

BETHANY ELC NEWSLETTER



7TH OF FEBRUARY 2024
TERM 1 WEEK 1



Welcome to our first newsletter for 2024! We are so excited to see your children grow, discover and thrive this year. Our staff are here to support you and your child as we all transition into this year.

Just a few friendly reminders to please label everything your child brings to the ELC, pack a full set of labelled spare clothes including shoes, and your child needs to bring their hat, lunchbox and drink bottle every day. Whilst our centre opens at 8am, please note you do not have to be here at 8am, but we encourage you to drop off your children by 8:45. The same goes for the end of the day, we close at 4pm but you are welcome to collect from 2:45 until 4pm.

You may have noticed that we have a loading space in our foyer, we are in the process of creating a new vision board to display our planning and learning for this year – WATCH THIS SPACE!

There are two apps that we use at Bethany ELC including Storypark for all of our learning stories, photos and daily highlights, and XAP Smile for accounts and enrolment information. If you are having any trouble with accessing either of these please email, call or chat to us in person. During drop off and pick up times, please ensure that all gates are closed as you enter and exit to ensure the safety of our children.

Thank you to all of our families for signing in and signing out their children using our iPad system. Please note each person who collects your child needs their own sign in/sign out code. If you would like to add someone please email their full name and phone number to our email address, or log onto XAP to add them to your account. Our staff will need to site their ID if we have not met someone collecting your child before.

Blessings,
Emily Bondarenko - ELC Director

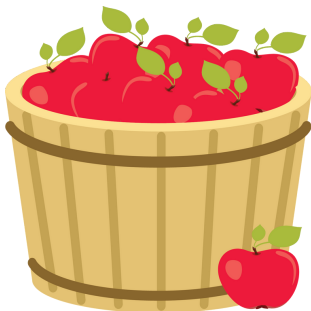
OUR LEARNING

Hi ELC friends,

You can use our ELC newsletter to show your family what we have been learning together at the ELC!

We are starting to draw our self portraits by looking at ourselves in the mirror.

What is one thing you notice about yourself when you look in the mirror?



This week we will be seeing how tall we are!

Can you tell someone in your family how many apples tall you are?

OUR LEARNING

We are learning about butterflies together and the patterns on their wings!

Can you tell someone one thing you learnt about butterflies this week?



We are exploring sorting through the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar!

What are the different types of food the caterpillar ate in this story?



This week in devotions we are learning about how God loves and cares for us!

What is something God did to show us He cares about us?



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, or phone: 8283 0000.



1. Run around in the rain
2. Play hide and seek in a garden
3. Lie on your back and watch the clouds



Important Dates in Term 1:

Twilight Family Picnic	Week 3 Tue (20/2)
Adelaide Cup (ELC Closed)	Week 6 Mon (11/3)
Come and Play	Week 7 Tue-Thu (19/3-21/3)
Good Friday (ELC Closed)	Week 8 Fri (29/3)
Easter Monday (ELC Closed)	Week 9 Mon (1/5)

