

# Eltham Public School

"Helping Each Other Grow"

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Term 4 - Week 9

Thursday, 8 December 2011

## Lucinda Awards

### Fab day!

A great day was had by all at the launch of our movie "Claire Frylls" at the Star Court theatre in Lismore on Tuesday.



Students, parents and staff dressed in their glad rags to watch the movies of the 11 participating schools on the big screen. Jasmine and Tahlia proudly collected our Lucinda for "producing an insight filled documentary".

The Lucinda movie project is a wonderful learning experience based around the process of making television and movies and we look forward to being involved next year.

## Concert and Presentation Night

Now at Lismore Public School Hall 7.15pm

Just a reminder that the annual concert and presentation night will now be held at Lismore Public School Hall, Pound Street Lismore. We were fortunate to be able to secure this venue at such short notice as all other closer halls were unavailable for tonight.

Families are requested to be in attendance by 7.15pm with the presentation commencing at 7.30pm sharp. The awards part of the evening will be followed by our performance of "Mary Poppins". The evening will conclude with a visit from Santa.

Due to the change of venue we will not be holding a BBQ so families are asked to eat before they come along.

We look forwards to seeing you all there!! Please phone Jackie on her mobile if you are unsure of directions 0400 942 283.

## Next Week

The last week for 2011

Next week is a busy week at school – tidying up and having some festive fun. It is also a special week for our Year 6 students who will be moving on to high school. On Monday they will be surfing in Byron Bay with Year 6 students from other small schools.

On Thursday they will be having the Graduation dinner at the Eltham Valley Pantry with their parents and staff. They will be presented with their year books on this night.

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December (last day of the school year for students) they will be farewelled by the students and school community. The students will be giving their speeches to the school, this will be followed by the traditional running through the arch and a cake to share for morning tea.

The morning tea will commence at 10.00am and all families and friends are invited to attend as we farewell Year 6 2011.

## Planning for 2012

### 2 classes

Our enrolment for next year is currently 49. This will see us forming two classes – K-2 and 3-6. We are aware that these are going to be larger classes but we will be putting in place strategies that we maximise the use of resources to ensure the continuation of the fantastic programs we currently offer. These strategies include K-6 team teaching, splitting into 3 groups and differentiated learning.

To form a 3<sup>rd</sup> class we need 52 students. If all things remain equal we would require 3 extra students. If you know anyone who is considering Eltham for their children please follow them up and let us know as soon as possible if we have any new students for 2012. Also if your circumstances have changed and you will not be returning to Eltham next year please let me know.

We are confident that we will get the required number of students in the future and should this happen after the commencement of the school year 2012 a 3<sup>rd</sup> teacher would still be appointed. I can be contacted at home or on my mobile throughout the holidays should you hear of any prospective students who would like to visit the school.

## Happy Birthday

December 11<sup>th</sup> – Gabe J, December 12<sup>th</sup> – Mia, December 19<sup>th</sup> – Brooke K C

We hope you all enjoy your special day!



Quote of the week:

*The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched, they must be felt with the heart.*

Helen Keller

## Calendar – Term 4 2011

### Week 10

Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	2.30pm ARL Skills
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 Dinner
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 Morning tea
	Final day for 2011

## Calendar – Term 1 2012

### Week 1

Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Staff Development Day
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### Week 2

Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Students Y1-6 return
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Kindergarten students commence
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	First North Swimming Carnival at Alstonville Pool

## Tennis Lessons

### Recommence Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2012

Professional tennis coach Amanda Mead would like to congratulate the pupils of Eltham Primary School for their continued hard work during their tennis lessons.

This Term the pupils have progressed well and are starting to learn not just techniques but also tactics, in order to win points. Next week is our last session for 2011 and we will restart on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2012.

Amanda looks forward to continuing the coaching program in 2012 and wishes everyone a Merry Christmas.

If you would like your son or daughter to start coaching next term, spaces are currently available. Sessions run during school time on a Wednesday and cost \$8 per week.

For further information you can contact Amanda Mead on 0424 970 367.

## P&C News

### Friday Canteen

Normal canteen will continue until 16<sup>th</sup> December 2011. Stocks are getting low so children may not get exactly what they order but they will be asked before given an alternative.

In 2012 there will be no canteen on the first Friday of each month due to personal commitments. If anyone would like to

consider taking on the "Meal Deal Day" please contact the school.

Amanda

## Community Notices

Check out the Notice Board for more notices

### Bangalow Presbyterian Church Activities

Julian, Celia and Coop invite you to the following activities:

Carols on the Lawn – Monday December 19<sup>th</sup> 7pm

Christmas Eve Service – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December 6pm

Christmas Day – Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am

For more information or details on how to get to the church go to the website: [www.bangalowchurch.com.au](http://www.bangalowchurch.com.au)

### Kids Art Lab

January 4<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> 2012. Classes run from 10.00am – 12.00noon, cost \$17.00 per class. Bookings Belinda Madden ph: 0429 384677, e: [admin@kidsartlab.com](mailto:admin@kidsartlab.com), w: [www.kidartlab.com](http://www.kidartlab.com)



### Sport & Recreation School Holiday Activities

Cricket coaching, surf clinics, stand up paddle boarding, Lake Ainsworth activity days and extreme fun – sailing are some of the activities offered. See the notice board for more details and the enrolment form.

### Clunes Vacation Care

The detailed holiday itinerary is on our school notice board. Check it out or phone 6629 1750 for more details.