



ELMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Tuesday, 22nd June 2021

RESPECT

RESILIENCE

CITIZENSHIP

INTEGRITY



Hi everyone,

Today we had a visit from Matt Knight, who has been assisting with the implementation of our Reader's Workshop. Matt again worked with staff in a coaching capacity to support our ongoing efforts to continuously improve the teaching and learning program delivered at EPS.

Pending School Council approval, Wednesday 11th August will be a whole school curriculum day as we continue our learning.

Today we also had a media technician capturing some drone footage as well as interviews with staff and students. Our intention is to use this footage to promote the school through our website, as well as our Facebook page.

Mid-Year Reporting

Reports will be sent home tomorrow. They will also be available for viewing through the UeducateUs app.

Learning Conversations

Term 3 Learning Conversations between teachers, students and parents will occur on Wednesday 14th July. At this stage, they will need to be conducted via WebEx or phone. Times can be booked through our uEducateUs app or by contacting the office.

Winter Warmers

In Term 3 we will be providing the option of a warm lunch each Friday for all students. A menu and prices for the term will be advertised early in term 3, with lunches to begin on Friday 23rd July. Students can opt in for the whole term or choose weekly meals.

Normal Hot food Fridays will continue.

School Calendar

Please note the changes of some of our Term 3 dates. These have come about due to the postponement of events following the Covid restrictions. Please monitor uEducateUs or our website for calendar updates.

Wood Raffle

Our raffle will be drawn on Monday 19th July. Please return all books to the office by Friday 16th July. Heading into the holidays, if you'd like any additional books to sell. Please just let us know and we'll send them home.

A wood collection day will take place at the Renshaw's on Saturday 17th, 8am. Assis-

Please check [UeducateUS](#) regularly for updates

Calendar and Dates

Term 2

June

Wed 23rd

Reports sent Home

Friday 25th

PJ and Special Food Day

End of Term @ 2:20pm

Term 3

July

Monday 12th

Term 3 Starts

Wednesday 14th

3-6 Winter Sports

Learning Conversations

3:30pm—6pm

Tuesday 27th

Division Football—Bendigo

August

Tuesday 10

School Council 6:30pm

Wednesday 11

Student Free— Curriculum Day

Friday 13th August

Cluster Science @ OLSH

Monday 16th

Cluster Athletics @ OLSH

Wed 18th—Fri 20th

3/4 Cluster Camp Billabong

End of Term 2

School is dismissed at 2:20pm this Friday 25th June.

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



THE QUIRKY QUOKKA'S

What a fantastic semester it has been!

As we wrap up our skipping fundraiser this week, the students have all done such a wonderful job. They have been dedicated to being active, learning new skills and raising some much needed funds for The Jump Rope for Heart foundation. They also smashed our fundraising goal, especially Patrick with his leading sponsorship closely followed by Ruby and Thomas. A big Thank you to all the students for participating and contributing.

We have had lots of wonderful learning in the space of our readers workshop. The students should be very proud of their efforts.

In Writing, they have been working hard on their imaginative narratives. Turning them into a short animation, which they will continue to complete as part of a ICT project.

In Mathematics, the students have moved into division and learning division strategies to problem solve.

In Inquiry, students will present their solar system projects on how the earth was created. They have all spent a lot of time following the procedure of the design making process.

Let's talk science? The 3-6 students enjoyed an experiment of making the layers of the atmosphere and researching facts about what happens in each layer. The P-2 students did an experiment on how the earth and moon orbit the sun.

We are so lucky here at Elmore primary how all the students play so well together at lunchtime across all the grades with lots of different games being played. As well as having opportunities to collaborate in whole school activities. It's wonderful!

Well, enjoy the holidays everyone, it has been a terrific semester with great learning and experiences happening.

Stay safe happy and healthy
Sam



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COOL COCKATOOS

Congratulations Thomas Lonsdale on reaching 100 nights reading at home. We have several other students who are very close to 100 nights also!!

This week student reading goals will be reviewed and updated. Readers/books for the school holidays will also be organised.

A reminder that Tyson comes each Wednesday to teach instruments to the students. Guitar and drums are popular. If you are interested in your child participating please let me know and I will organise with Tyson. There is a cost per lesson.

Over the past week we conducted a Science investigation looking at shadow movements across the day. Using a 'Shadow Stick' we tracked shadows each hour and investigated why the shadow gets shorter/longer and how it is connected to the movement of the sun. A couple of cloudy days hampered our efforts along the way. I forgot to take photos as we were so busy. Apologies!

Congratulations to our awards for the Premiers Reading Challenge. Laura, Ben and a budding reader from P-2 have read and recorded a number of books already. Keep up the good work guys. Passwords were posted for all students on uEducateUs several weeks ago.

If parents have any concerns please see me, contact the school via uEducateUs.

Hoping everyone has a relaxing and enjoyable break over the school holidays.

Helen Tuohey



JUNE

30th- Luke



JULY

25th—Dan





Our award recipients are:

NUMERACY: **Thomas L** - for outstanding problem solving with Perimeter and Area.



Lachlan D - for your excellent work in learning and applying multiplication strategies.



PRINCIPAL: **Dan Simmie** - for your ongoing search for improvement and your beautiful handwriting!

Edan McDonald - for thoughtful and considerate actions toward school mates.



100 Nights of Reading

Congratulations to Thomas L, Lachlan, Ben H and Chloe who this week achieved 100 nights of reading for the year. They are on track to reach our school goal of 200 nights for every student!

School Values

Jack Renshaw - for showing resilience and never giving up!



Jump Rope For Heart

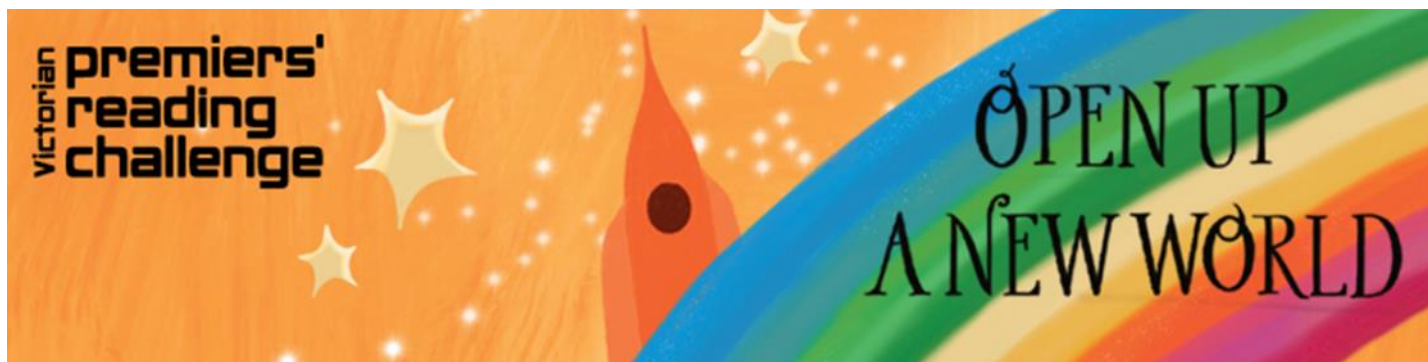
Congratulations to the students for their active involvement in the Jump Rope for Heart Fundraiser which ran throughout Term 2. This afternoon all students participated in a celebration style skip off on our basketball court. I please to stay that we by far exceeded our initial fundraising goal of \$720.

Whilst exact totals are still be calculated. We can say that 3 of our top fundraisers are Patrick, Ruby and Thomas L! Congratulations to these skippers and congratulations to everyone for your fundraising effort.

We will announce more accurate totals, once these are finalised

Thanks also to Miss Stanford for coordinating the event.





Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and Elmore Primary School is excited to be participating. The PRC application offers a range of exciting features including:

- ◆ access to a library catalogue (including book images and blurbs)
- ◆ a modern user-friendly interface
- ◆ rewarding students with badges as challenge milestones are achieved
- ◆ the option for students to mark books as a favourite, give them a star rating or complete a book review

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 17 September 2021.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklist and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Information and individual student logins will be placed on Ueducate Us

Find a cosy spot to read at home and snuggle up and read when it's cold outside.

