A Message From The Principal

Many of the school’s leadership team are off campus this week participating in professional development, so I have the opportunity to write the newsletter message and share some of the big ticket items coming up.

We hope you saw the huge hot pink sign on our school fence last week. It is now in place down at The Pines for the next month to promote the upcoming Footprints Parent&Child Expo here at Elanora. This event is growing by the day, so you will want to mark Tuesday 16 June from 9:00 – 11:00 on your calendar. We have been gathering together a huge range of organisations to come together for the event. Parents with young families will find everything they want to know about their child’s early years. Families from across the Gold Coast are invited to come along on the morning and meet with all of the different groups and support networks, while we plan to keep the young ones busy with hands on activities. We ask our Elanora families to help us by spreading the word to friends across the Gold Coast. At this stage the Performing Arts Centre, Support Services area and Resource Centre spaces are filling fast with visiting organisations. Parents can keep up to date on the Footprints Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/Footprintsparentandchildexpo

Friday 22 May was National Walk Safely to School Day and the weather didn’t disappoint us. The three walking school buses were well attended, with the Murtha Drive Lion’s Den being the most popular starting point. All students received their Active School Travel passport and hopefully many of the students now have their first stamp and they are on their way to receiving one of the many incentive prizes.

Fun Feet Friday is a weekly event. Students are encouraged to come to school with family using more active modes of travel. Remember that “part way is ok” so why not stop the car a little further away from school and get active with your family every Friday morning. This is the day when our passports are stamped each week. You will be able to locate the Student Stampers at their table in the Year 3 Undercover Area each week.

You might have noticed some concreting happening at the bike racks this week. Our participation in the Active School Travel program brings a degree of financial support from the Gold Coast City Council. Our bike racks are having an upgrade thanks to this program. The school has signed a memorandum of understanding to promote active and safe travel to and from school. In return we have already enjoyed the free RACQ Road Safety program, the healthy breakfast last Friday, some new concrete for our bike racks, a shed full of incentive prizes and upcoming free Bus Safety Ed and Scooter Ed.

Each week our Fun Feet Friday statistics are calculated and our school will be competing against 6 other local primary schools to win the coveted Golden Boot!

Pip Traucnieks
Deputy Principal
Footprints Parent And Child Expo

Footprints
PARENT & CHILD EXPO
Tuesday 16 June
9:00am—11:00am
FREE ENTRY

Your invitation to a child friendly event to connect with a huge variety of Gold Coast services and organisations available for families, all under the one roof.

Elanora State School
Performing Arts Precinct
K.P.McGrath Drive,
Elanora, QLD, 4221
Ph: 07 5559 9222

Village Roadshow Family Pass Prize and many other fabulous giveaways all morning

www.facebook.com/Footprintsparentandchildexpo
The Premier’s Reading Challenge is on once again.

2015 Key dates

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For a student to successfully complete the Premier’s Reading Challenge they must read or experience the number of books indicated in the table below.

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*Experiencing a book can include classroom or at-home activities such as shared reading, listening and reading along with a text, or being read to.

A recommended book list is available at:  

Further information about the Premier’s Reading Challenge is available at:  

You can access another reading log sheet in the newsletter hyperlink.

Happy reading

Jamie Kelly
Acting Deputy Principal

Photo Timetable
Thank you to everyone who contributed to Differability Day. The whole school was involved in some fantastic learning about themselves, their difference and celebrating those differences. Some inspiring young men presented speeches at the senior parade about their differences and the challenges and celebrations they have faced. They certainly got the audience thinking, as did this beautiful piece written by Jaida Flynn 5B

DIFFERENCE

Difference. A long, hard word to spell. What does it mean? Why do we have it? All people are different. Nobody is the same. Even identical twins are not exactly alike. There is only one of you and one of the person next to you. Everyone has a difference. A difference makes you special. A difference means you are not the same as everyone else. A difference makes you – you! Some people do not like their difference. They try to hide it and keep it a secret. Other people are just bursting to tell their difference, they just can’t wait to share. A difference can be as simple as being great at maths or liking wasabi. Some people’s differences are more complex, like the life they’ve lived or something they’ve experienced. When people have the courage to share their difference they deserve not to be teased or taunted. All people have a difference. What is yours?

By Jaida F in 5B

Just a reminder that we have our first Parent Support Group Meeting this Friday at 2:15 in Support Services. Could you please RSVP to cfox49@eq.edu.au if you are attending.

Elanora Book Club Action Team

Hello!

Just a reminder that you only have until next Monday June 1 to place orders from the current Scholastic Catalogue.

Please keep those orders coming to secure your books from this great range especially chosen for young readers.

Please remember we are using a new ordering system called LOOP. It means no cash, no paper order forms, and no lost orders! It’s easy, just click here: http://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au

If you are experiencing any problems, please email Kelly at mrskellyshepherd@gmail.com

Please also have a look at the great Book Club competitions for kids of all ages that are now open. There’s Minions Prize packs to be won, a Kaboom Kids competition where you can win a cricket bat signed by David Warner, Share a Selfie for a $100 book club voucher, and a Star of Deltora competition where Elanora could win a visit by author Emily Rodda and illustrator Marc McBride!

Remember, orders close on Monday June 1. These are great books at great prices and all orders also help provide extra resources for our school.

Thank-you from the Elanora Book Club Action Team.

From The HOC (Head Of Curriculum)

Gifted and Talented

The SAGES-2 is a screening test used to identify students aged 5 through to 14 who may be gifted in academics and reasoning. It is a useful test to determine a student’s general knowledge and mental ability and provides a comparative index of children’s strengths in mathematics, science, language arts, social studies and reasoning with norms based on a large sample of regular and gifted students. Last Thursday, Ms StephMahon (Year 2/3M) and I, attended a workshop to upskill us in the delivery and analysis of the SAGE-2 Test.

Last Friday, I commenced using my skills to SAGE test some of the children who have received parental permission to be tested. As students are tested, I will be requesting a meeting with relevant classroom teachers and parents to discuss the results of the tests and recommendations.

New Food Pyramid

You may care to have a look:

http://www.abc.net.au/health/features/stories/2015/05/19/4238562.htm

Building literacy and numeracy through shopping:

Pre-school to Year 2:

• Look at the signs and read them aloud;
• In the fruit section, ask your child to count out the fruit you want. For example, you could ask for 3 oranges, 5 apples and 3 bananas, etc.
• Ask your child to add the numbers of the fruit that you have chosen;
• Ask your child to match the fruit or vegetable with the price sign;
• How many bottles are in the trolley? How many cans are there? Packets? Can you make up a game or a rhyme together?
• How many red or blue or green packs are in the trolley?
• Which pack or bottle of milk holds the most milk?

Years 3–6:
• Make a shopping list with your child before going shopping.
• Discuss ‘specials’ in shopping catalogues.
• Which brand is the best buy for quantity?
• Check your docket for goods and correct prices.
• Estimate the weight and then use the scales to weigh fruit and vegetables.
• Give your child little problems to solve. For example, imagine that you are having seven people to a barbeque. You want to cook three sausages each for them. How many sausages will you buy? What would you do if sausages only come in packs of eight?

Display at entrance to Coles, The Pines:
Check out the display board outside Coles – we have some maths challenges shoppers could use with their QR Reader.

**Sports Draw Friday 29 May 2015**

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**Sporting Success**

Congratulations to Selena Perkins from year 6 who has been selected in the Oceanic Tennis team. Best of luck at the Regional trials Selena!!

**Jared Frazer**

PE Teacher and Sports Coordinator

**Deductible Gift Recipient Building Fund**

Our school has a Building Fund Bank Account which allows parents to make a tax deductible donation to the school.

These funds can only be used for facility projects. The projects can range from new buildings to building extensions, playgrounds and shade structures, installation of air conditioners, classroom dividing walls etc.

If you would like to make a donation to our Building Fund Account please contact the Business Services Manager on (07) 5559 9222 or email: judy55@eq.edu.au.

**Judy Adams**

Business Services Manager

**P&C News**

Hi everyone! There have been some changes to the fundraising team….

We would like to introduce ourselves, Jane Clancy and Vivienne Rolls, as the new Fundraising Coordinators. As some of you will know, we both have children in year 3 and year 5 at Elanora Primary. We have regularly volunteered to help Mags with fundraising events as strong believers in supporting our school community.

Thankyou, thankyou, thankyou Mags Huggins for your amazing work as the Fundraising Coordinator. We look forward to continuing to work with you in your new role as the P&C Treasurer! You have worked tirelessly to coordinate fun, interesting events which have raised huge dollars for our school and kids! From discos to spellathons to raffles and mothers’ day stalls, etc (and the coordination of volunteers for each event) your smile and generous attitude have been greatly appreciated!

We are looking forward to a busy June with the Parent Expo, the Junior Sports Day and the favourite calendar event for the kids, the Disco! Keep an eye out in the newsletter and don't hesitate to have some fun with us by volunteering a little time. We are the FUNdraising committee after all!

Please remember to introduce yourselves should you see us around…. We have been selling raffle tickets before school this week under the tuckshop area for the 'Egg-cellent Raffle!'

Kind Regards

**Jane and Vivienne**

P&C Fundraising Coordinators

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**EGG-citing raffle starts next week!**

EGG-cellent prizes including vouchers for 7D Cinema in Surfers Paradise, Putt Putt in Mermaid Beach, Ripley's Believe it or not AND a dining voucher for a popular Broadbeach Restaurant! (Oh... and EGGS!) You’ll be EGG-tremely disappointed if you miss out!

1 Ticket - $1.00
3 Tickets for $2.00
10 Tickets for $5.00

Tickets will be for sale before school in the undercover area from Tuesday 26th May! Get EGG-cited & remember you have to be in it to win it!
Elanora State School is once again pleased to be offering the Brand New Entertainment Book Memberships to our families to help raise money for the P&C Committee. The books are still only $55 each and have over $20,000 worth of value and savings in them! Filled with many buy one get one free offers or 25% off discounts! To purchase your brand new edition now please go to: www.entbook.com.au/1447k59 or alternatively come to the uniform shop. Thank you for your support towards the P&C Committee as 20% of each book sold contributes to our fundraising.

THE CADBURY® FUNDRAISER CONTINUES!!

You've got to be in it to win it! Prizes include:

- A double pass for one child in EVERY class to Air Factory!
- An iPad mini for our top seller!
- An iPad mini for one other lucky seller!

All fundraising packs need to be pre-purchased using Flexischools or by paying cash upfront for your box. PLEASE NOTE – there will be NO service fee charged for using Flexischools when it is for a Fundraising Item! Boxes can be collected from the P&C Room or the Uniform Shop before school!

Freddo & Friends Fun Pack $50
Fundraiser Variety Pack $50
Easter Eggs Mix - 20 Bags of Eggs $80

Melanie Allen
P&C Secretary

Kids Corner - Stories And Poems From The Students At ESS

Fun Feet Friday

Today my friends and I walked to school and I went with my friend Kaylee and my friend Dillyn and I saw Hollie. Isla was walking with Lilly and I saw Mrs Sterry with a fluoro purple jacket and I saw Hayley eat oranges and breakfast and lots of girls wearing pretty shoes. It was good exercise and Fun Feet Friday! By Claire M in 1D

I walked with my mum and I got a free breakfast and I like to walk. I saw Maddy and I had to wear socks and shoes and they are cool. I have a fluoro purple shoe and I saw lots and lots and lots of cool socks on people. By Rhiannon in 1D

Today I walked to school. I saw puppies and dogs and I saw Ruby and Hollie on the way to school. My mum wore fluorescent clothes and shoes. The buses were loud! My time was really good. I wore coloured socks to school. I saw Mrs T in the tuckshop. Fun Feet Friday is Fun. It was awesome. I saw a food man and I got some toast with Sultanas and nuts. I walked from my house and I had yoghurt with strawberries before I left. I saw Isla. She had cat shoes that were black. She was beautiful. She got an orange drink bottle. I put strikers on my shoes. Mrs Sterry had a piece of orange. Hayley had toast and orange. Mrs Diaz stamped the passports. Fun Feet Friday is Fun.

By Lauren in 1D

Daily Writing from Class 3C

A Poem About Being a Kid!

Being a kid is super fun
You get to swim, dance and run

We usually are nice and cheery
But also make our parents weary

But when things are still sometimes down
When our smiles turn into frowns

And times are not always funny
Especially when our nose is runny

But being a kid is really fun! Let's all admit it everyone!

By Maddie M in 3C

Differability Day

I'm special and unique because I'm different and I'm proud of that. Everyone is different. Some kids have autism but most don't.

The things that make me unique and special are my skills. My skills are running, swimming and technology. It's okay to be different!

By Matisse B in 3F
Uniform Shop News

Available sizes are size 12, size 14, size 16, size 18.

Please note the shorts are brand new, however they are a discontinued stock item.

Leah O'Reilly
Uniform Shop Convenor

ESS Activities & Excursions

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Community Notices

Animal Welfare League Qld

**animal antics**

School Holiday Activities Program

BOOK NOW FOR WINTER HOLIDAYS
9th JULY 9:30am - 2:30pm

PLACES STRICTLY LIMITED!!
TO BOOK PLEASE CONTACT 07 5509 9034 or email education@awlqld.com.au
For more info go to our website awlqld.com.au

Fun, educational activities for ages 5 -10 years...

- Learn all about our shelter animals!
- Guided, behind-the-scenes tour of our Rehoming Centre!
- Animal-themed arts and craft!
- Learn about dog training and responsible animal care!
- Cuddle with our ‘pocket-pets’, cats and kittens and heaps more...