



St Elizabeth's School Newsletter

Term 3 - Friday 15th September 2023

Principal News



What a term it has been!

This term has seen all of our children and staff working so hard and tirelessly to achieve an amazing goal: our School Production!

It was without a doubt one of the best School Productions I have been a part of. Everyone worked as a team and the final product was simply SENSATIONAL!

School Productions provide our children with the opportunity to perform in front of an audience, helping them build their confidence and resilience. School Productions are also a great opportunity for children to shine and showcase their acting, dancing and singing talents.

As I expressed on the night, we were all so proud of how well our children performed and what they achieved.

Thank you to all our staff for their hard work the last three years to bring this together. Every single staff member played an important part to make it happen.

As we head into these well deserved holidays, we wish all our families a restful break and look forward to seeing everyone in Term 4. Thank you for your continued support of our amazing school.



Term 4

School resumes Monday 2nd October.

Next term, all our children will be expected to wear their summer school uniform, which includes their school hat.

As the weather is getting warmer, children will be expected to wear their school hat. If they do not have their hat, then they will be required to play in a shaded area.

Our summer uniform is:

- Short sleeve school polo shirt
- Shorts
- White socks
- Summer dress (this optional item - not compulsory)



- School bomber jacket or windcheater
- Black school shoes

If you do not have any of these items, they can be purchased from the school uniform shop.

This is open every Tuesday and Friday morning from 8.30-9am.



Family Fun Night

Next term we are introducing our first Family Fun Night.

This is an evening for our St Elizabeth's families and their immediate family. It is a closed event to the public to ensure the safety of all our children.

On the night we will have rides, a petting zoo, food trucks, face painting, photobooth and games.

Families are welcome to bring their own picnic baskets and rugs if they choose. There will be tables and chairs set up for families.

We will be selling ride wristbands prior to the event to make it cost effective for families. Wristbands will also be available on the night.

We would love to see all our families on the night having a great time together.

More information to come out next term.

Important Dates

Term 4

Monday 2nd October - Term 4 begins

Friday 20th - October Family Fun Night @ 5.30-9pm

Monday 6th November - School Closure Day

Tuesday 7th November - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

Thursday 16th November - School Closure Day

Thursday 7th December - Year 3/4 camp

Friday 8th December - Year 3/4 camp

Thursday 14th December - Year 6 last day

Thursday 14th December - Year 6 Graduation @ 6pm

Friday 15th December - F-5 last day

Monday 18th December - Staff last day

Learning and Teaching News

Seesaw - Student Portfolios

Your child's Seesaw portfolio should now be open and we encourage you to take the time to see what they have uploaded. These samples showcase where they are in their learning journey and should be seen as a celebration.



Within the portfolio, you will see samples of the following areas:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Religion
- Inquiry
- Specialist Classes

Please feel free to comment and/or like their work.

Your interaction with their work is incredibly valuable.

When students experience this engagement, from their parents and carers it has a huge impact on their learning.

When adding a comment feel free to add an affirming comment. Note something that you :

- were wowed by
- impressed with
- could see their growth in

If you choose to, these comments do not need to be long, as a short sentence is more than enough.

The power of feedback we know has a huge impact on students when received from a teacher. Please remember that you are their first teacher and your feedback for your child is a valuable element in their learning journey. They will feel proud of themselves knowing you have seen their amazing work.

We will close off access after the holidays on **Monday 2nd October** and reopen later in the term to showcase what they are up to in the classroom.

Luke Farrelly

Teaching and Learning

Child Safety News

National Child Protection Week

Last week our students participated in Australia's Largest Online Child Safety Lesson as part of the National Child Safety Week. The lesson itself was led by the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

What was covered?

This year the theme was around consent with examples of consent relating to:

- sharing pictures (social media link)
- sharing belongings



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- joining in games that include touching e.g. dance, tiggy

Key Takeaways

1. A major takeaway that students were sharing in their classes was the idea that consent can change. That it is not a permanent can change daily, weekly but more importantly it can change in the moment as well
2. Tone of voice and body language have major roles to play and anyone seeking consent must be aware of these. Far beyond the simplicity of the words 'yes; and 'no'
3. Yes - must be a confident and all in. If there is any doubt in the person's voice or body language, then it is a no - even though yes may have been said

All in all this was a really positive experience that we believe students took a lot from. In late October we will be participating in the Daniel Morcombe Day. We will share more information on this early next term.

Wellbeing News



Tips for the School Holidays...

The following are some tips to help you have fun and connect with your children so you make the most of your school holidays.

- Involve your kids in making a list of activities they would like to do over the holidays.
- Schedule downtime and one on one time each child
- Include plenty of free activities such as picnics, bike rides, libraries etc.
- Boredom is ok and often encourages children to use their imagination
- Have slow mornings and encourage your kids to make their own breakfast and lunch
- Organise play dates with friends
- Take time for yourself, even if it's half an hour to have a cuppa while the children play

Wishing you all a wonderful holiday break :)

Digital Technologies News



Digital Tech News

TERM 3 WEEK 10



TECH ANGELS EXCURSION!

On Tuesday, the tech angels took a train to the city to participate in Race3000. This was a race against 10 other schools all around Melbourne, looking for 9 key locations such as the Princess Theatre, Old Melbourne Gaol & Melbourne town hall.

We had to use an app called ActionBound to navigate around the city to each location. When we arrived at a location we either had to take a photo, type something or answer questions as part of a quiz!

After lunch, we learned about the process and started planning our very scavenger hunt that we hope to complete with our fellow 5/6 students!



Foundation News



Foundation

Production Night



Oh what a night ! The foundation students knocked our socks off on Production night. They did an amazing job remembering their songs and actions as well as how to move on and off the stage. Well done to all Foundation students. Your teachers are glowing with pride !

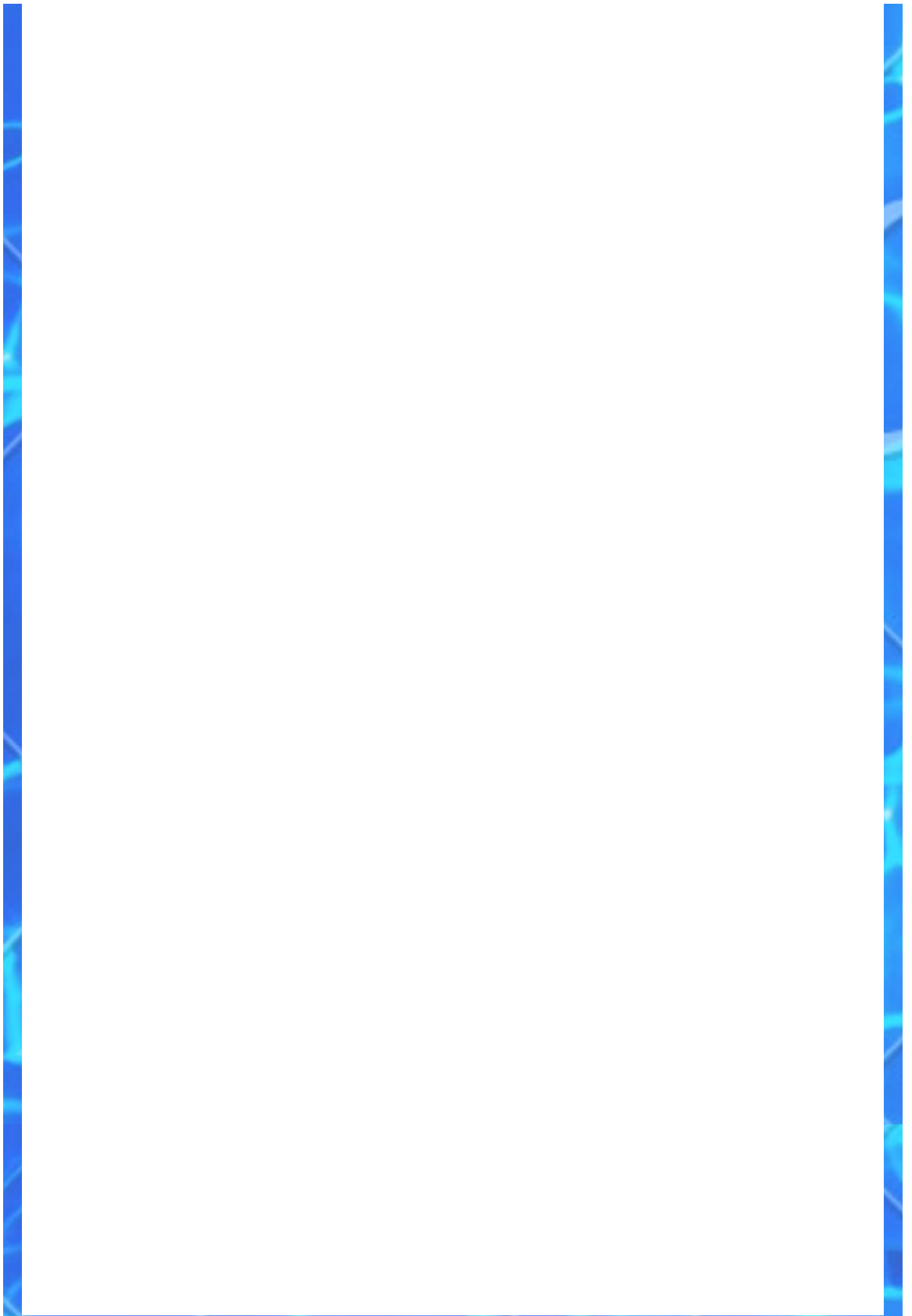
Literacy

In the last week of Term 3, we revised all our sounds, tail letters and digraphs and wrote about how we plan to spend our holidays.

Mathematics

This week in Maths lessons we have been learning about patterns. The children explored patterns in different ways. We can repeat actions, i.e stomp, clap, jump, create an art work or order objects to make a pattern, i.e yellow counter, red counter, blue counter..





Foundation

Wellbeing



Our lessons going into Term 4 will continue to focus on developing resilience. We ask that you continue conversations around 'Ant and Elephant problems' and use this language to support your child with any challenges that arise over the school holidays. Ant problems are small problems that can be solved easily without the help of an adult, e.g. I can't find a pencil. An elephant problem is much bigger and requires the help of an adult to overcome, e.g. a friend continues to say unkind things to me. Here is our solution wheel – we use this to help the children solve problems independently.



Term 4 highlights

We are busy working on new Investigation areas and we can't wait for you to explore them next term.

Our Inquiry topic next term is People, places and connections. You can help tune your child into the topic by talking about where your family comes from, your traditions and how your culture shapes what you do and the places you go.

We look forward to an excursion to MoPA – Museum of Play and Art.



Enjoy the holidays
and see you in Term 4 !

Foundation teachers.



Year 1/2 News

1/2 Newsletter



Production was so much fun! Our students had the best time and the confidence with which they performed was exceptional.



Year 3/4 News

3/4 CLASSROOM NEWS



The last two weeks we have been exploring mass and capacity. 3/4's finished the term with a capacity challenge: we had lots of fun and learnt the importance of team work.



A goal for reading this term has been improving fluency so we work in fluency partners daily. We are also investigating what makes objects move and have participated in some fun experiments.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS



Year 5/6 News



After an event filled Term 3,
our 5/6s are ready for HOLIDAYS!



Numeracy Intervention News

Dandenong District Maths Day

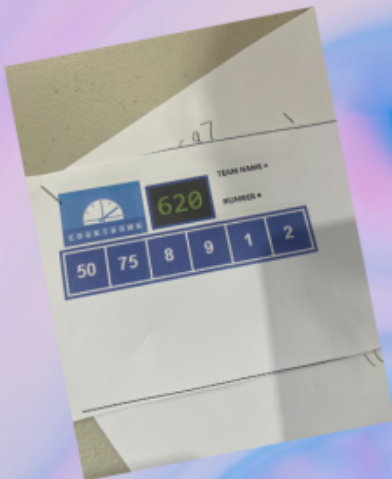
Yesterday, I had the privilege of taking 4 Year 4 students to compete in the Dandenong District Maths Day.

The students were a credit to St Elizabeth's, demonstrating fair play, politeness and wonderful school spirit by always having a go.

Even when one of the activities became a challenge, one of our students made the comment,

“We're from St. Elizabeth's and we never give up.”

The students participated in many different activities that involved working together as a team or in pairs and competing against students from other schools.



One of the activities involved using the numbers in the blue boxes to make the total.

Here is what our students came up with.

$$\begin{aligned} 50 \times 8 &= 400 \\ 75 \times 9 &= 675 \\ 50 \div 2 &= 25 \\ 675 - 25 &= 650 \end{aligned}$$

Using Tangram pieces to recreate pictures.



Working together to solve a problem





Playing 24 in pairs,
against other
students



Well done team!

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中秋节

Mid-Autumn Festival

In Term 3, we have been learning Chinese festivals and celebrations. We have investigated culture, customs, and traditions behind various Chinese festivals. We have also learnt legends of the festivals, exploring different ways of story telling.

During the upcoming school holiday, we will celebrate the Mid-Autumn Festival (Moon Festival) of 2023. There will be a celebration at Queen Victoria Market on September 23rd and 24th. It will be a great opportunity to experience different culture and spend time with your family.



THAT'S A WRAP FOR TERM 3



ATHLETICS

After competing at district athletics these 5 students went on to represent St E's at Divisions. Congratulations to all 5 of these children for giving it their best shot with Jimmy going on to Regionals in the 1500m. Good luck!



As Term 3 comes to its conclusion, our students have had a great time exploring gymnastics, table tennis and skipping. We explored team work and counter balancing which the children loved.



What's to come in Term 4

- Division Basketball Final
- Whole school swimming
- Hockey coaching
- Fitness Club - every Wednesday





JUNIOR CRICKET PLAYERS REQUIRED FOR THIS COMING SEASON

PLAY

GIRLS PROGRAM

Under 12 Girls

Be a part of the club inaugural girls team and become a part of this great club's history. We are looking for girls who are keen learn this great game and become the future of the girl's game.



BOYS PROGRAM

Under 10
Under 12
Under 14
Under 16



Please contact Rodney Keyaerts on 0466 698 168 or register at play.cricket.com.au and search for Lyndale.

Training Begins Monday 11th September at 5.30 at
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