



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Aaron Taylor

Hi everyone,

Welcome back for Term 2. I hope you all had a very relaxing holiday break.

On April 25th, our school was proudly represented at both Anzac Day services in Elmore. Max Simmie attended the Dawn service, helping to raise the Australian Flag during the playing of the last post. Grace Taylor then delivered a very meaningful poem as part of the 10.00am service at the memorial hall. Grace and Max then presented a bouquet of native flowers on behalf of our school. Thanks to all the other students and families that attended.



Learning Catch Up Conversation

Tomorrow afternoon parents can book a time to meet with teachers to discuss students' termly learning goals. Times are available between 2pm - 5:30pm. Booking can be made directly through UEducateUs or by contacting the office.

Mothers Day / Special Person's Festivities - Friday 6th May

This Friday our students will have the opportunity to purchase items from our annual Mother/Special Person's Day stall. Items will range in price from \$1 - \$5. Students are asked to bring their money in a secure ziplocked bag or wallet and to also bring along an extra calico or reusable bag to transport home any purchases.

Mothers, Grandmothers and Special Friends are then invited to attend the school between 2:20pm - 3:20pm. Staff have organised several Mother's Day themed activities to complete with your children. We'd love to have you join us for the afternoon.

EPS VALUES

RESPECT

We are thoughtful and socially responsible. We are considerate of others, our environment and ourselves

RESILIENCE

We understand the importance of having high expectations and striving to achieve our personal best.

CITIZENSHIP

We strive to build meaningful connections and contribute to the collective success of our school and the wider community.

INTEGRITY

We are honest with ourselves and with others.

We acknowledge the traditional land owners of Australia and we welcome all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to our service.



Welcome Ellie Hayes

I'm delighted to announce that Ellie Hayes has joined the teaching team at Elmore Primary School. Ellie will be running our Physical Education Program and coordinating our Active Schools program. Ellie will be running weekly PE sessions with the P-2 and 3-5's each Wednesday.

Ellie has previously taught at EPS as a classroom teacher and more recently as a CRT. Welcome back Ellie!

Pupil Free Day

Please be aware that this Monday 9th May is a Pupil Free Day. Staff will be participating in professional development, continuing our learning with Matt Knight on our Writer's Workshop.

We look forward to bringing our new learning back to the classroom when students return on Tuesday 10th May.

Please note – there will be no OSH Club services offered on this day.

NAPLAN

Term two is NAPLAN time for our Grade Three and Five students. For the first time students at Elmore will be completing the NAPLAN online. If you have any questions about NAPLAN or your child's participation in NAPLAN, please contact your classroom teacher.

Education Week—Open Day & Community Morning Tea

This year Education Week will be held from May 22 -28. Elmore Primary School will be having our Open Morning on Wednesday May 25. Classrooms will be open to all visitors from 9am – 11am. This will then be followed by a community morning tea.

School Tours for new and prospective families will be available at any time.

Election Day Fundraiser

The federal election is set to be held on Saturday May 21st at the Elmore Community Hub. Elmore Primary will be joining forces with OLSH to run a fundraiser BBQ, serving bacon and egg rolls and hot drinks.

The funds raised will go toward providing a combined shared experience for the students of both schools. The details and date of this are yet to be determined.

We are requesting parent volunteers to assist with the cooking and serving of the BBQ. We anticipate running the stall between 7:30am and 12:30pm, with each shift being for 1 hour. It would be great if we were able to have an EPS representative for each shift. If you are available to help, please speak with Aaron or Michelle Simmie.

Positive Start – 2022

As a result of the disruption to the camps and excursions program across the past 2 years, the Department of Education has introduced a 'Positive Start – 2022' initiative.

Our school is very fortunate to be the recipient of 2 experiences for our students: a whole school excursion to the Melbourne Zoo on June 1st and a 2 night / 3-day camp for our Year 3-5's to Beechworth on September 5th - 7th. These will be conducted at no cost to our families.

The Beechworth Camp has been selected as it ties in with our Term 3 Integrated learning topic, which investigates aspects of Australian History including the Gold Rush.



The camp will be held in addition to the scheduled Campaspe Cluster camps; 3/4s – August 24th – 26th and the 5/6s-October 18th – 20th.

Further information about these events will be sent out closer to the date.

Thank You

Thank you to the parents who completed some much needed grounds maintenance in the holiday break. Our trees were trimmed and the veggie garden weeded.

Students have been back into the veggie patch this week planting their winter crop.

It also seems our chook numbers doubled during the holidays. We now have 6 hens! If anyone can shed any light on this amazing phenomenon, we'd appreciate the input.

Thank You

Lunch Orders

A new lunch order menu was sent out last week. This contains some minor adjustments in prices for some items. Lunch orders remain on Tuesday and Thursdays.

Hot Food Friday

As the weather is cooling off, we will reinstate our Hot Food Fridays. Students can bring something that can be warmed in the oven. We prefer that these are pre-wrapped in foil, with the child's name written on top.

Cheers,
Aaron



Speedy Emus

Lucky Emu

Easton is our first 'Lucky Emu' for the term. We hoped he enjoyed the book we made about him during the week and that he enjoys the fun of being the Lucky Emu.

Inquiry

This term we begin with the Inquiry Unit around 'River Detectives.' Our first activity was walking to the Campaspe River and observing all the natural features we could see. Students then drew, wrote and recorded these on their 'Nature Scrolls'. See the photos below. Some of the drawings were very detailed and fantastic!



Maths

Areas to be covered in Maths this term include addition, subtraction, doubles, money, time and 2D and 3D shapes. It's going to be a very busy but fun time in Maths.



Learning Catch Up conversations

I'm looking forward to meeting with parents and discussing each student's new Learning Goals. If the Wednesday afternoon doesn't suit please send a message through uEducateUs to me and we can re-schedule.



Veggie Garden

Once again thank you to the parents who did a great job weeding and tidying up the veggie garden over the holidays. After the great rain on Friday, we plan to head down there this week to re-dig and plant some seedlings.

If parents have any concerns please see me, or contact me through uEducateUs.

Cheers

Helen & Daisy



Dazzling Dingos

We are off to a flying start to the term. With being a short 9 weeks, it's going to be jam packed and busy. I hope you all enjoyed the break and had a lovely Easter.

River Detectives

Inquiry

Thankyou to Corrina and Genevieve for bringing in some tadpoles. The students can watch them develop and grow over the term as we begin our inquiry unit on river detectives and mini beasts.

Anzac Day

On the first day back we commemorated Anzac Day and reflected on the sacrifices made by all the service men, women and animals during the war. We shared stories, watched a short presentation, made Anzac biscuits and went for a walk to where the wreaths were laid to pay our respects. Thankyou to our school captains Grace and Max for representing the students at the Anzac Day services.



In the Dazzling Dingoes classroom the students sure have brought back their ready to learn attitudes.

Reading

We are exploring non fiction text and their features. We are sharing various different types of text on a range of topics like news articles, sports reviews, biographies, books, advertisements and reports.

The Waterfall

There is an acrobat, who wears a bright blue jumpsuit. A few days later they were going to perform at a town and then BOOM!!!! The acrobat mysteriously woke up in a waterfall. Sounds of water crashing on the rocks below. The acrobat does a backflip out one of his many tricks. When he got out he went through the forest. Suddenly a tiger jumps out of a bush, a quick dodge and running as fast as he could as the tiger chased after him. Then he climbed a tree, swinging from tree to tree, to a city. Oh no! He fell into toxic water. When he got out he had become a superhero and it was the Roing thon. Somehow he had to go back to the forest he found the right tohn. He performed his acrobatics and amazing tricks.He saw the tiger, the tiger chased him again. Running as fast as he could through the forest, he had made it back to the waterfall and everyone was awake. He had found Pirates, they were noisy. A few moments later he found a volcano and there was a door. They went into the volcano, through the door and it was so hot that it killed most of them. It was five days later and it felt like they had been travelling for days or was it a dream? He had stumbled across a town, he could see a town. He goes to the town and performs his acrobatics and amazing tricks which makes him become famous.

The End

Writing

The students are learning about various persuasive devices and how they can be used to persuade the reader. Creating an advertisement for a product of choice by using ICT to create their poster. Students were encourage to include a catchy title, rhetorical question and emotive language to sell their product to the reader.



Maths

The students have been investigating written and mental addition strategies through a range of activities and games.

We are all looking forward to the term ahead.

If parents have any concerns please see me, or contact me through uEducateUs.

Stay safe, happy and healthy

Cheers Sam

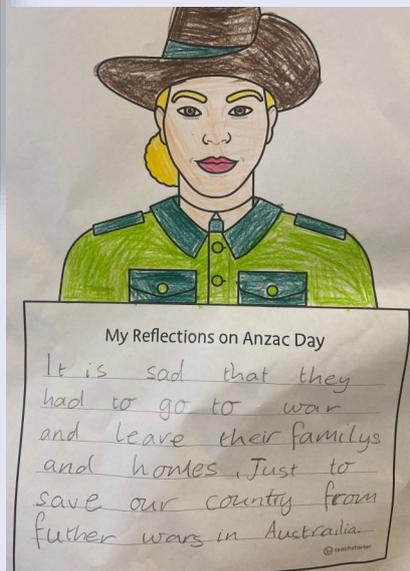
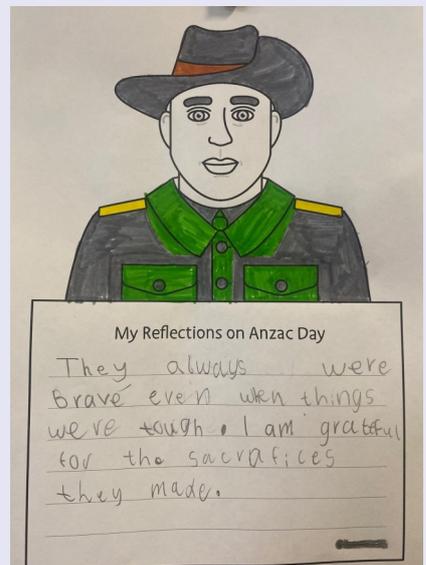
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The Greatest Swordsman

The legend of the greatest swordsman.He was in search for the missing gold there was a mystery behind the missing gold. It led me to go to a big island with coconut trees,sand beaches and mountain ranges. I was in search of my gold. When I got there I was attacked by sneaky ninjas. They were not leaving me alone and kept trying to fight me. They were not leaving, I was tired, there were too many of them and they were still not leaving me alone. I was helpless. I needed to make it to the mountain by sunset. I need to get to the mountain that's where my gold was.

It was a long way up the mountain. It seemed to take forever.I went to the very top and when I reached the top I could see a big house. This house was almost like a mansion in the movies. I reached the spot where the gold was but it was missing. Someone had stolen my gold, who could it be? I saw another swordsman who came out of nowhere to fight me. It was a long fight and endless battle that I won and got my gold back.

The End



DATES TO REMEMBER—2022

TERM 2

Every Monday	3.05pm	School Assembly
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TERM 2 —MAY

Wednesday 4	2.00—5.30pm	AFL Incursion Learning Catch Up Conversations
Friday 6	2.20—3.20pm	MARC Van Mother's / Special Friend's Day
Monday 9		CURRICULUM DAY—NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL
Friday 13		MACC Van—Art
Monday 16		MARC Van
Thursday 19		Regional Cross Country
Monday 22—27		EDUCATION WEEK
Wednesday 25	9.00—11.00am	Open Morning & Community Moring Tea
Friday 27		MACC Van—Art
Monday 30		MARC Van

TERM 2—JUNE

Wednesday 1	8.15am—4.30pm	Melbourne Zoo Excursion
Monday 6	11:30am	Paws in Schools
Wednesday 8		Cluster Winder Sports
Friday 10		MACC Van—Art

OSH Club

TERM 2 WEEK 1



Play Dough

Play dough was so much fun, we made some to explore different art forms. They got to take it home.

Salt Art

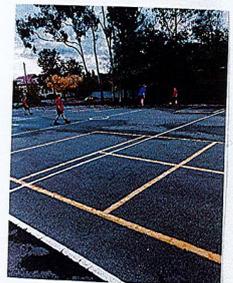
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can make such great art works. Well Done everyone.

Soccer

We played soccer this week, to get some energy out after being rained out all week.



Village meeting

This week, students made there own Town

ROCHESTER BASKETBALL NEWS

CUT OFF DATE FOR REGISTRATION IS MAY 6th.

This will allow the RBA to arrange teams, coaches and draws.

SEASON KICKS OFF THE WEEK OF THE 16th MAY

The season will be a 10-12 week season spread over Term two and Term three.

We do not play school holidays and public holidays.

COMPETITION STRUCTURE AND NIGHTS

Weekly Monday – 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008

Weekly Tuesday – 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015

If your child is of a birth year that is listed twice the RBA will determine the best competition for your child to play.

RBA will determine teams.

To Register Please follow the link: <https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/register/5ea361>

SPECIAL NEW COMPETITION

RBA are aiming to trial a new competition this winter season. It will be conducted as a fortnightly competition aimed at players born 2008, 2007, 2006 and 2005. Games will be played fortnightly on a Monday night. The game will be 30-minute halves with timeouts and substitutions allowed.

This will commence on the 23rd May and teams will be announced on arrival of each game night.

To Register please follow the link: <https://www.playhq.com/basketball-victoria/register/8cd930>

GIRLS ONLY COMPETITION

RBA are asking if there are girls wanting to play a girls only competition to please fill out details via <https://tinyurl.com/RBAfemale>

An RBA committee member will be in contact to discuss further.

GAME TIMES

We can only access the CVCC from 4pm onwards. We try to ensure the younger teams play early and are home at reasonable times. Matches may start from approximately 4.30 with a 50-minute time slot in between.

Matches will be twenty-minute halves.

The junior age group may have some alterations once numbers are known.

COMMUNICATION

Teams will be announced on RBA Team App.

Competition fixtures and structure will be listed on PlayHQ. Play HQ is website only.

Further updates and team changes will be announced via Team App, Facebook and Instagram. These can all be accessed via an app via App store or via the web.

BASKETBALL VICTORIA INSURANCE COST

Player insurance fee of \$26 for 12 months to Basketball Vic – you maybe asked to be paid if you are a new player or your insurance fees are due prior to the end of the season.

RBA SEASON FEES

Our weekly Junior Player competition registration fee is \$75 per player for the season (family discount of 5% is offered for two or more children)

Our fortnightly Monday competition for older players is \$50.

VENUE

All games are played at the CVCC at Rochester Secondary College.

Need further information

Email rochesterbasketballassociation@gmail.com

Ring/SMS Greg Tiller (President) on 0407 366 985.



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