



PARENT BULLETIN

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Upcoming Events

6 June	P&C Meeting
12 June	Kings Birthday Public Holiday
13 June	Year 11 Recognition Assembly
27 -28 June	Zone Athletics Carnival

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Term 2 is always a busy time in schools with a range of assessment tasks being conducted and staff busily preparing feedback for our students, much of which will underpin Semester 1 reports. Despite the normality of school life at this time, we have had so much to celebrate.

Top of the list has been our 2023 school musical, "Strictly Ballroom". I cannot rave enough about the hard work of our Creative and Performing Arts faculty who have worked so hard to give our students the opportunity to participate in such an incredible showcase of talent. To see the pride and joy on the faces of the students was so heart warming. They displayed courage, strength, commitment and teamwork and this can be said of all students who were involved from the cast to the Event Management Team who organised sound, lighting and props across the 5 performances of the show. It was wonderful to welcome students from our partner primary schools who were able to visit to watch the dress rehearsal before opening night. It was also fantastic to see so many ex-students who were invited to be involved as members of the EHS Alumni. These former students assisted with sound, choreography and student mentorship and one former school captain even took on a role in the show. I couldn't have been more proud of our students.

This term has also seen the new Elderslie High School houses take full flight with the election of House Captains and Vice Captains. This has added a new layer of leadership opportunities within our school and is creating a lovely buzz of excitement as students vie for house points within the school day and also at key events like our carnivals.

Student Successes

I would like to single out a couple of specific examples of student success this term. Firstly, Brayden and Kye Sutherland of Year 12 and Year 11 respectively have been selected for the Sydney South West School Sport Association Hockey Team. The boys, who have many hockey successes to their names, will represent Sydney South West at Kurnell in a NSW competition in June. Brayden and Kye should be congratulated on their wonderful achievements and the passion with which they both play hockey.

In addition, we have recently been notified of the success of Kimberley Smith of Year 10 who has been offered a place in the 2023 NSW Public Schools Aboriginal Dance Company. This is a prestigious offer for Kimberley who will work with choreographers from the Bangarra Dance Theatre and

prepare a piece to be performed at the Dance Festival and School Spectacular. What a wonderful honour this is for Kimberley. We are also very proud of Ella Smith, also of Year 10 who, following her audition, has been identified to participate in an extension program with Bangarra. Congratulations to both Kimberley and Ella.

NAPLAN Changes

As parents will remember, 2023 has seen some significant changes with NAPLAN which commenced with the repositioning of NAPLAN to Term 1 from its previous position in the Term 2 calendar. Subsequently, results will be out far earlier with school level results being released to principals in late Term 2 and parent reports being available in Term 3. Additionally, each child's NAPLAN report will look distinctly different this time around so that instead of student performance being communicated along a progression scale of numbered bands, student results will now be placed against one of FOUR proficiency standards which are so much clearer and easier to understand. These proficiency standards are:

- Exceeding
- Strong
- Developing
- Needs additional support

Wellbeing Support at EHS

A reminder to all our families of the array of wellbeing services we offer at EHS. If your child needs to access these at any time, please let your child's Year Adviser know or seek their expert advice. Three of our most important programs and services are:

- School Wellbeing Staff – our Wellbeing Team can support your child with a range of issues including social issues, anxiety, mental health and many additional areas. Our team includes experts such as School Counsellors, Student Support Officer, Supervisor of Girls and our Chaplain.
- Stymie – our free and anonymous online support notification service in which students can alert the school about a bullying or other wellbeing matter for themselves or a friend. This service cannot be traced to the person who has made the report so it really helps teenagers feel that their worries are communicated privately.
- Thrive – EHS runs explicit wellbeing lessons once a week for all students every Monday. This is a unique program devised by our staff specifically for the needs of our students. Stage 6 have a different program compared to Stages 4 and 5 and we are always increasing the array of topics we cover from evidenced based topics like positive psychology, self esteem, bullying, kindness and our Positive Behaviour Learning themes of Respect, Responsibility and Reflection.

Parental Concerns

From time to time in all schools, parents may be concerned about a specific issue. As always, we aim to build the strongest relationships with parents and the community that we can and we ask parents to contact us when you have a

question that may not have been addressed in other school communication forums. As school leaders, the school's executive staff are only too happy to return your call, identify what can be done to help and put measures into place to support you and your child. As school leaders, all our decisions are underpinned by Department of Education policies and required procedures. We thank our families for your support in this area and your confidence in the work we do every day to make our school the best place it can be.

Parents & Citizens Association

I would like to thank our small but committed Parents and Citizens Association for their work in running the kiosk at the recent school musical. Our next P&C meeting will be on Tuesday, June 6. This meeting will be held via which we hope parents will find easier to attend in the depths of winter. The faculty presentation this month will Zoom be Learning Support/ Welfare. The Zoom link will be sent out closer to the date. We hope as many families will be able to join us as possible.

Kind regards,
Mrs Jenny Lawrence
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

Natalie Martin (DP Years 9 & 12)

TTFM Survey

All students in Years 7 to 12 will be asked to complete the Tell Them From Me Survey (TTFM). This survey is an evidence-based survey tool designed to gather feedback from students, parents, and teachers about their experiences and perceptions of education. The survey aims to provide valuable insights into various aspects of the school environment, teaching practices, student engagement, and overall school climate.

By gathering data through the TTFM survey, EHS can gain a better understanding of how students and parents perceive their experiences within the school community. The survey results can inform decision-making processes and help identify areas of improvement in teaching practices, student support programs, and school policies.

The TTFM survey is administered online, with participants accessing the survey through a secure platform. The survey questions are carefully crafted to capture feedback on various dimensions of education and are tailored to different age groups and roles (students, parents, teachers). The responses are collected anonymously to ensure confidentiality and encourage open and honest feedback.

All students have been emailed a link to the survey and an individual login and password. Teachers will allocate time in class for students to complete the survey before the end of Term 2.

Year 9

It was a pleasure to attend our school Athletics Carnival on 19th May. Participating in school athletics carnivals offers

several benefits for students. Some of the key advantages include improving physical fitness, developing new skills which can be beneficial for their overall athletic abilities. Students also had the opportunity to engage in teamwork and collaboration where they work together towards a common goal, support their teammates, and communicate effectively, thus developing important social skills.

It was also the first year of school houses where I witnessed an uplift in school spirit and community. Students and teachers dressed in their house colours and cheered and encouraged participants thereby improving school spirit and pride.

Year 12

On Friday 8th May, 60 students were participated in our first Elevate Day where we delivered a series of workshops designed to motivate students to improve their performance in the HSC. The workshops included the following themes: assessment reflection, using feedback, goal setting, acing the HSC exams, advice on HSC techniques for English and Mathematics, alumni experiences, and relaxation techniques.

Improving Higher School Certificate (HSC) performance requires a combination of effective study strategies, time management, and a healthy lifestyle. During the first workshop students were able to define their academic goals. Having a clear vision will helps students to stay focused and motivated throughout the year.

Ms Dokmanovic and Mr Sambuco were able to help students to understand the exam format advising them to become familiar with the exam pattern, syllabus, and marking scheme for each subject. Additional advice included prioritising topics, allocating time accordingly, and understanding how to approach different types of questions.

Students were also encouraged to form study groups where discussion of concepts, explaining ideas to others and solving problems collaboratively to enhance understanding and retention of information.

Mrs Bright and Mrs Mulligan provided advice on using effective study techniques and encouraged students to experiment with different study techniques such as active recall, summarizing information in your own words, creating mind maps, or using flashcards. Students should try to find the methods that work best for them and incorporate them into their study routine.

Miss Dennis invited two alumni James Craven and Blake Penfold to recount their experiences of the HSC and their pathways beyond the HSC. Then she led a relaxation activity with a focus on maintaining a healthy lifestyle by getting regular exercise, eating nutritious meals, and getting enough sleep. Physical activity and a balanced diet can boost energy levels and enhance cognitive function, while adequate sleep helps consolidate learning and improves memory.

The final message for the day was that HSC improvement requires consistent effort and dedication over a sustained

period of time. Thank you to the teachers who presented to students on the day.

Mrs Natalie Martin
Deputy Principal
Years 9 & 12

Joanne Amos (DP Years 7 & 10)

Year 7

Our Year 7 cohort attended a presentation in Week 6 from Sergeant Gornell and Senior Constable Loudon from Narellan Police. Their talk focused on the importance of having respect for others and how thinking before you act is the best way to make good decisions. They also addressed a number of other key issues that relate to young people such as: cybersafety, including how to keep yourself safe online and responsible social media usage and how their behaviour in public reflects on themselves, their families and the school.

We believe that instilling respect in our students goes beyond a simple lesson—it requires consistent modelling, guidance, and reinforcement. We are immensely grateful to our families who support us in nurturing our values of being respectful, responsible and reflective. As a school we strive to impart these values in all our students and we are continuing to work with Year 7 through year meetings, presentations and our weekly “Thrive” sessions to support them in how to show respect for others, making good choices, responding appropriately to others, engaging in acts of kindness, and having an inclusive attitude.

As always, I like to share a resource that parents my find beneficial when having conversations with their children and the one below is from the Kids Helpline on Why Respect is Important? [All About Respect | Why Is Respect Important? | Kids Helpline](#)

Year 10

It is hard to believe but we are now approaching the time of year when Year 10 will be making decisions for their future and Stage 6 studies. We will be holding the Subject Selection Evening in Week 10 on Wednesday, 28 June in the school hall and will be sending home more information shortly. Additional to the evening event, students will also be engaging in other activities leading up to it with the support of Mrs Whitfield and the wellbeing team.

I would like to continue to encourage Year 10 students to explore different occupations through work experience. Large numbers of students have taken up this opportunity, as it is a great way of exploring career opportunities and asking people in the industry about the pathways they have taken. Students should speak to Mrs Whitfield in Careers to find out more about the process of applying for work experience.

Mrs Joanne Amos
Deputy Principal
Years 7 & 10

Elizabeth Siope (Rel. DP Years 8 & 11)

We would like to start by extending our heartfelt congratulations to all the students who participated in the school musical. Their dedication, hard work, and perseverance were truly inspiring. The performance was incredible, showcasing the talent and creativity of our staff and students. We commend each and every student for their outstanding contributions to the musical. Well done!

As we approach the end of the semester, it's important to reflect on your child's progress. Staff are currently writing reports, which will be sent home later in the term. Reviewing their reports together and setting learning goals can be an excellent way to engage your children in their educational journey. Here are some valuable tips and suggestions to guide you through this process:

Celebrate achievements: acknowledge and celebrate your child's accomplishments and hard work.

- Identify areas for growth: use the report as a tool to identify areas where your child may need additional support or improvement.
- Set realistic and specific goals: encourage your child to express the areas they want to improve. Instead of focusing solely on grades, consider broader objectives such as enhancing problem-solving skills or improving time management.
- Maintain open communication: finally, keep the lines of communication open with your child's teachers. Collaboration is essential for supporting your child's learning and well-being.

The purpose of reviewing reports and setting learning goals is to empower your child to take ownership of their education and foster a love for learning. By involving them in the process and providing continuous support, you'll help them develop essential skills and achieve their full potential.

As partners in your child's education, we appreciate your ongoing support. Please contact the school office if you have any questions or require additional information.

Ms Siope and Mr Sambuco
Relieving Deputy Principals
Years 8 & 11

First Nations Education

Term Two is off to a flying start.....we have been busy busy busy!!!!

Go Scholarship Cultural Day

Our First Nations Go Scholarship holders attended a cultural day at Sydney University. Despite the early start, students had an awesome day. They attended a variety of workshops and even got to meet Go Scholarship founder Adam Goodes. Big thank you to Ms Trinh for supervising the students.

Opportunity Hub Career Expo

First Nations Students attended the Opportunity Hub Career Expo!! There were lots of stall holders with information about uni courses, apprenticeships, TAFE and Defence Force. There was something for everyone. It was awesome!! Students gained a lot of knowledge about different post school options. There were also lots of goodies to collect! Bags and bags full, we nearly needed another bus! A big thank you to Ms Vake for supervising the students and Opportunity Hub for such a great event!!



Muru Yes Program- Hospitality and Cookery

Three Year 10 students are attending Campbelltown TAFE every Thursday this term to participate in the Muru Yes Hospitality and Cookery Program. The students will learn both front and back of house skills such as coffee and beverage making, using kitchen equipment, and preparing basic dishes. The program will finish with the students preparing an Elders High Tea event. Well done to Ryan, Lindsay and Christian for taking up this fantastic opportunity!

Artucation

Students in Year 8 have started the Artucation Program. This program runs for 1 hour every Tuesday for four weeks. Students participate in 3 harm minimisation education sessions to reduce risk taking in young people. The final session is a cultural session where the students will be participating in a ceramics lesson. We are looking forward to seeing what the students produce in this session. Big thanks to Youth Solutions and Ms Wallace for working with the students during these sessions.



Junior AECG

Some of our First Nations Students volunteered to attend the Junior AECG Meeting at Elderslie Public School. Despite their attempts to convince me to drive them the 900 meters up the road, we had a lovely walk there and back in the sun!!! Students had a yarn, participated in art activities and shared some food. We had a great afternoon, and our students were great role models for the primary school students. They were exceptional!!!



National Sorry Day

National Sorry Day is held on the 26th May every year to remember and recognise all those who were affected by the Stolen Generations, as well as the negative impact of Australian government policies, practices and attitudes towards First Nations people throughout history.

We reflect on the mistreatment of First Nations people, in particular the Stolen Generations, and the profound grief, suffering and loss they have experienced.

Reconciliation Week

Reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between First Nations people and non-Indigenous people, for the benefit of all Australians. A reconciled Australia is one where the rights of First Nations people are not just respected but championed in all the places that matter.

This year everyone is asked to make change beginning with brave actions in their daily lives – where they live, work, play and socialise.

To commence Reconciliation Week students participated in a Thrive lesson. In this lesson, students were provided with information about the purpose of Reconciliation Week and National Sorry Day. The EHS Acknowledgment of Country was

also launched as a step towards making change. This Acknowledgement of Country was developed by the student body including members of the SRC, Senior Leadership Team and First Nations students.

"As we stand on the land of the Dharawal Nation, we acknowledge the elders past, present and emerging. Our school respects First Nations People and we honour their culture and traditions. We will strive for excellence, honour and service as a school community."

Students also participated in a variety of lunch time activities including weaving, canvas art, rock painting and leaf art.

Library Matters

Term 1 was a busy time in the library, as you can see from the infographic!

The **Premier's Reading Challenge** is well underway. Our Year 7 and 8 classes involved in the **Wide Reading Program** have been reading lots of books which contribute to the challenge. We've even had three Year 7 students finish already by reading 20 books, which is an incredible achievement! Congratulations to Ruby K, Audrey M, and Jordan M for their hard work in finishing the challenge so early. It's not too late to join – encourage your child to speak with the library staff if they'd like to participate. If they are participating, please ask them to log their books on the student website: <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/studentExperience.html#/>

Next, I'd like to congratulate the students who have made it onto our Readerboard – these students are our top borrowers so far this year and deserve to be acknowledged for their efforts!

- Annabelle K – 47 books
- Keanu R – 34 books
- Jordan M – 30 books
- Supriya T – 17 books
- Harrison D – 16 books

I'd also like to acknowledge our top borrowers in April: Lilliana K, Mia P, Jasmine S, Tenika W, Fynn C, and Audrey M. It's wonderful to see these students reading for fun and having the added bonus of developing their vocabulary, empathy, literacy skills, and general knowledge.

Of course, the library isn't just about books. As the weather gets colder and more students use the library space in the breaks, we'll be offering a variety of different **social activities** to keep our students entertained. Our **Anime** and **Dungeons and Dragons** clubs are soon to be joined by **Bingo with Bernadette**, **Chess Club** and a brand-new **Gaming and eSports Club**. Keep an eye on our social media platforms for details in future!

Ms Danielle Lysaught
Teacher-Librarian

ELDSLIE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

TERM 1 SNAPSHOT



LOANS

- 744 physical books borrowed
- 54 digital books borrowed
- 118 students borrowing an average of 4.44 books each

NEW RESOURCES

- 373 new resources added
- 146 resources accessioned for Science, English
- 8 new chess sets
- 35 resources requested by students added

SOCIAL EVENTS

- Anime Club
- Bingo with Bernadette
- Dungeons and Dragons
- Trivia and Kahoot
- Chess
- Puzzles
- Uno
- Colouring

PATRONAGE

- 4920 students served over the term
- An average 98.7 students use the library each break
- 300 students in one break was our record

WIDE READING PROGRAM

- 18 collaborative lessons with 7 classes
- 136 Year 7 students involved
- 54 Year 8 students involved

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

- 24 students attempting this year
- 3 students already finished

CLICKVIEW

- 546 staff views
- 123 student views

SENIOR STUDY SESSIONS

- Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons
- 10 students showing dedication to their studies

WE HOPE YOU CONTINUE TO FIND US HELPFUL IN TERM 2!



Mrs Morris
TAS/Textiles and Design

Year 9 Food Technology

Year 9 Food Technology have invested much of Term One learning about Australian Bush Tucker Foods and the impact of British traditions, food availability and immigration on the development of Australian cuisine as we know it today. This term the focus shifts to the massive impact that food choices play on our overall health and wellbeing, and how to source the nutrients we need for different stages of life. Students are always required to wear their apron, leather shoes and hair tied back for practical lessons in order to cook. This term year 9 have literally whipped up something delicious by learning how to manually incorporate air into eggs and cream which maximises the rising properties of these ingredients. Here our students chose to add even more height to their creation by stacking!



Mrs Morris
TAS/9FOT2

TAS Report

Year 11 Textiles and Design

Senior Textiles involves transition as students move from simpler set projects to designing, creating and being responsible for their own creations as they prepare for their final HSC year and their Major Textiles Project with a heavier emphasis on theory. Year 11 textiles have been working hard on their amazing cushions and accompanying portfolios. Part of the assessment task was to incorporate as many embellishment techniques as possible and it was encouraging to see so many of the students putting in a strong effort regardless of skill level. Some of the fabric manipulation techniques included chenilling, patchwork, dying, both hand and machine embroidery, gathering, rouching and applique amongst many others. Students also extended themselves by enclosing their projects with zips and velcro fasteners; designing and using their own pattern.

Tech Mandatory

Support Tech Mandatory have been learning new skills in woodwork as they embark on their major project of a windchime by working with tools such as a handsaw, drill, and sander on pipes and pine. Students have been diligent with safety by wearing goggles in their workspace and have demonstrated maturity adhering to instructions. Prior to the major project students also practised following written procedures by completing a class kit project using a screwdriver, screws, nuts, timber, nails, hammer and a planter. In groups of two and three, students completed a plant stand which they then used to decorate their classroom.



Mrs Morris
TAS/Tech Mandatory

Sports Report

Macarthur Zone Touch Team

Congratulations to the following students for making the Macarthur Zone Open Touch Teams:

Girls

- Izabel Williams
- Diana Mizyed
- Ashley Vasquez
- Isabella Barna
- Keira Ryder-Moriarty
- Olivia Shmeissem
- Miah-Bella D'Amato
- Taylor Hodge
- Ashley Carroll
- Emma Brooker

Boys

- Aaron Prodromou
- Elahlío Atoni
- Euan Pullen
- William Finianos

NSWCHSSA Swimming Championships

Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding results at the NSW State Swimming Championships:

Charlotte Davis

- 17th in 12 years girls 50m freestyle
- 17th in 12 years girls 100m freestyle
- 17th in 12 years girls 200m freestyle
- 9th in 12 years girls 100m Backstroke
- 14th in 12 years girls 100m Breaststroke

Ella Johnson

- 27th in 14 years girls 100m freestyle
- 21st in 14 years girls 200m freestyle
- 18th in 14 years girls 100m backstroke
- 18th in 14 years girls 100m Butterfly

15 years girls relay - 20th

- Arianna King
- Ella Malcolm
- Aleah Sbezzi-Davison
- Alexis Weeden

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- 22nd in 16 years girls 100m freestyle
- 20th in 16 years girls 100m backstroke
- 21st in 16 years girls 100m breaststroke
- 14th in 16 years girls 100m butterfly

16 years girls relay - 16th

- Izabel Williams
- Alexia Malcolm
- Mia Balmer
- Hannah Austin

Cooper Wade

- 29th in 14 years boys 50m freestyle
- 21st in 14 years boys 100m freestyle
- 18th in 14 years boys 200m freestyle
- 21st in 14 years boys 100m backstroke
- 6th in 14 years boys 100m breaststroke
- 8th in 14 years boys 100m butterfly
- 6th in 14 years boys Individual Medley

Noah Johnson

- 14th in under 15 years multi class 50m freestyle
- 12th in under 15 years multi class 100m freestyle
- 15th in under 15 years multi class 50m backstroke
- 12th in under 15 years multi class 50m breaststroke



Ashley Vasquez and Isabella Barna in the NSWCHS Netball Championships

Ashley Vasquez and Isabella Barna competed in the NSWCHS Netball Championship at Orange in May. The Sydney South West team that the girls were members of, came home with the gold medal. Ashley captained the undefeated team and was also chosen for the NSWCHS team to compete in the tri-series.



Congratulations Cooper Wade for receiving the following awards for his achievements at NSW State Swimming Championships: Eylene Encouragement Award for SSWSSA and 14 Years Boy Age Champion.



Congratulations Razorback for Athletics House Champion

EHS Girls Touch Team

Congratulations to the EHS Girls Touch Team who made it through to the Semi-Finals of the CHS Knockout Competition. Unfortunately, the team lost to Casula High School but made a tremendous effort through the entire competition to secure a spot in the top 4 in Sydney South West.



NSWCHS Open Boys Hockey Championships

Brayden Sutherland and Kye Sutherland were selected to be part of the SSWSSA Boys Hockey Team which will compete in the NSWCHS Opens Boys Hockey Championships. Congratulations to Brayden and Kye for being selected to represent Sydney South West.

NSWCHS Open Girls Hockey Championships

Amanda Condon, Arianna King and Zariah Lang were selected to be part of the SSWSSA Girls Hockey Team which will compete in the NSWCHS Opens Girls Hockey Championships. Congratulations to Amanda, Arianna and Zariah for being selected to represent Sydney South West.

Opens Boys Hockey

Congratulations to our Open Boys Knockout Hockey Team. They played against Mount Annan High School for a place in the SSW Final and won, 7-1. Well done for your wins so far and we wish them good luck in the final.



Opens Girls Hockey

With only 6 girls with hockey experience, Ms Cross put out the call for any girls with grit, determination and fearlessness to step up and take the challenge!! Some put up their hands, Ms had to beg others.....but we got a team- with reserves!!! We won our 1st game through forfeit, but hey, we took the win. Next up on the draw was Westfields. Our experienced players quickly put the team through a Hockey 101 crash course during our warmup. You hold your stick like this, don't let the ball touch your foot, this is where you need to stand. We took the field. We ran, we dribbled, we passed and we may have had a couple of miss hits but we looked like Hockeyroos out on the pitch. We went down to Westfields, but we couldn't tell you the score because we were having too much fun!!!

Opens Boys Baseball

Congratulations to the EHS Opens Boys Baseball Team; Connor Bell, Hayden Cross, Matthew Trynchy, Dylan Trynchy, Wil Daley, Rhys Harmer, Lachlan Cosgrove, Jordan Barnes and Beau Bramstedt. The boys won, 17-3, against Sir Joseph Banks High School. The boys are up against Mount Annan High School in the final. Goodluck in your upcoming match.

Zone Cross Country

Elderslie High School came 4th overall at the Zone Cross Country Carnival. Great work by all students who represented Elderslie High School. A special mention to Charli Smith who received Age Champion for 13 Year Girls, Ella Johnson who received Age Champion for 14 Year Girls and Caitlyn Brazier who received Age Champion for 16 Year Girls.

Zone Cross Country Advancer

Congratulations to the following students who have advanced to Sydney South West Cross Country:

Girls:

- Charli Smith
- Alia Soubra
- Ella Johnson
- Casey Lloyd
- Caitlyn Brazier
- Emma Young
- Izabel Williams
- Diana Mizyed
- Jordan Hayes
- Madison Harris
- Savannah Nenadic

Boys:

- Aiden Fenner
- Cooper Wade
- Jackson Domanski
- Joshua Collins
- Blake Leahy
- Ryan Houldin
- Taj Carter-Smith

Opens Boys Tennis

Congratulations to the Open Boys Tennis Knockout Team; Lachlan C, Dylan T, Matthew T and Rhys H, who won their quarterfinals against Picton High School. Good luck in the semi finals against Elizabeth Macarthur High School.



Under 14's Rugby League

In the first round, the boys placed first with a 24-6 win against Picton High School and a 18-8 win against Mount Annan High School. The boys progressed to the next round where they played Bass Hill High School and lost 8-30. The boys won their next two games, 24-10, against Sarah Redfern High School and 24-18, against Picnic Point High School.

Mr Mani was extremely proud of the boy's effort and reflection of respect, honour and unity playing each game with a deep seeded passion for representing Elderslie High School. An honourable mention goes out to coach Simon Pereira of Year 12, who once again sacrificed many of his lunch breaks to prepare the boys for this day. Mr Mani would also like to thank Joel C and Aaron P for helping with League Safe on the day and preparing the team.



EHS Girls Open Soccer

The EHS Girls Open Soccer have defeated Camden High School, 6-2, and Macquarie Fields High School, 6-0, for a place in the quarter finals. The girls will be playing against Bossley Park High School and we wish them all the best.



Isabella Travena represents!

Isabella Travena was selected to represent NSWCHS for Softball in Melbourne. The NSW team placed 4th overall. Isabella was selected to be part of the Australian Softball Team. Congratulations Isabella for your determination and effort to achieve 4th and be selected for an Australian team.



Elderslie High School Athletics Age Champions

Congratulations to the following students who competed at the EHS Athletics Carnival and achieved Age Champion.

AGE	GIRLS	BOYS
12	Charlotte Davis	Mohamed Sheriff
13	Alira Montoya Seru Wolsten	Aidan Fenner
14	Kristy Lee	Cooper Wade
15	Casey Lloyd	Vincent Reilly
16	Izabel Williams	Aaron Prodromou
17-19	Taylor Hodge	Adam Malak

CAPA Update

Our **CAPA Ensembles** are in full swing for 2023. If you are interested in joining the **Ballroom Dance Ensemble or Dance Ensemble** there are still spaces available for interested students. Classes start Term 2 Week 6. See Ms Dennis in the CAPA Staffroom or Studio for a permission note.

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in making our eighteenth musical, **Strictly Ballroom, The Musical** come to life. Our talented cast, dedicated Music Ensemble, hard working technical crew and supportive Alumni worked so hard to bring this show to the school community. What a week and what a show!!! We are all so thankful that we completed all of the shows this year and that the audiences loved it. Thank you to the parents for supporting the rehearsal process, buying tickets and coming along to watch the shows. Thank you to all of the staff who bought tickets and attended one of the shows. Thank you to the Alumni who helped out; Nikki Busci (Raeburn), Blake Penfold, Maya Ascaino, James Craven, Nicholas Palmer, Brendan Ross, Chloe Pasterfield and Samuel Hannaford. Thank you to all of the Office staff and teachers who also assisted during the rehearsal week and shows. We really appreciated your support. **Strictly Ballroom** taught us all that...a life half lived is a life lived in fear. Love really was in the air during Week 5 this term.



CAPA Faculty

Public Speaking and Debating Update

On Friday, the 5th May, Elderslie High School was represented by two Year 11 students, Abbey Reed, and Carlee Bell at the South West Sydney **Local final of the Plain English Speaking Final** held at Prairiewood High School. Both Abbey and Carlee presented 8-minute prepared speeches, Abbey spoke about the testing of beauty products on animals and Carlee spoke of the waiting lists crisis in our hospitals. Abbey and Carlee spoke exceptionally well, they both delivered very eloquent and engaging speeches about topics that are very relevant in our society today. The second part of the competition involved the impromptu division. Competitors were given a previously unseen topic and they then had three minutes in which to prepare before giving a three-minute speech, the competitors had to speak on the topic of 'Great expectations'. Impromptu

speaking can be incredibly challenging, both Abbey and Carlee presented impromptu speeches on pertinent topics and delivered them exceptionally well. Carlee then went on to represent the school at the Regional Final at The Arts Unit in Lewisham on the 27th May 2023.

The Year 11 Debating Team, consisting of Carlee Bell, Jasper Browne, Tyler Lloyd and Abbey Reed won their Round 1 and Round 2 Debates against Wyndham College and Pennant Hills High School but were unfortunately defeated by Sydney Boys High School and Cheltenham Girls High School in very close debates. Congratulations to all the team members on an excellent journey in 2023.

The Year 12 Debating Team, consisting of Anna Choudhary, Libby Linton, Mickayla Safar and Claire Stanley won their Round 1 and Round 2 Debates against Wyndham College and Fairfield High School. They then went on to win their Round 3 and 4 Debates against Castle Hill High School and Concord High School. Next up we debate James Ruse Agricultural High School. Best of luck!



Ms Dennis. Ms Dokmanovic and Ms Santos



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PROPOSED CALENDAR – More detailed Calendar events can be found on our school website

Wk	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7		6 June P&C Meeting 7pm			
8	12 June <i>King's Birthday</i> <i>Public Holiday</i>	13 June Year 11 Recognition Assembly			
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10		27 June Zone Athletics Carnival	28 June Zone Athletics Carnival		

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P & C MEETINGS 2023

ALL parents of students and
interested members
of the Elderslie community
are invited to attend
these meetings.

Our next meeting for 2023 will be:
Tuesday 6 June 2023 via ZOOM
Meeting link will