ELLIOTT HEADS REVIEW
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Thought for the Week: You cannot plough a field by turning it over in your mind.

FROM THE P&C

Next meeting: Friday October 18 at 9am.

Upcoming Events
• Fathers' Day Stall, 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@elliottheadsss.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.

HAPPY FATHERS’ DAY

Happy Fathers’ Day to all the dads, stepdads, partners and grandfathers, who play a significant male role in the lives of our students. We hope you get spoilt and get the chance to spend a lovely day on Sunday with your family close.

WINNERS ARE GRINNERS

Did you catch our school sign this morning?

Yesterday, our team won the small schools section of the Maths Team Challenge! We are so proud of Aimee, Shane, Rohan and Ella who competed one person short of a full team! Elliott Heads last won it in 2010, and came second last year, so we’ve obviously been building up to this. Well done, Kids!

WANTED: Any old silk or plastic flowers for end of year concert, PLEASE!

Mrs. T

DATES TO REMEMBER

30 Aug  Fathers’ Day Stall
        Lawn Bowls Years 3-7
        Interschool Lawn Bowls 5/6/7
01 Sept  HAPPY FATHERS’ DAY!
02 Sept  Muffin Monday-50c each
03 Sept  Science ACES Day at Kepnock SHS for selected Grade 5/6/7 Students
04 Sept  Child Protection Week: Years 6 & 7
05 Sept  Choral Fest for Choir
        Dance Fever Classes
11 Sept  Walkathon & Hot Food Day
12 Sept  Dance Fever Parent Concert
20 Sept  Last Day of Term 3
22 Sept  Next Market Day
07 Oct  Labor Day Public Holiday
08 Oct  First Day Term 4
18 Oct  P&C Meeting 9.00 a.m.

THIS AFTERNOON AT 4.00 PM!

There’s a Maths Course for parents from 4-6pm this afternoon at Bundaberg Central SS. 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. Hope to see you there!

WALKATHON

It’s time to really get stuck in and find sponsors for the walkathon! Even $10 worth of sponsorship per child gets them some great prizes. Please make sure you walk around with your children if they go door to door looking for sponsors. Woongarra SS are also having a walkathon. They knocked on my door last night, so it’s best to get in quick!

Students received a sponsorship form a few weeks ago. Funds raised will provide additional resources for our children and the school.

At the Walkathon, students will walk 10 laps each, with a smaller lap for Prep/1, a medium sized lap for 2/3/4 and a larger lap for 5/6/7. After each lap, students’ names will be marked off and they’ll get their form stamped to say they’ve completed the Walkathon. I know some sponsors are making their donations up front, but other sponsors might ask children to return with the ‘proof’ that they completed the Walkathon.
Students across Australia have a chance to win an iPad, if they raise the most funds this term. If a parent can take a sponsorship form to work, that really helps. There will be school prizes for the best fundraiser in each class.

Once the walkathon is over, 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 prizes will be delivered shortly after.

Next week, we will send home an order form for a hot food day, being run by the P&C in conjunction with the walkathon. On offer will be large pies, party pies, sausage rolls, chicken nuggets and party quiches.

Happy fundraising! We look forward to seeing you at our Walkathon to cheer on the students.

_Briana Corry, P&C Fundraising Coordinator._

**THANKS P&C AND HELPERS**

Thanks to our hard working P&C and to Megan Wibberley for the great Toastie Day yesterday. Thanks also to all the parents and students who supported it with orders. Another great day at Elliott Heads State School!

**ARE YOU MOVING**

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

We are hearing stories from children about the family moving elsewhere. 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 or other family reasons.

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.

_BETTER LATE THAN NEVER!_

The basketballers now have hoops! Thanks again to Allan Campbell who filled the bases with concrete this week to stabilise them for safe play by students.

**CHOIR**

Choir members are busy preparing for Choral Fest - a state school choral competition - being held on Thursday 05 September at Kalkie School Hall. We are competing in the first session that runs from 9.30 to 11.30. Family members are most welcome to attend with a gold coin donation. All choir members will need to be in full school uniform, girls with hair tied back and with joggers/sneakers. Students will need to bring morning tea and a water bottle. Permission forms and $5 for the bus must be returned to the office by Monday.

**DANCE FEVER 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!

**ASSEMBLY AWARDS**:

**MUSIC AWARD:** 5/6/7

**PE AWARD:** 5/6/7

**LOTE AWARD:** None this week

**PLAYGROUND AWARDS:**

Casey, Tyson H., Ollie and Grace

**NEWSLETTER READER:** Kayla

**STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:**

P/1 **Tyrone**

For trying his best in all school activities

2/3 **Brodie-J:**

For having a great attitude towards work and class discussions

3/4 **Cleo:**

For fantastic writing

**Brooke:**

Fantastic effort in UNSW Science test

5/6/7 **Savannah:**

For her great sense of responsibility and helpfulness
**READING AWARDS**

Each morning before school, students in Prep/1 are reading-to parents, teachers, teacher aides, older brothers and sisters. Some children have reached 10 Before School Reads and we’d like to recognise their efforts. Other students in 2/3/4 are practising their sight words before school and that’s wonderful too. Thanks parents for getting them to school early enough to join in! Well done to Mia, Charlee S., Chloe, Tameka, Zoie and Charlie D.

**HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION PROGRAM**

Mr Kevin Gray, Head of Department, Junior Secondary, from Kepnock SHS came to our school on Monday morning to meet and talk to Grade 5/6/7 students. He spoke about Kepnock’s Gifted and Talented Program, ACES, and how to apply for it.

He also brought along two ex-Elliott Heads students, Danielle and Ariel. It was lovely to see them. They also spoke to students about what they liked most about life at high school. 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.

**CLASS NEWS**

**PREP AND YEAR 1 NEWS**

Happy Father’s Day to all male members of our school community for Sunday! We have worked really hard in class this week and displayed our best artistic talents to make something really special. It has been lovely to listen to the wonderful stories the children have shared about the important males in their lives. Your contribution is priceless in your child’s development and there is no better payment than hugs, kisses and quality time. Many thanks goes out to Kylie, Keenan’s mum who was inspiration to part of the Father’s Day gift and who has worked with the children again in the garden this week to plant petunias in hanging baskets to attract the bees to pollinate our fruit and vegetables. A huge thank-you also goes to the Chesney family who have donated two garden beds and mini composters to the school which will provide more room to cycle vegetables and possibly grow more flowers. Who knows shortly we may have bunches of flowers going home with our fresh vegetables. Please see Mrs Campbell if you have any flowers or bulbs that you could donate for this purpose such as Gerberas, Hippeastrums or Daisies. Welcome to Archer who started in Year 1 this week, we hope you enjoy it here at Elliott Heads. 

Katherine, Helen, Denise & Margaret

**WHAT’S THE SCOOP FROM YR 2/3**

In English we are still exploring the difference between the language and structure of a narrative compared to an informative text. In math we are reviewing and extending our knowledge of subtraction. We are exploring different strategies to subtract two digit numbers. It’s amazing to see students grasping the concept easily.

In history we have finished exploring our local sugar cane industry and are now examining transport past and present. The students are fascinated by the modes of transport over the past 100 years, especially the first cars.

Pip 😊

**GRADE 3/4 NEWS**

I know it’s crazy but yes, we have started preparations for our end of year play. If you know you won’t be here on the last week of school for 2013 please let us know.

In Maths this week we have been looking at Measurement. In English we are continuing our investigations into Poetry and poetic features. In Science, we have begun our assessment item, designing, creating and analysing an insulated water bottle.

Kelly

**ELLIOTT SENIORS NEWS**

This week we started our new English Unit on Poetry. Lots of students have brought in their favourite poetry books from home (there are one or two that walk around the class in their spare time reciting it, would you believe!). We have taken an in depth look at the famous Ballad, the Man from Snowy River, and will also be looking at some Indigenous poetry in the coming days.

In Maths, we’ve been looking at Order of Operations and converting decimals, to fractions and percentages, and vice versa.

Students have now completed their balloon cars and tested them. Science assignments are all complete except for a few laggars who are catching up at lunch time.
Likewise History assignments are just about completed.

We’ve also been looking at our end of year play, written by Ella with great ideas given by other class members. Soon we’ll send out a list of cast members with some ideas for costumes and props.

Teeny and Bob

CHAPPY CHAT
BREKKY CLUB runs Monday and Tuesday morning. It is supported by Fiveways Foodworks and a band of wonderful volunteers who assist me.

MUFFIN MONDAY is a great opportunity for Grade 7’s to learn cooking skills while sharing their opinions on High School and other issues. Thanks to Pam who assist each week.

CHAPPY’S CHAT second break on Mondays. Spiritual content for those who wish to participate. We are talking about the different ways we can show others love, kindness and care. See Chappy for a permission note if your child would like to participate.

Chappy

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.

FUNDAY SUNDAY 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. There will be face painting, colouring competitions, a balloon drop and more! Tickets are limited and must be pre-purchased from Malouf Pharmacies.

KEPNOCK SHS NEWSLETTER:

ITS RIPPER TO BE A NIPPER!
Interested in becoming a Nipper or Cadet? Elliott Heads Surf Lifesaving Club Pool Proficiency Day will be held at the Bundaberg Swim Academy 8th September from 9am to 12pm

Like to become a Lifesaver? Join us at our Elliott Heads Surf Lifesaving Club State Open Day - Sunday 29th September 2013 at the Elliott Heads Surf Club from 9am to 12pm. For more info please phone Ian Winning 4155 6172 Mobile 0419664972

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