



TUESDAY 5th MARCH, 2024

EPS NEWS - ISSUE 3

FROM THE PRINCIPAL AARON TAYLOR

Our 2024 school swimming program has drawn to a close. Congratulations to everyone for their involvement in the lessons, school sports and cluster sports.

CAMPASPE REGION -LAWN BOWLS

This week, a team of 6 students will be representing EPS at the Campaspe

region Lawn Bowls



Tournament. Good luck to the team, in what is our first appearance at this event.

BnS Charity Ball Volunteers

Thanks to the individuals that will be volunteering at the charity ball on

behalf of our school on Saturday and Sunday. Your efforts are greatly

appreciated and the funds raised will be put toward the resurfacing of our basketball court!

Confirmation of your shifts and extra information will be sent home later this week.

EASTER RAFFLE

This Easter we will be holding an Easer Raffle. The major prize will be a Nutri bullet (along with some easter eggs)

with a value of over \$100. We are calling for donations of Easter Eggs or easter themed items

for inclusion in our hampers for 2nd, 3rd and consolation prizes.



Raffle books will be sent home this week. Tickets will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5. These will need to be returned by Tuesday 26th March. The raffle will be drawn on the final day of term, Thursday 28th March.

WORKING BEE – 1 ½ hours of power!

We will be holding a working bee at school on Monday 18th March. Our target will be to remove Bindii that

remain in some areas of the school. If we have

enough labour power, we will also look to attack the vegie garden beds.



EPS COUNCIL AGM

Next Tuesday 13th March is the school Council AGM. This is an open meeting and will begin at 6:30pm. This will be followed by the first meeting of the 2024 school council.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all those that served on the 2023 Elmore Primary School Council Michelle Simmie, Nathan Lawler, Cameron Renshaw, Robyn Maclean, Mal Down and Kylie Gardam.

ONGOING REPORTING

As part of our commitment to ongoing reporting, teachers will be providing a comment to families on your child's achievement in Reading, Writing and Mathematics for this term. These comments will be available on uEducateUs and will be released separately.

Learning Catch Up conversations will be held in Week 1 of Term 2. Bookings for these will open up in the coming weeks.

Finally, MONDAY 11th is a PUBLIC HOLIDAY. Students are not required to attend school on this day.

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.



NAPLAN

This is a The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit each year. It is the only national assessment all Australian students have the opportunity to undertake. Beginning next week, our year 3 and 5 students will be participating in NAPLAN testing on the following days at approximately 9:15am.

Wednesday 13th March – Writing

Thursday 14th March – Reading

Tuesday 19th March – Conventions of Language

Wednesday 20th March – Numeracy

If you would prefer your child NOT complete one or more of the above assessments, please contact your child's classroom teacher or Aaron prior to Friday 8th March.

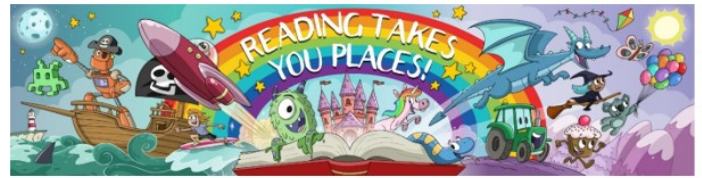
Week 4 & 5 Award Winners

Congratulations to our award winners

Week 4: Harlow, Hunter & Xander



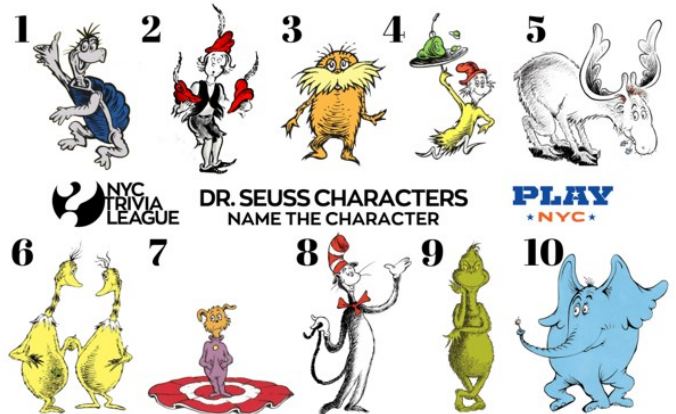
Week 5: Ruby, Gen, Lachlan, Sam, Jack S & Hadleigh



Dr. Seuss Day!

We will be celebrating Dr Seuss Day in all schools. The official day is March 2nd (Dr Seuss' birthday), and celebrates all the fabulous books he wrote in his lifetime. See if you can make a list of all the ones you know! (There are over 60)

Below are 10 characters from Dr Seuss books. Can you name them all?



HARMONY DAY

Thursday 21st March

STUDENTS WEAR A SPLASH OF ORANGE!

special activities lead by JSC

Grades 3/6

It has been an action-packed couple of weeks for our 3-6 students.

School and Cluster Swimming Sports

On Friday 24th of February EPS held their annual swimming sports carnival at the Elmore Swimming Pool. We saw our students participate in Freestyle, Breaststroke, Backstroke and novelty events, with everyone giving a red hot go and enjoying the friendships, comradery, healthy competition and sunshine.

Congratulations to the Blue House on their victory, who were well led by their inspiring Captains Gen and Brody.

The Cluster Swimming Sports saw our 3-6 students join fellow students from Goornong, Colbinabbin, Nanneela, Raywood, and OLSH to compete against each other in freestyle, breaststroke, backstroke and relays. Our students showed grit and determination and came away from the carnival successful with many students winning or taking out podium ribbons. Well done to all the students who had a fantastic day.

In the classroom / Focuses

It has been great to see some students reading every night and logging them in their reading diaries. Well done. We have been building on establishing classroom routines and dedication to our learning bringing a positive mindset.

Literacy:

Over the last couple of weeks, students have been working tirelessly on crafting a narrative of their choosing. We have seen several different genres written and it has been pleasing to see students work through the writing process and develop as writers. We will have their stories on display in the library for those to who wish to come and be enthralled and taken on a literary journey.

Numeracy:

Students continue to develop their understanding on place value concepts and incorporating that in to other mathematical concepts. In Measurement, we have been focusing on chance, probability and data where the students have carried out surveys to collect data and analysed the results graphing them bar or dot plot graphs.

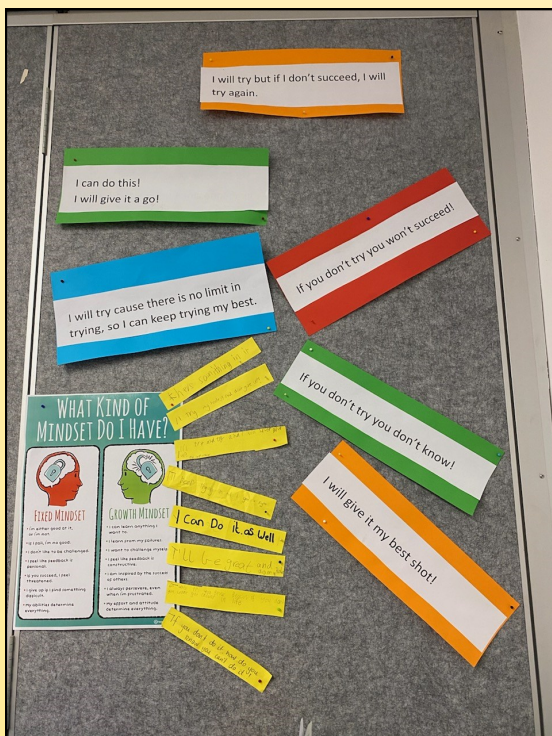
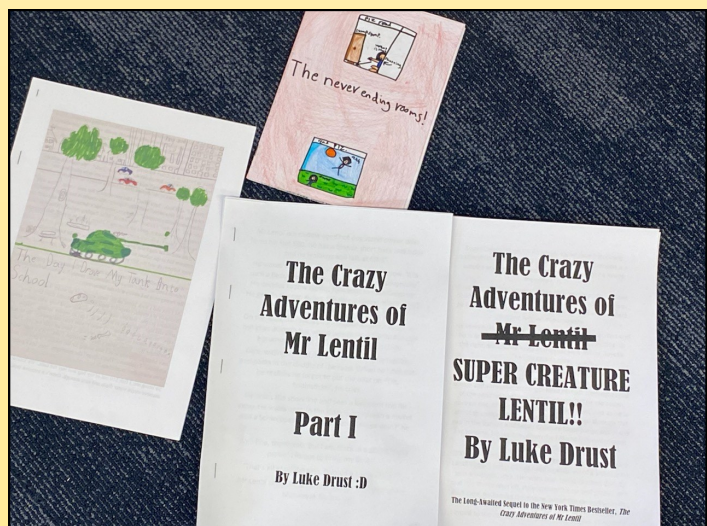
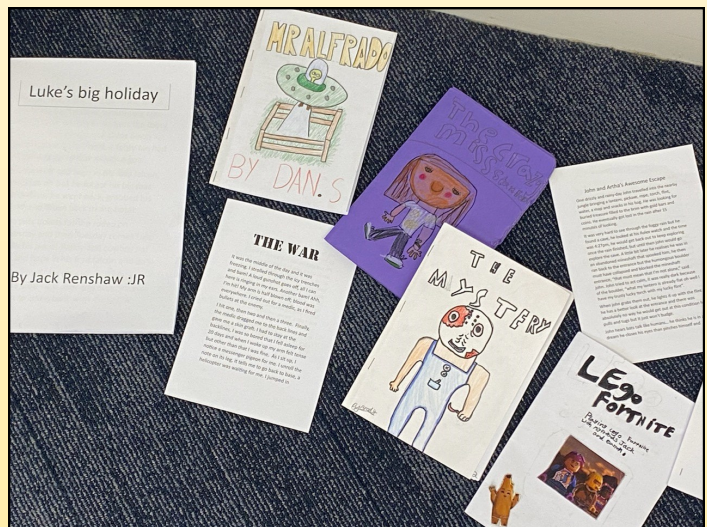
Inquiry:

Cyber Safety and Well-being.

Respectful Relationships:

Emotional Literacy and Personal Strengths

Nick & Sam



Prep -2- WILD CROCODILES

We are already into week 6, the term is flying by. Well done to our wild crocodiles for their enthusiastic participation in our school swimming program and house swimming sport.

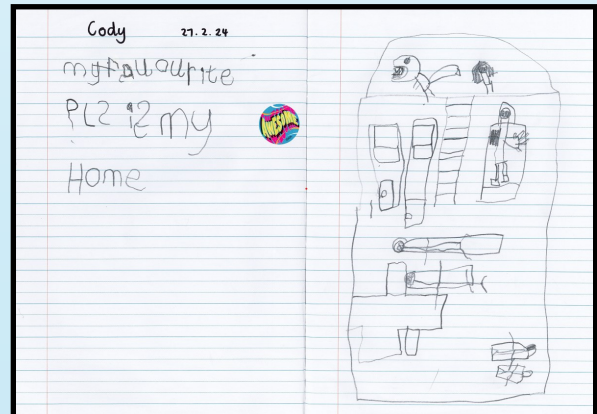
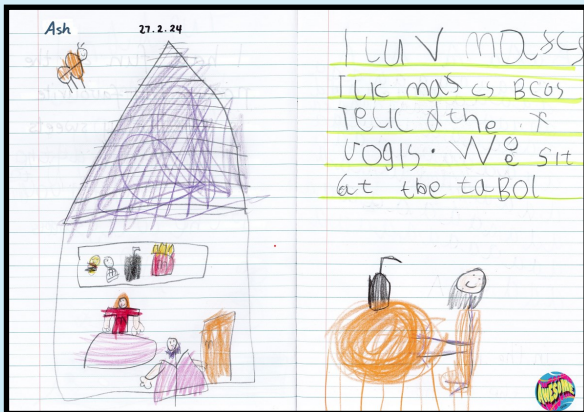
Our next two lucky wild crocodiles are Harlow and Cody.

Students are engaging in our daily reading routine, we are working together to ensure students reader bags have a balance of new and familiar readers, their sound cards and their reader journal. We already have one super star who has achieved 25 nights of at home reading! Please make sure you are recording any nightly reading in the journal. Lets see how many students we can get to above 30 nights of reading for the term.

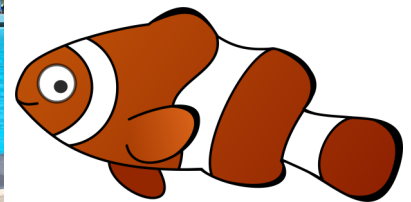
In our writing sessions we are working on hearing and then recording sounds within the words. Preps are looking at the initial sounds, grade one are recording as many sounds as they can hear within the whole word and grade 2 are looking at more complex vowel patterns.

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

Cheers Helen & Daisy



Congratulations to Jack R, Ruby, Thomas, Lachlan, James, Luke, Dan & Hayden who were just some of our place winners at the Campaspe Cluster Swimming Sports last week.



School Swimming Sports



ROCHESTER NETBALL ASSOCIATION

♥ JUNIOR DIVISION REGISTRATIONS ♥ -

Now Open to players 8-13 years old (turning 8 this year), please click on the link to register. You will find a link in the notes section, this is to order a RNA T-Shirt (included in the registration), you will need to copy and paste to a new window. Any issues please let us know, I can send through the link for the T-Shirt if you miss this step.

<https://registration.netballconnect.com/userRegistration?organisationId=a8fdf637-9cdc-4253-9d4a-8ffb55816146&competitionId=cbee77b1-026e-4a12-9dc5-b233b18d9f1a>

♥ NET SET GO REGISTRATIONS ♥ -

These are now Open. Our NetSetGo will be for ages 5-7 year olds. Once you register you will receive a credit for a participant pack. Any issues please contact us.

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SQUAD SIGN UPS 11&U and 13&U

[SQUAD TRY OUTS 2024 \(google.com\)](#)



A colorful poster for 'Play in the Garden Day' celebrating National Playgroup Week. The background is a bright blue sky with a sun, clouds, and a rainbow. The text is in various colors and fonts. At the top, there are clouds with the word 'Welcome' in different languages: Arabic (أهلاً وسهلاً), Sinhala (ගූආරාධනා), English (Welcome), Chinese (欢迎), and Wominjeka. The main title 'Play in the Garden Day' is in large, pink, cursive letters. Below it, a pink banner says 'CELEBRATING NATIONAL PLAYGROUP WEEK'. The event details are: '10AM - 1PM TUESDAY MARCH 19 GARDEN FOR THE FUTURE BOSQUET STREET, WHITE HILLS'. A pink circle on the right says 'FREE EVENT'. The bottom section lists activities: 'LOTS OF FUN, FREE ACTIVITIES INCLUDING: LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, FACE PAINTING, CIRCUS ACTIVITIES, PONY RIDES, ANIMAL FARM, LIBRARY ACTIVITIES, ART AND CRAFT, SENSORY PLAY, BUBBLES, CHILL OUT ZONE, SPORTS GAMES AND ACTIVITIES, CONNECT WITH LOCAL EARLY YEARS SERVICES'. The bottom of the poster features a purple bar with text: 'FREE FRESH FRUIT • \$2 SAUSAGES and VEGGIE BURGERS • COFFEE AVAILABLE' and 'Coliban Water refill unit available please remember to bring your drink bottle'. At the very bottom, there are logos for 'Connect Greater Bendigo', 'Kiwanis', and 'CITY OF GREATER BENDIGO'.

For more information and other events visit
www.connectgreaterbendigo.com.au

