Thought for the Week: The one thing kids wear out faster than their shoes, is their parents.

FROM THE P&C

Our next meeting is 26th July at 9.00 a.m.

Topics for discussion:

- Uniform suppliers
- Winter Magic Festival wrap up
- Support for School Chaplain
- NAIDOC Week wrap up

Our email address is: pandc@elliheadss.eq.edu.au and we will be happy to bring up your issue for you.

WINTER MAGIC FESTIVAL

We certainly had Winter Magic weather for our festival, which raised approximately $1200 for the P&C which will ultimately go to support the school.

The P&C would like to thank everyone who helped out on the day; parents, family members; students; ex-students and staff, who turned up early to help set up at 7.00 a.m., or manned stalls, or baked cakes, or donated or bought goods or stayed late to pack up, after a long tiring day. Without the help of everyone working together, we would not have had such a successful day.

The P&C would like to particularly thank some members from our local community, not connected with the school, who gave up their entire day to help us out. Larry Groves and Ruth Mansfield, who operated the BBQ for us, and Judy and Jerry Fossey, who pots plants for us all year, to sell at the fair and then give us all the profits! Thanks guys for your wonderful support.

We also like to make a special mention of Sarah Warwick who also potted up lots of plants to sell for the school, and backed up again the next day at Shalom Markets to sell some more! Thanks Sarah! There are still some plants on sale at the front gate. Make us an offer!

FACEBOOK PAGES: Elliott Heads Parents and Staff
Elliott Heads State School Markets

SPUD MONEY

Unfortunately there were no spuds left. Let us know if you'd like a refund, otherwise we'll donate the collected money to Lowmead SS.

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THANK YOU

Earlier this year, when we were running a regular tuckshop service for students and parents, Kristy-Lee Walton was kind enough to offer her help as a Tuckshop Convenor. With the closure of the regular tuckshop service, we will no longer need a tuckshop convenor, but we would like to sincerely thank Kristy-Lee for offering to take on the job and for all her hard work over the last 5 months as Convenor. Without her stepping into this role in the first place, we would not have had a service at all.

WINTER MAGIC FESTIVAL

The school would like to thank the hard working members of our P&C who worked tirelessly, along with the help of a small band of helpers, to pull together our first 'weekend' school fair.

We were also really impressed with the work many students put into the cake box decorating competition, the art show and the talent quest. Particular congratulations to the finalists in our talent quest, Jordan, Lilly, Eva and Hayley, and a big round of applause for Claire, our eventual winner!

Congratulations to the Student Council for running these two events, and particularly Ella for her organisation.

Big thanks also to Sharnee, Keely and Mia who were at school before 7am helping with the setting up. Several other students joined us later.
**LOWMEAD SCHOOL VISIT**

Grades 4-7 had a lovely day out at Lowmead on the last day of school. It was an eye opener for our students to see a small school in action, with all grades operating in a single room. Lowmead still didn’t have a library, as theirs was so badly damaged, and had asbestos in it, so it had to be removed altogether. The building they received as part of the economic stimulus plan (when we got our library) will now become their library, which means they’ll be down one building.

This building was to be moved and raised on stumps during the holidays and will eventually be connected to the rest of the school via ramps and walkways.

Their office block is also not yet operational, so right now, classroom, office and storage are all in the double classroom and on the verandahs.

The staff and children were all very grateful for our donation of books. We enjoyed a sausage sizzle lunch and afternoon tea provided by our students!

I have written an article for the Newsmail, which I hope will be published soon. Many thanks to Mrs Brown and Donna Morgan for their help in getting this up and running.

**DANCE FEVER**

Yesterday a note and invoice went home for our upcoming Dance program, starting next THURSDAY 18th July. Dance is a part of the Health and Physical Education program and as such, is a compulsory component of each child’s education.

We do not go away for Interschool Sport this term, so we felt this was the best term to hold the program. We have secured a dance company to provide the program at a very reasonable $3 per child per week. We are hoping to be able to use the skills students develop as part of the program, to put together a dance performance for our end of year concert.

**NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS**

NAIDOC Week celebrations for this year will take place next Friday 19th July. We’ll begin the day with a Nexus Arts Program, Phil Green’s Indigenous Survival Technology. Other activities on the day will be:

- Boomerang and spear throwing organised by Kepnock SHS teachers and students
- Culture and fire making organised by Kepnock SHS teachers and students
- Indigenous Art organised by Mrs T
- Indigenous Stories from the night sky, organised by Mrs Patterson and Toni Trusz.

Invoices for the Phil Green show will be sent home tomorrow. The cost will be $5 per child.

**NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE**

Miss Thompson and I are very proud of ourselves! On the last Friday of the holidays we went down to Brisbane to a course on ‘rebuilding our school website in a day’. We didn’t really believe all the hype, but guess what? We did exactly that. It looks fantastic and if all goes according to plan, it will go live on 26th July. Many thanks to Pip for giving up her holidays to go to the course with me, and for offering to do the regular upkeep, like attaching the weekly letter and uploading new photos and news stories, etc.

When it goes live, you will be able to read all about our Lowmead SS story and a piece on Shane, who went to Cairns at the end of last term to represent Wide Bay at the state Basketball trials!

This website is compatible with a Qschools App that is downloadable for iPads, iPhones and Android phones. It allows us to send out emergency notices, straight to your phone or iPad, by adding the news to our website. The App can keep track of several schools at once, if you have children in high school.

A big thank you also to Briana Corry, who took some beautiful photos of Elliott Heads and surrounds, to use as background and home page photos to show off our little corner of the world.

**STAFF CHANGES FOR TERM 3**

Mr Kevin McLaren, our special education program teacher, has been given a relieving position at a higher level, for the remainder of the year. We wish him well in his endeavours.

Mr Bob Morton, will be taking over Mr McLaren’s role on Mondays, Tuesdays and every second Wednesday, starting next week.

Mrs Helen Pickard will be taking over Mr Morton’s role as Support Teacher Literacy and Numeracy (STLN), each Thursday, once Mrs Brown is back.

**THANK YOU IMPACT**

A big thank you to Peter Maike and his team from Impact, who are working on our Creek Restoration Project, for getting rid of a noxious weed tree that was growing in our playground. It was a Black Pepper Tree and was removed during the holidays. Thanks Peter!
SUPPORT FOR SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM

PLEASE!

Each year, in order to keep our Federal Government funding for the School Chaplaincy Program, the school has to complete an annual report on the success of the program and the benefits of the program for our students, staff and parents.

As part of this process, we need to have letters of support from parents whose children have benefited from Chappy Kelli's work in the school.

If your child has worked with Chappy Kelli at all, over the last 12 months, as part of programs such as Muffin Monday (where Grade 7s talk to Chappy Kelli about their fears and excitement for their approaching high school days) or Fun Friends in the Prep/1 classroom, or any ongoing support for behaviour, friendship, grief or confidence/self-esteem issues, we would really appreciate it if you could write or email us with your letters of support.

If you don’t have time to write a personal letter you could fill in the sheet at the end of the newsletter, to help us out with this section of our report.

INTERVIEWS

Interview notes were sent home to all parents today. Mrs Brown's interviews will be delayed slightly, as she will be on Long Service Leave for the first 2-3 weeks of term.

1 2 3 SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL COACHING

Mrs Campbell and Mrs Lee have attended this course for teachers and highly recommend it. Please consider it if your child has any behavioural difficulties. Learn how to manage difficult behavior in Children from 2-12:

✓ To engage your children's cooperation by positively noticing and encouraging them
✓ To set clear expectations and help them to develop frustration tolerance
✓ To help children's brains to develop filters for behaving well
✓ To resolve family conflict quietly
✓ Some simple strategies to practise being a calm parent

WHAT: A 3 session program for parents/carers
WHERE: Engaging Early Learners Centre
Woondooma Street Opposite Library
WHEN: July 25 & August 1 and 8, 2013
TIME: 12.30-3.00 p.m.
OR
WHEN: July 15, 22 and 29, 2013
TIME: 6.00 pm – 8.30 pm

HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION PROGRAM

On Tuesday 13th August, Grade 7 students will have an opportunity to attend Kepnock SHS for a Transition Program that involves lessons in some of the Key Learning Areas. As there is only a small group, we usually get parent help for transport. There will be a separate note coming home later.

MATHS TEAM CHALLENGE

On Wednesday 28th August, some of our more talented Mathematicians in Grades 5-7 will have an opportunity to participate in the Maths Team Challenge, where they will pit their skills against students from about 30 other primary schools.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS:

Watch this space for next week’s awards!

CLASS NEWS

PREP AND YEAR 1 NEWS

Welcome back from holidays! We have had a fantastic first week back, with wonderful behaviour and keen learners.

We have started implementing a slightly different behaviour plan that is displayed on our board if you wish to discuss this in more detail please pop in and we are happy to explain it further. It is based on the 1-2-3 Magic ideas so if you have the opportunity to participate within the Parenting 1-2-3 Magic courses been offered at the moment please do. All staff in our classroom are doing this course for teachers and it is the most meaningful and relevant course that I have done for a long time. (It works well in the classroom and with my own children at home!)

We are doing lots more to promote positive behaviour, the sticker charts used last term reward children for good behaviour, the children go in a daily draw for great behaviour and get to choose a reward for outstanding behaviour. We also have a star of the day, who is displayed on our front door for a child who has really shined throughout that day.

The children are enjoying getting stuck into the Prep and Year 1 English Unit identifying and creating rhyme as well as writing character descriptions while analysing books by the famous children’s Author Dr Seuss. If you have any at home now is the perfect time to grab them out and sit down and enjoy them again with your child! Come and look at our new display on our front windows, where our whole class has been Seussed!

Katherine, Helen & Denise
WHAT’S THE SCOOP FROM YR 2 / 3
Welcome back, we are now entering the second half of this fantastic year. And I must say we are well and truly into the swing of things. Our new unit in English is examining a procedural text. We are reading the wonderful book “George’s Marvellous Medicine” by Roald Dahl. The students love the book.

In math we are revising place value and have made a place value odometer to help us write 3 and 4 digit numbers. It is fantastic to see how much students remember.

We are staring a new unit in History titled "The first Queenslanders.” This will explore the first people to populate Queensland and the changes that have occurred over the centuries to our local area.

Just a quick reminder that Home Readers can be changed as many times as you would like during the week. It’s great to see a couple of the students changing theirs daily.

Pip

GRADE 3/4 NEWS
Welcome back to Term 3. You may be aware that Kelly is on long service leave and I have been teaching Years 3 & 4. I have been enjoying a very busy week.

In English we have been reading “The Captain’s Diary” and beginning to look at the language features of historical recounts.

Maths has all consisted of work with money. We have been totalling amounts of money, choosing payment suitable coins and notes and calculating change.

In science we have begun this term’s unit on Heat, discussing sources of heat and different uses of heat.

Helen Pickard

ELLIOTT SENIORS NEWS
We hope you enjoyed your break with your children. Students have returned ready for another term of hard work. Bob is on leave this week, spending some time with his sister, who is out from Scotland, but will be back on Monday.

In English, we have begun a unit on creating a cartoon/animated story with a moral dilemma. In Maths we’ve done some revision on Algebra and will be delving into 3D shapes next. In Science, the new unit is on Forces and they have already started on the experiments. We are also doing a mini unit on Indigenous Survival Technology, in preparation for Phil Green’s show next Friday.

Homework has already started this week (I can already hear the groans!) Spelling and Maths booklets were given out on Monday and are due back tomorrow.

Teeny and Bob

COMMUNITY NEWS
ZUMBA
Can the people who were attending Zumba at the school on a Monday afternoon, please let us know if they are still interested in attending, as there were very few people taking part towards the end of last term and it wasn’t worth Judi’s time to come across and run the class.

BARGARA STRAWBERRY FAIR
WHERE: Coral Coast Christian Church
Cnr Windemere and Back Windemere Roads, Bargara
WHEN: 3rd August; 9.00am-3.00pm
WHAT: Lots of free fun activities for families

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Our family supports/does not support the chaplaincy program at Elliott Heads State School. Some of the reasons for this are:

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