



Ellen Stirling Primary School

An Independent Public School

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Edition 6

Within the spirit of excellence and mutual respect, Ellen Stirling Primary School is a safe and supportive environment with a clear focus on values, literacy and numeracy.

As they progress through their primary learning, all students are encouraged to reach their full potential as confident, independent and responsible contributors to society.

A sense of community and collaborative partnerships enhance our school's effectiveness.

Dates to Remember

Thursday, 5 May

P & C LAPATHON

Monday, 9 May

P&C Meeting 7:00pm in Staffroom

Friday, 13 May

Assembly 2:00pm – Years 1 – 3

LB2.2 hosting

Friday, 27 May

Assembly 2:00pm – Years 4 – 6

LB4.3 and LB6.2 hosting

Arbor Grove Dental Therapy

Open Monday – Friday

8:00 am – 4:00 pm

☎ 9296 7388

Uniform Shop

For all your uniform requirements go to Lowes at Shop 70, 204 The Promenade (corner Pinaster Parade) Ellenbrook.

☎ 6296 7487

Ellen's Lunch Box

☎ 6296 7567

Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Menu is available from the front office or from website:

<http://ellenstirlingps.wa.edu.au/index.php?page=canteen>

To order on OurOnlineCanteen use link:

www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

Email:

ellenslunchbox2008@gmail.com

Lost Property

An enormous quantity of clothing and lunch containers are lost and unclaimed each year. To assist with the return of items to their owners it is strongly advised that all children's property and clothing should be clearly labelled with the child's full name.

From the Principal

ANZAC SERVICE

A big thank you to all of our school community for the support of our school ANZAC Service last Friday afternoon. We were well supported with flowers for the class wreaths and the students were very respectful throughout the service. We were lucky enough to have Mr Phil Barton, representing the Ellenbrook RSL, speak at the service and donate a book to the school library entitled: 'Digger – The Dog Who Went To War' by Mark Wilson. Mr Dylan Carpenter was inspiring on the bugle for the service and the school choir was in great form with their appropriate song. A huge thank you to the school staff for their hard work in preparation for the day.



P & C LAPATHON

Please remember that the P & C's major fundraiser is on Thursday this week. Kindergarten – Own days and times. PP – Year 2 – 1:10 pm – 1:45 pm – Running time 15 minutes. Year 3 – Year 6 – 1:50 pm – 2:30 pm – Running time 20 minutes. We thank you for your support in the fundraising event.

NAPLAN TESTING

NAPLAN Testing for students in Years 3 and 5 kick off next week. All teachers in these year levels have taught the students to be prepared and ready for these tests. They have been exposed to similar tests so that they can do their best work on the day. The results of NAPLAN are used by class teachers to add to their extensive classroom evaluations and observations. If your child is participating this year in NAPLAN, remind them that these tests are to see how much they know at that particular time in the year. As a parent or guardian, you can support your child in these tests by ensuring they are well rested (a good night's sleep), well fed (a good healthy breakfast) and your loving support (this is just one test in a long line of assessments throughout the year in the classroom – please don't put undue pressure on them to perform for this one test).

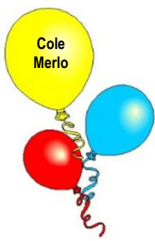
SCHOOL PARKING

It is fantastic to see a few more parents using the overflow temporary car park at the back of the basketball courts as a pick up and drop off areas during our busy times at school. The yellow swing gate in the service road has been useful in avoiding dangerous parking situations that were occurring earlier in the year. Please continue to park safely and be aware of students and adults when driving in and around the school area.

ILLUMINATED 40kmh SIGNS

It is fantastic to see that the illuminated 40kmh school signs are now on the two busy roads surrounding the school. The signs have been installed by Main Roads WA as part of a rollout to all schools across the state.

Dr Dean Goldspink
PRINCIPAL



100% Attendance Award

100% Attendance Award - Congratulations to Cole Merlo who is the lucky recipient of our monthly 100% Attendance Award for the month of April. The award recognises students who are attending school consistently and is kindly donated by The Shops at Ellenbrook. Cole will receive a certificate and a special gift voucher to spend upon his next visit to The Shops. Thank you to all families who continue to ensure their children are regularly attending school, the positive impacts of this upon their social skills and academic progress are immense.

PE Corner

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to Term 2, we are all set for a busy term ahead! Coming up we have the Coolamon Classic Cross Country Carnival, the Winter Sports Carnival and Junior Swimming Lessons! Our junior students are continuing with their fundamental movement skills program, while our middle and senior students are doing either netball or AFL.

AUSKICK

Auskick starts after school today on the oval for our Pre-primary to Year 2 students. The program runs for six weeks at a cost of \$50 and includes expert coaching from the East Perth 'Royals' district coaching staff and ESPS Physical Education Team, plus a little royals football pack!

RUNNING CLUB

Running club starts tomorrow morning for our Year 3 – 6 students at the running/fitness hill across from the school from 8:00 – 8:30 am. Students will be under the supervision of the PE Team.

Ms Eliza Wendon and Mr Oliver Blatchford
Physical Education Team

P & C Update

Contact us via email: espspandcgeneral@gmail.com or
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ESPSPandC>

FUNDRAISING

The P & C held their first Car Boot sale on Saturday, 2 April. We would like to thank Dux Nutz Catering and the Valley Bowls Club for donating the sausages and onion for the sausage sizzle and Frank Alban and Castles R Us for their donations towards the event. Thank you to all parents who baked tasty treats for our Bake Sale and thank you to everyone who purchased a car bay and came down to support this fundraiser.

Lapathon is on **Thursday, 5 May**. Please return forms and money back to the school by **Friday, 13 May** to go into the draw to win one of five, \$100 Coles Myer Gift Cards. The prize draw will occur on Monday, 16 May.

The Spare Change Challenge had a great first term with \$772.40 raised from Week 5 – 10. Our Weekly winners have been: Week 8, Term 1 – LB2.3 \$68.40. Week 9, Term 1 – LB2.5 \$10.10. Week 10, Term 1 – LB2.3 \$8.80. Congratulations to LB2.3 who won the prize for raising the most money between Weeks 6 – 10 raising a massive \$149.95. This term we will have the overall weekly winner who raises the most money each week as well as the 'Challenge Champs' who raise the most money in each year level. For our first week back in Term 2, LB1.8 brought in the most with \$17.10 and the year group winners were Year 1 – LB1.8, Year 3 – LB3.7 and Year 4 – LB3.8. Well Done to those classes. Please keep bringing in those coins as your small change adds up.

Overall for Term 1 the P & C raised \$1593.80. Thank you for supporting our fundraisers.

At the last P & C meeting it was voted to fund the entry fee for a chess tournament and a water trolley, floating islands and outdoor toys for Learning Block 2.

CANTEEN MESSAGE

Use wholemeal flour in place of white flour for a fibre boost.

CROSSING ON STRATHMORE PARKWAY

Unfortunately our application for a Children's Crossing on Strathmore Parkway was rejected. Please come to P & C meetings to be up to date with the situation. We will need lots of support with what is going to happen as a result of this.

NEXT P & C MEETING

The next meeting for the P & C will be in Week 3 on Monday, 9 May at 7:00 pm in the staffroom. We would love to see new members.

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