From the Principal.

It is a pleasure to be writing my first Elderslie Express and the last edition for 2015. I have received a very warm welcome from staff, students, parents and the community and I sincerely thank you all for such a welcoming introduction to a great school that you all should be very proud of.

I look forward to relieving as Principal until Mr Wayne Mason’s return at the commencement of 2017 and I envisage meeting and working alongside you all as partners in education.

Mr Mason and I are communicating on a regular basis and we had a few handover meetings to ensure a smooth transition.

Last week was jam packed with exciting celebrations. I was fortunate to meet committed volunteers at a lovely appreciation afternoon tea. The teachers and staff baked and brought in delicious treats to share. A special thanks to Alison Berryman for organising the afternoon tea.

Kindergarten students were recognised at their Graduation Assembly which was very well supported by parents, grandparents and friends. On Friday our Presentation assembly was held to introduce the recipients of the annual awards.

I’d like to take this opportunity to thank and wish Simone Murphie, one of our long standing School Learning Support Officers, all the very best at Elderslie High School where she has accepted a transfer to.

We also say thank you and farewell to Mr Michael Shipley as he moves on to another school in the Macarthur area.

The procedure to appoint a couple of teachers is underway and I look forward to introducing our new staff along with all our 2016 classes and their teachers in our first edition of The Elderslie Express in 2016. Our school continues to expand and we will receive an additional demountable classroom early in the new year.

School concludes on Wednesday 16th December and students don’t return until Thursday 28th January. We highly recommend encouraging your child/children to do some reading, writing and even some mathematics over the break. There are many excellent children’s books that students can engage with over the school holidays. Ensure the book is at a recreational reading level for your child (Five or more words on a page that the reader is unsure of or does not know indicates that it is too difficult.)
Identify a suitable theme or genre that is interesting to the reader and suggest books where there are other books by that author.

Please refer to the Children's Book Council of Australia for titles of award winning books that you may like to purchase as stocking fillers or speak to the local Librarian as they are experts in children’s literature and will be able to make recommendations specific to each child.

The Executive staff are currently planning class structures for 2016. To make sure this process is accurate; I ask that if you are leaving our school at the end of the year and moving out of area, or if you know of any new families that have moved into our area, could you please notify the school ASAP either by writing a letter or contacting Mrs Chrupalo in the front office.

There will be a survey going home today with 5 simple questions. We would greatly appreciate your feedback as this will help to inform our future direction.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe holiday break. Looking forward to seeing you all in January 2016!

Thank you
Michelle Sarjana
Relieving Principal

Term 4 Tree Time

On Monday 7th December Kindergarten and Stage 1 celebrated Tree Time. Stage 2 and Stage 3 celebrated Tree Time on Tuesday 8th December.

The Tree Time activity this term was a Sport Fun Session which was run by some very responsible Stage 3 students with future leadership potential.

The Sport Fun Session included soccer, athletics circuit, totem tennis, skipping, handball, hop scotch, parachute, dancing, aerobics, netball, oztag and kick ball.

Students received an ice block at the end of the fun session. There were smiling faces all around!

Miss M. Viselli

Admin News

After Thursdays assembly someone left a double pram on the footpath outside our school. If it is yours it can be collected from the front office.

All notes are now available on our school website so please check regularly for notes you may have missed.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy January holidays!

STAFF RETURN WED 27 JANUARY 2016
YEARS 1-6 RETURN THURSDAY 28 JANUARY 2016
KINDERGARTEN START MONDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2016

Karen Chrupalo
School Administrative Manager

Toilet Use And Hygiene

Unfortunately we have had a couple of incidents of inappropriate use of our toilets. Could you please support us by reminding your child/children of the importance of cleanliness and hygiene when going to the toilets. We also stress that all of our students need to respect school property and be mindful of caring for our school toilets so that all our students can use them in the appropriate way. We will be reinforcing this message here at school.
**P&C News**

Over $65,000 Donated to the School this Year!

As a result of our members hard work and dedication and the support of our school community as a whole, the P&C has provided over $65,000 in funds this year which is our largest donation to date. This money partly funded the air conditioning in all classrooms, new reading resources for the library, sporting equipment, new laptop computers and iPads, purpose built furniture for K-2 and some soon to be installed AV equipment for the school hall. This is a fantastic achievement that we should all be very proud of and our kids are the beneficiaries of this hard work and dedication.

Thank you Felicity, Nicole and Terrina

As previously advised our school canteen will be run by an outside company from 2016, to allow the school to provide a five day a week service to families, including a breakfast and recess service. I met with the owners yesterday and I’m sure you will be very impressed with the menu items, with healthy, home cooking being a big part of their menu. The canteen was set up and operated by the P&C since the school opened in 2009. During this time Terrina Coughlan was instrumental in setting up and running our canteen with the help of volunteers. This year Felicity Dean and Nicole De Martin took over the running of our canteen. Thank you ladies for all your hard work and dedication during this time.

Welcome Mrs Sarjana

This week I had the opportunity to meet our new relieving Principal Mrs Sarjana. She is very approachable and supportive of parents and the school community being actively involved at school wherever possible. On behalf of the P&C, welcome Mrs Sarjana, we look forward to working with you next year.

Have a safe and happy holiday season enjoying some quality time with family and friends. See you in 2016 rested and ready to go for our school fete!

Michelle Halloran
President

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**CHRISTmas AT THE STABLE**

- **FREE EVENT**
- **LIVE ANIMALS**
- **PAT & FEED**
- **EVERY EVENING**
  - SAT 19TH DECEMBER
  - WED 23RD DECEMBER
  - 7-9PM
- **PLUS**
  - THURS 24TH 5.45-6.30PM SAUSAGE SIZZLE
  - 6.30-7.30PM FAMILY CAROLS
- **narellan anglican church**
  - 172 richardson rd, narellan
  - narellan.anglican.asn.au
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Cobbitty Village Markets

Cobbitty Village Markets provide quality & unique Crafts and produce. The markets are held on Cobbitty School Grounds on the first Saturday of each month between 8 am and 1pm.
Speech Pathology
Spot Checks

Macarthur CDC’s Speech Pathologists are offering FREE screening services for preschool and school aged children in our clinic.

Macarthur CDC clinicians can assist your child’s:
- Speech Development
- Receptive and Expressive Language
- Literacy
- Voice
- Fluency
- Feeding
- Processing
- Communication

Macarthur CDC’s speech pathologists will advise if further formalised assessments are required or refer to appropriate services.

Who: Preschool and School Aged Children

Where: Macarthur Children’s Developmental Clinic

Shop 6/38 Exchange Parade Narellan

For the next available appointment, please contact our office!

Bookings are Essential! To make a booking please contact:

Macarthur Children’s Developmental Clinic on 4648 0837
MACARTHUR CDC IS OFFERING FREE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SCREENING SERVICES FOR PRESCHOOL AND SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN AT OUR CLINIC. THESE SERVICES ARE FOR CHILDREN WHOSE TEACHERS OR PARENTS WOULD LIKE TO ENSURE THAT EACH CHILD IS ACHIEVING THEIR SKILLS AND OCCUPATIONS AGE APPROPRIATELY.

MACARTHUR CDC CLINICIANS WILL EVALUATE YOUR CHILD’S
• FINE MOTOR SKILLS: PENCIL GRIP, SCISSOR SKILLS AND HAND COORDINATION
• GROSS MOTOR DEVELOPMENT: COORDINATION AND BALL SKILLS
• HANDWRITING
• VISUAL PERCEPTION SKILLS: WHICH CAN IMPACT HANDWRITING AND READING ABILITIES

OUR CLINICIANS WILL ALSO EVALUATE INFORMATION RELATING TO YOUR CHILD’S SELF CARE SKILLS, CLASS ROOM PARTICIPATION AND THEIR SENSORY PROCESSING (WHICH MAY IMPACT BEHAVIOUR).

WHO: PRESCHOOL AND SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

WHERE: MACARTHUR CHILDREN’S DEVELOPMENTAL CLINIC

SHOP 6/38 EXCHANGE PARADE NARELLAN

FOR THE NEXT AVAILABLE APPOINTMENT, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE!

Bookings are Essential! To make a booking please contact:

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### ELDERSLIE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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**Note:**
1. Prices Current from 1st July 2014, but subject to change in writing via school newsletter.
2. All products are unisex unless otherwise stated.
3. All orders require a minimum of 20% deposit.
4. Orders can be left at the office with the required deposit for processing.
5. Once orders are ready for collection, notification will be made via the school newsletter/news.

**Child/Childrens Name(s):**

**Contact phone number:**

**Contact email address:**

**Date of Order:**

**Total of Order:**

**Deposit Paid:**

**Order Number: (office use only)**

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Uniform Shop Coordinator: Lisa Dickson - 0409 369 688
Email: elderslieuniform@bigpond.com

**Tuesday - 2.30pm - 3.00pm**

**Friday - 8.45am - 9.15am**

**CASH OR CHEQUE ONLY**
Macarthur Gymnastic Studio
Unit 5/50 Topham Rd,
Smeaton Grange
Fully Insured, Qualified Instructors
Contact:: macarthurgymnasticstudio@gmail.com

Classes for all ages:
⇒ Little Gymnasts: - 18 months –5 years , parent involvement encouraged
⇒ Junior Gymnasts - 4-5 years, skill based class
⇒ General Gym: - 5 years and older, fun skilled based class
⇒ Development Squad - 5 years and older,
⇒ Competition Squad - 5 years and older,

Class times:
⇒ Little Gymnastics - Monday, Wednesday and Friday
   9.30-10.30 and/or 10.30-11.30
⇒ Junior Gymnasts - Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
   3.45pm-4.30pm
⇒ General Gymnasts - Tuesday, Wednesday , Thursday and Friday
   4.30 - 6.30 pm
⇒ Development Squad –Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday
   4.30-7.00pm

For additional/special needs and school groups please contact administration