Thought for the Week:
Respect is the hardest thing to gain, but the easiest thing to lose.

FROM THE P&C

Our next meeting is TOMORROW at 9am.

Upcoming Events
- Toastie Day 28 August
- Fathers’ Day Stall, 28, 29 & 30 August 8.30am
  Gifts range from approximately $1-$5.
- Walkathon and Hot Food Day 11 September.
- Market Day 22 September

Our email address is: pandc@elliheadss.eq.edu.au

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

Teachers increasingly using the Elliott Heads Parents and Staff Facebook page to upload photos of class and school activities. If you want to look at these photos you need to go to our Facebook page and ask to become a member.

WALKATHON-major fundraising initiative on behalf of the Elliott Heads State School P&C

We will be conducting a walkathon as a major fundraiser for this term so we do ask for your support. The event will be held on Wednesday 11th September and family support is most appreciated.

Funds raised will provide additional resources for our children and the school.

Students have received a sponsorship form with a selection of over 75 prizes to choose from such as Barbie, Nerf, Hot Wheels, Razor, Pillow Pets and much, much, more. If you have misplaced your sponsorship form, please see Tracy in the office.

We ask you to seek donations on a $2 or $4 or $5 or $10 per sponsor. Students only have to raise $10 or more in donations to be entitled to a prize of their choice. They’ll also receive a family discount voucher for AMF Bowling, Baskin Robbins and Stefan Salon valued at $38.

WIN AN IPAD – each student has the chance to win an iPad. At the end of each term a National winner will be selected.

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If one of our students wins the prize our school will also win two (2) iPads, so don’t forget to enter. For more details on this promotion and how to enter, please view the back page of the sponsorship form or go to www.myschoolathon.com.au

Once the fundraiser is complete, please cut out the ‘how to claim your prize section’ on the sponsorship form and return along with your monies to the office by 18th September. Please be sure to fill out your prize request. The individual prizes will be delivered shortly after.

There will be local school prizes for the best fundraiser in each class.

Please make sure an adult or older sibling accompanies children who might walk door to door seeking sponsorship.

Closer to the day, we will also send home an order form for a specialty food day, being run by the P&C in conjunction with the walkathon.

Happy fundraising, and we look forward to seeing you at our Walkathon to cheer on the students.

Briana Corry, P&C Fundraising Coordinator.

PEANUTS

Just a friendly reminder that we are a peanut free school. There are children who attend our school that are allergic to peanuts and we ask that NO peanuts or peanut butter be in children’s lunch boxes.
GIVING FALSE INFORMATION

Last week we had an unfortunate incident where a parent took it upon themselves to report to another parent that their child had been in serious trouble because the child had been seen sitting at a desk up at the office.

It is NOT the responsibility of parents to speak to any other parent about the behaviour of another child. Rest assured that if an incident is serious enough the school will contact the parents to discuss the issue.

In this case the child was in the office for supervision reasons because the rest of their class was elsewhere and the school made a decision to keep the child back from the activity for the health and safety reasons. The child in question was in the senior class and was old enough to relay this message to their parents, themselves.

This incident blew up out of all proportion, because of a no doubt well-meaning parent. Please do not discuss ‘incidents’ involving other children as you rarely have the full story. In this case the well-meaning parent jumped to a false conclusion and created unnecessary anxiety for the parents of the child and school staff.

By the way, if you heard the rumour that the police were called to the school this week, THAT’S false information as well.

ARE YOU MOVING

As always at this time of year we are looking towards our numbers for 2014.

We are hearing lots of stories from children about the family moving somewhere else. If you are moving, we will be very sorry to see you and your children leave, and wish you luck in your new home.

However, if all the rumours we are hearing are true, Elliott Heads State School will be back to being a three teacher school next year, so we would really like parents to let us know what is happening with their children, as soon as possible, so we can make plans for the future.

In most cases, we are hearing families are moving for work, they have bought, or intend to buy a home elsewhere, or because rent is going up.

If the reason you are moving is because you are unhappy with the school at all, please let us know, so that we can work with you to improve things.

TOASTIE DAY NEXT WEDNESDAY

The P&C will be holding a hot toastie day in the tuckshop next Wednesday. Orders forms are attached to the newsletter. Please have them in to the office by Monday if possible, but by Tuesday morning at the latest.

THE TABLES HAVE REALLY LANDED!

Many thanks to Allan Campbell who, with the help of Jacob and Matt in Grade 7, put together our aluminium table settings yesterday. The school now has a new dilemma—whether or not to have a new roster for who can sit on the seats on which days! They were VERY popular at lunch time yesterday. Thanks boys!

MORE THANKS

While he was at the school, Allan Campbell also put some extra bolts in our Senior Playground, making it safe once again for students to play on. Thanks again, Allan! Much appreciated and the kids are over the moon about it.

WATCH THIS SPACE—DANCE CONCERT

On the last day of our Dance Fever Program, 12th September, parents are invited to come along to a concert where the Dance Fever Team will have students demonstrating their new dance talents for parents. When you see what the kids have learnt, I’m sure you’ll agree that the program has been great value for money. The concert will be held in the undercover area from 10.00 a.m.

If you haven’t been able to pay the $27 up front, please pay $3 per child per week. Thanks!

CAN CAGE

Proceeds from our can cage go to our student council. Some of the money raised was used to purchase the pop up soccer goals for the middle year students. Our can cage is full again and if anyone is able to assist with emptying it, please phone the office.

HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION PROGRAM

Mr Kevin Gray, Head of Department, Junior Secondary, from Kepnock SHS will be coming to our school on Monday morning to meet and observe Grade 7 students in their classroom. Kepnock personnel are interested in getting a good understanding of what Grade 7s are capable of doing, and how they work, before they make the transition to high school.

MATHS TEAM CHALLENGE

On Wednesday 28 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. Ella, Rohan, Shane, Aimee and Savannah will be flying the flag for us! Good luck, guys!
NEW UNIFORMS

If you want uniforms, you had better get in quick, as the shirts we have won’t last long!

COMING TO A SCHOOL NEAR YOU!

There’s a Maths Course for parents from 4-6pm on Thurs 29th August at Bundaberg Central SS. Lots of parents say they can’t help their kids with Maths homework, because it’s all different from when they went to school. Well here’s your opportunity to catch up with how Maths is taught now and why it’s changed! Our teachers will also be at the teacher Maths course. Please send in the TEAR OFF SLIP if you are interested in attending.

GET YOUR NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

We have a growing number of parents who get their newsletter electronically each week. If you would like to get your newsletter by email, fill in the tear off slip at the end of the newsletter and we’ll add you to the group.

BASKETBALL HOOPS

Our new Basketball Hoops have arrived and Mr Morton and the Grade 7 boys have assembled them, but before we can use them, the bases need to be filled with cement. It would be great if we can get it done this week, in time for the last few weeks of Active After School Sport-Basketball. Can you help? The school will supply the materials if you let us know what you need.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS:

MUSIC AWARD: 3/4
PE AWARD: 2/3
LOTE AWARD: Nien

PLAYGROUND AWARDS:

Elexis, Lachlan, Soren and Tyson H

NEWSLETTER READER: Brodi-J (Year 3)

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:

P/1 Jordan
For excellent effort in his writing tasks
2/3 Mitchell
For his enthusiastic efforts in Art
3/4 Cleo
For fantastic writing
5/6/7 Curtis
For a good effort on his History Assignment

REEF GUARDIAN AWARDS

Caitlin, Aimee, Falon and Liam were given certificates in recognition of their work for the environment on the recent Reef Guardian Eco Tour. Congratulations to you all!

CLASS NEWS

PREP AND YEAR 1 NEWS

This week we commenced the new, Year 1 English unit focusing on cultural stories. The class has enjoyed sharing indigenous stories and have really enjoyed the traditional tales of Tiddalick and How the Birds Got their Colours. The children contributed well to class discussions identifying characters, setting and plot.

We have started writing scaffolded sentences about the stories and discussing morals in stories which children are picking up on quickly.

In maths the Year 1s have continued to work on place value concepts associated with grouping in 10s. The preps have enjoyed collecting and sorting data and answering yes, no questions.

For those parents using i-Pads you might wish to try Little Monkey Apps Place Value (Year 1) and Camigo Kids Candy Count (Preps) to reinforce this week’s maths concepts. For English Eggy Phonics 1 and Eggy Rhymes lend themselves nicely to the Prep unit.

We enjoyed a visit yesterday from a very brave Aryahna who we were glad to see safe and well after an unfortunate car accident on her way to school on Monday. We wish you well in your recovery and hope to see her cheery smile back around school soon.

It is great to see so many children bringing many interesting items in for their history assessment task, if you are yet to do this please bring them in for this Friday so you can start planning your task.

Katherine, Helen, Denise & Margaret

WHAT’S THE SCOOP FROM YR 2/3

In English we are exploring the difference between the language and structure of a narrative compared to an informative text. We still have a lot to learn.

In math we are reviewing and extending our knowledge of money. We are exploring different strategies to add several monetarily amount up and how to make sure we have given the correct change.

In history we are exploring how the local sugar cane industry has changed over the past century. This knowledge will give the students a sound foundation to begin their assessment task, creating a brochure.

Pip ☺
**GRADE 3/4 NEWS**

This week in grade 3/4, there has been lots of humour as we began our new unit on Funny Poems. We have been reading, listening to, and identifying various poetic language features such as personification, onomatopoeia and spoonerisms, just to name a few.

In Maths, Year 3s have presented their ideas in the Multiplication Fair, to some eager students in Mrs Patterson’s class. They had some really great ideas. Year 4 students have also completed Maths assessments this week, checking their understanding of fractions. This week’s times table is the 3s.

In Science, we have had an Ice Cube War, where we tried to melt our ice cube in the fastest ways possible. We also conducted an investigation into whether some colours get hotter than other colours. We are really loving all of the experiments involved in this unit.

*Kelly*

**ELLIOTT SENIORS NEWS**

The cast and crew are almost ready to show their productions. As with all movies, there have been some technical hitches along the way, but we think we have them licked now. Once the movies and comics are read for viewing, we’ll send home an invitation to parents.

History assignments are also almost complete. We found we had to go back and do some serious lessons on note-taking, but it was worth the effort, as the resulting assignments are of much better quality. Luckily, note-taking in History coincides with our current reading strategy of summarising, so it all fit in nicely together.

Once again it was nice to come back on Tuesday after being out at a principal’s meeting on Monday, to find that Ms Read had had a lovely day with Grade 5/6/7. Thanks kids!

Thanks also to parents for a great class party yesterday. Yummy food and healthy too (well mostly, but what’s a party without a bit of sugar!)

*Teeny and Bob*

**COMMUNITY NEWS**


**FUNDAY SUNDAY:** Malouf Pharmacies Bundaberg will be hosting a fundraiser with all proceeds donated going to Juvenile Diabetes Research, to help find a cure for children with type 1 - insulin dependent diabetes.

The day will be held at Bundy Bowl on Sunday 15 September from 9am to 12 noon. Tickets are $21 for children aged 4 years and over and covers Dodgem Cars, Laser Tag, Jurassic Putt Putt, unlimited big dipper slide, unlimited tenpin, $5 of tokens for games arcade and a Goodie bag. Tickets are limited and must be pre-purchased from Malouf Pharmacies.