



School Newsletter

Thursday 3rd May 2018- Term 2 Week 1

141 Woodford Rd, Elizabeth North SA 5113 P - 08 8255 2327 F - 08 8287 0262 E - dl.0825.info@schools.sa.edu.au W - www.eliznthc7.sa.edu.au

Student Attendance

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of the school community and students in achieving our attendance target of 90% in Term 1. We just beat the school's attendance target with 90.06% attendance for students R-7. The Department for Education's target is 95% attendance and there is no reason why Elizabeth North can't reach this higher target and we plan to do this over the coming years.

We acknowledge that absence can be for a variety of reasons and it is expected that families notify the school of the reason for the absence as soon as possible. If an absence is unexplained the class teacher will contact you seeking the reason and this is a time consuming task. On Tuesday morning the school trialled a text message process seeking the reason for a student's absence if the school wasn't notified of the reason for the absence. Within a short period of time the school received 10 phone calls from parents informing us why their child was absent. This new process will be implemented on a daily basis at around 10am each day from now on.

In order to avoid receiving this text message we request that parents contact the school informing us of the reason for the absence by 9am or if the student attends school.

Standard of Educational Achievement (SEA)

Our aim at Elizabeth North is that at least 65% of all students achieve the Standard of Educational Achievement. The SEA is one of the measures used by the education department to determine how successful the students are with their learning. The SEA states that this is a 'C' grade in all learning areas. There are also measures used with NAPLAN scores and reading levels to determine whether a student has reached the SEA.

Our school data indicated that 50 - 55% of students achieved the SEA in maths and reading last year which means we were below our target of 65%. Teachers are working extremely hard to increase this percentage and this term the school has introduced a new reading intervention program that has identified 12 year 1 students who are close to achieving the reading SEA. The program is being taught by Barbara Stevenson, one of the school's most experienced junior primary reading teachers. The desired reading standard for Year 1s is to reach level 11 by the end of Term 2 and level 16 by the end of the year. The new program is targeting students who are currently reading at around level 6 and who just need a boost to get them up to the desired reading level. Parents of the identified students will be notified by their class teacher if they are to be included in the new program. Another criteria used to identify the students is a Term 1 attendance rate of 90+%.

I will report on the success of the program at the beginning of Term 3.

NAPLAN Testing

The Year 3, 5 and 7 students will be undertaking the NAPLAN tests in Week 3 of Term 2 on Tuesday 15th May (Language Conventions, which includes grammar, punctuation and spelling,) Wednesday 16th May (Reading) and Thursday 17th May (Numeracy.) Teachers are encouraging all students to participate in the tests however if parents wish to withdraw their child from any aspect of the tests they will need to sign an official NAPLAN Withdrawal Form that will be available from the class teacher.

The Year 3s often feel most nervous about the tests as they are doing them for the first time. If you believe that your child is unnecessarily anxious about the tests I encourage you to speak with the class teacher as soon as possible.

Graham Wood
Principal

**Students are invited to the
2018 ENPS Mother's
Day Stall on Friday
11th May**

A range of gifts from
\$4.00 to \$7.00 will be available for sale

Each class will be given an allocated time to visit the stall on the day.



DATES

MONDAY 7th MAY
Aquatics

TUESDAY 8th MAY
Year 7 Transition visit Playford International
9:30 - 12:30

FRIDAY 11th MAY
Mother's Day Stall

TUESDAY 15th MAY
Governing Council 5:30pm

TUESDAY 15th MAY
Naplan Starts



Sports Shorts

School Football

Our teams had their first training on Wednesday of this week with lots of excited students and coaches. The season kicks off with a 'Lightening Carnival' on Saturday May 12 where teams play 3 - 4 shortened games over the morning period. This is aimed at providing players and families an opportunity to get to know their team, their coach and the game by playing a number of games.

Thank you again to the following parents for their support in volunteering to help the teams throughout the year:

Yr 2/3 Green: Chris Jarvis (Coach) & Nat Fawcett (Team Manager)

Yr 2/3 Blue: Tim Bishop (Coach) & Kylie Wright (Team Manager)

Yr 4/5: Sonny Haywood (Coach) & Kerry Dunn (Team Manager)

More information is to come home to families once we have received it from CDFC including fixtures, rosters for goal umpiring etc.

Indoor Soccer

A letter will be sent home in the next two weeks to families that registered their interest. We are planning on a mid term start to the fixture.

Netball & Basketball

The season runs over terms 3 & 4, so Term 2 will be used to get organised for these teams. Families that registered their interest will receive further information from approximately the middle of this term.

If you have any questions, or have a child that is interested in joining one of our teams please contact John Palmer at john.palmer325@schools.sa.ed.au or leave a message at the front office on 8255 2327.

SCHOOL DISCO
 ENPS School disco is
 coming in Week 6
 Thursday 7th June.
 Notes to come home soon

Having trouble paying your school fees?

2018 Material & Service charges have now been posted and are due by Friday 18th May 2018.

We offer part payment options where you can pay a certain amount as frequently as you like. Not only do we accept payments via online banking, we now also accept payment via the Qkr! App.

If you think you may be eligible for a school card credit please return your form to the front office as soon as possible or you may now apply for this online via www.sa.gov.au website.

SAPSASA



Cross Country

Last term, students from 10 years and older were coming to school to train and try out for our cross country team. 10 year old students will run 2kms and the older students run 3kms.

First of all I would like to commend all of those students for getting up early and hitting the track. We all had some fun out there and the improvement in every child was noticeable. Next year, if a student wishes to try out for cross country or just come out for a run before school, I am happy to support them in any way!!

The 2018 ENPS Cross Country Team is Goldien, Stanislav, Irfan, Sib, Abigail D, Lachlan D, James M, Wade, Madison P, Lyla and Keiren. They travel to Harry Bowey Reserve, in Salisbury Park, on Friday the 4th of May, to compete in the Playford District Cross Country Carnival.

Good Luck to all!!

Knock out Football (soccer)

Both our boys and girls football teams had trials before school on Wednesday morning this week. We are currently selecting the teams that will represent ENPS this year. Both teams will have two training sessions leading up to the game on Wednesday the 23rd of May. They will play John Hartley PS away. As this is a knock out format, we need to win to progress to the next stage.

I would like to thank all students for being involved in the trials and wish both our teams' success moving forward!!

Winter Carnival

Our District Winter Carnival is coming up on Friday of week 4, the 25th of May. This is a fantastic opportunity for year 5, 6 and 7 students to join teams with similar aged peers, predominantly from their own class where possible, and participate in a number of games over the course of a day.

The sports offered are AFL Football, Soccer, Netball and Volleyball. The games are played in a fun environment, where participation and sportsmanship become the focus. Our Winter and Summer Carnivals provide some students with their first team sport experience, and this can lead onto many other opportunities. If your child has not registered for this event and they still wish to do so, please have them or yourself come and see me prior to Wednesday next week.

Year 4 Red Ball Tennis Tournament

After cancelling the last tournament due to the extreme heat, TennisSA and Elizabeth North PS were quick to reschedule the event. It will now be held on Tuesday next week, the 8th of May. We are hoping to send over 60 students, making up 8 teams.

The tournament will be held on the new tennis courts at Playford, allowing our students the opportunity to experience this multi-million dollar venue firsthand.

If you are in the area on the day, please come out and support our kids!!!



The Playford Tennis Centre have offered to hold Hot Shots Coaching lessons after school on our school tennis courts. If this is something that your child may be interested in, please come and see me for further details.

Pastoral Care Worker News

Welcome back everyone! I hope everyone enjoyed the school holiday break. It was great seeing some of you in OSHC having lots of fun.

Community News




Families with Families



Families with Families is a self-run support group for DCP parents. It is a non-judgemental and positive group, offering support and understanding to each other. Visiting speakers and services will also provide information and support.

Come and check us out!

Day: Thursdays
Time: 1:30-3pm

Elizabeth Rise Community Centre
P: 8256 0448 or 0488 195 546
26 Hamblynn Road, Elizabeth Downs, SA 5113
Located in the Elizabeth Rise Shopping Centre




First Friday Forte - music for the soul!



On the First Friday of each month, a variety of artists share their music and singing with the community. Come along to the Elizabeth Rise Community Centre, and enjoy hearing some of the great talent from around SA. And it's **FREE!**

Next event is on Friday May 4th 1:30 to 2:30pm.



Cornish Association of SA Choir

The choir will perform a variety of songs from musicals, popular modern, folk, sacred, jazz and well loved Golden Oldies. They have performed in Broken Hill, regularly at The Kernewek lowender (the Cornish Festival) and many other venues around South Australia. Don't miss out on this special performance.

Elizabeth Rise Community Centre
26 Hamblynn Road, Elizabeth Downs SA 5113
Contact: joliver@playford.sa.gov.au
P: 8256 0448 or 0488 195 546
Located in the Elizabeth Rise Shopping Centre

FREE

come and try Karate lesson

Elizabeth North Dojo

Elizabeth North
Primary School

Thursday Nights

Kids 6.30-7.30
(4 1/2-13 years)

Adults 7.30-9.00
(13 years and above)



National Karate Academies™

0437 523 913
www.nationalkarate.com.au




NORTHERN STARS

Inclusive Football Program For All

Saturdays during school terms
9am (Juniors) & 10am (Seniors)

Dauntsey Reserve, Elizabeth North

Registration:
Nader Ibrahim - NDIS Coordinator
0410 960 061 ndis@oneculturefootball.org

Igor Negrao - Disability Manager
0403 703 816 disability@oneculturefootball.org



www.oneculturefootball.org