



TUESDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER, 2024

EPS NEWS - ISSUE 13

FROM THE PRINCIPAL AARON TAYLOR

Thanks to the many dad's and families that attended the breakfast last Thursday. The event was again well attended by families from the Kinder and OLSH, with Elmore PS well represented. We hope you enjoyed the morning breakfast and games as well as a relaxing Sunday!

THANKYOU MONIQUE

Last Friday was the final father's/mother's day stall that will benefit from the care and dedication of Monique McHugo. Monique has ensured each stall has run seamlessly and that no child has missed out on taking home a special gift to their mother or father since her involvement began back in 2018! What isn't as well known, is that Monique (and Mal) have kindly donated the many gifts and trinkets when restocking the stalls each year. Your kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Term 4 Cluster Camps

Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 cluster camps will occur in week 2 and week 3 of Term 4 respectively. Information has been provided to parents regarding final payment amounts as well as the medical consent forms. Medical forms, which includes dietary requirements, need to be returned to school by the end of the week.

Cluster Science Day

Our cluster science day is again being hosted by Raywood PS. This will occur in the final week of term on

Wednesday 18th September. A permission form, with further details, is available on uEducateUs.

HATS ON

In line with our schools SunSmart policy, hats are now required to be worn when students are outside. This measure is in place from 1st September until the 30th April. Please check that you child's hat is clearly labelled. New hat's can be ordered through the office.

OASIS CAFE to close its doors

As some of you may be aware, our ever-reliable lunch order provider, the Oasis Café, will be closing its doors at the end of the week. As a gesture of thanks for their years of support to our school, I will accompany all students who place a lunch order on Thursday 5th Sept to the Café to personally thank them and present them with a small card. If room permits, we may even dine in the outdoor space! If you'd like your child to be a part of this, simply send in a lunch order on this day. We are yet to confirm arrangements for a replacement lunch order provider. Once confirmed we will communicate this to our school community.

HOT FOOD FRIDAY - DISCONTINUED

Despite being well received by the students, we will not be continuing with the Hot Food Friday's in Term 4. OSHClub are no longer able to support the program, as they had previously supplied both Casey and Alison to cook

EPS VALUES

RESPECT

We are thoughtful and socially responsible. We are considerate of others, our environment and ourselves

RESILIENCE

We understand the importance of having high expectations and striving to achieve our personal best.

CITIZENSHIP

We strive to build meaningful connections and contribute to the collective success of our school and the wider community.

INTEGRITY

We are honest with ourselves and with others.

We acknowledge the traditional land owners of Australia and we welcome all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to our service.



and prepare the meals. As well, they ensured we were compliant with the registrations and safety measures required for the handling and service of food. In addition, we did not achieve the level of parent volunteer support that we would require to run this program independent of OSHClub.

We will continue to run the program for the remainder of Term 3.

I'd like to thank Casey, and Alison for their weekly efforts and the parents who assisted during our term 3 trial.

Working Bee – Sunday 15th September

We will be holding our major working bee on Sunday 15th September, 9am - 12pm. With our 150-year celebrations planned for Term 1, 2025, I hope to give the school grounds a significant 'freshen up' in readiness for our planned celebrations. There will be a sausage sizzle as thanks and as a reward for all your hard work!

Mowing Roster

Thanks to Shae and James for taking on the mowing duties for August. We now hand the mantle over to the Lonsdale family for September.

Mango Fundraiser

We will be running our annual Mango Fundraiser again in Term 4. Please see information later in the newsletter.

Congratulations to our award winners

**Week 6
Award
Winners**

Lachlan, Luke, Gen, Wayne,
Xander, Jack C, Ash, Cody &
Easton



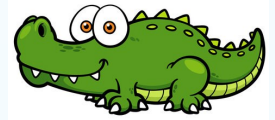
**Week 7
Award
Winners**

Gen, Daniel, Charlie D, Jack C,
Jack S & Ruby

DATES TO REMEMBER—2024

| SEPTEMBER 2024 | | |
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| Sunday 15th | 9am-12pm | Working Bee |
| Wednesday 18th | 9am-3pm | Cluster Science Day |
| Thursday 19th | 12.30pm-3.20pm | School Athletics Carnival |
| Friday 20th | | Last Day Term 3– 2.20pm finish |
| OCTOBER 2024 | | |
| Tuesday 1st-Thursday 3rd | | Elmore Field Days |
| Monday 7th | | Term 4 Begins |
| Wednesday 16th- Friday 18th | | 3/4 Camp |
| Tuesday 22nd– Thursday 24th | | 5/6 Camp |
| Wednesday 23rd | | Mango Orders Due |
| NOVEMBER 2024 | | |
| Monday 4th | | Student Free Day |
| Tuesday 5th | | Melbourne Cup |

Prep -2- WILD CROCODILES



We have had a busy few weeks and hopefully most of what we have been doing is covered in this newsletter

Wild Crocodile

Our wild crocodiles have been Jack S, Easton and Hadleigh. We hope they have enjoyed being a wild crocodile!

Crazy socks/hair day and Book Week parade

We had a great few days dressing up and we all enjoyed having a giggle at what everyone came dressed in. Thank you to JSC for organising the crazy socks/hair day. Our 'Blurb' performance at OLSH was very funny and a great outing for everyone to coincide with the dress up day.

Poetry afternoon

Thank you to the parents who came in and we hoped you enjoyed the sharing of poetry and work covered by the students. We have enjoyed writing and videoing the reading of the poems.

Inquiry-robots

Our robots are finished and they have been named and written about. Some of them are included in this newsletter. It was a great activity and the robots look fabulous!

Bee hotels

Have been re-vamped and photos included on this newsletter. They should be more appealing for any insects to live in and it was enjoyable fixing them up to help our school habitat.

Kinder visit

We had a visit from the Kinder last week and enjoyed hosting them for a short stay. It will be exciting when our transition program starts next term and we get to see them again.

Premiers Reading Challenge 2024

The challenge has closed and those students who met the challenge will be awarded a badge and certificate. All Prep-Grade 2 students met the challenge as books read to them.

Any concerns please contact Daisy or myself

Cheers Helen & Daisy



Grades 3/6

Rocking Roo's



It's been a busy few weeks with plenty happening and lots of fantastic learning taking place. We're thrilled to share that our students had a remarkable day at the Cluster Athletics event. Competing with just ten students, we achieved a commendable runner-up position overall—a testament to the dedication and effort of our 3-6 team at EPS. Special congratulations to Lachlan, who excelled in his age group and was named Age Champion. Well done to all participants for their outstanding performance and sportsmanship!

Junior School Council are planning our Footy Colours Day, which will take place on the last day of term .

Literacy

Our students have been delving deeply into the world of fiction, examining the importance of characters and their roles in storytelling. Through our class text, *Being Jimmy Baxter*, they have gained a newfound appreciation for character development and narrative structure.

In addition to analysing the traits and lessons of various characters, students have been honing their own writing skills. We have introduced strategies for planning and sequencing ideas with greater detail, allowing students to build more coherent and engaging narratives. Our focus will be on refining grammar, punctuation, and sentence fluency which further enhanced their writing, making their stories more polished and impactful.

Numeracy

Our students have been applying their mathematical skills in an engaging project that highlights the practical applications of their learning. Our focus has been on the four orders of operations, financial, maths, mapping and location. They have some fantastic ideas taking shape like the Marvel stadium, Luna Park, Army base and Gymnastics arena. We can't wait to see the final results with the students bringing their ideas to life.

Inquiring

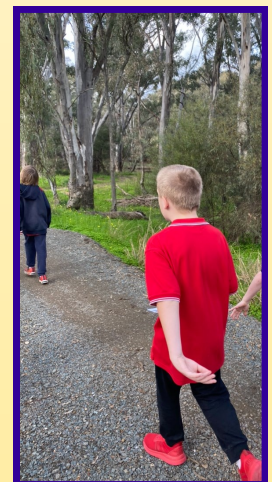
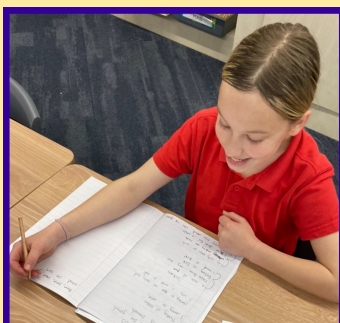
Our students had the opportunity to explore the vibrant flora and fauna of the Campaspe River. This hands-on experience provided them with valuable insights into the local ecosystem and the diverse life forms that thrive there. They are now engaging in a research task focused on an animal of their choice ; creating informative brochures that highlight key facts about their selected species, including its behavior, diet, and role in the ecosystem.

Respectful relationships

Our students have been focusing on calming strategies to better manage their emotions in various situations. This initiative aims to equip them with practical tools for emotional regulation and resilience.

With what's shaping up to be a very busy end of term stay, safe, happy and healthy everyone.

Nick & Sam





Kindergarten Visit

Father's Day Breakfast



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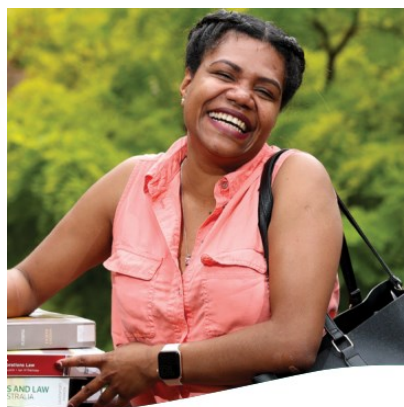


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