



# Newsletter

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## Art Show

It was fantastic to see so many of our students proudly showing their art pieces to family and friends on Thursday 25 October. The JLC was full of personalised, creative and original pieces that were worked on during art classes to present to you! We enjoyed music from the 3/4 Choir and Orchestra, food trucks and the amazing art from our neighbours - Poet's Grove and Elwood College.

Thank you to Leanne, Andrea and Rosie for setting up, hosting and providing us with this event to celebrate our strong, creative Visual Arts Program. Thanks also to Kaz and his band of helpers for supplying the music! Along with our teachers, we had helping hands from our parents, Interactive Art from parent Bec and our Grade 6 Art Leaders. Many hands they say! Thank you.

## Marc Armitage

Our partnership with Marc as a professional Playworker and consultant to our school, continued with a series of Professional Workshops for both teachers and



parents last week. His sessions titled, "We need more playing" and "Risk, Hazard, Danger, Injury, Fear: and other words that get in the way of playing", certainly helped us all to explore the opportunities and significant factors of motivation and enjoyment in our children's ability to get the most from their school day. Marc's parent session was aimed specifically at our EPS parents in order to increase opportunities for our students to play more and see the benefits of play along with addressing concerns that more play means less learning and achievement. We certainly heard the reverse is true!

We hope to provide more sessions with Marc next year as he continues to work with our kids, staff and parents on our playscapes and our ideas of play.



**7 November 2018  
No. 19**

## CALENDAR

**Wednesday 7—Thursday 8**  
Prep Excursion Ceres

**Friday 9 November**  
Grade 5/6 Interschool Sport  
Ready Set Go Session 6

**Wednesday 14 November**  
Prep Fire Education 9.30am-11am  
Prep 2019 Information Night 7pm JLC

**Thursday 15 November**  
Grade 2 Excursion Werribee Zoo

**Friday 16 November**  
Grade 5/6 Interschool Sport

**Monday 19 November**  
Assembly - Senior Choir

**Wednesday 21 November**  
Prep Fire Education 9.30am-11am

**Thursday 22 November**  
House Swimming SIGN UP  
Grade 3-6 2.30pm-3.30pm

**Mon 26 Nov - Wed 28 Nov**  
Grade 1 Ripponlea Excursion

**Tuesday 27 November**  
Volunteers Morning Tea

**Wed 28 -Fri 30 November**  
Grade 4 Camp

**Saturday 1 December**  
Community Market  
Grade 2 rostered

**Thursday 6 December**  
Family Picnic

**Saturday 1 December**  
Community Market  
Grade 2 rostered

## Moving In and Moving out

With thanks to our teachers and many parent helpers, we have finally moved into our lovely new building. We couldn't be happier with the building, the classrooms, the outlook and sunlight that is helping to create such amazing learning spaces. We will hold an official opening shortly, once the grades have had the opportunity to settle in more. I am always amazed by how quickly our teachers and students work together to create these amazing classrooms that are so vibrant, full of student work and ready for teaching and learning. Congratulations to our teachers and students for doing just that in the space of two days! Thanks also goes to all the Senior School students who helped us out and, yet again, the parents who packed boxes, moved us over, unpacked and cleaned!

If you have wandered around the yard recently, you will have noticed the fences around our temporary portables. They are about to be moved on to the next school who are eagerly awaiting them. **The portables will be shifted off the school grounds this Friday, Monday and Tuesday of next week. Please note that Poet's Grove will be closed to through traffic and parking from early morning until around 10am on these days.** Parents heading to Poet's Grove Kinder will still have access, but there will be no parking outside of the school area to allow for the huge cranes and trucks to get through. It will be nice to have our basketball court and playground back and to see the Grade 4 and 3R portables again!

## 2019 Prep Info Night

Our current Prep Team, Leadership Team and myself are looking forward to meeting up with our 2019 Prep Families on Wednesday 14 Nov in the JLC middle space to hear all about the learning journey we are about to embark on together. We hope to see all of our Prep 2019 families there at 7:00pm.

*Nicole Richards...Principal*

## You Can Do It!

### Term 4: Confidence

Confidence means...feeling I can do it. Confidence also means not being afraid to make mistakes or to try something new. Confidence also means standing up tall and speaking with a clear voice (not too loud, not too soft). Work confidence means choosing to participate in new, difficult activities or classes, doing hard work without asking for help, offering to take responsibility and trying problems and answering questions when not too sure of the answer. Social confidence means meeting someone new, sharing ideas with classmates, speaking in a clear voice so that you are heard and starting up conversations.

### This fortnight, we focus on Respecting the Opinion of Others.

If people feel that you respect what they say, they will enjoy being with you and talking to you. They will feel

safe around you because they know you respect their feelings and their opinions. They will share with you and form better friendships because they know you will not put them down or laugh at them. All of us have the right to express ideas and opinions and often our ideas are different from other people. We all see the world differently and often that is a great thing. If you respect someone's right to offer an opinion, you will get along better with people and learn so much more. You may not agree with them, but you can respect them.

### What you can try :

\*If you don't agree with what someone has said, try to think about anything they have said that you do agree with

\*Speak in a calm and courteous voice

\*Say the part you do agree with first before you say the part you disagree on

\*If you can't agree with anything the person said, at least let them know you were listening and be respectful.

### What you should avoid:

\*Don't just focus on what you disagree with

\*Don't get angry or sarcastic

\*Don't just knock ideas. Come up with an alternative plan.

You can do it!

## Manners Matter



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 attention 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.

### Movember

Our Mo Bro's at EPS are trying to raise some money for men's health. If you have any spare dollars please donate to a great cause! You can do so via the below link ~ <https://moteam.co/woodsmen?mc=1>



### Summer Soiree 2018

Reminder to everyone intending on joining in on the Soiree this term. Please return the form with details about your pieces and the composer. This will help me to create the program for the night and create sets if required. Forms can be picked up from the front office. (In future we are aiming to go digital!) I appreciate your help and wish everyone the best of luck in preparing for their performance.

*Kaz....Music Teacher*

### National Athletics Team

Jones in 6M has made the National Athletics team with an impressive 3rd place in the 1500m event. This is the fourth time Jones has represented Team Victoria in a national competition and the third time he has had a podium finish at the State Championships representing Elwood Primary School. Well done Jones and we wish you all the best for the competition in late November.

Attachments: Intention for Next Year, Teamkids.

### Touch Rugby

Nellie in 6B, was selected to play Touch Rugby in the Victorian under twelve's team after extensive trials earlier in the year. The team travelled to Hobart to represent Victoria in the School Sports Australia National Touch Rugby Championships from 21 to 25 October . At the Championships the under twelve team performed well above expectations, finishing fifth in the Nation, winning a total of four games and drawing another.

Nellie had a great time being part of the State team during the five days of fierce competition, with back to back matches in the sunshine. Congratulations to Nellie on a great achievement.



## Intention for Next Year

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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

# Elwood TeamKids Newsletter



## What's Been Happening!

What a busy couple of weeks we have had at TeamKids! We celebrated the Art Show, played lots of games, had a party for Liz's Birthday and a Halloween party! And to top it off we ran a Giant Games stall at the market to raise money for the school! It has been wonderful to see the children and families get so involved in our special events these last few weeks. We are very lucky to be part of such a fun and welcoming community.

Our Head Office number has changed, please save the new number 1300 035 000 and delete the old one. A friendly reminder that the program closes at 6pm. If you are running late to collect your children please let us know. There is a late fee applied after 6pm, between 6:01pm - 6:15pm an extra \$15 is charged and from 6:16pm - 6:30pm an extra \$30 is charged.

As we say at TeamKids 'Let the fun begin!'



## TeamKids Clubs - Upcoming

Homework Helpers  
Thursday ASC



Epic Games

Junior Chefs

Monday and  
Thursday ASC



Wednesday and  
Thursday ASC



S.T.E.M

Tuesday ASC



Art Attack

Tuesday, Wednesday and  
Friday ASC



Super Sports  
Monday ASC



## Important Dates

- Thursday 29th November  
ASC TeamKids is in the senior  
school Art Room

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