

# BETHANY ELC NEWSLETTER

21ST OF MARCH 2023  
TERM 1 WEEK 7



Welcome to our Term 1, Week 7 Newsletter.

We are so excited to see you at our Come and Play this week! It will be a wonderful opportunity to build connections with the ELC learning community. Come and play alongside your child, get to know the learning environment and see the connections the children have made.

We hope you have been able to enjoy the library books your children are bringing home each week. You have a whole week with the library book, as you don't need to return it until the day of your child's library day. Reading with your child provides opportunities for you to strengthen connection and supports children to regulate and wind down. Reading with your child promotes crucial oral language development. Children need to hear language before they use language.

Book reading is a powerful part of supporting children to develop their literacy skills. One way you can deepen the learning at home is to talk about the books you are reading. Try hooking them in with questions like, "I wonder what will happen if...". You could explore the characters emotions together, "How is ... feeling right now? Why's that?". You could even empower your child to read the pictures "Have a look at the picture, what do you think is happening in the story?". There are endless ways to promote oral language through reading with your child. Have fun reading together!

**Blessings,**  
**Emily Dodds - ELC Teacher**

# OUR LEARNING



This week is Harmony Week!  
Together we will celebrate that  
we are all different & special.  
**What have you learnt about  
someone else this week that  
makes them different and  
special?**

Here at the ELC, we are  
kind to one another! This  
week we will reflect on our  
friendships here.  
**Can you tell someone in  
your family who your  
friends at the ELC are?**



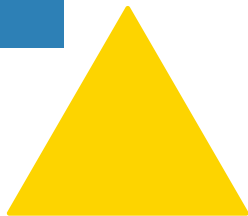
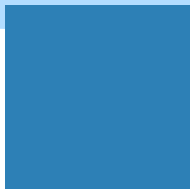
Together we will be planting  
autumn vegetables this week!  
**What vegetable are you  
most excited to see growing  
in our garden?**



# OUR LEARNING

We are starting our ELC Shape Book together this week using shapes in nature.

**Can you tell someone in your family what shape you added to our Shape Book?**



This week we are starting to explore words that rhyme!

**Can you find two items in your house with names that rhyme?**

We are painting mini-beasts together at the art table!

**What mini-beast are you most excited to paint?**



# 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.



10. Climb a steep slope on your hands and knees.
11. Watch a sunrise or sunset.
12. Play with mud!



### Important Dates in Term 1:

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)

