

# BETHANY ELC NEWSLETTER



21<sup>ST</sup> OF FEBRUARY 2023  
TERM 1 WEEK 3



Welcome to our Term 1, Week 3 Newsletter.

We hope your family are starting to settle into the routine of ELC! Please remember to encourage your child to find their photo, choose their own locker spot and unpack their things. This allows them to develop a sense of ownership and helps them to know where their things are when you are not around.

Being at ELC can be quite the change for many children as they navigate new friendships, new expectations and new routines. The days here can be very busy so we certainly encourage all children to be getting a good night of sleep. (10-13 hours if you're lucky!). Please share with us if your child has had a big weekend or there are any changes happening that might affect their day here at ELC.

They also can crave quiet, one on one attention with you and this is a great way to help them regulate and unwind. As little as 10 minutes of your **undivided** attention, playing LEGO, Barbies, jumping on the trampoline or exploring the garden together, can reduce the instances of big emotions. (Unfortunately I can't guarantee it eliminates them!)

Finally, from this week the children will be attending PE at least one day and borrowing a library book to take home for the week. Please remember to read it together with your child and return it next week in their blue library bag.

**Blessings,**  
**Laura Hatcliffe - ELC Assistant Director**

# OUR LEARNING

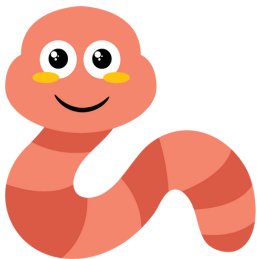


This week we are exploring how God made each of us unique and how He loves us very much!

**What is something unique about you?**

We will be finger painting and creating paper collages together this week!

**What is something you can create for someone in your family this week?**



Our worm farm is continuing to thrive! We will keep observing our worms this week.

**Can you tell someone in your family something you learnt about worms this week?**

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We are baking together for our picnic tonight! It will help us to learn about measuring and counting.

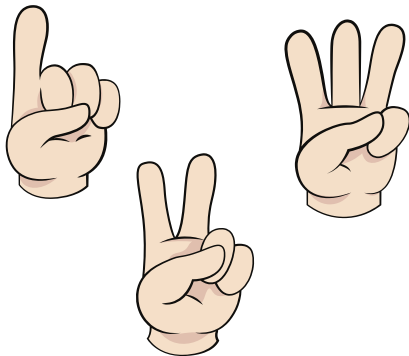
**What did you count or measure while cooking this week?**



Through our story trays, we are learning some new words together!

**Can you tell someone in your family about one of the stories from our story tray?**

We are going to start practicing counting together this week.  
**Can you practice counting with someone in your family?**



# OTHER INFORMATION

## Communication:

Each child has their own pocket in the foyer where you will find notices. Please remember to check this each day your child is in ELC, please also check Storypark for regular updates of our daily activities, and your emails for ongoing communication.

We understand you may need to contact the ELC other times throughout the day which you are welcome to do via email: [elc@bethany.sa.edu.au](mailto:elc@bethany.sa.edu.au), or phone: 8283 0000.



4. Pick fruit from a tree and eat it
5. Go for a hike in the bush or a local reserve
6. Jump in a pile of leaves



### Important Dates in Term 1:

Twilight Family Picnic	Week 3 Tue (21/2)
Adelaide Cup (ELC Closed)	Week 6 Mon (13/3)
Come and Play	Week 7 Tue-Thu (21/3-23/3)
Good Friday (ELC Closed)	Week 9 Fri (7/4)
Easter Monday (ELC Closed)	Week 10 Mon (10/4)

