Term 3
July 15 – September 20

Term 4
October 7 – December 20

PLEASE NOTE
ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM HAS CONCLUDED FOR THIS TERM
NORMAL AFTER SCHOOL CARE IS AVAILABLE FROM 3.15pm until 5.30 pm Wednesday and Thursday of this week

Please let us know by 2.00 pm if you need your child to use the program

FRIDAY JUNE 28th
LAST DAY TERM 3
SCHOOL DISMISSED AT 1.30 PM

SCHOOL VALUES

- **Care and Compassion** – Care for self and others
- **Honesty and Trustworthiness** – Be honest, sincere and seek the truth
- **Respect** – Treat others with consideration and regard: respect another person’s point of view
- **Responsibility**—Be accountable for one’s own actions, resolve differences in constructive, non violent and peaceful ways; contribute to society and civic life, take care of the environment

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We have finally come to the end of another busy, but exciting term. So much has been packed into the last 11 weeks and both teachers and students are looking forward to a well-earned holiday!

We still have a few events happening between now and Friday afternoon which include;
- Food Smart Workshop tomorrow morning
- Grant Application Brainstorming Session tomorrow morning in the staffroom.
- Playgroup as usual tomorrow morning.
- Science Day tomorrow – co-ordinated and run by our grade 6 student leaders.
- MARC Van Thursday – please remind students to return their books.
- AMAZE Student Workshops Thursday – please see info below.
- Good Start Early Learning Centre visit on Thursday.

Prep Enrolments 2013
If you know of anyone who has a kinder child in 2013 or if you have a child who will be attending Eppalock Primary School in Prep next year, we encourage you to enrol as soon as possible. Early enrolments assist us to put in place staffing, grade structures and facilities for next year. When enrolling your child, you will need to provide with the enrolment form:
- A copy of the birth certificate (we can make a copy of the original if necessary) and
- A school entry immunisation certificate obtained from The Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR). Phone 1800653809.

Information Packs and enrolment forms are available from the office.

AMAZE Supporting Differences Workshops
Working in partnership with DEECD, Amaze (Autism Victoria) has developed free hour long sessions for students from Prep to Year 12 that aim to extend students’ awareness of the range of differences that can be found within the classroom. The five streams of the program ultimately hope that by discussing and celebrating difference, positive relationships between and amongst students will be supported.

AMAZE educators will be at our school on Thursday to go through the following programs with our students;
- **Prep to Year 2**: Through activities that identify similarities and differences amongst their class group, students discover that it is our differences that make us special and unique. They explore the notions that our words and actions can have negative effects on others and are supported through devising strategies to handle negative situations.
- **Years 3 & 4**: Students identify similarities and differences in their class, immediate community and communities across the world. They explore the notions that differences shape who we are and what our society looks like. Through interactive activities and discussions, students identify what respectful relationships look like and what it means to be a friendly person.
Years 5 & 6: As the Years 3 & 4 program but with the addition of exploring the notion of ‘disability’. Through film and visual prompts, students’ perceptions of disability are challenged and misconceptions addressed. Please note, ASD is NOT discussed with students in primary school settings.

WARMING WEDNESDAY
Students are invited to bring a lunch item to school on a Wednesday, starting in term 3, to be heated in the ‘pie-warmer’ (items such as pies, toasted sandwiches, sausage rolls, left-overs etc). Food must be wrapped in foil or in an oven-proof container and must be clearly marked with the student’s name and grade. NO FROZEN FOOD OR UNCOOKED ITEMS OR MICROWAVE ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

FOOTY CARNIVAL—WEDNESDAY 17TH JULY—9.30 am—2.30 pm at Catholic College Junortoun Campus. Our Grade 5 and 6 students will be participating in this carnival the first week back of Term 3. Students are joining with Axedale Primary School and the Team name is ‘Eppadale’. Each team will play a minimum of five games with the top two teams in each division playing a final. Students will need to take a cut lunch, snacks and drink. A canteen will operate on the day also. The cost of the day is $7.50 per student. The Local Excursion Permission Form will cover this excursion. Payment is required prior to the day. Please place the money in an envelope with your child’s name on the outside and send to school by July 17th. Parents are welcome and encouraged to go to cheer our Team on. Game times will be sent home next Term.

WHODUNIT? MURDER MYSTERY EXCURSION – TERM 3—THURSDAY JULY 18TH
Whodunit? Murder Mystery at Menagerie Park at the Bendigo Discovery Centre is an exciting hands-on, minds-on exhibition that appeals to the detective in everyone. Whodunit? provides students with an insight into the puzzle-like process that forensic scientists work through, sifting and piecing evidence together to build a case. The exhibits in Whodunit? link with outcomes from the Science, Technology, Mathematics, Society and Environment Learning Areas and will be the beginning provocation for our Inquiry Based Learning unit for Term 3. The Local Excursion Permission Forms will cover this excursion. The cost of the excursion is $21.00 per student. Payment is required prior to the excursion—please place the money in an envelope with your child’s name on the outside and send to school by July 18th.

FRIDAY JUNE 28TH – LAST DAY OF TERM 2
A reminder to all families that students will be dismissed at 1.30 pm on Friday and the school bus will depart at that time for the afternoon run. Parents are advised that they may need to make alternate arrangements for picking up their children, particularly if they are bus travellers.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE—FRIDAY 28TH JUNE
IF YOU REQUIRE AFTER SCHOOL CARE ON FRIDAY, PLEASE LET US KNOW TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY 26TH.
IF THE PROGRAM IS REQUIRED, IT WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE FROM 1.30 PM UNTIL 3.30 PM. IF NO-ONE NEEDS TO USE AFTER SCHOOL CARE ON FRIDAY, IT WILL BE CANCELLED. IF USING THE PROGRAM, STUDENTS WILL NEED TO BRING THEIR OWN LUNCH

Thank you so much, as always to our wonderful staff for their hard work and dedication this term and also to our fantastic parents and school community for their ongoing help and support. I hope everyone has a lovely, restful holiday. I will see you all back at school on the 15th July ready for an exciting term 3.

Have a great break. Mrs Ryan

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS—Statements will be sent home later this week. We would appreciate finalisation of accounts as soon as possible. If you would like to have a payment plan or use Direct Deposit into the school account, please see Mrs Ryan or Marie.

School banking details for Direct Deposits ...

Account Name  Eppalock Primary School Council Official Account
Bank  Commonwealth Bank
Account BSB  063 506
Account Number  10152204

If using Direct Deposit into the School Account, please ensure you include your family name on the transaction.
IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE

Tuesday 25th  DRAMA & MUSIC
Wednesday 26th  Food Smart Workshop
Science Day
Thursday 27th  MARC LIBRARY
AMAZE
VISIT FROM GOOD START KINDER
Friday 28th  LAST DAY OF TERM—1.30 PM FINISH

MONDAY 15TH JULY—TERM 3 COMMENCES

Tuesday 16th  DRAMA / MUSIC
Wednesday 17th  FOOTY CARNIVAL (Grade 5/6 students)
Thursday 18th  DISCOVERY CENTRE EXCURSION

AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who received awards this week …

- **Will**—working very well in all areas
- **Kaden**—being very keen to learn
- **Jaiden**—working hard in school
- **Riley**—for his wonderful ‘have-a-go’ attitude towards his schooling

Honesty and Trustworthiness Award—**Jazz**

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

◊ To Harmony, thanks for helping Nicole up.
◊ To Netti, Jackie, Andrew H, Brendan and all the other helpers that have done heaps of work on the Sensory Garden—Well Done! Thank you!
◊ To Mrs Ryan for organising to go to Legally Blonde for the 5/6s (from Jack)
◊ Angus played with Henry when Henry was lonely
◊ Brionee helped Jessica to check if they were on the bus (from Kaden)

CONGRATULATIONS …

Riley is a member of the Under 12 Bendigo Soccer Team and played in Shepparton a couple of weeks ago where they won the Championship. Riley was one of the key players for the team. He and the Team will head to Gippsland this coming weekend for another Tournament. Well done Riley and good luck to you and your team.
Important news!
The second instalment of the Schoolkids Bonus for 2013 will be paid by Centrelink from 4 to 17 July. If you haven't received your payment by 18 July, but think you're eligible, please contact Centrelink to discuss your personal circumstances. If you receive Family Tax Benefit as a lump sum the Schoolkids Bonus will be paid after your Family Tax Benefit claim is assessed.
Eligible families who have not updated their child’s education details with Centrelink have until 29th June to do so to ensure they receive the correct payment in July. Eligible families who have updated their child’s education details with Centrelink do not have to do anything.

Urban Camp, Melbourne Recount

(Day two)

On Friday the 7th of June Jordan, Jesse and I woke up and ate breakfast. I had two slices of toast with honey on top and then I had two more slices of toast with vegemite on top. Next we cleaned our teeth, then we got dressed and packed up our sleeping bags and we put our luggage in the Urban Camp van. Next, we caught the 55 tram to Vic Market. We looked at the first two aisles. We saw lots of butchers. They were selling lots of beef. The fishmongers were selling lots of big fish.
We looked in every single aisle. We saw lots of fruit and vegetables.
When we reached the end of the aisle, Mrs Ryan gave us our money to buy things we liked, including sweets. I bought a key ring, a small bag of lollies, some chewing gum and a Spanish donut.
We walked across the road to the Flagstaff Gardens and ate lunch. For lunch I had a cheese sandwich.
I enjoyed the Urban Camp, but now it was time to go.
Next we walked to Southern Cross Station. When we got to SCS we thought we’d walk to Etihad Stadium to have a quick look because the 2:15 train to Bendigo didn’t leave for another 90 minutes.
Next we walked back to SCS and we got our luggage from the Urban Camp van in the coach terminal. We waited near platform 1.
At 1:45 Dad picked me up while the others waited for the Bendigo train to board.
THE END!
By Henry John

ADVANCE NOTICE
As part of our social and emotional program and service as global citizens, we plan to undertake OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD during Term 3.
Further information and details next Term, however if you would like to find out more, check out the following website ..
The hope is that the children will take this on and do ‘jobs’ to earn pocket-money to be able to buy items to fill a shoe-box.
So children, start doing some jobs over the holidays and collecting shoe-boxes and we will have a launch early next Term.
PARENT CLUB MEETINGS ...
♦ 29th July—9.15 am in staff room at school to finalise details for Trivia Night
♦ 26th August—9.15 am in staff room at school
♦ 13th September—12.30 pm at Axedale Tavern for lunch

TRIVIA NIGHT—TERM 3—we are desperately seeking donations for prizes at our Trivia Night. If anyone has any contacts who they think may like to donate something towards the night, could you please ask them and let us know? This is the hardest part of organising the Trivia Night—your support and assistance is very much appreciated.

Gather your family and friends to make up a table for a great night of trivia, fun and laughs.
HELP US KICK GOALS

Great games on offer this week ... 

Saturday June 29th
Melbourne Vs Western Bulldogs—MCG

Sunday 30th June
North Melbourne Vs GWS Giants—Etihad Stadium

Sunday 30th June
Richmond Vs St Kilda—MCG

A fabulous way to start the holidays—go and join in all the fun and excitement of the AFL Round 14 games.

Highest bidder in each of the Melbourne / Western Bulldogs game and Richmond / St Kilda game will receive two seats in the AFL Members Reserve at the MCG.

The winner bidder of the North Melbourne / GWS Giants game will receive two seats in the Etihad Medallion Club.

REMEMBER—ANYONE CAN BID FOR THE TICKETS AND ALL FUNDS RAISED WILL COME DIRECTLY TO OUR SCHOOL.

COMMUNITY NEWS

STEAM TRAINS FOR KIDS—Family Railway Fun
MALDON STATION
Saturday and Sunday July 13th & 14th
Train Rides - Steam / Diesel / Rail Trolley - Animal Farm - Model Railway - Clown on board - Jumping Castle - Fairground Rides – Games - Sausage Sizzle - Horse Cart Rides
Great Family Day FROM 10.00 AM
PH : 54706658 or on-line booking available www.vgr.com.au

PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS—Private lessons are held every Tuesday at Eppalock Primary School ...
Guitar lessons
Vocal lessons
Bass lessons
For more information, please contact Mel on 0430 042 405
Email: sina_rox@hotmail.com