Cross Country
This week we have 24 students heading to the Botanic Gardens to compete in the Interschool Cross Country. We wish them lots of luck and hope they enjoy themselves. Parents are most welcome to attend on the day with the event beginning at 11:30am with the 10-year-olds, progressing through to the 12/13 age group, finishing around 1pm. Any students who have not returned their permission forms by tomorrow will not be attending.

NAPLAN
The NAPLAN (National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy) testing period is THIS WEEK! Our Year 3 and 5 students have already sat the Language Conventions, Writing and Reading tests and tomorrow they will sit the Numeracy test. Although NAPLAN provides us with useful school level information and gives parents an indication of how their child is progressing compared to national expectations, it’s not everything! Our children were reminded this week that our expectation of them in NAPLAN is simply our school value of personal best—nothing more, nothing less. NAPLAN does not measure how fantastic they are in other areas, such as being a good friend, showing respect, how well they can run, jump, paint, sing, dance etc. etc! We must remember to keep these things in perspective.

Education Week
Next week is ‘Education Week!’ We’re having lots of events during this week, mainly focused on 2017 Prep families, but on Tuesday morning we’re having an ‘Open Morning’ where we open our school to the entire school community to come along and see how fantastic we are! All classrooms will be open for parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, family friends etc. and we encourage you all to come along and show your interest in and passion for your child’s education.

Mothers Day
Firstly, Happy Mother’s Day to all our mums/grandmums out there! Secondly, thanks once again to our amazing P&F group who coordinated the Mother’s Day stall for our students last week. Not only did our kids get to choose from a huge variety of quality gifts, we also raised $1350 for our school! What a super effort!

Safety
Just a reminder for parents/carers that as of April last year it is illegal to smoke within 4 metres of a school entrance. This includes car parks and adjacent roadways. Obviously the intent of this legislation is to protect our children which is the most important thing. It’s also relevant to note that it is illegal to smoke in the car with a person under 18 present. Both these offences are punishable by law. Another safety point is how our children travel to and from school each day. Recent events in Sydney saw a 7 year old boy hit by a car as he crossed the road by himself outside his school. This is a completely AVOIDABLE situation as all children under 10 years old should either be crossing at our supervised school crossing, or be accompanied by an adult. Children over 10 must still use the supervised crossing, but at parent’s discretion may cross other roads independently. There are no excuses for not prioritising our children’s safety.

Uniform
A reminder that all students are expected to be in full school uniform every day, unless a note explaining a temporary arrangement is provided to the classroom teacher. This includes wearing plain black school shoes each day, except PE/Sport days. Sneakers are not an appropriate permanent alternative to the expectation of black school shoes.

As the colder days are upon us, parents are reminded that girls are NOT permitted to wear tights under summer dresses. If tights are required they must be worn under the kilt/pinafore.

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INDO CORNER
"You know some Indonesian already"!
You may not realise that you already know a lot of Indonesian
words. English has been an important source for the Indonesian
language. If you visit Indonesia you will need a paspor, a visa and a
tiket. You might see a filem on the plane and take a taksi to your
hotel. On arrival you are sure to enjoy an es krim, watch televisi
and drink some teh or kopi. Similarly, Indonesian and Malay words
have entered the English language with slightly changed spelling.
On a trip to Indonesia you might order a satay and eat a mango
while sitting in a rattan chair. You might wear a sarong and you
will see lots of paddy fields. If you are lucky you might even
glimpse an orang-utan through the bamboo!

Pak Gray

LITERACY INFORMATION
SESSION
A literacy information session for all
interested parents/caregivers/grandmas
and grandpas will be held in the EPEE
centre during Education Week on
Wednesday 18th May beginning at 7 pm.
Come along to discover ways you can
help your child with reading, writing and
spelling. This session is appropriate to all
ages and will include a question/answer
session and discussion at the end. Ex-
pected finish time is 8pm. Bring a friend.
Kinder parents welcome.

ELLIMINTY PS
ART GALLERY
WIRE FACE
SCULPTURES
OPEN ON SCHOOL DAY

VALUES CORNER
Last time we looked at our definition of
Respect—this week we give some examples
from our children of what respect looks like in our
school:
⇒ Not talking when someone else is
⇒ Listening well to others
⇒ Showing ‘5 Ls’
⇒ Showing good sportsmanship
⇒ Putting rubbish in the bin
⇒ Using manners
⇒ Being grateful for what you’re given

Mrs Hall

HEALTHY LUNCH BOXES
Biscuits & Dips
Best Choices—Wholemeal or multigrain dry biscuits,
crispbreads, or rice cakes with yoghurt, hummus or veg-
etable dips.
Foods best left out—‘Oven baked’ and plain savoury
biscuits are high in salt and fat as chips.
Muffins and cakes
Try making your own healthy muffins and cakes. Include
fruit and vegetables such as sultanas, carrot, zucchini,
banana and pumpkin.
Foods best left out
Only offer donuts and cakes occasionally instead of in
the lunch box.
STUDENT AWARDS

Prep S  Harry I for his personal best efforts in striving to correctly write the letters of the alphabet. Top work Harry!

Prep R  Jed W for always striving to achieve his personal best on all tasks.

1G     Kaylah R for her fantastic effort when learning to tell the time to the hour.

1/2T   Jaymee M-K for her enthusiastic approach to learning—especially in Maths when learning to tell the time.

2G     Bailey C for recognising and using a great strategy for rhyming.

3/4C   Joel F for always doing his personal best in class! He is also a great help around the classroom.

3/4S   Chloe D for never ending persistence and for being the most magical magician 3/4S has ever seen.

5T     Stephanie L for her ‘can do’ attitude to all work tasks and for being a positive and bright team member.

          Keely B for putting in great time and effort to learn her times tables, for being organised for school, for always doing her personal best and for being a helpful, responsible class member.

6H     Connor C for writing an excellent persuasive text on ‘Cats are better than dogs’.

Art    Montana T for being an independent thinker and an excellent role model.

Indonesian  Ethan P for enthusiasm and engagement in Indonesian.

Science Reegan W for being ‘Scientist of the Week!’ Great observation skills. Well done.

Sport  Macy F fantastic participation in the Sporting Schools program. Well done!

PRINCIPAL’S AWARD

This weeks Principal’s Award goes to Montana T for being a helpful and caring student. She displays our school values both inside and outside the classroom.

Well done Monty!
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