



THE ELIMBAH STATE SCHOOL

NEWS

Term 1 – Week **1**
Date: 22 January 2024



Message from the Principal

Dear parents and carers,



High Standards

It is a pleasure to walk through our school on a daily basis and see how strongly our families value our school uniform. Our uniform is an important strategy to ensure the safety of our students, a sense of team and the delivery of high standards.

I ask for parental support with the following uniform details:

- **Shoes** - predominantly neutral in colour (white, black or brown) and have only minimal other colours on them. 'High top' or over ankle length shoes or boots are not appropriate for school wear.
- **Socks** – neutral coloured, plain, ankle length.
- **Hats** – Bottle green only and no caps please.
- **Hair** – conservative, natural colour, tied up if touching the shoulders and neat.
- **Jewellery** – small sleepers or studs and a watch are permitted; medical bracelets are permitted; religious items are permitted with a parent note.

Make-up and nail polish are not permitted.

Playgroup

Playgroup commences in Week 3 – Wednesday 7th February at 9:00 am.

Outside of School Hours Care

We continue to have Helping Hands working on site to deliver Outside of School Hours Care for our students.

Playgrounds

A reminder to families that all school playgrounds are out of bounds to all children including toddlers before and after school. The council playground is a great option for families wishing to allow their children to use playgrounds at these times. We thank you for your support with this.

Calendar

Please find attached the calendar for the 1st 5 weeks of Term 1. Please note our Parent Engagement Afternoon in Week 3 – a really great opportunity to meet the teacher and gain useful information about all that is happening in your child's class.

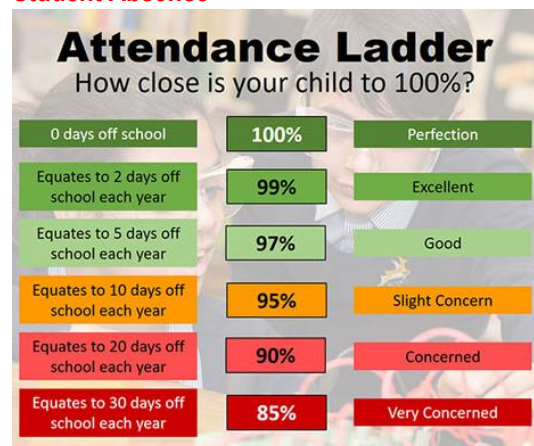
Volunteer Induction 2024

For any parent/caregiver who wishes to volunteer in the school during 2024 must complete the volunteer Key Messages 2024. If you believe you will volunteer in the school in any capacity during 2024 we ask that you collect the relevant booklet from the school office and sign and return the relevant forms prior to volunteering. We ask that where possible this is done during the first four weeks of Term 1. Parents are not required to have a Blue Card to volunteer in the school.

School Photos

School photos will take place on Thursday 22 February 2024. Parents and carers will receive envelopes and more information regarding this soon. An email will be sent with an online ordering code if Parents wish to order online.

Student Absence



Student Absence Process: Parents have the option of informing the office via phone, email, QParents or in person.

- Please phone 54321333 and follow the prompts
- Email – absent@elimbahss.eq.edu.au
- Create a QParents account to advise
- OR just pop into the office to let the ladies know - day and reason for absence.

Absences of more than 10 days require an exemption from the principal. Please contact the school in these cases.



Messages from Morton Bay Regional Council

Moreton Bay Regional Council (MBRC) Local Laws Unit undertakes a School Parking Patrol Program where officers complete scheduled school patrols, both in the morning and afternoon, to ensure that vehicles are parked in a safe and lawful manner. The primary aim of the program is to ensure that students and family members/caregivers are able to safely move around the school area as part of dropping off or picking up students from the school.



The Moreton Bay Regional Council Local Law No.5 (Parking) 2011 and Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995 control parking or stopping of vehicles on footpaths, bicycle paths, marked yellow lines, shared paths, dividing strips and nature strips, along with vehicles parking across residents driveways and within 'No Stopping', 'No Parking', and 'Bus Zones' and Pick-up / Drop-off zones. Council is legally required to enforce these areas and the School Parking Patrol Program forms part of this process.

Visit www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/parking for further guidance on parking restrictions.

For any further information, members of the School community are welcome to contact Moreton Bay Regional Council on 3205 0555.

Bus Courtesy: We encourage parents and carers of all students travelling on buses to and from school to discuss the importance of bus courtesy with your children please. Bus companies will hold students accountable for their behaviour and actions whilst utilising this service.

Messages from the P&C



Elimbah State School P&C Association

Newsletter Content: Term 1 Week 1

Welcome to 2024!

2023 Fundraising Goal Achieved!

Thanks to the generosity and hard work of our school community we raised the target \$10,000 last year! The 28 laptops have been purchased and will be put to good use this year by our students. Thank you to everyone who generously donated their time, money

and goods to help us provide computing resources to our students.

2024 Fundraising Goal

Elimbah SS does not have a "bring your own device" program for laptops and ipads in response to feedback from the school community. As such, this year the P&C are fundraising for another class set of laptops to ensure students have access to computing resources. One class set of laptops is estimated to cost \$30,000. The P&C aim to raise \$10,000 and the school plans to contribute the remaining \$20,000.

Keeping in Touch

The P&C meets at 6.30pm on Tuesday in week 3 and week 8 of every term. We welcome all parents and community members. P&C Meetings are a great way to keep informed, have a say about school community and meet other parents. Please come along, even if you are not interested in volunteering.

The next P&C meeting (our first for the year) will be 6.30pm Tuesday 6 February in the Staff Room.

Please follow our Facebook page for the dates of our meetings, upcoming events and other important information. P&C information is also included in the school newsletter.

The best way to get in touch with the P&C is via email: pandc@elimbahss.eq.edu.au

Volunteering

We are always looking for volunteers. Can you help in the tuckshop? Can you help at a P&C event?

We use an online system (signup.zone) for volunteers to place themselves on the roster for the tuckshop or other P&C events. We advertise the links for these rosters regularly throughout the year. Or you can contact us (elimbahtuckshop@gmail.com or pandc@elimbahss.eq.edu.au) and we will send you the link.

Can you help in the tuckshop? If you would like to volunteer, please go to <https://signup.zone/ptXCc98rkDLGeCTQe>, sign in and pop your name into the available slots you would like to volunteer for. Your name and information is kept strictly private and can only be viewed by the P&C Executive and Tuckshop Convenor.

No experience needed, just enclosed shoes, a signed annual volunteer induction (see the ladies in the school office the week before to complete this) and a blue card (for volunteers who are not a parent of an ESS student).

Tuckshop News

The Tuckshop is open on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Please update your child's details in QuickCliq to reflect their new class/teacher to ensure their meal



orders are put in the correct Tuckshop basket and uniform orders are delivered to the correct classroom. Orders without a correct class/teacher will not be put in Tuckshop baskets and will be held at the Tuckshop for students to collect.

Please see the attached information sheet for information about our Tuckshop for our new families, and reminders for returning families.

Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop opening hours for 2024 are Tuesday 8am – 11am. Thank you for understanding that Miss Tamara is not able to process uniform requests or orders outside this time, even if she is working in the Tuckshop.

Easter Raffle

The Elimbah SS P&C will be running an Easter Raffle at the over the last few weeks of Term 1. Thankyou do Dee C for volunteering to coordinate this. More information will be announced in the next newsletter and on our Facebook page.

Donations welcome! If your business would like to donate a prize, please email pandc@elimbahss.eq.edu.au

Positions Available

Applications remain open for the Casual Relief Convenor role, which will provide backfill when the Convenor (Tuckshop and Uniform Shop) is absent. Email the P&C on pandc@elimbahss.eq.edu.au for more information or an application pack.

For Elimbah State School general inquiries please contact admin@elimbahss.eq.edu.au or phone 54321333.