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From the Principal

Interviews with Parents and Carers

Thank you to the many parents and carers that attended the recent interview to discuss their child’s learning. Staff appreciated the opportunity to talk to you about your child’s learning progress and learning goals.

Traffic Around the School

This is just another reminder that to assist with traffic congestion and reduce the risk to students we have requested that parents picking up students in years 3-6 come at 3.05pm to collect their child. This strategy has reduced the congestion in the ‘pick up and drop off’ zones outside our school in the afternoons.

Staff are placed at each gate every afternoon to supervise students as they leave the school.

P & C Meeting

Our next P & C meeting will be held from 7.00–8.30pm this Thursday, 14th May. Everyone is welcome.

Students Arriving at School Prior to 8.30am

As I have previously explained, students arriving at school prior to 8.30am are not supervised by school staff. This is obviously a safety risk. Students attending OSHClub must be escorted to the hall by an adult so they can be ‘signed in’ by OSHClub staff. Parents/carers who allow their child on the school grounds prior to 8.30am need to advise their child that they MUST sit on the silver seats near the hall and not play.

NAPLAN

Students in Y3 and Y5 are ‘sitting’ their National Assessment of Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) this week. Results of this national assessment program are distributed in September. These results are used in combination with school assessment data to drive our school’s strategic plan.

School Website

Our school website has been updated. Mrs Hodgson has been liaising with DEC technology staff to change the website format to try to make it more user friendly and informative. Additional information and photos will be added over the coming weeks.

School Banking - reminder

Your child recently received information about establishing a student bank account. The student banking program was strongly endorsed by the P & C and will be
coordinated by P & C volunteers. Bank books will need to be delivered to the school’s front office each Monday. Our volunteer parents will complete the banking process and return the books to the students.

Selection Procedures for Y5 Opportunity Class (OC) placement in 2016 – Final reminder

Students in Y4 in 2015 have the opportunity to apply for a Y5 OC placement in 2016. All applications must be made online by going to the following website – www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement

Online applications opened on the 27th April and close on Friday 15th May.

For further information please contact Mr Peters.

Thank you
Wayne Mason
Principal

PBIS Update

During Terms 2 and 3 the PBIS Committee will be focusing on social values. As a result all classes will be engaging in values lessons. Each class will focus on a different value every week. Every class will have a poster displaying their weekly value. Teachers will address the value with their class each day and discuss what the value means and how it looks like in the school environment.

The PBIS Team look forward to providing the values program to our school.

Our PBIS Recognition Wall is currently in progress in our office foyer. This wall displays the names of students who received Bronze, Silver and eventually Gold at the previous assembly.

Miss Marie Viselli
PBIS Leader

Assembly

There will not be a K-2 Assembly this week due to the Stage 1 Excursion. The next K-2 Assembly will be on Thursday 28th May (Week 6). Students who were due to receive a PBIS Award this week will receive this award at the Week 6 Assembly.

There will be a 3-6 Assembly this week. The assembly will commence at 12:40pm and will conclude at 1:40pm.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Miss M. Viselli
PBIS Leader

Sporting News

Sports Report

On Friday 8th May, EPS participated in the first sports gala day for this year. We entered teams into Netball, AFL and Soccer. Each of the teams played very well on the day, notching up many great wins for our school. The students involved played with excellent sportsmanship throughout the day, supporting one another to play to the best of their own abilities. Teachers reported fantastic behaviour from all of the students who ventured outside of the school on gala day.

Mr Shipley organised an action-packed session of sports and games for students who were involved in school based sport. The students involved in this program exemplified the school’s motto of Enjoy, Participate, Succeed as they completed their physical activities.
The next sports gala day is on Friday of week six, 29th May. If your child brought home socks or a shirt from the soccer gala day, please ensure that these items are washed and returned to the child’s sports teacher as soon as possible.

Mrs Cannings  
Sports Coordinator.

Razorback Zone Cross Country

This Friday the 15th of May, 32 students will be representing Elderslie Public School at the Razorback Zone Cross Country Carnival at Camden Bicentennial Equestrian Park. We wish all of our team members the best of luck and know that they will try their best.

Can students please arrive at the venue by 9am to sign in. All students will walk the course at 9.45am (competitors only). The program is estimated to start with the 8/9 Girls at 10.30am, followed by 8/9 Boys (10.45am), 10 Girls (11.00am), 10 Boys (11.15am), 11 Girls (11.30am), 11 Boys (11.45am), 12/13 Girls (12.00 noon) and then 12/13 Boys (12.30pm). All students need to be signed out at the completion of the day.

Mr Shipley

Admin News

The 2015 EPS Medical Information form will be sent home with every student today. Please complete and send back to the Office as soon as possible.

Reminder that the school canteen is only open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays so please make sure you send your child to school with a packed lunch on the other days.

Always inform the Office when your details change including address, phone numbers, emergency contacts etc.

If your child requires medication during school hours you must contact the Office to fill out the required forms. ALL medications are held in the Admin block.

Thank You

These 3 boys are have been selected in Sydney South West (SSW) teams which will compete at upcoming state carnivals. There are over 140 000 students in schools in the Sydney South West region so to be selected in a regional team to compete at the state championships is a big achievement. This is particularly the case for William and Kye as they are only in Y4.

William F was selected in the SSW boys football (soccer) team.

Sam F was selected in the SSW boys AFL team which will compete in the state carnival at Blacktown in 2 weeks.

Kye S was selected in the SSW boys hockey team which will compete in the state carnival in Newcastle in 3 weeks.
**Mother’s Day Stall a Big Hit.**
On Sunday morning the kids had great delight in giving me their gorgeous gifts from the school Mother’s Day stall. They look forward to doing this every year and it’s such a special time in our family. A huge effort was made this year to make the gifts more personalised and unique so we hope you liked them! A special thanks to Lisa Donohue and Jess Welsh our fundraising co-ordinators for putting such a personal touch to the gifts and thanks to our volunteers who helped out on both days, we couldn’t do it without you! The P&C raised approx. $480 from the stall which will go towards purchasing new home reading resources for the school.

**Commonwealth Bank School Banking Program Begins.**
Monday 4th May was our first school banking day. Joanne Goad from the Commonwealth Bank came to school to talk to the students about the program and the benefits of regular banking. Each time students make a deposit through school banking, regardless of the amount, they earn a cool Dollarmites token. Once they have saved 10 tokens they can swap them for a range of Dollarmites rewards. To participate, your child needs to have a Commonwealth Bank account opened in their name. You will need an application form, copy of your child’s birth certificate and your driver’s licence when applying. The P&C will receive $5.00 for each account opened and a further 5% commission on all deposits made through school banking. For more information on how to get involved please contact Lauren Metcalfe via the school office.

**The Athlete’s Foot Fundraising Support.**
Just a reminder to anyone who purchases shoes of any type from The Athlete’s Foot at Macarthur Square, they will donate $5.00 per pair of shoes back to the P&C. Don’t forget to mention you are part of Elderslie Public School. All family members and friends of EPS can participate. So spread the word and let our school enjoy the benefits of this great program.

**Next P&C Meeting.**
Our next meeting will be held this coming Thursday 14 May in the school staff room, administration building from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. All welcome to attend.

Many thanks
Michelle Halloran
President

**Uniform Shop**

We have received our winter stock with the exception of the long sleeve winter polo's which should be here by the end of next week. Text messages have been sent if your order is ready to be collected, if you advised your mobile number. Please pick up as soon as you can as we have very limited space for storage. If orders are not picked up within 6 weeks they are put back on the shelf for sale.

Should you have any questions please feel free to pop in and see us on Tuesday afternoons or Thursday mornings.

Also our 2nd hand clothing pool is overflowing, so if you need a spare jumper etc, pop in and check out what's there. All proceeds of items donated to the clothing pool go straight back to the school to help purchase iPads etc.

Kind regards,

The Uniform Shop.
In 1/2G this term, we have been focusing on building our reading muscles and our reading stamina. Every day we have been spending some time in the morning to practise reading independently. The students have really enjoyed selecting their own books from our reading corner and reading them over the week.

Lost Property

Please ensure ALL of your child’s clothing is CLEARLY labelled with their name.

The “Lost Property” box is located under the cola outside the school hall.

Jasmine, Alicia and Grace show off some of the produce they have grown in our school vegetable garden.
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