLC.

Dr George Otero comes to Elwood PS Thursday 1 June Curriculum Day and Parent Night



Our next Curriculum Day will be on Thursday 1 June when International Educator Dr George Otero will work with our staff during the day, followed by a parent night from 7.00 - 8.30pm. George led the development of our Learning and Teaching policy in 2012, which guides our school philosophy and implementation of programs and strategies in all areas of the school. Dr George Otero is an international educational consultant who was born and raised in New Mexico, USA. He has worked extensively with students, teachers, community leaders, administrators, and policy makers in Australia, the United Kingdom and the United States.

George offers expertise in relational learning, community schools, student engagement and family, school and community partnerships.

George and his wife Susan operate the Centre for Relational Learning in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Their mission is to support people, communities and schools to attend to their relationships as the best way to ensure the educational success of every child.

George will share educational trends across the world and revisit our school's Learning and Teaching policy. It will be an interesting night with much discussion.

For more information about George Otero follow the link below.

www.relationalearning.com

NAPLAN

NAPLAN testing will commence next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday with our Grade 3 & 5 students. Individual student reports and school reports on NAPLAN will be available in August.

Uniform

A reminder to all parents that students must be in full uniform at all times. Some clothing items have been worn by students recently that are not Elwood Primary School uniform. Leggings are not a uniform item worn on their own; they are acceptable if they are worn under the school dress. All jackets/windcheaters must be navy with our school logo. Black leggings, shorts or tops are not acceptable.

Our yellow commemorative T-shirts can be worn at school in 2017 only and are still available to purchase from the office.

Chess Team

Our chess team of 15 players from Grade 1 - 6 competed in the interschool chess competition last Monday and came first. This is the first team win for the group who have worked hard

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CALENDAR

Friday 5 May

Grade 5 & 6 Sport Practice

Saturday 6 May

Community Market

Grade 3 Rostered

Monday 8 May

3.00pm Assembly - Senior

Choir performing

Tuesday 9 May

NAPLAN - Gr 3 & 5

National Gallery of Victoria for

1D, 1RT & 1J

Bookstore visit - 6J

7.00pm Parent Information

Night - Maths

Wednesday 10 May

NAPLAN - Gr 3 & 5

3.30-5.45pm Enhanced Learning

Thursday 11 May

NAPLAN - Gr 3 & 5

Mother's Day Stall

Friday 12 May

Mother's Day stall

Grade 5 & 6 Sport Practice

Ladies who Lunch (Fundraising for Breast Cancer Network Australia)

Monday 15 May

Casual Dress Day - wear a touch of pink

Melbourne Museum - Grade 2

Tuesday 16 May

National Gallery of Victoria for 1C, 1K & 1S

**Thursday 1 June
Curriculum Day
Student Free Day**

over the last two years. This now guarantees them a place in the State Championships at the end of the year.

Congratulations to Anthony who was the overall winner on the day.



Rob Csoti

Elwood Community Market - Book Drive Results

Congratulations and thank you to everyone for the massive effort in collecting books for the Children's Book Stall for the Elwood Community Market.

The stall will be up and running this Saturday at the May market.

An incredible all school effort saw us collect just over 3,500 books! Thank you to each and every one of you who brought in even one book.

The books will be sold each market (for \$2, \$3 and \$5 each) with all funds raised going straight back to the school.

Extra congratulations must go to the classes who collected large amounts. 1J, 1K, 1C, 3N and 5C each collected over 100 per class, 2J, 4S and 4C each collected over 200 books per class, 5S collected an incredible 362 books and the winning class, with a massive effort of 442 books collected was 2A.

Every student in 2A will be receiving a voucher to use on any book they like at the Children's Book market stall.

Thanks again to everyone and see you at the market on Saturday.



Dani Carey - Elwood Community Market

You Can Do It

Term 2 : Organisation

Organisation means setting a goal to do your best in your school work, listening carefully to your teacher's instructions, planning your time so that you are not rushed, having all your supplies ready and keeping track of your assignment and homework due dates. Being organised helps you to learn at your best.

Punctuality

Part of being a friendly and respectful Elwood Primary School kid is in being punctual to school and classes.

Being punctual simply means being on time. Unfortunately there are too many times when we are not as punctual as necessary. Being on time is very important.

At school it is important to be on time, ready and organised to begin learning whether it be at the beginning of the day or after recess and lunch.

Being on time shows that you are courteous and aware of the needs of those around you by not making them wait for you to arrive.

Children who are late to school or late to class during school time, often miss important information and this can leave them feeling left out for the whole lesson as well as disrupting classmates and teachers. If you are late to class it is hard to settle down and concentrate.

It is everyone's responsibility to be on time - mums, dads, kids and teachers.

As we start a new term, we should make a special effort the next two weeks as well as throughout the year.



Manners Matter

Term 2: Give Way

Giving way is part of being polite and courteous.

With our school getting bigger and busier we really must practise the skill to **give way**. **Give way** at school is very much like **give way** on our roads. We wait first and then allow other to pass before we go. We need to **give way** to people coming *out* of doorways. Step back, perhaps even hold the door open for them. Be sensible though, if someone is carrying something heavy, then let them pass.

In the playground, giving way might mean letting some students continue their game, or retrieve their ball before you move into an area or play your game. Giving way in the playground also mean being aware of others around you, particularly adults and letting them pass your games safely, you may need to pause a game and let an adult walk through before resuming your game.

In the school buildings, **give way** means walking calmly and sensibly around corners and through corridors and ensuring that we watch for others as well as giving way at the doors.



Giving way shows others that you are thoughtful and considerate. All part of being an Elwood Kid.

Nicole Richards ... Assistant Principal

SCHOOL SORES Health Alert

There has been a confirmed case of Impetigo (school sores) in Prep S. Impetigo is a rapidly spreading, contagious superficial skin infection seen mainly in children but it may occur at any age. The infection may present with mildly irritating blisters that become pustular and erode rapidly leaving a honey-crusted crust. It often appears around the nose and mouth. Local lymph nodes may be enlarged and the affected child may occasionally be acutely ill. Students can return to school after treatment has commenced and the sores must be completely covered with a watertight dressing. If you have any concerns contact your local doctor or go to www.rch.org.au/kidsinfo/ for more information.

Second Hand Uniform

Two of our wonderful parents, Susan de Jersey and Merryn Sunderland, have kindly offered to manage the operation of our second hand uniform shop. They have reorganised everything and all garments have been sorted by size and hung ready for purchase. They will open on Mondays and Thursdays between 8.45am - 9.15am (approximately). All items are \$5 cash only please.



Grade 6 Leaders

All Grade 6 students take on the role as School Ambassadors and have opportunities throughout the year to lead school tours and school assemblies. Congratulations to all Grade 6 students on taking on their new roles. Additional roles have been appointed also to the following students.

Gordon House Captains: Alyssa V, Raphael G, Charlie B, Koby V

Paterson House Captains: Alice D, Scout H, Henry L, Ollie C

Dennis House Captains: Nikita A, Will B, Myra H, Harvey D

Lawson House Captains: Maisy E, Digby B, Harriet C, Harry K

100th Birthday Ambassadors: Tom W, Ashleigh H, Amelia E, Baxter K, Maya S, Jamie R

Sustainability Ambassadors: Tobey W, Stuti S, Rosie D, Victoria M, Porshia W, Polina F, Lucia R, Isaac F

Technology Captains: Delta O, Jack K, Will P

Music Captains: Gizelle P, Chloe H, Isaac W, Bella L, Laura W, Phoebe E, Paris I, Nick J, Anoushka C, Andrea L, Polina M, Nicole R

Art Captains: Sofia T, Milo J, Alice WW, Lili D

Garden Update

Our Grade 3's and 4's have been very busy in the garden, harvesting the last of our summer produce, and preparing our veggie beds for cool season plantings. We'd like to say a big "thank you" to all our volunteers who have helped with this sizeable task; and also to all the families who have volunteered to help care for our chickens over weekends and holidays. This year, we have had a bumper crop of Granny Smith apples: 5 boxes full, so prepare for an apple-extravaganza in the kitchen!



As part of our ANZAC commemorations, each grade 4 class laid a wreath - made from our garden's rosemary plants - during the remembrance ceremony.

Kathy Beckwith—Garden Specialist

House Cross Country

Well done to all of the Grade 3 - 6 students who competed in our House Cross Country yesterday. It was a great day and everyone tried their best and showed amazing house spirit! Well done to the winners of each age group and also the top eight from each group who will now go through to the Balaclava District event. Finally, congratulations to Paterson who was the winning house with the most points overall. The results list is below.

8-10 Girls

Place	Name	Grade
1	INDIGO J	4T
2	HANNA L	3V
3	SADIE N	4S
4	MARNIE A	5J
5	RUBY Q	4T
6	LOTIE G	5J
7	CAMILLE R	3V
8	HANNAH M	4R

11 Girls

Place	Name	Grade
1	MIKAYLI B	5J
2	MYRA H	6R
3	LOLA G	5J
4	OLIVIA P	6R
5	FRANKIE D	5J
6	HANNAH L	5G
7	SCOUT H	6R
8	GRACE MCKENNA	5J

12-13 Girls

Place	Name	Grade
1	ALICE D	6T
2	ALYSSA V	6T
3	ELENA L	6T
4	POLINA M	6J
5	EMMA C	6T
6	SCARLETT G	6R
7	LILI D	6R
8	GRACE N	6R

8 - 10 Boys

Place	Name	Grade
1	KAI T	5S
2	MIILER D	3V
3	LACHIE E	3N
4	BENNY D	4T
5	OLLIE D	4T
6	TOM G	3K
7	WILL S	5N
8	KAYNE W	5G

11 Boys

Place	Name	Grade
1	JONES G	5J
2	JACK K	6J
3	JOSHUA A	5S
4	MAX L	5S
5	ANGUS E	5C
6	JAKE O	5C
7	FINN C	5J
8	LUKE B	5S

12-13 Boys

Place	Name	Grade
1	KAI V	6T
2	COOPER D	6R
3	MASON S	6R
4	HARVEY D	6L
5	WESLEY K	6R
6	KRISTIAN F	6L
7	HARRY K	6L
8	TOM W	6J

HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY



What we've been up to over the past week

Children had a wonderful time here at Elwood Primary schools before and aftercare. They had lots of fun activities planned for the theme on Anzac day. Some of them were making banana muffins, making paper medals and also creating art work using their imagination, followed by outdoor play.

What we have planned for the next week!

This week children are really excited for the theme of Rainforest animals. They have come up with the idea of creating animals such as Anacondas using paint and also textures. Also they are really excited to add creatures that they are looking forward to draw and display in the rooms that the children will be able to find in the rainforests. Furthermore, the children have asked they can play outdoor games. The children are also volunteering to assist in making afternoon tea, serving them and also helping out with the dishes. We would like to Welcome the new member to our before and aftercare team Nikki.

Important Notices

We have great activities planned for children in before care so please feel free to drop them. It is great to see children having a great start of the day at the before care service. Please feel free to provide feedback on our service.

We would like to welcome Nikki to our service that has just joined us on the 01/05/17. Looking forward to knowing her and familiarising with the routines.

Just a reminder that before care is from 7.15am-9am Monday to Friday.

After care is from 3.30pm-6.00pm Monday to Friday.

What to do if your child is absent from After School Care:

Please remember parents if your children are going to be absent from the service or have gone home sick please call us on **0412510875** or notify the customer experience team on 1300 105 343.

Educators: (Nikki Ali ,Cassandra Hallam)

Service Fees and Times

Service	Opening hours	Full Fee	Out Of Pocket	Casual Booking
Before Care	7:00 – 8:45 AM	\$27.80	\$10.93-\$13.90	Add \$5
After Care	3:00 – 6:00 PM	\$33.83	\$11.83-\$16.92	Add \$5

You are invited to Elwood Primary School's

MATHS NIGHT FOR PARENTS

Date: Tuesday 9th May

Time: 7pm - 8pm

Location: JLC



This workshop will focus on developing a partnership between home and school in mathematics. Come along and learn how to inspire your child to love maths.

Open to parents from Prep to 6.

Presented by Ariana Peters, Louisa Dretzke and Jay Tucker

Ladies who lunch

**YOU ARE INVITED TO ELWOOD PRIMARY'S
MOTHERS DAY COCKTAIL LUNCH.**

When: Friday 12th May.

Where: Mangata @ the St Kilda Surf Life Saving Club

Time: Midday until 3.30pm

Dress: Splash of pink

Tickets are \$55 per head and include delicious finger food and a glass of bubbles on arrival.

All proceeds from the event will be donated to Breast Cancer Network Australia.

Drinks at the lunch will be at bar prices and any pink drinks purchased on the day will have some of the proceeds going back to BCNA.

Be Quick ticket numbers are limited and we don't want you to miss out. Buy tickets on Qkr!



Please make payment by QKR under School Events.

If you require any assistance please contact the school office.