



*St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School
Newsletter
Bringing alive our Core Values of
'Charity, Service, Humility and Compassion'*



Term Three Week Ten
17 September 2018

Our School Prayer

Dear Jesus

*Saint Elizabeth brought care to the sick, food to the hungry and hope to those in need.
Grant us the blessing that we may follow in her footsteps with love and joy in our hearts,
to always be faithful and to serve with humility and compassion.*

Amen

So many positive and wonderful events have occurred since our last Newsletter, please allow me the time to recap.

Week 6

Year One Liturgy

On the Feast Day of The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our beautiful year one class led us in prayer using the theme; 'Loving Others'. "By this all people with know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." Whilst we will have the occasional disagreement in the classrooms, staffroom and playground, I believe we genuinely demonstrate care and support for each other, big and small.

Week 7

Kindy and Pre Primary - Father's Day Breakfast

Big hugs to Morrie Cheeseman for stepping up to the plate and cooking the sausages. Morrie is the grandfather of one of our 2014 kindy students and was very involved in our early days. God bless! Well done to the staff for getting up with the 'chooks' and looking bright and breezy for the Father's Day Breakfast. A very busy morning which was thoroughly enjoyed by the dads and the children.

Father's Day Stall

Thank you to Lisa Grundy and Amber Evans for organising the Father's Day Stall. Every child managed to take home a gift! Well done and thank you to our community for your support; parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and staff. Our reward was watching the beautiful smiles as the children selected their present for their dad.

Year Three Assembly

The year three students recalled their thoughts about "Why My Dad is Special" which was a little emotional as we heard their reasons coming from the heart. Their choral speaking of "My Dad Thinks He is Funny" was beautifully expressed and extremely amusing. Thank you year three class, a very enjoyable assembly!

Commonwealth Banking

The children were so excited to see Addy the Mascot come along to our assembly. Thank you Alana Marshall and Karen Bone for your contribution to the school community, in particular your enthusiasm in encouraging the children to become involved in learning about saving money.

Footy Colours Day

Wow! This day is always a colourful day when we all wear our team colours; AFL, local footy, soccer and the NRL. We raised \$154.40 towards the Archbishops LifeLink Appeal. Well done!

Week 8

Our Sports Carnival

What a fantastic happy community day. The feedback from many of our parents has been so positive. The atmosphere was certainly enhanced by the Coffee Van and the Cake Stall. Blessings to Brooke Smith and Amber Evans and the ladies who baked, help set up and worked on the stall. Congratulations Naomi Clarkson on a well organised and fun filled day. You are a star!

Week 9

New Families – Open Night

Belinda Stewart, our President of the Parents & Friends Association organised an Open Night for our New Families joining us in 2019. This event, I believe will become an annual event, parents supporting parents. A very successful and well attended evening.

Open Night

Well done to a dozen or so of our families who braved the cool evening to enjoy a picnic on the oval. It was a very busy night with a huge number of parents, grandparents and children walking through the classrooms. If you have any suggestions about how we can improve the night (excluding the gate – we will have the times changed accordingly) please email me at carmel.oshaughnessy@cewa.edu.au I look forward to some fresh ideas.

Year Two Assembly

Week nine was the National Week of Deaf People, to celebrate and highlight deaf people in our community, differences should not matter. The year two children performed a story retell “I’m Australian Too” Kaleb read the story whilst the remainder of the class used Auslan – catering for both hearing and non-hearing people. Well done year two a beautiful inclusive assembly.

Week 10 – This Week!

2:20pm Wednesday, 19 September – Pre Primary Liturgy

The Pre Primary children will be celebrating and thanking God for the gift of our bodies. We thank Father Ben who will be leading us in prayer.

Friday, 21 September

Last day for term three, time for all of us to smell the roses.

School Climate Survey

Many thanks to the parents and staff who were able to take the time to complete the survey. Next term, we will provide you with the feedback and of course will use the data to maintain what we do well and devise strategies to move forward on those aspects that need improving.

Fundraising

Charity

Over the last six months (semester one) we; the parents and staff have donated money towards the following causes.

Pirate Day – Research into Childhood Cancer	\$ 184.30
LifeLink Day	\$ 154.40
Project Compassion	\$ 259.95
Hay for Farmers	<u>\$ 404.65</u>
TOTAL	\$1003.30

This is a very generous amount given with compassion and love for others. God bless you all!

Parent & Friends Association

Parents supporting the School

Sports Carnival – Cake Stall	\$425.80
Donation from Coffeelicious	TBA
Mother’s Day Stall	\$319.00
Father’s Day Stall	<u>\$196.00</u>
TOTAL	\$940.80 (approximate amount, final figures to be announced)

However, the point of this information is to demonstrate what an amazing community in terms of generosity, compassion, service and charity we have here at St Elizabeth’s CPS!

Principal Merit Awards

These awards were presented to parents who actively participated in the Parents' & Friends' Association 2019 Future Families Night and sharing their personal stories about our wonderful school.

The final Principal Merit Award was presented to Belinda Stewart for organising the Future Families Night in her desire to build community.

Congratulations to all our children who received a Christianity and/or a Merit Award this term. We look forward to seeing the students strive to be the best they can be!

Initial Dates for Term Four

Monday, 8 October

Professional Development Day – School Closed.

Tuesday, 9 October

All Students Commence.

5:00pm Wednesday, 10 October

Reconciliation Workshop for year three Catholic students and their parents.

5:30pm Monday, 15 October

P & F Association Committee Meeting.

6:00pm Tuesday, 16 October

Sacrament of Reconciliation – year three Catholic students.

9:00am Thursday, 25 October

2019 Kindy Orientation

Merit and Christianity Awards

Congratulations to the following children who received awards last week.

Merit Awards

Pre Primary

Elizabeth Walczak
Hudson Barr
Tawana Nhunzvi

Year Two

Matilda Button-Sykes
Caitlyn Royce

Year One

Hannah Thompson

Year Three

Lillian Hodges

Assistant Principal's Award

Chloe Charvill

Science Award

Amelie Ayres

Principal Awards

Belinda Stewart, Lyndal Trott, Kerry Boscarino-Hunter, Ciara Slim, Helen Sykes, Lisa Grundy, Fiona Watson, Lisa Henderson, Antonietta Hastie, Kasey Ayres, Janelle Thompson and Jessica Hodges

Christianity Awards

Pre Primary

Year Two

Abigail Batt

Year One

Georgia Marshall

Year Three

Nathaniel Harris

Care Bear Winners
Awarded to the class who are demonstrating the value of Humility.
This week the winning class is.....

Kindy with 74 raffle tickets!

Enjoy the holidays and blessings for your support. To all our staff, thank you for your commitment to the children in our care, their families and each other, you deserve to take time out. Keep safe, happy and well. God bless!

"May God keep us safe in the palm of his hand"

Carmel O'Shaughnessy

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