

# BETHANY ELC NEWSLETTER



27TH OF JUNE 2023  
TERM 2 WEEK 9



Welcome to our Term 2, Week 9 Newsletter.

As we approach the end of term, we are reflecting on how much the children have grown since the beginning of the year. We are so proud of the connections they are making with each other and the growth we have seen.

Week 10 is NAIDOC Week! This is a time to celebrate and recognize the ongoing history, cultures and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. What a great opportunity to learn about First Nations cultures and share in these celebrations. Early next term, the ELC will be partnering with the school to share our learning about First Nations cultures, histories and perspectives. We acknowledge and appreciate the First Nations families who partner with Bethany Christian School, and value the diversity of experiences and perspectives they bring.

This year, the NAIDOC theme is "For Our Elders". In the ELC, we will be reflecting on the theme by reading 'On the Way to Nana's' and 'Come Together'. First Nations Elders are cultural knowledge holders, teachers, survivors and activists. We take this time to honor them.

As we approach the July holidays, we pray you stay safe and healthy. We hope you can enjoy rest and times of connection with your families. Thank you for filling in the holiday booking form. Stay warm and enjoy the week ahead!

**God bless,  
Emily Dodds - ELC Teacher**

# OUR LEARNING



On Thursday this week is MUD DAY. We will be celebrating with mud cakes and a mud bath!

**Can you invite someone in your family to play in the mud with you?**

We are celebrating NAIDOC Week together in Week 10.

**Is there something you learnt during NAIDOC Week that you can share with your family?**



We are meeting Huggtopus this week who will help to teach us how to say "Not Now"!

**How can Huggtopus help you when playing with friends or at home?**



# OUR LEARNING

We will continue to explore insects together, learning more about different types of minibeasts!

**What insect or bug did you learn about for the first time this week?**



We are starting to learn about shapes!  
**Is there something you learnt this week that you can share with someone in your family?**

We will be starting to identify words that begin with the sounds 'g' and 'o'!

**Can you ask someone in your family to help you think of words starting with 'g' or 'o'?**



goat



game



gate



girl



gum



gift



goose



open



oak



officer



ox



octopus



ocean



oatmeal



omelet

# 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.



28. Blow on a dandelion flower and make a wish
29. Sit quietly and watch ants, snails or birds
30. Water some plants with a watering can



## Important Dates in Term 2:

NAIDOC Week

Week 10 (2/7-9/7)

Term 2 Holidays (ELC Open)

Mon (10/7) - Fri (21/7)

ELC Closed (Holidays)

Holiday Week 1 Fri (14/7)

