



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



Term Two Week Ten
FRIDAY, 3 July 2020

"Together We Grow"

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

Thank you

Once again, thank you to the following families for the scrumptious cakes and biscuits and sweet Krispy Kreme donuts. I think holidays for the staff will be spent doing extra walks and exercise to reduce our waistlines! However we have loved the extra special food for our morning tea break!



from the Trichet Family



from the Chester Family

*Enjoy a holiday break and Thank
you for all the great staff and teachers*



*from
Chester family*



from the Sichone Family

St Elizabeth CPS Staff,

*Thank you for all the work you do
with our little ones - Ndina we & Suwilo.
We want you to know that we
greatly appreciate your help.*

*god bless you all,
with love,
THE SICHONE'S*

Outstanding Teamwork and God Bless You All

On behalf of the staff, I would like to thank all our families for your cheery good mornings, jokes, smiles and "Thank you so much!" you demonstrated a great deal of patience while we unloaded and loaded in sunshine, light showers and heavy rain!

I believe there have been many positive to take from this experience.

- the staff and parents have worked efficiently together as a well-oiled machine! We managed our drive through with approximately 75 to 80 cars in thirty (30) minutes. We would not have achieved this without our parents being so organised. Well done!
- seeing the children from Pre - Kindy (3 Year Old's) through to Year Five, become so independent moving off to class or helping the staff to recognise their car. All the children demonstrated such care and support for each other, holding hands walking to class. The older children have also been amazing, particularly in the early days taking the younger children to class. Mums and dads, you must be extremely proud of them too,
- having a quick chat with so many families and sharing a joke. Yes, the Collingwood scarf and the red tartan rubber boots copped a bit of a ribboning – all in good fun,
- getting to know mums, dads, grandparents, aunts, uncles, sisters and brothers– God bless, it is all about building St Elizabeth's Community,
- when the chips are down, we come together as a very positive and caring community, and
- we have so much to be thankful for in our little corner of the world.

Performing Arts Video

Last Thursday our year two and three students performed their dance and were recorded on video to enable us to send it in a part of our application. There will not be any awards this year, unfortunately, with the effects of COVID – 19 the annual Performing Arts Festival at Mercy College Chapel was cancelled. To our parents who would love to see the video, please be patient, it will take time to edit the performance..... sometime next term!!!

Faction Competition

Thank you to our families who managed to take time out and submit their entries. I loved the varied themes and ideas. The winners will be notified next term. God Bless!

Important Information

Kindy Portfolios have been sent home. What an outstanding display of knowledge, skills and understanding by our beautiful Kindy children. Enjoy!

Reports Pre-Primary to Year Five. Parents have been given a code to access SEQTA for this semester's 2020 report. The reports will be sent out at 3:00pm today, please allow for a slight delay. If you are having issues please email carmel.oshaughmessy@cewa.edu.au on Monday and I will pass on your issue. I hope most of you are very proud of your child's effort and achievements over this semester, remember many of these weeks were spent at home school! By the way parents what an amazing effort!

Your Child's Uniform

Please remember you have paid for your child's uniform with your hard-earned money! I ask that you ensure the school jumpers and hats are clearly labelled – the labels need to be rechecked after a few washes. Note; if you have been given second-hand uniforms, please clearly mark them with your child's name.

Term Three

We are expecting Mark McGowen to be announcing Stage Five around 17 July which, if there have been no further cases of Covid-19, hopefully the two square metre rule for social distancing will be removed. If this is the case, I expect parents and visitors will be permitted on our school site.

Day One Term Three Tuesday, 21 July

Pick Up and Drop Off will cease to operate as from the first day of next term which is Tuesday, 21 July if the school is open to parents and visitors. We need to continue good hygiene practise, washing hands, using hand sanitiser, coughing into your elbow, discarding used tissues into the bin and appropriate regular cleaning. An email will be sent out to all parents and carers on Monday, 20 July regarding entry to the school to confirm this arrangement.

Week One

Monday, 20 July School Closed for Professional Development
Tuesday, 21 July All students commence School Kindy to Year Five
School Photograph Forms will be sent home in school bags.

Week Two

Monday, 27 July School Banking commences this week – please find your banking books!
Tuesday 28 July Parent and Teacher interviews
Wednesday, 29 July Parent and Teacher interviews
Thursday, 30 July Parent and Teacher interviews

Week Five

Please pray for our students in year three who will be receiving the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** on **Wednesday, 19 August** at St Anthony's Parish in Wanneroo.

Week Three

Semester One Interviews

It is a requirement we offer parents an opportunity to have a face to face interview to discuss your child/ren's learning progress, therefore as our COVID-19 recovery continues, we will hold interviews during week two on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The interviews will commence at 3:15pm with the last interviews at 5:30pm. Please note these are only for 15 minutes to receive an overview of your child's progress to date. If you require further time, please make suitable arrangements for another meeting with your child's teacher.

On our return in week one, you will receive further information. Please note families with three children have first preference, followed by two children etc. The interviews will follow immediately so please teachers and parents ensure you stay within your allocated time slot.

Sunday 5 July – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday is celebrated this Sunday

The theme for 2020 is "Together in the Spirit to Celebrate the gifts of Spirituality and Culture". I read an article in this week's Record about Pope Francis "there are so many people these days who carry crosses to help others. They sacrifice themselves to help others who are in need during this pandemic. With Jesus, we can do anything. Gratitude is both a sign of good manners and key characteristic of a Christian."

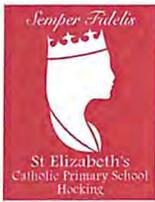


This Afternoon's delicious treats from the Lebib Family – Thank you

May God bless you and keep you safe in the palm of His hand.

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Dear Parent / Caregiver,

I am writing to advise of a matter involving a number of WA schools that has attracted public and media attention.

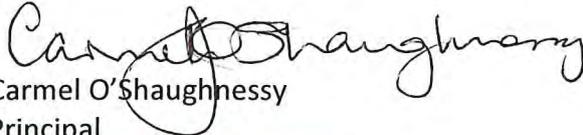
While the matter does not involve our school, it is likely to raise concerns for some in our school community and it is important to provide reassurance to you as a parent or caregiver.

Last week, Western Australia Police briefed the principals of a number of government, Catholic and independent schools regarding an external contractor employed by a company to service the IT needs of multiple schools who has been charged in relation to images found on his personal electronic devices.

As this is the subject of a criminal investigation, no further information can be provided. However, WA Police is working directly with the schools involved and staff, parents and students in those school communities have full access to appropriate support.

As schools have stringent child safety processes and systems in place, it is deeply distressing to learn that this has occurred.

Please be assured that the wellbeing and safety of all students in our care is always our highest priority, and I ask that you contact me if you have any concerns relating to your child's wellbeing at school.


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