



School Newsletter

Thursday June 14th 2018- Term 2 Week 7

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Staff Learning at ENPS

"Food fight!" screamed Celeste as the meringue went sailing through the air and splatted against the newly painted staffroom wall. A silence filled the room and a gasp escaped Jess' mouth. It was on! Not your typical staff training day at Elizabeth North Primary School (no meringues were actually harmed on the day, nor was the staffroom destroyed). What you have just read is an example of a sizzling start, which is one of the Seven Steps to Writing success resource.



On Friday 8th June staff at Elizabeth North Primary School took part in a workshop to increase their understanding about the Seven Steps to Writing resource. The aim of the Seven Steps to writing is to give children the guidance and scaffolding to become outstanding writers. Over the course of the year you will hear your children talking about things such as, Sizzling Starts, Ban the Boring and Tightening Tension. These are all a part of the Seven Steps resource. We want to turn all of our students into writers who can engage their audience, write with a purpose and above all, really enjoy the writing process.



Sizzling Starts help students to begin their writing in an engaging way that hook the reader in and encourage them to read more. Sizzling Starts encourage students beginning their writing with either action, dialogue, sound, humour or intrigue. Ask your child to explain sizzling starts to you. Maybe for fun you could have a try at writing a sizzling start with your child based on the story topic of.... *'I didn't think asking them to clean their bedroom would become such a disaster...'*



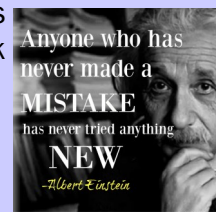
On the last page of the newsletter you will see some sizzling starts written by some of our amazing year 6/7 students.

Amanda Browne
Assistant Principal 3-7 Focus

Mathematics at Elizabeth North Primary School

At Elizabeth North Primary School all students are taught a minimum of 300 minutes of maths per week. Teachers deliver maths lessons using what is called a 'Natural Maths' approach to teaching Mathematics. Each day the maths block includes individualized quick maths card practice (year 1-7) or quick maths number practice (receptions), a **mental routine** with a focus on maths vocabulary and questioning, and a **problematised situation** or **strategy lesson**. The problematised situation ensures students use and develop their problem solving skills usually engaging in real life maths problems, while strategy lessons focus on explicit teaching/modelling of choosing and using maths strategies, and developing student understanding of maths topics and concepts. Students have time to practise and improve their skills. The Maths block finishes with a **reflection time** where students share and compare their strategies which may include providing valuable feedback to their peers. Students are challenged in maths lessons and supported to use a positive growth mindset and understand that it is okay to 'get things wrong' when they are learning and being challenged as this is how we all learn. Ask your child how they have been challenged in their maths lessons this week. If you have any questions about your child's maths learning and/or progress speak to his/her classroom teacher.

Tania Dal Zotto
Assistant Principal
Curriculum Development R-2 Focus



Date

FRIDAY 15TH JUNE
Rugby Tackle Carnival
Years 5-7

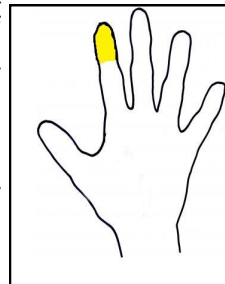
TUESDAY 19TH JUNE
Governing Council

Friday 6th July
2:00pm Dismissal

New Late Arrival Procedures for Students

At the last Governing Council Meeting members supported the implementation of a new procedure for recording students who arrive late for school (after 9am.) The new procedure involves a small machine that scans a finger print instead of having staff record information manually. The technical name for this is 'Biometric Identification' and the finger print is used for personal identification – it does not store a copy of the fingerprint and it cannot be replicated for use for any other purpose.

From Monday 18th June (next week) you will notice the new procedure beginning. It will mean that students will still come to Student Services and will sign in late using a finger print scanner instead of waiting for staff to process lateness manually. The scanner will be able to recognise who the student is by the finger print and will then print a slip that is given to the class teacher (as is currently the case.) The finger print scanner process is currently used in several schools and there have been no issues with it being used for inappropriate purposes. The initial scanning of the finger print will take a little longer but once this is done will not be necessary again. Students will use their right index finger only for scanning. Staff will still be able to enter details using the current manual system if there are any issues. A copy of a letter with further information about 'Biometric Identification' will be available at student services should you require it.



60th Birthday Drink Bottles

Over the next few days your child(ren) will be given a new drink bottle as a gift for being enrolled at Elizabeth North during its 60th Year of Education. Governing Council approved the gift at a meeting earlier this year. Your child's name has been written on the drink bottle with a permanent marker together with their room number. Please support your child to look after the drink bottle as it will not be replaced if lost.



60th Birthday Mugs

Mugs are available for sale from the front office for \$8. We have started an idea where we ask that you take a photo of the mug while you are on holidays or in some unusual location and post it on the school's Facebook page as a bit of fun.



Sports Shorts

School Football

After a nice sleep in over the long weekend we are back into our season this Saturday June 16 with the following games:

Yr 2/3 Blue v Trinity Sth 8:30am Oval 2
Yr 2/3 Green v Gawler River 8:30am Oval 3
Yr 4/5 v Trinity Utd 9:45am Oval 2

Some quick friendly reminders:

- footy fees of \$40.00 p/player is due by Thursday July 5 (Week 10, Term 2)
- training will be cancelled if it has been raining heavily during the day, or if it is raining during training

It has been great to see so many of our children having fun playing footy for our school!

The support our teams are getting from coaches, team managers and parents (fruit, goal umpiring etc) has been outstanding and is a credit to our school community!



SWIMMING

Full payment is due by Friday August 10th 2018

NO LATE payment can be accepted

All monies can be given to your Class Teacher or
payments can be made at the front office or on Qkr!

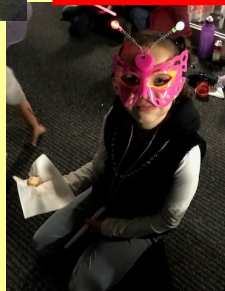




ENPS DISCO 7th June 2018



Some photos from the discos from last Thursday night. What a huge success they were with students and staff having lots of fun. A big thank you to Sarah Groom, Georgia Heath, Tahlia Hogarth and Danielle Copini for being our MCs throughout the night. Also a big thanks to the fundraising committee for organising such a great event and to families who supported the event.



Three Year 7 students were selected to represent Elizabeth North Primary School at The STEM Aboriginal Student Conference. The students performed many tasks showing their skills of STEM including team work, programming of a drone and the use of surveying equipment. The students had a challenging yet enjoyable time. Well done Jarell, Zen and Aiden for being great leaders at the conference.



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THE COLOUR RUN

The Colour Run is coming to ENPS in term 3.

Sizzling Starts by our Yr. 6/7 authors.

The Godzilla Bride

Boom, bang, pow went the wedding car as it arrived at the church. There is something large in front of us and as it gets closer everyone stops what they are doing and start screaming with fear.

Phoenix Boddey

What I'm Going to do for One Million Dollars

A rush of cold wind floods my smooth, cold body. For one million dollars, yeah.....but it's not great that I've left my parachute in the plane.

Tamika Lloyd

"Jump, Jump, Jump!" the crowd chants. Gee, the things I do for money. I triple back flip into the lake. The crowd goes wild.

Cody Tidman

Jack and the Beanstalk—A Modern Version

Slam! Again, slam! The sound of someone cutting wood was sending the birds flying towards the walls of the city of giants.

"Jack, can you milk the cow now?"

Cameron Seigneur

Perhaps that wasn't a Good Idea....

"Umm...Johnny, I don't think this old house is safe," said Ben in a shakey voice.

"Don't be such a wimp, you're not chicken are you? Bock Bock Bock."

I walked to the front door, I knock. Then suddenly the door opened.

Bianca Daly

Pastoral Care Worker News

I hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend especially with the great weather.

Community Lunch – Students enjoyed setting up and serving lunch at Northern Community of HOPE on Friday 1st of June. We had lovely hot vegetable soup and banana bread with cream for dessert.

