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## NEWSLETTER

Term 2/2015 Week 8

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015

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### Term Dates

#### Term 3, 2015

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July  
To  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September

#### Term 4, 2015

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October  
To  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December

### Dr Neil MacNeill, PhD, EdD, Head Master

The spring weather is starting to kick in, and the deciduous trees are getting close to bud burst. Children who are allergic to bee stings need to be very careful over the next few months.

1. **The school as a safe environment.** At the school we address every case of perceived bullying at student and adult levels. In terms of students, we seem to do a very good job addressing these problems quickly, when we are informed. However, a point that we make continually is that staff members are here to teach and not to be abused. If parents have problems they need to come to Admin. and have that discussion. Where issues become threatening to staff there will be strategies put in place and repeat offenders will not be allowed access to classrooms. [School Premises Act].
2. **Prime Maths.** Last Friday we were visited by Vei Li, the Singaporean maths expert who is helping us improve our teaching and learning.
3. **Visit by Dr Peter Havel (Ellenbrook Secondary College) and his senior staff.** Last week we were visited by senior staff from ESC who came to look at the maths extension classes that were taking place as a part of our Advanced Placement Program. Dr Havel was very impressed with the students' problem solving strategies. Thanks to the parents who drop the children off at 7.30 am on Thursday mornings.
4. Best wishes to all of the AFL teams playing in the finals this weekend, and we have our fingers crossed for the Eagles and Dockers.

Neil

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### Merit Certificates Winners

Kyle Clohessy	C1
Winter Duquiatan	C1
Evan Flatters	C1
Shardae Manuirangi	C1
Charles Jefferies	C2
Mae Hinds	C3
Nick Lehmann	C3
Mia Eades	C4
Thomas Parfrey	C4
Natalia Wilkinson	C4
Alexa Rothenbury-Adams	C5
Teijah Tupaea	C5
Bailey Deacon	C6
Amelia Farrell	C7
Kasiah Fox	C7
Ella Holtham	C7
Aye Ratchawong	C7
Ashleigh Dann	C8
Emily Harris	C8
Fabian Bennell	C8
Seth Smoker	C8
Shania Innes	C9
Kaidanse Risk	C11
Ella Murdock	C11
Madison Oreo	J1
Anndora Veselovski	J1
Andjelina Klaric	J2
Areata Barbarich-Nepe	J2
Brodie Grigg	J3
Scarlett Martin	J3
Cohen Treanor	J3
Brydon Belien	J4
Connor Bell	J5
Tahlia Buck	J5

## DEPUTIES' UPDATE



**Sick children** – Please **do not** send your child to school if they are unwell , we have had to call many parents over the last couple of weeks to collect sick children. It is also essential that we have updated contact details for parents in the case of an emergency. Please let the Office know if you have changed your telephone number.

**Parent requests for class allocations 2016** – We are currently starting the process to develop class lists for 2016. At this time we call for parents who may have compelling and specific educational placement requests for their child, to write their requests formally to the Principal. Only written requests, detailing compelling education reasons, will be taken into consideration and although every effort will be made to accommodate parent requests, we are unable to guarantee that all requests will be granted.

**Students leaving for 2016** – It is crucial for our planning for next year to have, as much as possible, accurate numbers of students for the commencement of 2016. Please complete the tear off strip **only** if your child **will be leaving** our school for 2016, please complete this form with your child's name and year level and which school they will be attending in 2016.

**Hand, foot and mouth** – There has been a case of hand, foot and mouth disease in the school and parents are advised to seek medical attention if they suspect their child has contracted the disease.

We have also had one family advise the school their child/children have scabies. The child/children were withdrawn from school immediately and treated.

**Lost Property** – Once again there is a large quantity of clothing and water bottles in the lost property box (outside the Office), please ensure that your child/children's name/s are clearly marked on all clothing and hats that they bring to school. If these clothes are not claimed by the end of the term they will be donated to the Salvos.

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## School Information

### School Hours

Gates Open	8.30
Start	8.45
Finish	2.50
Gates Close	3.05

### School Development Days (pupil free)

Monday 12 October  
Friday 18 December

### Uniform Shop

Mon	8.45-9.15
Wed	2.30-3.00

### Canteen

Open Everyday  
Phone: 9297 6936

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Thank you to each of you who contributed to the Operation Christmas Child appeal. The boxes were collected last week and made an impressive display at assembly. The children and families who receive the boxes are very moved by your generosity, like the mother who cried when she found 6 toothbrushes in her child's box because none of them had ever had a toothbrush and now they had one for each person in the family. You have made a big difference in the life of not just one child, but the whole family and community. Thank you once again.

Blessings ☺ Mrs P.

## P&C UPDATE

**Uniform Shop** - People have been asking why we don't have eftpos facilities in the uniform shop. It is quite simple, it costs too much money. The P&C is a not for profit organisation and unfortunately banks do not recognise this which is what we were told when we inquired about obtaining eftpos facilities. The amount that the P&C would be charged to have these facilities would not be financially beneficial to the uniform shop and those parents who did use eftpos would be charged a very large fee to cover the cost, something we are not prepared to do and we are sure parents would not appreciate. Therefore eftpos facilities will not be available in the uniform shop in the foreseeable future. Thank you for your understanding.

**Woolworths Earn and Learn** – has now finished. Thank you to all the families.

**FREE DRESS DAY** - FRIDAY 25th September  
Come dressed in your favourite SPORTING TEAM colours. Its a GOLD COIN to participate and everyone receives an entry to win a signed West Coast Football.

**SAVE THE DATE** - Friday 30th October Movie Night.

### **Student Numbers— Are you here next year? If not please complete this form.**

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### **Leaving Ellenbrook Independent Primary School for 2016**

Please return the below slip to the office or the classroom teacher.

My Child/children **will be leaving** Ellenbrook Independent Primary School for 2016.

Please list the names and year levels of your children.

Name

Year Level

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\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name:

Date:

Last Day attending Ellenbrook Independent Primary School is: \_\_\_\_\_

## School Information

### Upcoming Events

Interschool Athletics  
Carnival  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September

### P&C Upcoming Events

Free Dress Day  
Sporting colours

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September

Movie Night  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Swan Districts Junior Baseball Club** is currently taking registration in the following age groups: Teeball 4-7 year olds, Machine Pitch 8-10 year old both of these are played on Friday nights. Little League 11-12 year old, Junior League 13-14 year old Under 17's 15-16 year old and Under 19's 17-18 year old all these are played on Saturdays. Season Starts 10th October. For further information please contact Club Registration Tina on 0438 920 205 or Club President Marina 0422 522 463.

**School Holiday Preseason Cricket Camp** – Join us on October 5<sup>th</sup> to the 7<sup>th</sup> from 9.30am till 12.30pm each day and get ready for the upcoming cricket season. The camp cost is \$66. To find out more go to <http://www.cycd.com.au/preseason-cricket-camp/>, email [info@cycd.com.au](mailto:info@cycd.com.au) or call David Virgo on 0439 091 418.

**Woodvale Warriors Basketball Club Rego Day** Saturday September 12<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 11am, Warwick Stadium (Kiosk area). All players welcome. For more information email – [amnorman@iinet.net.au](mailto:amnorman@iinet.net.au).

### **Ellenbrook School Holiday Activities October 2015**

**Free Workshop – Out of this world** - Come and experience the wonders of the night sky and join us for some hands on fun when the Scitech Spacedome comes to town! Tuesday September 29<sup>th</sup> Booking essential <https://events.ticketbooth.com.au/event/OutofthisWorld> or email [beth.weston@swan.wa.gov.au](mailto:beth.weston@swan.wa.gov.au).

**Get Active** –Come down and try your hand at Rugby League and Touch Rugby with the Ellenbrook Rabbitohs. Thursday October 1<sup>st</sup>, Woodlake Oval. 10am to 12 noon, 5 to 12 years old, Cost - **FREE**. <https://events.ticketbooth.com.au/event/GetActive>.

**Cuddly Farm** - Monday October 5<sup>th</sup> outside Ellenbrook Library – All ages welcome – **FREE**.

**The Great Day Out** – Friday October 9<sup>th</sup>, meet at the Ellenbrook District Open Space. Booking essential – <http://events.ticketbook.com.au/event/GreatDayOutinEllenbrook> or contact [jade.contarino@swan.wa.gov.au](mailto:jade.contarino@swan.wa.gov.au) for more information. **FREE**