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# NEWSLETTER

Term 2 Week 4

19<sup>th</sup> May 2022

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### Term 2

27<sup>th</sup> April – 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022

6<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
WA Day Public Holiday

### Term 3

19<sup>th</sup> July – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2022

Pupil Free Day  
18<sup>th</sup> July 2022

## Dr Neil MacNeill, PhD, EdD, FACEL

Well, the good news is that the rain has started (a bit late), but this probably marks what used to be called "the break of season" and the farmers in the Wheatbelt would start seeding.

**NAPLAN.** Naplan has now finished for this year and with the impact of Covid I am concerned about the students' preparation for these tests, and the impact of the Covid illness. For most of the students the testing is just another day at school, but I worry when unwell students are sent to school to do the test. Parents need to talk to us about your choices, as parents, during these external tests.

**TABLES and COMBINATIONS.** If parents want to help their children learn maths, then please help us. The kids need to have automaticity when they do maths. Can you imagine a bricklayer having to read the recipe for mortar every time he/she has to mix the cement? Or someone reading notes on how to start their car each morning? The times tables are no different! If students leave Year 6 not knowing their tables then they have 6 miserable years at high school trying to avoid maths, and that then compromises their working/studying futures.

OK- here are our suggested requirements:

Kindy	Count, recognise and write numbers to 10.
Preprimary	Count to 100. Skip count by 2, 5, and 10 to 100. Write numbers to 20. Recognise money.
Year 1	Tables automatic 2, 3, 5, 10; Combinations auto to 12. Write numbers to 100. Recognise money.
Year 2	Table auto 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11. Combinations auto to 15. Place value to 1000. Recognise and use money.
Year 3	Tables to 12 X 12 Auto 2,3, 4, 5, 10, 11. Combinations auto to 20. Place value to 1000. Recognise and use money.

Learn your tables early. Start with the songs, and then start doing the mental maths exercises:  $9 \times 8 =$  ;  $6 \times 7 =$  ;  $3 \text{ squared} =$  (ans= 9)> and so on. Parents can work with us to make their children's maths lives so much easier.

Best wishes, Neil

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





## Merit Certificates Winners

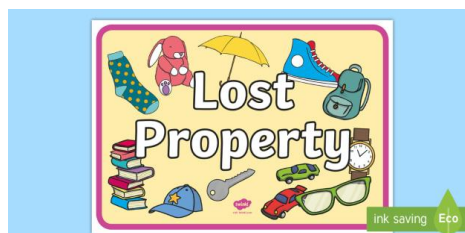
Pippa Smith	B2
Emma Upton	B5
Tiahna Ward	B5
Zoe Chesseman	R1
Jayden Chola	R1
Vanessa Colvin	R2
Hudson Dhu	R4
Imogen Griffiths	R4
Nicholas Hicks	R4
Caleb Kata	R4
Amaru Mihammad Farid	R5
Jaden Pham	R5
Quin Nolan	Y1
Tegan Clarkson	Y2
You Wang	Y2
Lola Waters	Y6
Eshal Maseeh	B2
Angus Mathieson	B2
Mia Baker	B6
Kuothekur Beliew	B6
Stella Gunning	Y4
Huntah Rusiecki	Y6

## DEPUTIES' UPDATE

**Kindergarten Program:** We are currently taking Applications for Enrolment for children who will turn 4 years of age before June 30th, 2023. Please call past the Office to collect an application or go onto the Ellenbrook Primary School website ([ellenbrookps.wa.edu.au](http://ellenbrookps.wa.edu.au)) to download the form. The closing date for all applications is Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022. 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 invited 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.

**SMS Messages** – This year we introduced sending text messages to parents/caregivers if their child/ren are absent. If your child has been marked absent you will receive a text message saying ***EPS records show NO REASON GIVEN for the absence of (your child) on (date). Please phone 9297 7300 ASAP.*** These messages are sent out just after 10:00am and 2:00pm. You can respond to the text message or give the office a call. Please include a reason so we can adjust the roll. It is important to take note of the date as the message system back dates absences if no action has been taken.

**Lost Property** – There is a large amount of lost property in our box. Could you please check the box if your child has lost anything? Items will be donated in the next week or so if they are not labelled.



**RATs tests** – The State Government has arranged for every student to receive a free box of RAT tests. If you haven't already, could you please drop past the office to collect. These will need to be collected by an adult. If you require a friend/day care to collect on your behalf, please put this in writing.

**Message from the City Of Swan** - Over the next few weeks the City's Parking Enforcement and Community Safety Advocate teams will commence patrols to capture images of vehicles parked in contravention to the local laws. Whilst the City aims to address these concerns without imposing penalties, Caution Notices will only be issued for a limited period. Infringement Notices with applicable penalties being imposed for the remainder of the school year will be issued. It would be appreciated if you could please arrange to distribute this information to your school community to promote safe parking practices as a priority.

## P&C UPDATE

### Physical Education Events

#### Term 2

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
Interschool Winter Carnival  
(Ellenbrook District Open Space)

30<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
EPS Faction Cross Country  
(Years 1-6)  
Ellenbrook Primary Oval

#### Term 3

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022  
Interschool Winter Cross  
Country  
Ellenbrook District Open Space  
(Years 3-6 selected students)

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September  
2022  
EPS Faction Jumps Day  
(School Oval)

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022  
FPS Faction Athletics  
Carnival  
(School Oval)

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022  
EPS Footy Colours Day  
(Kids Cancer Fundraiser)

## P&C Chatter

Well, it's been a bit of a rough start back Term 2 for our P&C members and Canteen Staff. We just want to thank you all for your understanding as we do our best to keep things running through all this mayhem that Covid is causing. We are looking at holding another meeting towards the end of term and will keep you updated as we would love to see some new faces. In the meantime if you would like to know anything please contact us via email [eipspandc@gmail.com](mailto:eipspandc@gmail.com) or on the Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/eipspandc> or if you see us around the school we would love to chat.

### Fundraising

Family Movie Day – The Bad Guys

Get your tickets today! Only available online through the QR Code or Link Below! Limited Tickets! <https://www.ticketebo.com.au/ellenbrook-primary-school-p-c/family-movie-day> . Join us for some family movie fun and bring along the whole family - kids, mum, dad, aunts, uncles, and grandparents to watch "The Bad Guys" All tickets are just \$15 each. Add a choc bomb for \$4.50!

This is a chance for the kids to have some much needed social time with family and friends after having so many social events cancelled over the last two years.

June 18<sup>th</sup> 1.45pm @ Ace Cinemas, Midland Gate



Ellenbrook Primary School P&C Committee

ACE Cinemas Midland

Scan to purchase Tickets

## Family Movie Day

All funds raised will go to support the Leavers and the P & C.

Lifelong Learning



# P&C UPDATE

## P&C Chatter continued

### **Sockable – Funky Socks**

Back by popular demand! Two great themes to choose from! Joint P&C and Leavers fundraiser!

Order forms have been sent home! Get your order in before 27<sup>th</sup> May. Socks will be here in time for end of term 2 Crazy Sock Day! You can place your orders in the P&C box or place them online using the QR Code on the order forms.

### **Uniform Shop**

Open for Term 2! – TUESDAYS 9am – 9.30am. Thank you for your understanding during closures, some things are just out of our control. If you can't come in orders can be placed on Flexischools and the P&C box in the Front Office. The Uniform Order forms will be restocked soon and can be found next to the P&C info board on blue block wall.

### **Canteen News**

Have you ordered one of the homemade hot meals from the Canteen? It's just the thing to chase away the chills on a cold winter's day!

Can't make it into the canteen? Simply place your student's order on Flexischools for lunch and recess and the wonderful canteen staff will do the rest.

### **Leavers 2022**

It was a blast watching the Leavers get their shirts and jackets earlier this week! Looking sharp!

Did you miss out on ordering a shirt or jacket or want a couple of extra shirts? Please email [leavers@eipspandc.org.au](mailto:leavers@eipspandc.org.au) with your interest. If we have enough to reach a minimum order, we will look into doing a second run, although we cannot make any changes to the original artwork.

We would like to thank all the parents and guardians who said they could help, or donate towards the Fundraising for Election Day, but this is now cancelled as the two coordinators are unable to attend.

### **Mask Fundraiser**

Masks are still available to purchase! You can order through the forms sent home then placed in the P&C Box, Flexischools or direct bank deposit and email form to [treasurer@eipspandc.org.au](mailto:treasurer@eipspandc.org.au).

## **Leavers 2022 Mask Fundraiser**

Children Masks \$10.00



Adult Masks \$13.00



[See Order Form for more details](#)