The Eleebana News

The Next 7 Days……

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The War Memorial was very special.

The National Museum was very interesting.

We loved the Institute of sport.

NAPLAN May 12 to May 15 for Years 3 & 5

Congratulations Year 6

What a fantastic excursion we had last week in Canberra. Year 6 had a wonderful time, learnt lots and certainly represented our school with pride. Many thanks to our staff for organising and supporting this worthwhile experience. Although we didn't get to see Mr Abbott but we certainly found Parliament House interesting!
Thank You Families and P&C
Many thanks to everyone for supporting our Mothers’ Day stall and raffle. Special thanks to the members of the P&C who worked many hours to make it all happen. Your work is much appreciated.

Term 2 Calendar

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I hope all our mothers had a fantastic Mothers’ Day
Happy Week 4
Kindest regards,
Josie Bailey Principal ☺

WESTPAC RESCUE HELICOPTER VISIT
Thursday 14 May 2015
Recently we were the lucky winners of a competition to have the Westpac Rescue Helicopter land at school. This exciting event will occur this Thursday at 2pm.
· Family and friends are welcome to join us for the landing but MUST sign in at the HALL by 1:45pm
· A visitor safety briefing will occur at 1:45pm
· IMPORTANT: Parents are asked to ensure that ALL children have some form of EYE PROTECTION for use during helicopter landing and take-off

Recent Notes:
Yrs 1& 2 Wetlands Excursion, Term 2 Costs, Art Guessing Competition

Kindergarten Enrolments:
The office is currently taking enrolments for 2016.

Eleebana Art Extravaganza

We are excited to announce the donation of another beautiful framed watercolour painting by local artist Sue Corney. Students will today bring home tickets ($2 each) to sell which will give ticket holders the opportunity to win the painting depicting Lake Macquarie scenery. Proceeds raised will be used to support art programs this term. These will include
· Art at the park for Early Stage 1 and Stage 1
· A school art competition and
· Mural paintings with links to NAIDOC activities.

Tickets and money need to be returned to the school by 25th May.

Please support this fundraiser and remember “You have to be in it to win it!”
OOSH News:
Last week at OOSH we conducted a hand washing experiment to test the effectiveness of cold water, warm water and soap in ridding our hands of germs, we cooked a noodle stir-fry full of veggies that the children prepared themselves and we created a Book of OOSH records where the children recorded the tallest & shortest person at OOSH, who could hula hoop the longest and other various challenges.

There has been a large increase in the number of ipads, tablets and other electronic devices coming to OOSH. We understand that these items are becoming part of your child’s schooling & learning; however we are finding that many children are using these items for large portions of the afternoon and are not participating in the varied program we have to offer. We believe that activities such as active play outdoors, arts and crafts, dramatic play and cooking also play a part in children’s development and learning and so are asking parents to discuss this with their children and the service staff and limit the use of these devices during their children’s time at OOSH.

A reminder to parents & guardians, that if your child is going to be absent from an OOSH session to please call the service DIRECTLY as soon as you know this - especially in the afternoons. Your children’s safety and well-being are our first priority. The School office staff cannot be responsible for passing messages on to the OOSH. Our answering machine is always on when we are not here, so please call at any time to leave a message 49428186.

A reminder to the children, that now the weather is getting colder you will need to have a jumper or a jacket with you to play outside in the late afternoon. If you do not wish to wear a jumper that is your choice, but this means you will also be choosing to play inside.

For enquiries or further information about the OOSH please phone Kate or Amelia on 49428186 or visit us between 7-9am or 2:30-3pm (please avoid after 3:00pm as this is our busiest time of the day and our priority is taking care of the children).

Thank you.
Thank You to Our Sponsors

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School Banking

School Banking is shooting for the stars.

At the beginning of Term 3, the School Banking program launched students on an exciting mission to save by tradingmypocket dollars into their School Banking account. In just one week, more than $600.00 School Banking deposits were made around Australia. It’s a fantastic result that’s seen thousands of Australian children sleep with warm smiles.

Rewarding good savings behaviour with two new items

To help boost deposits in the coming months in Term 4, we’ve released two new adorable reward items from our Club Space Savers range. Students just need to make 10 School Banking deposits to qualify to collect a reward item.

Collection Points:

- Dr Karla Raja’s Surgery Warners Bay
- See-saw Children’s Wear - Toronto
- Smiley Drycleaners - Belmont

We collect your leftover unused disposable nappies and redistribute them to organisations that support families in crisis or in need. Collectives run three times a year for ten weeks.

TOO MANY NAPPIES
Do you have leftover unused nappies that your baby or toddler has grown out of, maybe at the back of the cupboard or under your grandparent’s house, or have you bought the wrong brand and now nappies are piling up? Drop them off at your nearest collection points whilst the collective is on!

PASS THEM ON
At the end of the two-week collective the nappies are sorted, packed and distributed to organisations that support families in crisis or in need.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE
Nappies are a basic need for many low-income families. By donating your spare nappies, you help these families focus more on their lives and less on getting their kids back on track.

Collection dates: May 1-15 & Oct 16-30

www.thenappycollective.com

Week 4, Term 2