

St Elizabeth's School Newsletter

Term 3 - Friday 16th September 2022

Principal News

What a term!

This term has been jam packed!

As a school we have provided our children and families with so many different experiences, ranging from camps, excursions and community events. Each event has provided rich learning experiences, as well crucial social interactions.

Last Thursday night we all participated and engaged in our Art Show. Our school was transformed into a gallery, where our children's creativity and artistic flair was on display. The feedback from all who attended was that it was AMAZING!

It was lovely to see parents and children enjoying the displays, with many smiles, hugs and kisses happening. It was also lovely to see our families reconnecting with one another; catching up and having a laugh.



Our Art Show could not have been such a success without all the hard work, organisation, vision, dedication and persistence from Mrs Tania Ladson, our Visual Arts teacher. Tania has worked very hard all year with the children, skilling them up on different art techniques and then designing how she would creatively display these pieces. As a school community, we can not express our gratitude for the amazing work Tania helped create. THANK YOU Mrs Ladson!

A BIG thank you also goes out to all of our staff who supported the children and Mrs Ladson with the art work and show. Thank you also to all parents for attending and celebrating in this learning. It was a great success.

After another big term, we are all ready for a well deserved break. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us and we will have many opportunities to catch up with friends in Melbourne's glorious weather. Wishing all our families a safe and relaxing holiday.

Art Show



Fundraising

As a Catholic school, each year we receive federal and state government funding to enable our school to operate and provide quality teaching staff. To receive this funding, one of the conditions we must adhere to is to raise our own private income to supplement this. As a school we do this via our school fees and fundraising.



This term our fundraising efforts have been via:

- Sushi lunch
- Pizza lunch
- Hot dog lunch
- Father's Day Stall
- School Disco
- Art Show

- Cadbury Chocolate raffle
- Weekly icy pole and chip sales

Our families have been very generous in their support and donations and we have raised this term approximately \$4000 in profit. WOW!!!

This money is always reinvested back into the school, providing resources for our children. We are currently fundraising to finish off our back playground, where we would like to transform an old shipping container into a cubby house and to create a dry river creek bed, for exploration and fun.

Without each families support for our fundraising events, we wouldn't be able to provide these great play spaces, so THANK YOU for digging deep and helping out. Each dollar goes towards making St Elizabeth's a great place for our children.

Term 4



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

Colour Fun Run

Unfortunately last year due to COVID restrictions we were unable to hold our Colour Fun Run.

Now that many of these restrictions have eased, we are planning on holding our annual Colour Fun Run in late November/early December. We are looking at making this a family twilight event.

Watch this space for more details!



Monday 31st October

In previous years, the Monday before Melbourne Cup Day has always been a school closure day. Since we are now governed by MACS (Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools), schools may only take a maximum of 6 days a year as school closure days.

As we have reached our quota for the year with our final day being Friday 18th November, school WILL be open on Monday 31st October.

We know that many of our families like to take this long weekend to go away to recharge, rejuvenate and refresh before the busyness that the end of the year brings.

We are anticipating that most families will be doing this, therefore this Monday will be a fun, hands on day of activities for those children who need to attend. There are many times when having quality family time is important, and this is one of them.

Early next term we will send home an Operoo for families to indicate whether they will be sending their children on this day.

Important Dates

TERM 4

Monday 3rd October - First day of Term 4 Monday 10th October - Andrew Chinn concert Tuesday 12th October - Sausage sizzle lunch Friday 14th October - 2023 Foundation transition session 9-11am Sunday 16th October - Year 6 Confirmation @ 2pm Thursday 27th October - 2023 Foundation transition session 9-11am Monday 31st October - School optional Tuesday 1st November - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday Thursday 3rd November - Pizza lunch Tuesday 8th November - Parish Forum @ 6.30pm Thursday 10th November - 2023 Foundation Transition session 9-11am Thursday 10th November - St E's Got Talent @ 2.15pm Friday 11th November - Remembrance Day Friday 18th November - School Closure Day Tuesday 22nd November - Cheese Toastie lunch Thursday 24th November - 2023 Foundation Transition session 9-11am Saturday 26th November - State election Sunday 27th November - Week 1 Advent Monday 28th November - F-6 swimming begins Friday 2nd December - F-6 swimming ends Sunday 4th December - Week 2 Advent Sunday 11th December - Week 3 Advent Thursday 15th December - Year 6 Graduation Mass Sunday 18th December Week 3 Advent Monday 19th December- Last day for F-Yr 5 students

Tuesday 20th December - Staff last day

Education in Faith News

YEAR 6 EXCURSION TO MARY MACKILLOP CENTRE

Reflections from Lily: We learnt that Mary had a hard life and cared for women and children. She built a home for them and gave them food and clothes even though she was poor.



Reflections from Zac: I learnt what Mary MacKillop stood for and what she



Reflections from Catalina:One
of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit
is 'Fear of the Lord' This
means that we should have
trust in the Lord and not
worry. Mary MacKillop became
a Saint because of her kindness
and showed all the gifts of the
Spirit. I want to be brave like
her.



> wanted in her life. Mary protected women and children and created a safe place for them.

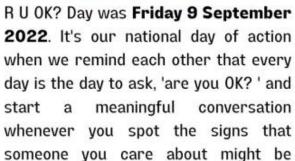


Wellbeing News















struggling with life.

Use these four steps and have a conversation that could change a life:

- 1.Ask R U OK?
- 2.Listen
- 3. Encourage action
- 4. Check in







Foundation News

FOUNDATION NEWS

Inquiry

This term in Inquiry, students learned and showed others all about our families. We mapped out countries they're from and discussed special traditions and traits about our different families. Our students loved sharing special facts and we saw lots of interests come alive during our Investigation time.











IN MATHS...

We have been learning about subtraction and this week we had fun taking away (& eating) smarties. Students really enjoyed lots of hands-on activities to practise subtraction strategies and counting backwards as we drag objects.







Year 1/2 News

1/2 News



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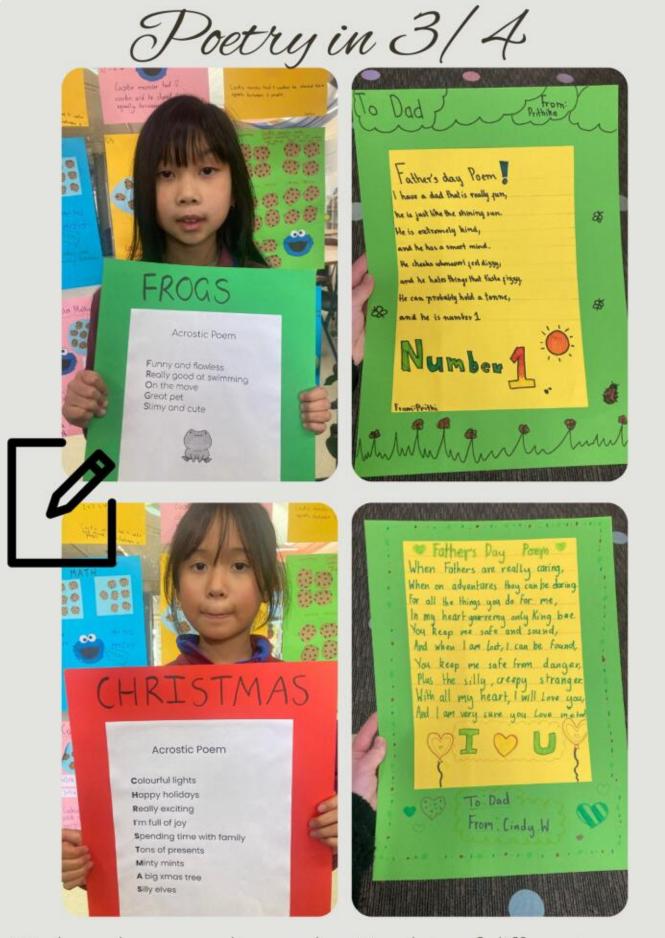


Year 3/4 News

Ve use the panels to learn songs

and actions for meditation and

Religion.



We have been reading and writing lots of different poems!

We have learnt about a variety of poetic devices, including alliteration, imagery, rhyme and onomatopoeia.

Year 5/6 News



INQUIRY AND RELIGION

Our Inquiry topic in Term 4 is Geography. Our students have already shown a keen interest in countries all over the world and so we are excited for the opportunity to tap into this further! Students will be engaging in a variety of activities about different places around the globe, starting in Israel and ending in tropical Samoa!

Through our RE Unit, students will develop a deeper understanding of scripture by unpacking the geography and culture of the time Bible stories were written. We will spend a few weeks looking specifically at Peter the Apostle and how his journey through Israel was the starting point of the Catholic Church

Learning Focuses

MATHS

In Maths we will cover a range of topics, including:

- · Fractions, Decimals and Percentages
- 2D and 3D shape
- Mass, Volume and Capacity
- Four Operations and Money

LITERACY

This term in Literacy we are focusing heavily on building the students speaking and listening skills. The students will continue to participate in shared reading experiences, discussing group texts and unpacking author choices. Through our

Area and Perimeter





writing sessions, students will explore debating as a team and revisit the power of persuasive writing. Towards the middle of the term, students will integrate their Inquiry and Writing, creating oral presentations about a country of their choice and presenting to an audience.

Don't forget your hats!

Literacy Intervention News

Literacy Intervention











Look at L how we learn

new words



Mini set cards
Flash cards
Magnetic letters
Changing medial vowels
Whiteboards
Writing digraphs (sounds)
Reading books







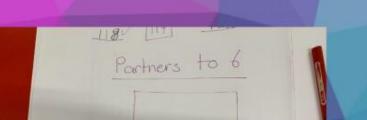


Numeracy Intervention News

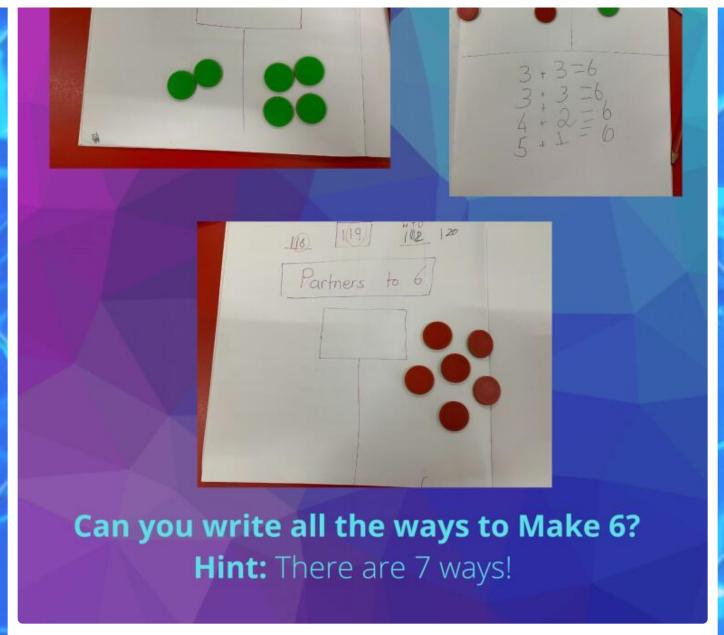
Partners to 6

Many students have been busy finding ways to make 6.

Have a look at what they created.







PE News



Term 3 Done and Dusted

We only have one more term left for 2022! We have been very fortunate to have coaches in for both AFL and Gymnastics which your children have loved. It has been fantastic to see them all trying new things and for many, stepping outside of their comfort zones with some of the gymnastics activities.

The 5/6 students competed in the Winter Interschool Sports program playing AFL, soccer, rugby tag and netball.

We also had a number of students who represented our school in cross country and athletics

FITNESS CLUB

a good showing with 13 people attending including one mum with her beautiful children. Everyone worked really hard and enjoyed completing a 15min workout without weights. This was a great way to start our day.

I look forward to seeing more people in Term 4!

SUMMARY

1/2's worked on the
fundamentals of
throwing and
catching throughout

Our Year 3/4 and 5/6 completed a fitness program where they were tested on

 were tested on different components of fitness.

competed in Winter
Interschool Sports
playing AFL, soccer,
rugby tag and
netball.

 All students were coached in AFL and Gymnastics

Term 3 Gymnastics and Fitness Club



Balancing on the beam

Division Athletics

On Monday 9 students from Year 3-6 represented our school in both track and field events at the Division Athletics. All 9 children finished in the top 3 in both or one of their events. 5 of these children have now made it to the Regionals early next term. What an amazing achievement! We are extremely proud of their achievements, sportsmanship and resilience. Congratulations!



Chinese News





Do you celebrate 'full moon' in your culture? In Chinese tradition, the full moon is a symbol of peace, prosperity, and family reunion. That is why the Mid-Autumn Festival, with the biggest and roundest moon, is one of the most important celebrations to Chinese people.

In 2022, Mid-Autumn Festival falls on 10th September. In our Chinese lessons, we explored about the festival through various activities. We listened to the legend of 'Chang e' and 'hou yi', knowing the origin and the customs of the celebration. We also learnt to make Mid-Autumn bunny 'yu tu' and shadow puppets to celebrate the festival.



School Community News

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Ever wanted to give athletics a go? Meet new friends, spend quality time with family, have fun and achieve your personal best?

Participate in a variety of running, throwing and jumping events whilst being surrounded by a supportive community!

What are you waiting for?





Springvale Little Athletics Ross Reserve Memorial Drive Noble Park



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Starting
Friday 7th October
5:30pm
Register Now
www.springvalelac.com

Contact: 0481 225 565

Out of School Hours Care News



Youth Leadership Victoria Vacation Care Program St Elizabeth Primary School spring holiday program september 2022

111 Bakers Rd, DANDENONG NORTH 3175 OPEN 7:00AM-6:00PM
For more info please contact Elarine on: 0422 803 709 or visit YLV.COM.AU

Please provide your child with a healthy packed lunch, snacks for morning/afternoon tea, and a refillable water bottle. Please respect our Nut Free policy and ensure your child doesn't bring money to vacation care. Sunscreen is supplied by YLV but if your child requires a certain sunscreen please supply the service with it. Make sure children are sent with a broad brimmed hat for outdoor play.



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