Welcome back to another busy and exciting term in Eloueura.

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Principal’s Message
Term 3 Week 8

Road Safety
* Please talk to your children about crossing roads safely. We had the report of a student who was almost hit by a car when crossing Parliament Road.
* Please drive and park safely at the front of our school. Many parents have been booked by police for not obeying the traffic rules at our school. There have also been reports of people parking near the electricity sub-station putting pedestrians at risk when driving in and out.

Father’s Day Stall
Thank you to all the parents who helped make the Father’s Day stall a success. The children love choosing something special for their father or grandfather. We still have small gifts for grandfathers left if anyone would like to buy a lovely mug in a gift bag. These are available at the office for only $2.

Mini Fete
Please support our major fundraising activity for 2015 by selling as many raffle tickets as you can. Note the 16th of September in your diaries as everyone is welcome to come to our mini-fete to support the stalls each class is organising.

Sport and Group Photos
If your child is in a special group or sporting team photos will be taken on 15th of September and a book of group photos can then be ordered.

Parent Café and survey
I encourage parents to join us for parent café this Wednesday starting after assembly in the staffroom. The session is looking at the TEN Program and Mathematics K-2. You will also have the opportunity of completing an online survey that will help us plan for further school improvement. You can also complete the Tell them from Me survey at home by following the directions given in this newsletter.

Gala day
Our gala day will now be held on the 11th September due to the recent wet weather causing grounds to be closed.

If you have a child starting Kindergarten in 2016 enrolment forms are due in now!!!

Kerrie Hayman
WHAT’S ON
The Fields Flyer is full of interesting information each week. Make sure that you check out the DET web site for parents. www.schools.nsw.edu.au/news/ezine

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**ELOUERA NEWS**

What a great day that we had on Book Character Day! It was wonderful to see so many of our children and teachers dressing up as a book character. Some very creative kids even won book prizes in our mini parade! Maybe next year, some more of our Stage Three students might enter the spirit of the day and dress up, too….the teachers did!!!!

We have something new in Elouera that we began last Friday. Every Friday at Recess, you can come to the library and watch a ‘Talking Book’ during first half at Recess. If that’s not your cup of tea, you can read, use the computers or do some Art 😊

**FIVE MINUTES OF FAME**
Kaydie Buchana School Captain

**Favourite Pastime:** Hip Hop dancing and playing soccer
**Favourite Food:** Cheese pizza
**Favourite Places:** In my bedroom or at the beach
**Interesting facts:** I won a trophy for Hip Hop in 2014
Concerns have been raised regarding the 'Cosmic Light Beam Torch' reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch. Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards the Commonwealth Bank have made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program. Parents/Guardians are requested to dispose of any 'Cosmic Light Beam Torches' their child may have already received as part of the Rewards Program. Students who have previously received a 'Cosmic Light Beam Torch' are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item.

Our school is also looking for some parents or carers who could volunteer to help with the school banking. Please contact the office if you are able to assist.

GREAT NEWS!

The canteen will now be selling yoghurt fruit cups for only $2 every morning. I had one and they are simply delicious! What a healthy alternative to hash browns – which will no longer be sold before school.

The Canteen will not be open at Recess this Friday, as Stage 2 is at camp and the K-2 Athletics Carnival will be on. It will also be closed on the day of the Mini Fete.

Thank you for your continued support.

WHERE’S WALLY?

This time he has popped over to Mauritius....what will he find?

PARENT CAFÉ IS COMING SOON

Save the date: Wednesday 2nd September in the staffroom after the morning assembly

Come and learn about our special maths programs:

Problem a Day
TEN (Targeting Early Numeracy) Strategies

Hope to see you there!
SPORT AND GROUP PHOTOS

Sport and Group photos will be taken on Tuesday 15 September. The organising teacher of each sporting team will meet with the students before the phot day to discuss what should be worn in the photos. If you have any questions, please see Amrita Singh or Amanda Robinson.

PLEASE BE AWARE

Last week, there were several more cars booked by police officers patrolling the font of the school and surrounds. This is a very costly exercise if you get caught, both financially and through loss of points. Families are also reminded that you may NOT at any time park in the school grounds during school hours. There have also been some parents coming in to pick up their children and have brought a dog to school. It is a departmental regulation that strictly NO dogs, cats, reptiles etc. are to be brought on to school grounds. Please set a wonderful example and adhere to the rules that have been made to keep everyone safe.