



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



Term Two, Week Three
9 May 2017

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

Welcome

We welcome a new family into our St Elizabeth's Community, Tamara Tulloch our 90th student with her parents; Natasha and Mark. We look forward to experiencing a positive relationship with you during your time with us.

Kindy Interviews for 2018

To date I have completed our 2018 kindy intake for families who have completed an application. Parents who intend to enrol their second child and have not yet completed the application form, please do so in the near future so we can ensure a place is allocated for your child.

Digital Technology Meeting

Last Wednesday, we had a very productive meeting around all matters concerning social media. Whilst we discussed several matters, this information will be passed on to the School Board and Staff for their input before a policy can be finalised and then forwarded to our community. My approach and concerns about social media is first and foremost about the safety and privacy of all children here at St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School. Please take the time to read the attached article from Julie Inman Grant, Children's eSafety Commissioner which was sent in by one of our parents. Thank you!

Important points from the meeting;

- Parents are permitted to take photographs of your own child.
- Photographs will not be uploaded to St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary Schools Facebook page.
- Parents are requested not to take group photographs.
- We have several families who have requested that their child/ren not be photographed by other parents nor uploaded on any social media.

Any social media under the banner of St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School must follow the Code of Conduct. Parents, it is your responsibility with what you choose to do with your child's photograph. I encourage you to check your privacy settings and take time to think about your child's digital footprint.

Please consider – We need you!

Busy Bee, Saturday, 27 May 2017

Although the original date on the Parent Calendar for the Busy Bee was a week earlier, we have changed the date to ensure Leo Vinci is available with his 'trusty' bobcat.

I have attached an invitation to all parents which I ask you to sign and return asap to ensure we have the numbers to undertake the work. Both the kindy - pre-primary playground and the garden beds to the Undercover Area are badly in need of woodchips.

The task of course for us 'workers' is to spread the woodchips as Leo dumps the loads. Remember 'many hands make light work'! Looking forward to a very big positive response so we can all go home early!!

Parents and Friends Association

Following the meeting last night, please keep these events in mind over the remainder of the year. More information will be provided as each one draws closer. A friendly reminder; the P&F Association is first and foremost about building community, providing opportunities to be supportive of the marginalized and to finally fundraising events to support the school in purchasing resources.

The following events will take place for the remainder of this year;

Term Two

Movie Day – Fundraising
School Disco – Community

Term Three

Open Night for Classroom, Picnic – Community
Quiz Night – Fundraising
Lapathon – Fundraising

Term Four

Wheelbarrow of Wine – Fundraising
Charity Back Packs, PMH – Charity
St Vinnies Christmas Appeal – Charity

A very big thank you to the organisers, Amanda and Lisa Grundy for the Living Fundraisers, they raised over \$700.00 which was a fantastic effort. Thank you to parents, friends and relatives for supporting the event. Your order is in the office, please call by and collect it at your earliest convenience.

The P&F Association Committee will keep you well informed of the dates in a timely manner. You, the parents make the final decision according to your availability and financial budget.

Upcoming Events – Heads up!

Wednesday, 10 May, 8:40am - Year One Mother's Day Assembly – (Whole School)

Wednesday, 10 May, 9:00am - Pre Primary Dental Visit

Thursday, 11 May 1:50pm - 2:50pm - Kindy children pampering mums for Mother's Day.

Sunday, 14 May - Mother's Day. We wish all mothers a very Happy Mother's Day.

Wednesday, 17 May, 2:20pm - Year Two Liturgy (Whole School)

Thursday, 18 May, 1:30 - 2:30pm - Whole School Incursion – Barry Peters Music Concert (students only).

Sunday, 4 June, 9:00am - St Elizabeth's Community Mass at St Anthony's Church (Please note date change)

Thursday, 8 June - Pirate Day - Children come dressed as happy pirates for a gold coin donation to support research for children's cancer (Whole School)

Liturgical Year

Saturday, 13 May - Our Lady of Fatima

Sunday, 14 May - 5th Sunday of Easter

Thursday, 15 May - St John I

Saturday, 20 May - St Bernadine of Siena

Wednesday, 24 May - Our Lady Help of Christians

Mothers enjoy Sunday. Dads and sons no matter how big or small show your mums how much you love and appreciate them for all they do. It doesn't have to be diamonds, although we would not say no, we just love the hugs and kisses. God bless!

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

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