Term 1  Week 2, Commencing 4th February, 2013

OUR SCHOOL WEEK

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- PRODUCTS & SERVICES advertised ARE NOT endorsed by Elanora Heights P.S.
- Please note that items for the weekly newsletter will NOT be accepted after 10am on the preceding Friday.

Notes Home This Week
- PSSA Information & Permission notes
- PSSA Code of Conduct notes
- Tell Us About Your Child - Years 1 to 6

Principal’s Message

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Classes for 2013
Today we moved into our new classes. While we have tried to accommodate parent's wishes with regards to placement with other children sometimes it is not possible. What we have done is ensure that students are placed with some friends that they indicated when they completed their friendship list last year. Our class formation policy can be found at [http://www.elanorahts-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/rules-policies/elanora-heights-ps-policies](http://www.elanorahts-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/rules-policies/elanora-heights-ps-policies)

Medical Alerts
Late last year we contacted a number of parents about updating their child's health care plans. Unfortunately we are still waiting on a response from some parents. If your child has a Health Care Action Plan then it must be signed off by a doctor. If you were contacted last year and haven’t provided medical details about your child please do as soon as possible.

Advertising in our newsletter
There has been a slight increase in costs if you wish to advertise in our newsletter: 1 week - $30+GST, Whole Term $240+GST, All Year $750+GST. If you wish to distribute a brochure then it is $50+GST if it is in class sets or $100+GST not bundled. Please note that cost for parents with children attending the school is inclusive of GST.
Welcome to Elanora Heights Public School BBQ
This Friday the P&C has organised a BBQ to welcome the 2013 Kindergarten parents and any new parents to our school. The BBQ begins at 5:30pm so please come along, meet some new friends, enjoy the company of our fabulous P&C and become part of our wonderful school.

Equipment lists
Wondering what you need to get for your child? We have uploaded to the notes section of our website the list of equipment that teachers would like parents to purchase for their child.

Parent information evenings
Next Monday is the first of our Parent Information evenings. The night, for Kindergarten parents, begins at 6pm in the school library. Information on other grade meetings can be found in the Calendar on the school website.

School costs
Information about the anticipated school costs has been uploaded to the Notes section of the school website. You will notice that there are instructions for direct deposit on the forms. Parents do not have to pay at this point in time as we will be posting family statements of accounts to you directly in the next couple of weeks. We will also include information about the P&C contributions which are separate to our school costs.

School drop off
Traffic congestion continues to be an issue around our school. As the new school year has started, I would ask our parents to be mindful of our neighbours and follow the road safety rules when picking up and dropping off your children. Dropping off children in resident driveways is not being Responsible or Respectful to our neighbours and not a safe place to drop off children.

PBEL
During the first two weeks we will be revising what Respect, Achievement and Responsibility means in the context of our school and classrooms. Teachers have been conducting lessons to strengthen the children’s understanding of these core values. More information about our PBEL program can be found on the school website. Don’t forget to bring in your mini-merits to exchange for a Bronze Award.

Student Achievement
Congratulations to Jade T of Year 6 who competed in the Australia Day Junior Softball Tournament at the Canberra International Softball Centre. There were 17 teams from NSW, ACT and SA and Jade played 12 games over the three days. Although Jade’s team was one of the youngest in the competition they made the top pool for the finals after she hit the winning home run. Overall Jade’s team came 6th at the tournament. Well done Jade!

Brienna M, also of Year 6, competed in the North East Metropolitan Athletics Zone Championships recently and came 4th in the Triple Jump, 3rd in the 400m & 11th in the 800m. Congratulations Brienna!

Swimming Carnival
There appears to have been a little bit of confusion about payment for the carnival. As we knew in advance that the Carnival was going to be in Week 2 of the new school year, last year, we sent out permission notes, entry forms and associated costs. Almost all permission notes were returned, however, over the holidays some people may have forgotten they had not paid and that is why we sent out reminder notes last week. I apologise for any confusion.

P&C meeting
The next P&C meeting is Tuesday 12 February at 7pm in the staffroom. I look forward to seeing you then.

Until next time,
Bill Gillespie,
Principal
**PSSA TRAINING TIMES**

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*******All PSSA teams will begin training from next week (Week 2 Term 1)*******

Please be advised that all children should be collected by parents when they are dismissed from training (within the school grounds) and NOT wait for collection at the top of the track where there is no supervision.

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The Canteen Committee is still in need of a Treasurer. Yvette, our wonderful outgoing treasurer is happy to discuss what is involved in this role for anyone who may be interested. Again, we cannot operate without the help of our parents & do greatly appreciate your support which in turn helps our precious children. Please contact me on Ph: 9913 2721 with any questions.

Thank you, Wendy Douglass
Canteen Coordinator

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**BAND BUGLE**

**Welcome and Welcome Back**

Trust everyone had a wonderful break, batteries back to fully charged and have hit the ground running.

A warm welcome to this year’s Beginners, all 40 of you. Thank you for signing up so efficiently last year, you have made our tasks over the next couple of weeks so much easier, effective and Beginner students will have a smooth start to their musical endeavours.

And a warm welcome back for the familiar faces of the Intermediate and Senior Bands. This will be a big year of music with some special challenges as almost half the Senior Band is made up of new faces. We have no doubt you will rise to the occasion.

The Band has 93 members. This is just below last year’s record but from a smaller number of students. But it gets better. The Guitar group has 14 students and Strings (once we have a tutor) will have 7 members, taking the grand total to 114.

**Beginners Band**

Tutorials began this week and emails were sent prior to the start of term advising tutorial times. Places are still available in the Beginners Band. Please contact me at tim_cowery@iprimus.com.au if you wish your child to be assessed.

**Intermediate Band**
Rehearsals commence this Tuesday (tomorrow) at 3pm to 4pm and then 3pm to 4pm on Thursdays. These times remain in place for the rest of this Term, the only exception being Tuesday, 9 April where we hope all Intermediate members will be at Band Camp.

**Senior Band**
Rehearsals commence at 7.30am for a 7.40am start on Tuesday morning for Brass and drummers, and Wednesday morning for Woodwind and percussion.
A combined rehearsal for all Senior Band members will start at 4pm on Thursdays and finish at 5pm.

**Stage Band**
A Stage Band will form from Senior Band members and will rehearse on Thursdays from 5pm to 5.30pm.

**AGM**
The Band Committee has its AGM on tomorrow, Tuesday, 5 February at 7pm in the Staffroom to elect a committee for 2013.
All school parents are welcome to attend.

**Tim Cowdery**
Band President

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**A message from the P&C ...**

Welcome back & I hope you have all had a restful break.

We’d like to welcome Tocia Hazard who has kindly taken up the position of P&C Treasurer. Thank you Tocia, we really appreciate it.

We are holding a “Welcome to School BBQ” on the 8th February starting at 5.30pm. All new parents of the school are invited to attend. This is a good chance to meet other members of the community.

**Justin Wolfe**
P&C President

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**Canteen News**

Below is the roster for the next three weeks. There are a few days we are still in need of help – if you are able to, please either phone on the number below or drop by the canteen. The canteen strongly relies on our wonderful volunteers & we cannot operate without your help. We really do appreciate you giving your precious time.

We have a new milk supplier & are now stocking Paul’s plain milk & Oak flavoured milk. Banana flavour is no longer available; however, we now have Vanilila Malt. Recess orders can also be made via Munch Monitor for our Dip with either carrots or celery sticks or our Saladas with either Vegemite, cheese or cheese & tomato. Please ensure you tell your child to come to the canteen to collect these orders, where they will be ready & waiting for them.
Please note that the canteen WILL BE CLOSED NEXT Tuesday 5th Feb
Due to the swimming carnival.

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Thanks, Wendy.
Ph: 9913 2721

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Wendy Douglass  Canteen Coordinator  Ph: 9913 2721

Uniform Shop
Shop hours: Monday: 8.15 am – 9.45 am  Thursday: 8.15 am - 9.45 am
We offer ETPOS and CREDIT CARD facilities (Visa/MasterCard)

Suzie Duncan
Uniform Shop Coordinator

2nd Hand Uniforms
If you require any second hand clothing please call me after 9 a.m., on 9913 1292 or email me at thewoodleys@optusnet.com.au

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS ARE ALWAYS IN DEMAND SO DONATIONS ARE MOST WELCOME

Karen Woodley
Second Hand Uniform Coordinator
COMMUNITY NEWS

Jenny's School of Dance  Nth Narrabeen Community Centre
A recreational dance school promoting a love of dance in a nurturing environment
Budding Ballerinas (3 & 4 years)
Kreative Kindy -dance/drama & music (2yrs 9mths to 4years )
Ballet classes for 5 years to young adults.
Phone Jenny 9975 4316 or email for more information to Jennyschoolofdance@hotmail.com

Macmillan Australian Student School Dictionaries & Atlas available through Elanora Heights Newsagency
Dictionary only $21.99 & Atlas only $22.99
Please place orders either at the Newsagency (63B Kalang Road) or elanorahntsnews@bigpond.com
By Friday 8th February
For any queries please contact Karla on 9913 2228

FREE program for kids to make new friends, get fit and have fun!

Call 1800 780 900 for more information and to reserve your place.
Register now as places are strictly limited!

Parenting Programs  Jan to June 2013 @ Brookvale Family Centre
Phone: 02 8968 5100  Fax: 02 9939 4277  E-mail: brookvale.reception@dbb.org.au
Pittwater Tigers Junior AFL

Boys and Girls Ages 5-16 years: Registration days
Sat 2nd Feb 10 am – 2 pm & Sat 9th February 10 am – 2 pm
North Narrabeen Reserve, Walsh Street
www.pittwater afl.com.au / pittwatertigers@gmail.com
Registrar: 0422 503 149

NEW BASKETBALL COMPETITIONS STARTING IN TERM ONE

PLAYERS WISHING TO START SHOULD REGISTER & TRAIN ON SATURDAY

SATURDAY AFTERNOON BASKETBALL
Learn to Play – Play (only $7 per session)
Excellent coaches – Ages 7 & Under (2.30-3.30pm)
All Girls (2.30 – 3.30pm) Ages 8 & above (3.30 – 4.30pm)
STARTS THIS SATURDAY FEBRUARY 2ND
COME ON DOWN AND HAVE SOME FUN!!

NORTHERN BEACHES INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE
ENQUIRIES MWBA 9913 3622
Parenting Programs
Child & Adolescent Parenting

WHAT'S ON IN TERM 1 - COURSES/WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS/CARERS

**Tuning in to Kids Course** (3-10yrs)
Help your child develop emotional intelligence, manage emotions & deal with conflict.
Chatswood 5wks/2.5hrs (25/2-25/3, 7.00-9.30pm)

**Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) Course** (3-8yrs)
Strategies to encourage desirable behaviour and manage persistent misbehaviour.
Chatswood 7sessions over 8 wks – 5 group & 2 telephone (14/2-4/4)

**Communicating with Kids Course** (based on PET) (4-12 yrs)
Communication skills for building effective long term relationships with your children & family.
Chatswood 6 wks/2.5hrs (5/3 - 9/4, 7.00-9.30pm)

**Communicating with Teens Course**
Aims to increase your understanding of your adolescent's needs & behaviour with skills to relate to them.
Chatswood 5 wks/2.5hrs (13/3 -10/4, 7.00-9.30pm)

**Toddlers Workshops** (1-3yrs)
Series of 3 workshops on Discipline, Tucker & Toilet Training, Speech & Sleep
Chatswood 3 wks/2.5hrs (4/2, 18/2, 7.00-9.30pm)

**Resilient Kids Workshop**
Strategies to accept & express feelings, develop optimistic thinking & coping skills
Chatswood (14/3, 7.00-9.30pm)

**Dealing with Teen's Backchat Workshop**
Learn how to restore a respectful & positive relationship between you & your teenager
Chatswood (6/3, 7.00-9.30pm)

WORKSHOPS ON REQUEST - PHONE 9887 5830 (2-2.5 hours)
- Understanding Your Toddler/Discipline & Tantrums
- Tucker without Tantrums/Toilet Training
- Speech & Language Development/Sleep
- Older Sibling - New Baby
- Bully Busting
- Resilient Kids
- Transition to School
- Transition to High School
- Triple P (PPP) Seminar Series
- Dealing with Teen’s Back Chat
- Grand Parenting

Enquiries: Child & Adolescent Parenting 9887 5830