



ELMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Tuesday, 31st August 2021 Term 3 Week 8

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Dear Parents and Carers,



Book Week Celebrations



Thank you to all of our families and students who participated in our Book Week celebrations. It has been great to hear about and to see the effort that everyone has gone to dressing up as their favourite book or character.

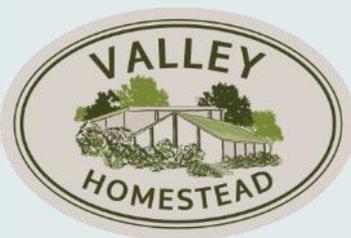
If you have any photos of your child in their dress up, please email or text these through to the school and we can share these with our entire school community.

On site supervision

Parents are reminded that students attending onsite during remote learning are completing the same tasks as those working from home. Where possible, classroom teachers are also working remotely and are therefore not involved in the direct supervision of students.



Anyone that requires onsite supervision is required to complete an on-site attendance form and forward this to the school prior to the commencement of each week. We are then able to make adequate staffing arrangements. If required, I'll send out the appropriate forms on Thursday 2nd September.



Camp Forms

I will send out a camp form via uEducateUs requesting additional information on dietary requirements for our October 4-6th Valley Homestead Camp.

Anyone who is yet to return the blue permission slip for camp, is kindly asked to take a photo of this form and either email to aaron.taylor@education.vic.gov.au or send via MMS to 0400 841 718.

In the event we are still in lockdown and are not permitted to attend and are unable to reschedule, families will be offered a refund of any contributions made toward the camp.

Parent Opinion Survey

Thanks to the 4 families who have completed the parent opinion survey. This remains open until Friday 3rd September. To complete the survey, please visit:

<https://www.prima.com.au/parent>

School Pin: 264 846

Please check **UeducateUS** regularly for updates

Calendar and Dates

All the below events are subject to confirmation

Term 3

September

Friday 3rd

Father's Day Stall -TBC

Wednesday 15th

School Athletics- 12:30pm - TBC

Thursday 16th

Pie Order Collection

Friday 17th

End Term 2:20pm

Term 4

October

Monday 4th

First day Term 4

4th-6th CAMP VALLEY HOMESTEAD



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



Pie drive

All pie drive forms are due back into school by Tuesday 7th September. Please scan and email these through or drop them into the office on or prior to this date.



Book Contacting

We've taken delivery of a large number of guided reading texts. Anyone that may be interested in helping to contact these books is kindly asked to contact the office!

The Elmore Bakery



Return to School or Continuation of Remote Learning

Following any announcements made by our premier and further guidance received from the Department of Education, I will announce our local plans to return to onsite learning OR the continuation of remote and flexible learning via uEducateUs.

Finally, I'd like to recognise the efforts of all of our school staff for their extra efforts and flexibility throughout the past 2 weeks. All of our staff have increased their workload throughout remote learning to ensure the continuity of learning continues for our students.

I hope that all families get out and enjoy the spring weather and have a relaxing father's day with whatever you choose to do. I'm sure all parents deserve a break!

Cheers
Aaron

Our award recipients are:

NUMERACY: Daniel Richardson for accurately using his knowledge of money to assist others.



Callum Giffin for challenging himself with his math tasks.



PRINCIPAL: Edan McDonald—for engaging in all remote learning activities.



100 Nights of Reading: Dan

200 Nights of Reading: Ruby, Laura

School Values

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Big month of September Birthdays

15th: Chad & Oscar Henke

19th: Edan McDonald

22nd: Tom Drust

24th: Jordan Peters

27th: Callum Giffin



THE QUIRKY QUOKKA'S



We were fortunate to have our cluster athletics go ahead. It was a fantastic day and a great opportunity for our students to participate in a cluster event with the other schools. Our students represent EPS extremely well with some outstanding results. Our grade 6's lead by example with some great individual results and more importantly showing 100% effort in all events



I can't thank you all enough for the tremendous effort you all are doing with remote learning, as it is challenging and different for all of us. However, thank you for your patience and persistence, some fantastic work is being submitted through. If there is anything we can help you or the students with please don't hesitate to call, email or WebEx.

Book week is all about exploring books and fabulous characters. It was so good to see all the students dressed up for the WebEx meetings!



In Reading, we are exploring author, Jackie French plusher many books and inspiration for stories.

In Writing, some fantastic entries have been coming in for our poetry writing competition. As we wrap up poetry and move into fictional narratives.

In Mathematics, we have been calculating money and change when solving problems. Any chance you get, it would great to see the students using these strategies at home.

Inquiry learning, we have been looking at healthy eating, healthy habits and healthy lifestyle. I hope you enjoy the students recipes. Grace was able to make her family a lovely healthy lunch during RL, thanks for sharing.

Enjoy the samples of students work! Well done Callum and Tom MC.

Stay safe, happy and healthy everyone!

Sam

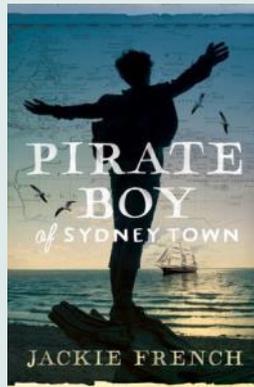


The Custodians of the Land

On the Dja Dja Wurrung land,
The bush is hot in the Aussie heat,
The Magpies screeching in the Gum Trees,
The Yowie hides from the land,
The trees dry from drought,
The Mokoï flees to the outback.

On the Yankunytjatjara land,
The Dingos roaming,
The Emus sprinting, the fastest bird in the land,
Thorny Devils hide from the Liru,
Bilbies running from the day,
And the Goannas basking in the sun,
Dear the magic mountain Uluru.

By Callum Giffin



Jackie French's Pirate Boy Summarising

1809

Ben lives at Badgers Hill, a large farm estate in England that produces nearly everything, from wheat, to cows, sheep, and apples; they are a self-sustaining community with many residents. Upon his father's arrival after Christmas, Ben is informed that his father's ship has sunk, putting him in debt, forcing him to sell Badgers Hill to a wealthy businessman from London; Ben also discovers that his father never cared for Badgers Hill.

His father tells Ben about a French ship carrying gold that will sail across the northern Australian coast. The entire family set sail, past Rio De Janeiro, past Cape Horn, and to Sydney Harbor. On the voyage, with the hundred convicts below deck, the ship falls into a plague of Typhoid, his mother dies from it, and Ben falls deeply ill.

They arrive at Sydney Harbor, they dine with a wealthy family that surprisingly used to be convicts.

Inferring

I believe Ben's father will strike business in Sydney before striking the French ship with gold. Feel that page 46 is another climax beginning. The book is also called "Pirate Boy of Sydney Town" this could mean the majority of the story will be based in Sydney.

By Tom McCormick



COOL COCKATOOS (with sunglasses)

Our Book Week Dress up looked a bit different yesterday but it all ended up lots of fun and it was great to see all the different characters. Remote Learning has meant that we all have had to re-adjust a lot of things and thanks must go to families for their support and assistance during this less than ideal time.

Congratulations to Dan who has all read 100 nights at home and Ruby who has read 200 nights for this year. It is great to see everyone still reading at home.



Our 100 days of Prep celebrated on Friday, August 20th was lots of fun. Theme of the day was 'What I want to be when I grow up.' We had fire fighters, skateboarders, truck drivers, doctors and footballers to name a few. The Honey Joys were popular and we finished the day with some planting and weeding in the veggie garden.



Premiers Reading Challenge ends this term so get all your books read and up to date on the Premiers Reading Challenge website. Prizes will be awarded.

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

Stay safe.

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Home Heroes

A matrix to help families celebrate Father's Day no matter where they are! This matrix is designed to be inclusive of all family structures, and particularly for those who may be spending Father's Day away from or without loved ones.

This an Empowering Learning Together Resource

<p>Create a <u>Pop-Up Card</u> for a special loved one in your family.</p>	<p>Create a booklet or 'take your task' tokens where you offer to do the dishes or other chores for a loved one.</p>	<p>Make a portrait paint, draw or sketch a picture of your favourite Father's Day person.</p>	<p>Use recycled items to make a time capsule about how you spent 'Father's Day' 2021 with your family. Fill it and bury it in a special place.</p>
<p>Write an <u>acrostic poem</u> about how you feel about your special hero and the things they do for you to make you feel loved.</p>	<p>Create a <u>special meal or menu</u> for someone in your family. Try and include as many of their favourite foods as possible!</p>		<p>Make a nature collage art work for a special loved one in your family.</p>
<p>Create a video montage or use <u>Flipgrid</u> to collect a bunch of videos for a Home Hero to show how much you love them.</p>	<p>Read some books with your Home Hero about being a part of a family, or better yet, create your own book!</p>	<p>Send a message in a bottle or a paper plane message to someone overseas you miss dearly.</p>	<p>Use a powerpoint program and make a photo book to let someone know how special they are to you.</p>
	<p>Do a special job around the house for someone in your family. Try and choose something that you wouldn't normally do!</p>	<p>Draw a chalk drawing on your driveway or nearby footpath to help other families celebrate their Home Heroes!</p>	<p>Write a letter or card to your special hero to remind them of a special time you have shared together.</p>



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.



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