

# BETHANY ELC NEWSLETTER

23RD OF JUNE 2020  
TERM 2 WEEK 9



Welcome to our Term 2, Week 9 Newsletter.

It is hard to believe that we have reached the end of Term 2! It is undeniable that it has been a busy term as we coped with the many changes and challenges of COVID-19. We are so blessed to be in South Australia, where it is safe and healthy for our children to continue learning and growing together as an ELC community. Our children have blown us away with their resilience, growth and empathy through this term. We have seen friendships strengthened, confidence grow and talents flourish. Recently, we have been learning about table manners. We have been discussing the importance of sitting together at mealtimes, eating with our mouth closed and having appropriate conversational skills at mealtimes. Mealtimes are an important time for children to learn social skills, self-help skills and healthy eating. At home, shared mealtimes are a great way to come together, strengthen ties and build better relationships as parents model healthy eating habits, meaningful conversations and polite table manners. We have placed a 'Table Manners' poster as well as a 'Family Mealtime Recording Sheet' in your child's pocket. We encourage you to discuss this with your child and return the sheet to us when it is completed.

The ECEC Relief Package is coming to an end on the 12th of July. We hope the past term of free childcare has been beneficial to your family. If your child is attending ELC in the school holidays, your account will be charged for the second week of the holidays. Unfortunately, as a centre attached to a school, we were not eligible for JobKeeper and hence have been running at a 50% financial loss through this period. We are so grateful for your continuous support, kindness and grace through this season. Should you need further financial assistance as this package comes to an end, please contact our Bursar, Dean Huntley, to discuss options for financial aid.

**Blessings,  
Rachael Chesson  
ELC Coordinator**

# OUR LEARNING



## LEFT OUT

We are learning about the letters 'u' and 'l'. The names of the letters are 'you' and 'el', and the sounds they make are /u/ as in umbrella and // as in light.

**What are some other words that start with U and L? Is there anything in your house that starts with these letters?**

This week we will be learning about the left out and mad feelings. We will talk about including others in our play, and expressing mad feelings in a helpful way.

**What are some ways you can include yourself in someone else's play?**

L I

We lick our lollipops  
We lick our lollipops  
// - //  
We lick our lollipops



Action: Pretend to lick a lollipop and say llllllll



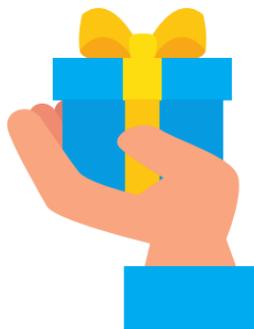
We are going to play board games to help us build our numeracy skills!

**Do you have some games at home with numbers on them? Can you play them with your family?**

# OUR LEARNING

This term we are discovering more about what we can create, and connecting with our community!

**Can you make someone in your ELC Community a special gift this week?**



We are learning about taking care of our teeth. Did you know that we should brush our teeth for two minutes, twice a day?

**Why do we need to brush our teeth? How should we brush our teeth? When do you brush your teeth?**



We are growing in independence! This week we are learning about table manners.

**How do you show table manners at home? Can you think of some things you can talk about over dinner?**



# OTHER INFORMATION

## Communication

Each child has their own pocket in the foyer where you will find notices or relevant forms.

Please remember to check this each day your child is in ELC. Please be reminded to check Storypark for regular updates of our daily activities.

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



31. Have a picnic under a big shady tree
32. Jump in a puddle
33. Chase butterflies around the garden



### Important Dates in Term 2:

Last day of Term 2

Term 2 Holidays

Friday 3 July

Monday July 6 - Monday 20th July

