



*St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School
Newsletter
Bringing alive our Core Values of
'Charity, Service, Humility and Compassion'*



Term Two Week One
Friday, 3 May 2019

Our School Prayer

Dear Jesus

*Saint Elizabeth brought care to the sick, food to the hungry and hope to those in need.
Grant us the blessing that we may follow in her footsteps with love and joy in our hearts,
to always be faithful and to serve with humility and compassion.*

Amen

Welcome to Term Two!

What a start to the term! Day one and all the children and the staff settled quickly to our routines. Well done everyone! Although we have had very cold mornings and a couple of breezy days, we have appreciated the beautiful sunny afternoons. The children have enjoyed both the freedom of the playgrounds and sharing their time with their friends.

Week One - Year One Liturgy

Thank you Tanika for being so organised to enable us to celebrate our first liturgy in week one. The year one class have been learning about being special and 'we celebrate God who created each of us special and unique. God created us with different abilities and each with our own gifts. Jesus taught us to use our gifts that God gave us, to show love to others.' This a very beautiful way to commence term two and reminds us to show love in bringing alive our value for this term which is 'service'.

Celebrating ANZAC Day at St Elizabeth's CPS

Special moments need to be embraced and moment was our service for the ANZACs this lines spoken, 'Lest we forget.' is important to action to ensure our little corner of the world in our classroom, our playground, at home, in electronic media we need 'to remember.' We connection of the ANZAC spirit to our motto, **Semper Fidelis** (Always Faithful). We speak about forgiveness and how this is one of the greatest gifts we offer ourselves and others. It is something that is the greatest challenge for us as individuals as it calls us to gentleness and compassion for others who may have hurt us deeply. I'm unsure what it is about Easter and ANZAC Day being so close to each other, but it always has me reflecting on how much we need to appreciate everything, even the tough stuff. Emma Fernandez Assistant Principal.



acknowledged. One such morning [Thursday]. One of the remember and put them into is a better place. Whether it be our sporting teams or using need to remember the

Thank you, Emma for your beautiful thoughts and for preparing the ceremony. Thank you to the staff who were given tasks on the day. It was so lovey to see so many parents who were able to stay or return to join us for the service. Many blessings and thank you to Layla Cummings for designing and proving the wreaths. Well done to Layla for laying the wreath at our ceremony. For the first time some of our students wore medals representing someone from their family; Christopher, Laura and Anna Heith representing their dad and Dayton Southern-Upton representing a great uncle. Congratulations to you all, you wore the medals with great pride. Apologies to Richard Heith who offered to talk to us about ANZAC and its importance to our current armed forces personnel. Richard, we will have you with us next year. God bless and thank you all.

Sunday, 5 May – this Sunday.

A friendly reminder, which has no doubt already gone out on our Facebook. This Sunday at the 7:30am and 9:00am masses, the St Elizabeth's Community will be providing and serving morning tea at St Anthony's Church. If you can support either by baking or providing time at the morning tea, please contact Belinda Stewart on 0412 584 031. Thank you!

WEEK TWO

Thursday, 9 May - Mother's Day Stall

The children will be selecting their Mother's Day gift sometime next Thursday. The office staff will set up the gifts and have the bags ready. Each class will wonder through and the children will make their own choice.

I just want to say; What an amazing community we have here at St Elisabeth's CPS, we have received more gifts than the number of children we have, so we will be able to store some for next year. Please note the children will only be buying for their mums unless of course there are two households.

8:45am Friday, 10 May - PP Assembly

The PP Assembly will be celebrating the gift of Mothers and Grandmothers. You are all most welcome to join us. Weather permitting the assembly will be conducted in the undercover area.

Sunday, 12 May - Mother's Day

We wish all mothers and grandmothers, especially those at St Elizabeth's CPS and in St Anthony's Parish a very Happy Mother's Day, we pray the day will be filled with great love and happiness and is all about you!

WEEK THREE

YEAR 3 NAPLAN 2019 – Tuesday, 14 May - Friday, 24 May Testing (Period)

Year Three Parents and interested parents in the other year level.

As you are aware, our Year Three students will be participating in NAPLAN during Term Two. The following test sessions have been set for St Elizabeth's.

- Tuesday, 14 May - Writing (written test)
- Wednesday, 15 May - Reading (Online test)
- Wednesday, 15 May - Language Conventions (Online test)
- Thursday, 16 May - Numeracy (online test)

A few facts about NAPLAN for interested parents

NAPLAN stands for National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) is the independent statutory authority responsible for the overall management of the Australian National Assessment Program, in collaboration with representatives from all states and territories and non-government school sectors.

NAPLAN is an annual assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It tests the types of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life. The tests cover skills in reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy. The assessments are undertaken every year in the second full week in May. The National Assessment Program provides a wealth of data and information that are used by schools, governments and education authorities to inform decisions about the education of young Australians.

Friday, 17 May – National Walk to School Day

The National Walk to School Day is celebrated to encourage children to walk and commute safely to school. It is a community event seeking to promote road safety, health, public transport and the environment. Please note whilst we encourage the children to walk to school, the amount of supervision required depends on a child's age. I suggest most of our children are still very young to be walking without adult supervision.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Walking to the classrooms

The children in years two, three and four are capable of walking to the classroom on their own once they are on the footpath inside the school grounds either from the front gate or the carpark entrance. Please encourage them to walk, it is not safe to be running on the paving, this could create nasty damage to oneself.

Before and Afterschool

The oval and the K/PP playgrounds are out of bounds before and after school. Teachers will need to be on duty to be able to undertake their duty of care for your child. However, I believe you will appreciate and understand the staff need to clean and tidy the classrooms for the next day. Teachers are also required to ensure their daily work pad is prepared for the next day. Thank you I appreciate your support.

Please note the following items need to be returned to the office ASAP

Updated Immunisation Statements

Thank you to those families that have returned their statements already. Please return your up to date immunisation statement, this is a requirement that we hold these, so please do refer to previous communications, if you are unsure on what is required.

Family Contact Details Update Form

Please return these to the office or in your child's Communication Bag.

Caritas Collection Boxes

Please return your family Caritas donation regardless of the amount. We would like to count the money raised and send the total amount to Caritas. Thank you for your generosity!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Wednesday, 1 May - Sunday, 25 June - Woolworths Earn and Learn

If you have been to Woolworths recently you will know that the Woolworths Earn and Learn is on again. We have two collection boxes, Woolworths in Wyatt Grove in Hocking and Woodvale. The Woolworths Earn and Learn runs from the last Wednesday, 1 May to Sunday, 25 June. If you take the stickers with you, please drop them into our office. The stickers will enable to purchase more science and technology equipment for our children. Happy shopping and collecting!!

Library News NSS – Wednesday, 22 May

National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. Now in its 19th successful year, it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum for Foundation to Year 6.

By facilitating NSS we aim to:

- promote the value of reading and literacy,
- promote the value and fun of books,
- promote an Australian writer and publisher,
- promote storytime activities in public libraries and communities around the country, and provide opportunities to involve parents, grandparents, the media and others to participate in and enjoy the occasion.

What do we look for in the National Simultaneous Storytime book?

Each year interested publishers send in possible titles. From a practical perspective, the publisher must be able and willing to provide copyright release for use of the illustrations, book projection, translation into other languages and performance. The publisher also needs to commit to a special print run of several thousand copies. This narrows down the options. The criteria for choosing from the remaining books include: a positive storyline; appeal to a modern and diverse audience; suitability for read-aloud (language and length); how well the book lends itself to craft and other activities.

Please see attached some photographs taken at our ANZAC ceremony.

We have lost the teacher and the Bears are taking over the library.

This little Bear is keeping Mrs Burgess' seat warm for her while she is out on duty.

PS: Mrs Burgess does not like to have her photograph taken!



Please ask your child about the 'Big Bear' competition happening in the library. Mrs Burgess has this most beautiful, lovable Brown Bear sitting in the rocking chair, sadly he hasn't got a name, mmm what are we to do?

"May God keep you safe in the palm of his hand"

Carmel J O' Shaughnessy

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MASS TIMES

Weekend

Saturday 6.30pm

Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am and 6.00pm

Weekdays

Tuesday 8.30am and Wednesday 8.30am

Thursday 8.30am and Friday 9.00am