

# TEMIS

## Newsletter

The Ela Murray International School

[www.elamurray.com](http://www.elamurray.com)

Term 3 Week 2 Thursday, 27 July, 2017

### Deputy Principal's Message

The Early Learning Centre welcomes our new and returning families to Term 3! For our new families, the monthly Craft Market will be held at the Ela Beach site this Saturday. This is a great opportunity to purchase, local arts, crafts and artefacts and watch a traditional sing-sing group in action.

The ELC children returned to find that the swingset had been relocated and new artificial turf laid. This new turf is quite thick and closely resembles natural grass. As much as we would love to have real grass, unfortunately, the shade from the many trees in our playground just won't let it grow.

We did not turf the whole area, but instead left an area bare. This area has many tree roots and our plan is to take advantage of our natural environment by creating a landscaped area with river stones and stepping stones. In the meantime, the children have enjoyed digging in the dirt and creating roadways. Work will soon begin on building the edging around this space and we know that many children will be fascinated with the building work and the use of real tools.

The children are currently enjoying Book Week activities with a superhero flavour to go with the ELC Book Week theme 'Hero up with a SUPER book!'. The Buk bilong Pikinini Book Fair has been very popular with parents and children! We will finish the week on Friday with a dress-up day and a celebratory cake designed by some of the children in the Kokomo group.

Friday, 28 July, is also the National Tooth Brushing Day. Colgate Palmolive has provided a toothbrush, toothpaste and cup for each ELC child to join with over 275,000 children nationwide to KEEP PNG SMILING. After the sharing of the Book Week cake, we'll have the perfect opportunity to talk about dental health and practise our tooth brushing techniques.

Coming up soon will be the Parent Group AGM. Even though we operate on a split campus, the ELC is very much a part of The Ela Murray International School. Consequently, all parents are encouraged to join the Parent Group.

If you are interested in nominating for a position on the Parent Group, nomination forms can be obtained from both the Early Learning Centre and Murray site offices. Nominations will close on Friday, 4 August. There is also a social event coming up for all TEMIS parents and you will find more information in the Parent Group section of this newsletter.

On a less positive note, the high winds and construction occurring on the Ela Beach foreshore has meant that the Early Learning Centre is fighting a losing battle with dust. Our apologies for the gritty feel of everything here!

*Kerry Honey*

### Curriculum News

What a fabulous Book Week we're having. A love of reading is crucial and something we try to inspire. It's been great to hear children talking with excitement about their favourite characters and books, and spotting them reading around the school, even more than usual. Hopefully you've had a chance to visit the book fair and purchase a favourite; there's still time tomorrow to check it out if not. New books have been added today.

A love of reading and stories goes a long way to helping children read. Beyond this, there are several elements to reading; accuracy and fluency – children using knowledge of sounds and sight words to be able to read the actual words in a usual speaking voice; text knowledge – knowing how different genres of text are written and structured; vocabulary and comprehension – being able to understand what has been read. Last week on the staff development days, teachers spent some time discussing the crucial area of reading comprehension.

Within the IEA curriculum, there are a range of strategies which are taught. These include: monitoring comprehension – re-reading if as a reader you're not sure what is happening in the text; making connections – to background knowledge or your own experience; determining importance; summarising; questioning and synthesising. One of the most tricky is the skill of inferring – reading between the lines - using clues in the text and your own knowledge to work ideas not explicitly stated by the author. Often asking students to infer from pictures can be a great way to get them thinking about this strategy.

Why not have a look at the pictures below and talk with your child about what they can tell from the pictures. Keep asking them 'how do you know?' so they get used to explaining the link between their background knowledge and the text (in this case a picture).



Some useful language... I think.. it could be... I know this because.. I can see xxx so....

Parent Information Evening for Grade 5 & 6 Parents Today, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July in 8K Classroom at 6pm  
Please come along to hear about the Grade 7 & 8 program offered at TEMIS.

## Parent Group News

We are pleased to invite you all to the 2017 Parent Group Annual General Meeting to be held on Thursday, 10th August, 2017 at 1.30pm in the Murray site staffroom.

The positions of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer for the year ahead will be elected at this meeting.

Nomination forms for these executive positions are available from TEMIS or by emailing [temisparentgroup@gmail.com](mailto:temisparentgroup@gmail.com)

We hope to see you there.

*Kylie Butler-McIntosh  
President*

## Craft Market

The next TEMIS Craft Market of the year will be held at the Ela Beach site as usual on Saturday, 29 July from 7.30am to 11.30am.

### Craft Market fees for 2017:

Annual stall holders - K250.00

Casual - K25.00 per market day

## Use of Site

**Friday, 28 July, 2017**

5:00pm–6:00pm—Footy Players

**Sunday, 30 July, 2017**

5:00pm–6:00pm—Footy Players

## Important Dates

WK 2	GR 7/8 INFO NIGHT FOR GR 6 PARENTS	THU	27/7
	1K ASSEMBLY	FRI	28/7
WK 3	ASAS START	MON	31/7
	ICAS ENGLISH	TUE	01/8
	GR 6 EXCURSION—DEPART RABAUL	TUE	01/8
	GR 2J ASSEMBLY	FRI	04/8
WK 4	SCHOOL PHOTOS MURRAY SITE	MON	07/8
	SCHOOL PHOTOS ELA SITE	TUE	08/8
	GR 5 EXCURSION	TUE	08/8
	SCHOOL PHOTOS ELA SITE	WED	09/8
	3G ASSEMBLY	FRI	11/8
WK 5	ICAS MATHS	TUE	15/8
	INTER-HOUSE ATHLETICS—JUNIOR	THU	17/8
	INTER-HOUSE ATHLETICS—SENIOR	FRI	18/8
WK 6	INTER-SCHOOL ATHLETICS	THU	24/8
	PREP S ASSEMBLY	FRI	25/8
WK 7	4S ASSEMBLY	FRI	01/9
WK 8	PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES (PREP–8)	TUE	05/9
	PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES (PREP–8)	WED	06/9
	3K ASSEMBLY	FRI	08/9
WK 9	INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION ELC	TUE	12/9
	INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION MURRAY	THU	14/9
WK 10	ISA TESTS GR 3-8	WED	20/9
	ISA TESTS GR 3-8	THU	21/9
	LAST DAY OF TERM	FRI	22/9

## Community News



For fun, fitness, friendship and to develop fundamental movement skills.

POM Gymnastics will be starting up for Term 3. Classes begin on the 31st July for Girls and Boys

Gym Skills and Gym Fun

Monday 3.30pm-4.30pm 7yo -12yo

Tuesday 3.30pm - 4.30pm 4yo- 6yo

Kindergym

Monday 1.5yo-2.5yo 9am-9.30am

Wednesday 2.5yo-3yo 3.15pm-4pm

Where - Taurama Aquatic and Indoor Centre

W2 basketball court (except Mon AM class in VIP room upstairs)

Fees- K210 for 7 week term (Monday morning class K140 for the term)

To enroll please visit [pomgymnastics.com](http://pomgymnastics.com) Facebook page or

Email: [pomgymnastics@gmail.com](mailto:pomgymnastics@gmail.com) to request an enrollment form

Class sizes are limited.

Term fees payable at class during weeks 1 and 2.

### Newsletter by email

Parents and friends who wish to have their newsletter emailed, please advise Boio Davana on email address:

[bdavana@temis.iea.ac.pg](mailto:bdavana@temis.iea.ac.pg)

### Contact Information:

All email addresses consist of the initial of the person's first name, followed by the surname and [@temis.iea.ac.pg](mailto:@temis.iea.ac.pg). For example: [NMather@temis.iea.ac.pg](mailto:NMather@temis.iea.ac.pg)

THE ELA MURRAY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL  
PO BOX 1137

**BOROKO, NCD**

**Phone:** (675) 325 2833

**Fax:** (675) 325 7925

**Email:** [admin1@temis.iea.ac.pg](mailto:admin1@temis.iea.ac.pg)

**Bronze Certificates** - Congratulations to Yurika Saito, Matia Tasion and Isabella Frederiksen who will receive a Bronze Certificate this week at assembly.

**Silver Certificates** - Congratulations to Shedrach Kalis who will receive a Silver Certificate this week at assembly.