Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The Perfect Moment project is in full swing and is really beginning to take shape. As you will see from the calendar, it is going to be quite intensive between now and our final outcome on Friday August 16th. There is still a great deal to be organised and done but the artists are confident that we will get there! Very sincere thanks to those people who have already offered to help out with the project. This has been a very meaningful experience for our students and having parents show their support in that way means a lot to them and helps create meaningful new memories of shared experiences. It is fantastic to be able to give students the opportunity to experience success in new areas.

Last week I attended the Country Education Project’s Conference in Melbourne along with most of the Principals from our small schools cluster. It was thoroughly inspiring. We were fortunate enough to work with Sir John Jones and Colin Pidd as our main guest speakers, along with several other Principals and organisations who held workshops and presentations. I thoroughly recommend you look Sir John up on You Tube and have a listen to his thinking about the future of education. The overwhelming message to come out of this conference is that we are educating our students to go out and live in a world that is vastly different to the one people of my generation grew up in. It is changing incredibly rapidly. Most students will work in jobs that haven’t even been created yet and are predicted to have up to 30 or 40 different jobs in their lifetime, so the question is how do schools provide their students with an education that will allow them to be successful in a constantly changing future? What can schools offer that is unique and will contribute more to students’ lives and development than google could? What is it important for our students to know and be able to do? Powerful stuff and very important for us to consider as leaders in our state education system. There are many exciting challenges for us to embrace as we continue to improve the outcomes of our students.

Enjoy your weekend.

Michelle.

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Mon 29th & Tues 30th July—Perfect Moment days
Wed 31st July—Michelle at Campaspe Network Meeting
Thu 1st Aug—School Council information home
Mon 5th Aug & Tues 6th Aug—Perfect Moment days
Thu 8th Aug—School Council Meeting 7pm.
Mon 12th Aug—Sat 17th Aug—Perfect Moment Production week; Fri 16th = performance at 5pm.
Tues 20th Aug—Launch of the Elmore Health and Well-being Team with morning tea at the Railway. More information to follow
Fri 23rd Aug—Cluster Science Day at Elmore PS.
Thu 29th Aug—Finance Committee meeting 8:00am; Parents and Friends Sub-committee meeting 2:45 in Library
Fri 30th Aug—Education and Policy Sub-committee meeting 8:00am
Silly Picture of the week

Principal’s Award

The Award this week goes to

Koby Bacon

For demonstrating our school values of community and integrity, including other students when they ask to join in.

Silly Picture of the week

Numeracy Award: 

To Cody and Brigid for working well together on their 100s chart puzzle.

Literacy Award: 

Kodi Czuczman for focussing well in class and completing all set tasks in Literacy.

Quote of the week: ‘Learn from the mistakes of others. You can’t live long enough to make them all yourself.” Eleanor Roosevelt.

LOTE Link:

Each week we will include in the Newsletter some simple words which you will be able to practice at home. You could copy them onto coloured paper in fancy writing, hang them in the bathroom or laminate them as a placemat—whatever takes your fancy! This week it is about counting.

Counting to Ten in Indonesian:

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3-4-5-6 News

As the Term Planner went in last week I won't take up space with what we will be working on next week in English and Mathematics, but please feel free to come and ask questions if you would like further clarification of any activity.

**Homework**

Mathematics - Subtraction revision

Spelling words - written in paragraphs or interesting sentences

Two pages of handwriting

As we are getting close to the Perfect Moment performance we will have Tara, Jens and Aviva visiting every Monday and Tuesday until week 5. We will also be dedicating extra afternoons to rehearsals and honing of skills.

Have a great weekend!

Andrea

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Prep/1/2 News

We have had lots of sick children (parents and some staff also) during the last week or so. As part of our healthy habits we are trying to ensure that the children cover their coughs- preferably with their bent arm rather than hands. They should also wash and dry hands properly.

This week Jens has been with us for an extra two days. As we are getting closer to the final performance, the children are working hard and it is starting to look fantastic. Please start talking to family and friends about the date of the performance. It would be great for the children to have as much support and encouragement as possible.

We will be spending some afternoons during the next few weeks polishing our performances - this fits in very well with our Healthy Bodies theme.

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**Active After Schools.**

This will start again next week on Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

**Monday- tennis** **Wednesday- cricket**

We hope that children will participate as this is a great way of trying different sports and keeping fit and healthy.

Please ensure that you complete the permission form and send it back to school.

Thank you,

Wendy Young
HOT FOOD FRIDAY TERM 3 ROSTER

We need to have 2 people each week to help out. Please can you put your name down to help.

If you are unable to do your shift please ring Tanya 0427 336 240 or 54 336 240 by Thursday morning.

IF THERE IS NO NAME DOWN FOR A WEEK THEN THERE WILL BE NO HOT FOOD FOR YOUR CHILDREN.

All food must be prepared and cooked at school due to new food safety rules.

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**Friday 16th** is the day of the **Perfect Moment Performance** the children will be at the hall, so there will be **NO HOT FOOD** on this day.

**As of this Friday Hot Food Orders will be going home on Friday to be back on Tuesday.**

Expressions of Interest Sought

Buildings and Grounds Sub-committee is putting together a Garden Beautification Club and would love you to be a part of it! There will not be any heavy work involved, but tasks such as weeding, spraying weeds, removing dead plants, trimming plants and so on would be the types of tasks involved at this stage.

It is a great opportunity to catch up with other parents for a chat, enjoy a cuppa and support your child’s school all at once. Community members are welcome too.

If this sounds like a way you would like to support our school, please contact Andrea Bacon at the school, 5432 6247, or you can email her at bacon.andrea.l@edumail.vic.gov.au.
Please collect
We are collecting old crockery for making mosaic stepping stones; old cutlery for making wind chimes; old baths, sinks, wash tubs or wheelbarrows for garden beds; old baling twine for weaving through the garden and orchard fences and we are still collecting clean bottle tops please.

Let me know when you would like to deliver any large items to the school.

Thank you! Andrea Bacon

FIELD DAYS ROSTER

It’s Field Day Roster time again, Yippee

Thank you to those people who have already offered up their time

We are still seeking people to work

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Both days also require an emergency person

Thank you in advance for everyone’s efforts I know it’s a massive task we undertake for our school’s benefit.

If you can help please ring/text Jen Stewart on 0408146863

Thank you to Anna Trewick for the fantastic job she did of painting our outdoor seats! They are very bright and cheerful.

You are invited to the launch of

Country

Andrew Southall

Thursday 1 August, 6-8pm

“Southall’s view is slowly flattening, de-figuring, and moving towards an abstract minimalist composition.”

(Jeff Makin)

These new works are no less the pure emotive response, unrestricted by a consciously considered rightness than any other of Southall works, it’s just that the raw neurotic energy has found a peaceful rhythm in the less complicated life where he currently lives by the Campaspe river.

Country is an expression of the flattened wheat plains across North Central Victoria. Environment is the central theme here, and Southall is again responding to his world - to the sparse, yellow flat plains of canola and wheat which now surround him.

Exhibition dates: 31 July – 8 September 2013
Please Help!

Elmore Primary School has been working with the Women’s Circus on a project funded by Arts Victoria and the Australia Council called The Perfect Moment. We have drawn upon several groups within the community such as the Preschool and Elderly Citizens to contribute to our project. Our final performance week is August 12—16. We desperately need six adults to assist us with organization on the following days:

**Wednesday August 14th half day**
**Thursday August 15th all day**
**Friday August 16th all day**

We are hoping to find volunteers from outside our parent group so that parents will be able to attend as an audience member. If you are able to volunteer your time it would be greatly appreciated. You can contact Michelle on 5432 6247. More information about tickets will be out soon.

Thank you.

A new Health and Wellbeing Team in Elmore!

Did you know that in our area 56.9% of adults and 25.3% of our children are overweight or obese?

Let’s work together to change this. We know that it’s important to support our children to develop healthy habits from an early age. So where do we begin?

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM! Our school has recently registered with a new Victorian initiative called the Achievement Program. The Achievement Program supports schools and early childhood services to create healthier environments for children, staff and the community. What’s more, we are partnering with OLSH and Elmore Pre School to work through the Achievement Program.

We have formed a team known as the Elmore Health and Wellbeing Team and we are accepting expressions of interest for members. So far we have reps from:

- Elmore Medical Practice
- Elmore Progress Association
- Rochester and Elmore District Health Services
- City of Greater Bendigo

We welcome interested parents, carers and community members to participate in the Elmore Health and Wellbeing Team – let’s work together to improve our community! For more information please contact Michelle on 5432 6247.

Plus, keep your eye out for a parent health and wellbeing survey in the coming weeks. Your participation is greatly appreciated.