Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This week we mark the passing of a very special lady from our community. Phyllis Giffin was a Grandparent to Angus and a Great Aunt to Emily and Lachlan. Phyllis has worked at our school in the past and been an enormous support to both the school community and the Elmore community in general, particularly the Field Days which she was widely respected as being a staunch supporter of.

Today, staff from Elmore Primary School joined with Phyllis’ family and friends to say our farewells, pay our respects and honour the caring and inspiring life she has led, and demonstrate our ongoing support and friendship to her family as they come to terms with their loss.

On behalf of our school community I would like to share with Phyllis’ family our deepest and most sincere condolences at this very sad time and remind them that we are all carrying them in our thoughts.

Events such as these remind us of just how important our loved ones are in our lives and tend to make us more inclined to hug them a little tighter tonight.

Enjoy your weekend,
Michelle.

griffiths.michelle.j@edumail.vic.gov.au
The Award this week goes to

Joe Hayes

For demonstrating his Personal Best with his handwriting this week.

“No-one can make you feel inferior without your consent.” Eleanor Roosevelt.

Numeracy Award

Joe Hayes for good work on problem solving

Literacy Award

Emily Giffin for completing all tasks set in Literacy this term with gusto!

The Basketball Match. A serial story by Tyler Falzon Grade 5.

Chapter 1
One warm afternoon after school Hayden, Rhys, Tyler, Sam and Max all put their basketball jumpers on. They walked towards the basketball stadium. They heard running footsteps behind them. They turned around to see the other team. They were called The Nights. “You guys will get thumped by us Nights” they all said. “Whatever” replied Max.

Chapter 2
They walked into the stadium to meet up with Jay, who was not in his basketball jumper. “What do you think you are doing?” asked Tyler “Oh yeah, sorry. I will now go and get dressed.” replied Jay. Heat was now on the ground with the Nights. The two umpires were now ready to go. Rhys was now in jump for our team and Tyrone for their team. The ball was thrown up.

Stay tuned! Chapters 3 and four will be in next week’s Newsletter...
Student Banking—Bendigo Bank

Please note that student banking is available to all students with a Bendigo Bank Account. Please place your banking in the draw at the office. Bek will bank it and return it on Thursday. Please make sure it is clearly named.

Thankyou.

Parent Helpers Requested Please

You would have seen our lovely, bright yellow outdoor seats. Thank you to Anna for taking care of them. We still have some to go so if you are able to come along during the school day and help us out with painting the outdoor seats that would be very greatly appreciated. Please see Andrea for further information.

Gardening Roster 2013

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Keys can be picked up from office. Also Andrea is available to anyone who would like to learn how to start and operate both ride

Dress Up Day Prep — Two

Student Representative Council (SRC)- Footy Colours Day

The SRC will be holding a fundraiser to raise money for children with cancer.

When: Friday 20th September all day

Wear: Footy colours of yours or someone else’s team

Cost: Gold coin donation or more if you would like.

Thank you for supporting this worthy cause!
Prep—2 News

It’s hard to believe that we are nearly at the end of another term, just one week to go!

It has been a busy but exciting term with lots of things happening such as The Perfect Moment, Athletics Sports and many other activities. We still have a few things on over the next week.

Well done to the grade 5/6 students and Mr. Wright. They worked hard last week to get the Long Jump pit finished.

The chook shed is a popular place at recess. The chooks are now laying.

Gruffalo Party

On Tuesday next week we will be having a Gruffalo Party while the grade 3-6 students will be at the cluster Athletic sports.

The children will need to bring fruit for fruit break and play lunch as usual but lunch will be provided.

Grade 2 Sleepover

An information and permission note has been sent home. Please return notes as soon as possible.

Free

A parent has brought in one pair of size 13 black leather lace-up shoes, hardly worn, in very good condition.

Free. Please ask at school.

Active After Schools Program

We have one more tennis session on Monday to finish the program for this term. The last cricket session was taken on Wednesday, there is no cricket next week.

Thank you to all the students who have participated. We have had some difficulties this term with a few wet afternoons - hopefully next term we will have more suitable weather.

Science Family Night

Where: Elmore PS  When: Thursday, 19th September

Time: 5pm for activities - Basic electrical circuits, making Ooblek/Corny Goop, Fun with balloons and Magnets.

Dinner: BYO Take Away or a picnic for your own family

Movie: The Lorax

Science Week is from 10th - 18th August therefore we have been enjoying an extended celebration. Our Cluster Science Day on Friday, 23rd was a great day jam packed full of fabulous activities, busy teachers, engaged and enthusiastic students and thankfully the weather was kind to us as we hosted approximately 170 students from 6 of our cluster schools. Thank you to Wendy and Craig for their amazing effort and to the students for being wonderful hosts and graciously sharing their equipment and playground. You represented your school extremely well an I am very proud of you! We thought we would continue to share some of the fun by inviting present families and future families to a fun filled family science night. So please keep the date free and we look forward to seeing you there.
What a wonderful time the grade 3, 4s and myself had last week on camp! The highlights were the tourist attractions on Thursday – Deborah Goldmine, Talking Tram, Chinese and RSL Museums and Parky's on Friday morning. I am very proud to announce that all students conducted themselves magnificently and I look forward to our next camp together!

A massive thank you to Mr Wright, Tait, Tyler, Rhys and Koby for the fantastic job they did with the spreading of the sand and to Paul Bacon for digging the hole for the long/triple jump pit. Very timely! Thank you Miss Young for including some pictures of the hard workers!

A busy week ahead to complete term 3!

Monday Miss Griffiths will take each class for a 1 and a 1/2 hour Library lesson to allow for Mr Wright and I to plan and Miss Young and Mr Wright to plan and handover. We wish Miss Young a relaxing and most enjoyable term 4!

Tuesday 3-6 have our Cluster Athletics Sports in Bendigo – Go Elmore!! Please see further information in regards to food, drink and clothing for the day.

Wednesday morning we have the launch of the Elmore Health and Wellbeing Community Program at Railway Place until recess and back to school for formal lessons.

Thursday we have the Gecko Indigenous Education Program coming to visit between recess and lunch. They are going to organise some hands-on cultural awareness activities for the 3-6 to participate in.

Friday morning we will have our normal literacy lessons, clean and pack up between recess and lunch and have an early dismissal at 2:30pm on Friday ready for holidays!

**Homework:** There will only be spelling words (look, cover, write, check) and two pages of homework next week.

We will spend next week completing unfinished work, Torch tests and revising. Well done to everyone with their On Demand tests these last two weeks – awesome effort!!

Have a lovely, relaxing holiday and I will probably see a few of you at the Field Days in week 2!

Cheers

Andrea
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0427084437

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

DRAMATIC WORKSHOPS

Tues 24th & Weds 25th September.

9AM-1PM

To book your place call Ann on
0428 461855.

Two mornings of fun and performance making skills. Create a short scene. Scenes will be filmed at the end of day two to share with your friends and family.

Come and learn how to put what you care about on stage.

Lead by Scott Pardon and Sky Lilly Simpson.

Scott Pardon is a Teacher. He is a graduate of Swinburne acting. He has worked as an actor, writer and director.

Sky Lilly Simpson is a graduate of WAAPA. She creates theatre with community groups and with children, in mental health and disability. She has worked as an actor, writer and director.

Save The Date

Saturday 28th September

9am – 1pm @ the Skate Park/Shire Hall precinct.

We are seeking support from both local stall holders and volunteers. Come along & make some $$ for your club/group.

An Information Session will be held at Community House on Thursday 12th September at 7pm.

Bookings Essential to Rochester Community House 54843600 or email rtmstallholders@gmail.com

Rochester Swim Club

Promotes

A Swim for Life Approach

in an active, healthy and happy environment

If you can swim 25 metres in a recognised stroke, you have a great deal to gain by joining our club.

Information Night

6:00pm Tuesday 8th October 2013

Training for coming season

Spring – Monday – One session weekly x 6 weeks 6:00pm – 7:00pm in Ednion beginning – Monday 28th October 2013

Summer – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 5:30pm –
6:30pm in Rochester Mill – Master 18th November 2013

**Swimmers must wear one piece baths**

Some great reasons for you to be a member of the Rochester Swim Club:

• Have fun and make new friends
• Improve your fitness levels
• Maintain a healthy lifestyle
• Learn the finer skills of swimming
• Improve your confidence
• Obtain certificates in Bronze/Lifesaving and CPR courses

We promote an active, healthy, and happy environment where individuals can:

• Learn and improve at your own pace
• Choose their swimming path
• Have regular training sessions with quality coaching
• Compete at Medley nights, twins/open water meets
• Be part of a team

For more information contact:

Coach – Lea Sands 54822410
Maree Marangate 54822410
President – Jd 54823608
Secretary – Paul 54827126
Email: kmctsme@gmail.com

Old Church on the Hill, cnr Russell and Harkness St.
Elmore Field Days Waste Management

Workers are required for the Elmore Field Days for the first week in October. We require at least 10 workers on Monday the 30th of September, 5 workers on each of the following days and as many people, including children on Sunday the 6th. Work involved will include wheeling bins into position and loading cardboard onto trailers. Washing out bins and picking up loose rubbish will take place on the Sunday with a free BBQ to follow.

Please note that children are not permitted on the four weekdays for OHS reasons but are most welcome to assist on the Sunday. If you are able to bring your own trailer it would be of some assistance. Please contact myself for more information or call the school to place your name on the list. The more volunteers we get from the school the more money that is raised.

John Giffin
0427326351

Waste Management EFDS

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Cluster Athletic Sports in Bendigo 3-6—Please see over the page for permission form.

Where: Retreat Road, Spring Gully
When: Tuesday, 17th September
Time: 9:30am arrival for a 10am start

Please make sure students wear appropriate school sports uniform (red shirt, navy shorts and runners) have a warm change of clothes, plenty of water to drink, snacks and lunch for the day.
ELMORE SENIORS  BIRTHDAY LUNCH

The P&F committee has been asked to provide lunch for the senior’s on their Birthday.

So we will be looking for works and donations.

The Date is: **Thursday 10th October 2013**.

The time is yet to be confirmed.

Can you please fill in the form and return it to the office by **Friday 20th September** (This is because we have holidays and event is the 1st Thursday back at school)

Can You Help on the day: Name----------------------------------------------- YES OR NO

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Permission for students to attend the Zone Athletics Day. Please return to school before Tuesday September 17th 2013.

I give permission for my child ________________________________ to attend the Zone Sports Day at Retreat Road in Bendigo. They will be travelling by private transport with ________________________.

Contact number for me on the day: __________________________

Contact number for the person they are travelling with (if not same): __________________________

Signed: __________________________________ parent / guardian.