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EPS NEWS - ISSUE 6

FROM THE PRINCIPAL AARON TAYLOR

ANZAC celebrations

Those that attended the ANZAC Day service in Elmore would have been incredibly impressed with the role our school captains, Luke and Lachlan, fulfilled during the service. They each delivered a reading showing tremendous courage, selflessness and respect – values invested in by the original ANZACs. Well, done, gentlemen!



Cross Country

Cross Country is on tomorrow at the Field Days site (use Gate 5). Students will head out to the event at 11:30am via bus. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. Bring a chair! The schedule for the day is:
12:15pm First Race (5/6- & 7-year-olds – 1km race)
12:50pm Second Race (8-, 9- & 10-year-olds – 2km race)
1:40pm Third Race (11- & 12/13-year-olds – 3km race)
Parents collecting their child directly from the event must speak directly with the child's classroom teacher. Successful runners in the 9 years and above age groups will have the opportunity to go on and represent our school and cluster at the district event on Friday 17th May at the Jack Eddy Oval in Moama.

What a week to be a mother!

This week at EPS we are celebrating all things, Mum! Mothers, Grandmothers and special friends are invited to join us at the Elmore Memorial Hall (next

to Kinder) at 2pm. Activities will be set up in the hall for you to participate in with your child/ren.

This event will be attended by both Kinder and OLSH students and families as well!

Those wanting to join us for the walk from EPS are welcome to join us for a 1:50pm departure.



MOTHER'S DAY STALL – Friday 10th

Some brilliant mothers at our school will be setting up a stall for children to purchase a small Mother's Day gift. Prices will vary from \$1 - \$5. Children are asked to bring a small shopping bag (plastic or calico) to transport their purchases. Initially, there will be a limit of 2 items per child until every child has had an opportunity to shop. We have received a very kind donation of a handmade knee quilt from Meg Doller's mother. Her request is that each child be provided an opportunity to win this item so that it can be gifted to their mum (or mother figure) for Mother's Day. Each child will be included in a raffle to win this beautiful gift. Our sincere thanks to the Doller /Drust family for this exceedingly kind donation.

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.



Education Week

Next week is Education week at Elmore Primary School. We have a number of events occurring.

Wednesday 15th, 9am – 11am is an open morning for new and prospective families.

Thursday 16th – WALK TO SCHOOL DAY.

Meet at Railway Place at 8:30am and walk to school with parents and students from all 3 education services in Elmore. An adult must accompany prep/Year 1 students.

Friday 17th, 9am – 11am is an open morning for all our current and former families and the wider Elmore Community. Classrooms will be open to display the great learning that our students have achieved. We also hope that students will be able share the experience of planting a new plant in our revamped front garden bed area.

(Please Note– this date clashes with the district cross country for those that are successful in progressing).



Online Safety

Office of Safeguarding eSafety Schools are often asked how to safeguard children in terms of “digital safety”, our advice is always to monitor very closely what your child is doing when using technology. Every year new social media sites become popular, which can then result in issues for students who have unsupervised access to unmoderated forums. The Australian Government has excellent information on the following website around safety, I encourage parents to visit this site whenever you are unsure how appropriate content is for your child <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>.

Headlice

We have had a reported case of headlice in the P-2 room. Please remember to check your child’s hair regularly and begin effective treatment before returning to school.

We wish you well for the coming fortnight.
Cheers
Aaron

Week 2 Award Winners



Lachlan, Luke, Easton, Jack C, Jack S, Hadleigh & Ashleigh

Week 3 Award Winners



Hunter, Lachlan, Luke, Dan, Jack R, James, Jack S, Charlie B, Sam R, Charlie R & Harlow

DATES TO REMEMBER—2024

Fortnightly Activities		
Wednesday 8th	11.30—2.30pm	Campaspe Cluster Cross Country
Thursday 9th	2.00-3.00pm	Mother’s Day Afternoon
Friday 10th	9.00am-11.00 am	Mother’s Day Stall
Monday 13th-Friday17th		Education Week
Wednesday 15th	9.00am-11.00am	New Students– Open Morning
Thursday 16th	8.30am	Walk to School Day
Friday 17th	9.00am-11.00am	Open Morning– School Showcase
Friday 17th		District Cross Country
TERM 2		
JUNE 2024		
Tuesday 4th	ALL Day	Whole school Excursion—Quantum Victoria
Monday 10th	All Day	King’s Birthday Public Holiday
Monday 17th	All Day	3-6 Cluster Winter Sports
Friday 28th		LAST DAY OF TERM—SCHOOL FINISHES 2.20pm

Prep -2- WILD CROCODILES



Lots of amazing learning has taken place over the last two weeks from our Wild Crocodiles. I've included a couple of pictures of our preps using their knowledge of letters and sounds to build words.

Moving into this week we have Cross Country on Wednesday, we know everyone will give it their best go at running around the track. Also, on Thursday afternoon we are getting together with students from OLSH and the Kinder to celebrate our beautiful mums.

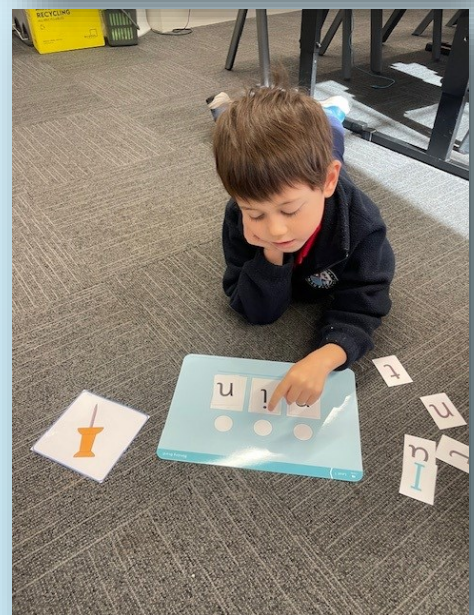
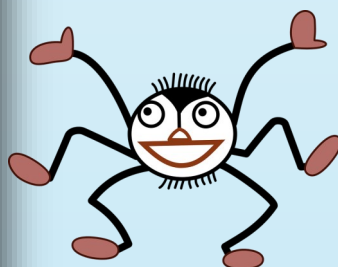
Literacy

Our literacy focus on non-fiction has seen our class uncover some very interesting facts about spiders. Did you know that spiders have blue blood? This week and next week students will be putting all the knowledge they have gathered about the structure of non-fiction text to hard work as they complete their own project about an animal of their choice. Students work will be on display on the upcoming open school morning on Friday 17th of May. Our Wild Crocodiles would love to have as many visitors as possible to come check out their incredible work on the open morning.

Maths

We have been investigating the different aspects of measurement. Comparing objects in length, using informal units (everyday objects) to measure chosen items around the room. Making estimates about how much an object will hold and its mass. Students have also been looking into the importance of knowing 'friends of 10 facts' for example $3 + 7 = 10$, $4 + 6 = 10$ and how this knowledge is very useful when working with bigger numbers.

Any concerns please contact Helen or myself.
Cheers Daisy and Helen.



Grades 3/6

What a great fortnight we have had in the Rocking Roo's classroom.

The students have been building up their running stamina for our Cluster Athletics this Wednesday. In Auslan, we have been practicing signing the National Anthem. We are hoping for the students to be able to perform this at assembly in a few weeks' time. On Friday they enjoyed a whole school STEM challenge with their buddies. They had to design and build a boat that would float out of selected materials. The students will continue to test these models and see if they last other conditions like wind or waves plus if they can stay floating for 24hrs.

OUR LEARNING FOCUS:

Literacy: In Reading, we have been analysing how authors portray their perspective and use techniques to influence our opinions. The students have investigated credible sources of information, how articles have irrelevant and relevant information in them. They have analysed the importance of the information we read and can be influenced by. They have been given a selected novel to finish by the end of this term and a reading journal to complete activities on their book. We are hoping to foster a love for reading and spark their reading interests!

The students have been working through our writing traits to develop and publish their persuasive piece. We have been looking at using persuasive techniques to enhance our persuasive writing like using emotive language, repetition, punctuation, evidence, and rhetorical questions. Our persuasive writing pieces are on display in the library space if you wish to have a read and be persuaded.

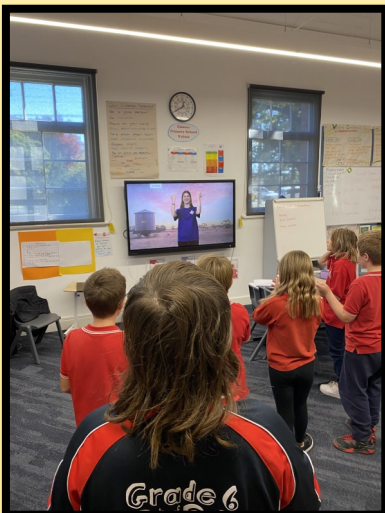
Numeracy: We have been practicing subtraction strategies to solve problems such as split strategy, using number lines and algorithms with and without renaming. The students have been using estimation and rounding to solve money problems in real life situations.

Inquiry: In 'Our Island Home' unit the students have been making a map of an island and adding relevant points of importance or significance. We have been investigating how places get their names or why they have those names and the meaning behind it. They have also designed a flag for their island!

Respectful Relationships: We have been practicing team building games establishing cooperation, problem solving and positive talk.

Have a wonderful week everyone!

Nick & Sam





ANZAC Day 2024

