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NEWSLETTER

Term 2 Week 2

29th April 2021

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Dr Neil MacNeill, PhD, EdD, FACEL

Just when we thought we were clear of the COVID threat, we had a COVID lockdown over the ANZAC Day long-weekend, and then it was face masks for all adults over this last week. It just goes to show that we need to remain vigilant.

Combined Schools' ANZAC service (Wednesday 21st April). As you know our school and St Helena's run the Combined Schools' service for all of the local schools. This year, 12 local schools were represented at the service, including Brabham PS. The guest speaker was our Director General, Lisa Rodgers, and she spoke brilliantly about the original ANZACs, and she also acknowledged the contribution of Indigenous Australians who did not have full citizenship rights at that time. This, with the book, "Alfred's War" being distributed by the Ellenbrook RSL and Frank Mallard's memorial, shaped our ANZAC message.

Thanks to Mrs Harley, Mr Johns, Mrs Eisenhauer, students, the 10th Light Horse, the buglers, the RSL, and staff for their contributions to this memorial service.



Junior School ANZAC service. On Friday we held our junior school ANZAC service, and this was very well done. Thanks to everyone involved.

Remember to practise safe hygiene, and wash your hands. Neil

Full newsletter:

<http://www.ellenbrookps.wa.edu.au/>



DEPUTIES' UPDATE



Merit Certificates Winners

Xavier Green	R4
Lily Grosso	R4
Zainab Naveed	R5
Jaxon Randall	R5
Zoe Tjea	Y4
Bonnie	
Campbell – Basile	Y5
Leonardo Wilson	Y6

School Reports – As part of the school's sustainability program, all school reports will be emailed to parents/caregivers only. Paper copies will not be sent home as has been done in the past. Please ensure your correct email address is on the school records to ensure you receive the report/s.

Kindergarten Program: We are currently taking Applications for Enrolment for children who will turn 4 years of age before June 30th, 2022.

The closing date for all applications is the 23th of July, 2021.

Please note: Applications for Enrolment are not to be confused with Enrolments. All applicants will be contacted shortly after the closing date advising if their application has been successful and invite them to return and complete enrolment forms. If you know of anyone in area who has children who may need a placement next year, please pass this information on.

NAPLAN - Testing for Year 3 and Year 5 students will take place in weeks 4 and 5 this term - from Tuesday 11th May until Friday 21st May.

The Year 3 writing test will be on paper but all other tests for both year levels will be done on line, in the computer lab.

Withdrawal forms are available from either your classroom teacher or the office if you do not wish your child to sit the tests. They can be submitted prior to the testing without any problem by returning them to the office or classroom. Students can be withdrawn from one or all of the tests, whatever parents feel appropriate.

Student Online Service Permission Form - In 2021 Department of Education created a Policy to protect information shared with third party services. This new process requires guardians to consent for apps and websites we use which collect student information.

All families were sent a paper form in Term 1 to complete and a QR code was placed in the week 8 newsletter to access the online version of the form. We have attached the QR code below for those parents who have not yet completed the form. Each student needs a separate consent form to be completed before they will have access any devices at school. **We ask that forms are completed ASAP or by COB Friday 7 May 2021.**



<https://forms.office.com/r/p5uQ4wh5Ua>

As a school we have added all apps and websites used across the school and permission is for your child's entire schooling at Ellenbrook Primary School unless you withdraw it in writing. As the Department continues to assess the Third Party Services available, you may be asked to complete further consent forms throughout the year.

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Unwell Students – Please ensure you keep your child at home if unwell. Do not send your child to school if they have green runny noses, flu like symptoms and/or vomiting/diarrhoea.

Masks – To enter the school site it is mandatory that all visitors/parents/caregivers are wearing masks.

Dockers Shield Carnival - Due to current COVID-19 post-lockdown transition rules, the Dockers AFL Boys Shield Carnival organisers have taken advice from the Department of Education and subsequently made the decision to **POSTPONE** the carnival that was scheduled to take place on Friday 30th April. This carnival **WILL BE** rescheduled to a later date and once the date has been confirmed we will let you know.

There will be NO training this week before school.

P & C UPDATE

General Update -The P&C is pleased to announce that Liz Lawrence has been appointed to the role of Treasurer of the P&C. Thank you, Liz, for volunteering your time.

A general P&C meeting will be held on **Wednesday, 5 May 2021.**

Events / Fundraising

Entertainment Books - The new Entertainment Books are now available for purchase at a cost of \$70 each. Help our cause and get a year of unlimited offers and savings. Start your Entertainment Membership today to support Ellenbrook Primary School P&C Association Inc, get a year of amazing 2-for-1 offers, discounts and savings AND a bonus \$10 or \$20 eGift Card. Click here to sign up today:<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/8584n8>. T&C's apply* visit www.entertainment.com.au/promotions

Mother's Day Stall - The annual Mother's Day Stall will be held on **Thursday, 6 May 2021.** Gifts will range from \$2 to \$10. We will also be holding a Mother's Day raffle on this day. Tickets cost 50 cents each and the winners will be drawn after lunch. Any donations of new items to be raffled will be happily accepted. Students will come to the stall with their class. Gifts are limited to 1 per student during this visit. Additional gifts can be purchased at lunch time if stock is available. For any students in Kindy who do not attend school on a Thursday, please feel free to bring your child down to the stall at any time that day if you would like them to purchase a gift.

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Leavers

Crazy Hair Day -A Crazy Hair Day is being held this Friday, 30 April 2021. A gold coin donation is appreciated. Funds raised will go towards the Year 6 leavers.

Shirts and Jackets - The leavers shirts and jackets have been ordered and we expect delivery soon. They will be distributed to the students as soon as they arrive.

Canteen

Flexischools -Can't get into the canteen, go online to www.flexischools.com.au, it's so easy. (NOTE: Please make sure you have the correct class assigned in Flexischools against your kids when making an order).

Help Wanted -The canteen is always looking for help to continue to make delicious homemade meals for our kids. We might look like we have it all sorted but having an extra pair of hands can make a world of difference. If you would like to volunteer, please see Bec or Kallee in the canteen.

Uniform Shop -

Opening Hours

Tuesday 8:30am to 9:00am

Ordering Uniforms - An order form with payment can be placed in the P&C Box located in the Front Office. Orders can also be made via Flexischools. Any orders placed online will be filled and delivered to students on a Tuesday only. If you require an urgent order to be purchased, please contact the Uniform Shop at uniforms@eipspandc.org.au and we will fill and deliver to your child's classroom ASAP. All queries regarding the Uniform Shop can also be directed to this email address.

School Banking - School Banking is on every Wednesday morning before the start of school in the library.

If you're interested in hearing more about school banking please email us at eipspandc@gmail.com or see the ladies in the library on a Wednesday morning.

Have a question or want to stay up to date with the latest news please join the Ellenbrook PS P&C Facebook group (<https://facebook.com/groups/eipspandc/>) OR Please email us at eipspandc@gmail.com.

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