**School Mission**
As part of our professional learning this year we have undertaken the ‘Professional Learning Communities’ Framework which is an excellent tool for enhancing the teamwork of our teaching and staff teams. Part of this is revising the reason why we exist as a school—which was a length discussion! In order to encompass all the things we do in one succinct sentence, we came up with….

“Elliminyt Primary School exists for all students to achieve high standards of learning”.

This covers all the things we do, from welfare support through to sporting and cultural events, through to learning intervention and extension. We think it sums up our purpose nicely 😊

**ANZAC Day**
This Friday, 22nd of April, we will be attending a Colac schools ANZAC Day service at the Memorial Square. This event was conducted last year in honour of the anniversary and was highly successful. It’s a wonderful opportunity for our students to immerse themselves in the ANZAC spirit in the lead up to ANZAC Day. Permission forms are not required for this event. Students will travel by bus from school to the square and back with teacher supervision. Parents and other community members are most welcome to attend the service which will commence at 11am. Our School Captains Eliza and Danny will be laying a wreath on our behalf. On Monday, officially ANZAC Day, Eliza and Danny will again represent Elliminyt Primary at the march and the service at the Memorial Square. We thank them for representing us in such an important event.

**Prep Uniforms**
As part of the Victorian Government’s Affordable Uniform Program, every Prep student in government schools who is a recipient of the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) automatically qualifies for a uniform pack voucher! The voucher can be used to purchase a jumper and pants from our school office. Those who are already in receipt of the CSEF will be notified once their voucher is received at school. If you have not yet applied for CSEF (any family, not just preps) and believe you are eligible, you can still apply. Please see Lorraine at the office. More details on the program can be found at www.education.vic.edu.au/csef

**Mother’s Day**
As usual our amazing P&F group will be running a Mother’s Day stall for our students on Friday 6th of May. This is always a big event for our students who feel great pride and satisfaction in purchasing a gift independently. In order for this to happen we need donations from our community, so if each family can start ‘scouring around’ for something, it would be very much appreciated!

The next P&F meeting will be Tuesday 26th of April, 2:30pm in the Canteen. All welcome.

**Cross Country**
Next Friday, the 29th of April will be our annual Cross Country Carnival!

The event will involve all students, from Prep through to Year 6, in varying (age appropriate!) events. Students are asked to wear their house colours and everyone is encouraged to get involved and do their personal best as all efforts will be awarded points towards their house.

The event will be held between 11:30am and 1:30pm on a course in and around our school. Parents and other fans are most welcome to come along! If you are available to assist on the day, please let us know at the office.

**NAPLAN**
The National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy, NAPLAN, is coming up in a few weeks. This will involve all Year 3 and 5 students unless their withdrawal is requested by parents and negotiated with the classroom teacher and myself. If you think your child may fall into this category, please discuss this with the classroom teacher as soon as possible. Any students who are absent for NAPLAN testing will participate in ‘catch up’ sessions. Further information will be sent home to the parents of Year 3 and 5 students in the coming week.

Angela Hall
Principal
Friday 22nd April, 2016
Morning Supervisor: Renee Hall
9:00am:
Rebecca Graham, Dione Gahan,
Danielle Dean
Afternoon Supervisor: Janet Walters
12:30pm: Kelly Backhouse, Karen Harrington

HEALTHY LUNCH BOXES FOR CHILDREN
Six items to put in a lunch box:
- Fresh fruit
- Crunchy vegetables
- A dairy food—cheese, milk or yoghurt
- Protein food—slice of lean meat, hard boiled egg or peanut butter
- Starch food—bread, roll, flat bread, fruit bread
- Water

INFORMATION SESSION
Reminder
We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at our Literacy Intervention Parent Session tomorrow Thursday 21st April 2.30 in the EPEE Centre.
Many thanks,
Caroline McCallum and Sarah Handscomb

INDO CORNER
FOOD (MAKANAN) in Indonesian. Here is a “taste” –
BREAD - ROTI
RICE - NASI
MEAT - DAGING
FISH - IKAN
CHICKEN - AYAM
APPLE - APEL
BANANA - PISANG
COCONUT - KELAPA
TOMATO - TOMAT
LETUCE – DAUN SELADA
NOODLES – MI
Pak Gray

PARENTS & FRIENDS NEWS
It's nearly Mother's Day and we are holding our annual Mother's Day stall. The kids love independently choosing their presents for their mums and it's a great fundraiser for our school. Win, win. We are asking for donations for the stall. Little things mothers would like to receive like nail polish, hankies, chocolates, bath products. We ask that you donate in lots of 9 if possible so each class has a similar gift to choose from. You don't have to wrap your gift if you don't want to as we sometimes group items together to make varying sized gifts ranging from $1-$5. Thank you for your support and we hope you like your lovely gift on Mother's Day. Hopefully you don't get back what you donated.
Thanks,
Kerrin Irvine—President

COLAC AUSKICK 2016
Registrations are now open
Go to www.aflauskick.com.au to register
Colac groups are as follows:
Grade Prep: COLAC RED
Grade One: Mini League South
Grade Two: Mini League Central
Grade Three: COLAC YELLOW
Grade Four: COLAC BLACK (under 12’s comp)
Grade Five: COLAC GOLD (under 12’s comp)
Grade Six: COLAC BLUE (under 12’s comp)
Under 12’s need to be registered by the 22nd of April so that teams can be finalised.
Round 1 for Grades Prep to 3 start on Sunday

VALUES CORNER
Our School values of Honesty, Responsibility, Respect and Personal Best are core to what we do here at EPS. This week we will look at some examples of Responsibility in our school….
⇒ Coming into class when the bell goes ready to learn
⇒ Not blaming anyone else for something you have done
⇒ Doing what you promised you would
⇒ Making the right choices for your learning
⇒ Reporting problems to an adult if you need help

Mrs Hall
STUDENT AWARDS

Prep S  Morgan W for his enthusiastic approach to his learning. Well done Morgan.
Prep R  James W for always demonstrating all school values.
1G     Koby O for always offering to help others in need.
1/2T   Aden D for being a responsible learner and displaying a ‘Personal Best’ attitude.
2G     Seth B for showing persistence and personal best with reading tasks.
       Rebecca S for having a go spelling very tricky words and great use of verbs, adjectives and punctuation.
3/4C   Tilly F for making an awesome start to Term 2. She just gets on with her work in class, with no fuss and always does her personal best.
3/4S   Nick C for thinking up outstanding arguments for our class debate topic. Well done.
5T     Maya F for being attentive in class and always doing her personal best. Maya you are such a helpful and positive team member!
6H     Mikhaela R for showing improvements in the You Can Do It values of Getting Along and Resilience.
       Eliza W for always going above and beyond the expected levels when planning and completing tasks.
Art    Piyali B
Indonesian Science   Rebecca S for enthusiasm and engagement in Indonesian classes.
                   Austin D for the detailed and careful diagram he drew in Science.
Sport  Chelsea P for giving her personal best in Physical Education.
School Values  Sarsha H-H for showing resilience and a positive attitude towards school. Well done.
               Isabella Knight for showing initiative, without being asked to clean up all the rubbish that had fallen out of the bin. Well done.

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD

This weeks Principal’s Award goes to Rosiy I and Eliza W for both being outstanding role models in every way.

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