



ELIZABETH EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter - Term 3 Week 4

Disco Fun!

On Friday night, our fundraising committee successfully ran our school disco. It was great to see so many of our students come along and enjoy this fun school event. A huge thank you to both the fundraising committee and the staff who supported the night. We raised around \$230 for the fundraising committee. There are a few more events planned this term so keep your eye out for further information.



Phonics Screening Check

Over the coming weeks, our year one students will be undertaking the state-wide Phonics Screening Check. The assessment supports our teachers to track and monitor our students progress in their development of phonics skills. The test consists of a mix of 40 real and nonsense words for students to read. The state-wide benchmark is for all students to achieve at least 28 out of 40 correct. Our JP teachers have recently been reviewing how we teach phonics at Elizabeth East and are currently making some adjustments to their practice. This has taken them out of the classroom for additional training and development with one of the literacy "experts" from the education system. I would like to acknowledge their hard work, as through my observations in classrooms I have noticed some changes to their practice in this area. I know that this will only benefit our learners and strengthen their opportunities to progress further with their learning.

Our Canteen Needs Your Help!

The canteen has reopened this term to provide our students with the opportunity of purchasing lunch orders or buying a treat or two with their spending money. However, the canteen has made an operational loss over the last few weeks. Our Governing Council will continue to monitor the situation over the rest of the term. So what does this mean? We need your support, to ensure the canteen is viable we need our school community to use this service. If the canteen continues to lose money, the Governing Council may need to close it and look at alternatives to providing a service for families. Please note the canteen is open Monday, Thursday and Friday and you can order via the QKR! App.

Book Week

Next week is book week! I can't wait to see everyone dressed up as their favourite book character on the Thursday! I wonder how many parents and staff will get involved as well? Don't forget this is a community event so families are welcome to stay on Thursday morning for the parade. I look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible!

Thomas Harvey

Principal

ATHLETICS

On Friday the 12th August, 20 students from Elizabeth East PS went to Bridgestone Park to compete against all the other schools from our district in athletics. Most of the students had been training at school, both during lunchtime and after school, some of them training 2 or 3 times a week with different events.

On the day the students did their school proud and tried their hardest. I was extremely impressed with the effort that was put in by all of the children and the persistence they put in throughout the whole day. We had students encouraging each other and helping to get them over the line, whether it was running the 800m or going over the high jump bar.

A couple of notable results that I know of so far; Declan and Kain both made the final in the 100m sprints, with Declan winning his race. Kain put in an awesome effort to finish 4th, but unfortunately he had nothing left to give at the end, although he tried his best, as did all of our kids, he couldn't quite close the gap with the top 3. The other positive result was the U/12 boy high jump where Johnathan managed to pip out another student for first place. John managed a jump of 135cm. which was an awesome effort in the wet and slippery conditions.

There may be some other top 3 results which I will find out about shortly.

Congratulations to all the students who participated and did our school proud.

Greg Frost

H & PE teacher



SCHOOL DISCO

What a great night and turn out on Friday for the school disco, it was great to see all kids and adults having such a great time.

Thank you to the fundraising committee, teaching staff, volunteers and extra help from parents. Without you this wouldn't have been able to go ahead, your help is very much appreciated. We were able to raise \$229.35 for our school, thank you to all parents.

Thank you Fundraising Committee



PARLIAMENT HOUSE

On Tuesday August 16, some of our year 6 students were invited as part of the Charter Ambassador Program to visit Parliament House. Students were treated to a tour of Parliament House and were given morning tea in Old Parliament House. We then went to the Balcony room (Parliament House) where we were greeted by, Mr Graham Jaeschke, Deputy Presiding Member, Child Development Council, Professor Barbara Spears, the Hon Blair Boyer MP, Minister for Education, Skills and Training; Mr Matt Cowdrey OAM MP and Ms Connie Bonaros MLC.

Students discussed with the Ministers

- Decision-making and change (e.g., by the Government of South Australia and how Parliament works. How are decisions made about what should happen?)
- Citizenship and influence (e.g., how children and young people can influence decision-making and effective/productive ways to influence change)
- Leadership and advocacy (e.g., how children and young people can be leaders in their communities, at school and advocate for South Australia's Charter for Children and Young People).

They then had question time with Minister Boyer, Mr Cowdrey and Ms Bonaros.

They talked about ways to contribute to Parliament as a young person and then reflected on their observations in the Chamber.

Our students were very talkative and learnt how our three systems of government works and the traditions behind how Parliament works.

They loved sitting in the MP's seats in the Upper House.

Well done to the students who represented our school.

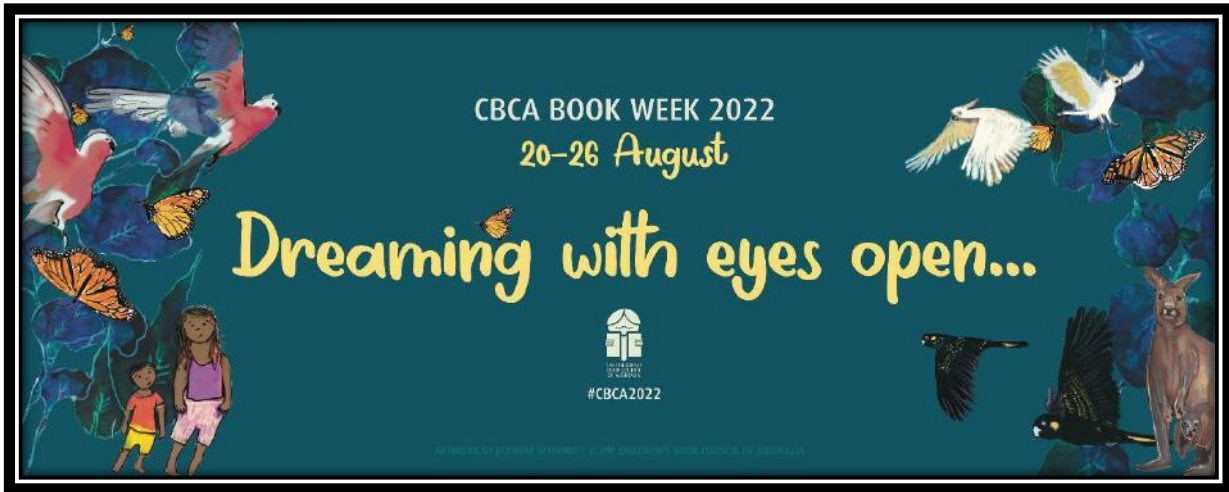
Phillip Bloffwitch

Wellbeing Coordinator

PARLIAMENT HOUSE



BOOK WEEK INFORMATION



Performance:

Friday 19th (students only)

Class activities during the week.

**Community Parade:
Thursday 25th**

9:15am

Dress-up in a story book character!



KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT - 2023



ENROL NOW FOR 2023

Do you have a child ready to start kindergarten soon?

We would love you to join the Elizabeth East Kindergarten in 2023.

Starting in 2023, Mid year intake will commence.

OCCASIONAL CARE

Is your child between 2-4 years old?

We offer a safe and friendly environment to help your child get ready for the next step!

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IMPORTANT DATES

Pupil Free Day

Monday 22nd August

Book Week

Monday 22nd August – Friday 26th August

Special Person Day Stall

Wednesday 31st August and Thursday 1st September

School Closure Day – Royal Adelaide Show Day

Monday 5th September

Governing Council Meeting

Monday 12th September

Sports Day

Friday 23rd September

Last Day of Term 3

Friday 30th September

Pupil Free Day

Monday 22nd August

School Closure Day – Royal Adelaide Show Day

Monday 5th September