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SCHOOL VALUES

Be Resilient

Be Kind

Be Responsible

Be Respectful

2019 Monday 11th November

Pupil Free Day Reminders

Monday 25th November 2019 – Report Writing Day

Wednesday the 29th January 2020 – Pupil Free Day. All students to resume on Thursday the 30th January 2020.

A reminder that staff 'duty of care' begins at 8:45am each morning. There are no staff on duty until this time.

School Values & School Wide Positive Behaviours

'To develop resilient students who display behaviours and attitudes that reflect school values.'

Be Resilient, Be Kind, Be Responsible & Be Respectful.

This term we have been reviewing the SWPBS behaviours matrix in our classrooms with a new focus area each week with the aim of making any required edits in preparation for 2020. We have found this to be a useful positive strategy for students at school because they have had input. It may be something parents might like to try at home. Discussing your expectations of behaviour at home for key responsibilities or times of the day (e.g morning routine, bed time routine) and then displaying it in a prominent place in your house would give children a clear visual of expectations. If anyone would like more information about how this might be set up, please contact Mr O at school.

PLAY SPACE AREA & GENERAL GROUNDS PLANS

We are still on track to begin work on the new playground area in early December 2019. A reminder that, during this time, we ask that families ensure they are not entering the work zone at any time. This will be clearly fenced off by the construction team for the duration of the work for the safety of all. Please discuss and reinforce this message with children at home, especially any younger siblings.

2020 Prep Enrolments and transition days

A repeat of the following dates to ensure all 2020 Foundation families are aware of the upcoming days. On the first day we will have some current families organise a parent information and welcome session for our new families. We look forward to meeting you on these days.

Tues 26th November – 10:00-11:00am

Tues 3rd December – 10:00-11:30am

Tues 10th December – 9:00am-11:30am

2020 ENROLMENTS & STRUCTURES

At the time of writing we have 7 Foundation students for 2020 and will start the year with 17 in F/1, 15 in 2/3 and 27 in 4/5/6.

Our new staff application process will conclude this Wednesday and we hope to be able to announce our staffing plans for 2020 shortly. We thank families for their patience at this time of year and thank those who have taken the time to share their thoughts through this process.

If any families have intentions of leaving Eppalock PS in 2020 please come and speak with Mr O'Neill at school to confirm your plans.

INGLEWOOD SCHOOL REVIEW

This week I will be out of the school for a variety of reasons. On Monday and Friday I will be part of the Inglewood PS School Review. This will be an interesting process to be part of considering we went through our own review at the end of last year. This is a requirement of Principals to assist in this process as part of System improvement. Visiting other schools is a great way to self-assess your own school. I look forward to being able to learn about the great things Inglewood PS is doing.

ORIENTEERING EVENT

The Orienteering event due to be held last Friday the 8th has been postponed until Friday the 6th December. All details will remain the same. Please let Mr O know if your child's transport will need to change because of the change of date.

Swimming Program

Could all families please return your swimming form (**attending** or **not attending**) to school by Tuesday 12th November.

We need to know final numbers this week.

Impact over time of non-attendance at school

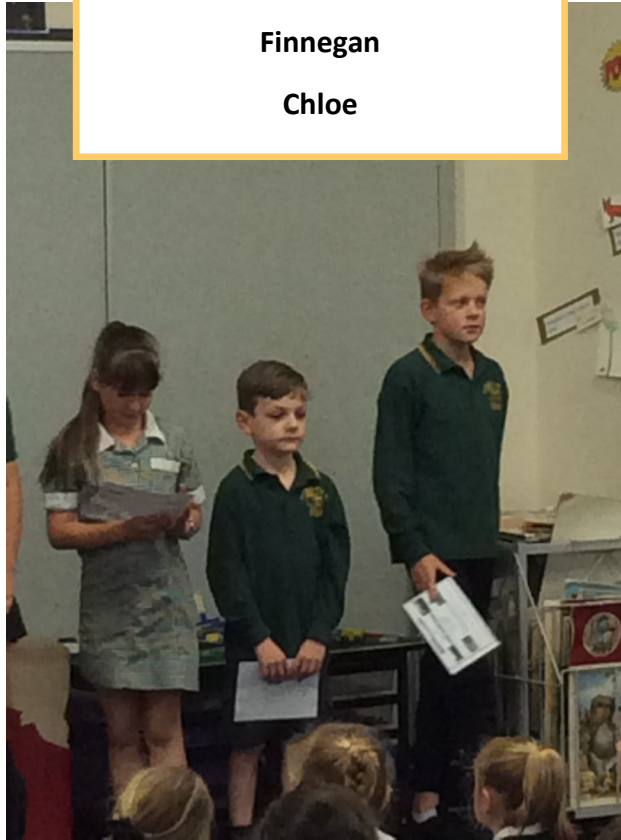
Time away from school	Time missed over a 13 years of school
½ hour per day	1.5 years
1 day per fortnight	1.5 years
1 day per week	3 years
3 days per week	8 years

Last weeks award winners

Banjo

Finnegan

Chloe



Raffle ticket awards

These are drawn out of the hat at assembly on Monday mornings. The certificates are then given to the students at assembly the following week.

Award winners this week are...

Finnegan—for being patient and persistent on the computers

Connor—Reading well in reading time

Will—For letting Lachlan into the line for a pancake

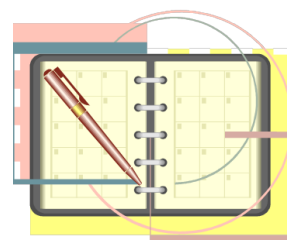
Charli.W— Great listening



IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER

Thursday	14th	School Council Meeting Endangered Series Launch 2.30pm
Sunday	17th	Working Bee at school (Maintenance roster)
Tuesday	19th	Somers Camp (19th—26th)
Wednesday	20th	MARC van
Monday	25th	Pupil Free Day (Report writing day)
Tuesday	26th	Swimming (1-1.40pm)



DECEMBER

Tuesday	3rd	Swimming (1-1.40pm)
Wednesday	4th	MARC Van
Thursday	5th	Special Lunch (fruit salad)
Tuesday	10th	Swimming (1-1.40pm)
Monday	16th	Grade 6 Graduation Night Grade 6 Graduation dinner
Tuesday	17th	Swimming (1-1.40pm)
Friday	13th	Community Night
Friday	20th	Last Day Term 4



2020 Foundation Orientation Program dates—

Tuesday 26th November—10.00 am—11.00 am

Tuesday 3rd December—10.00 am—11.30 am

Tuesday 10th December—9.00 am—11.30 am

REMINDERS

- Payments and forms for Swimming programs Due \$44per student. Swimming starts in 2 weeks.
- Endangered Series Launch - 2.30pm @ EPS on the basketball court.
- Pupil free day—Monday 25th November

Maintenance Roster



The following families are rostered on the 17th November (mid term) If you are unable to make your scheduled time please find another family to swap with then let your team leader know,

Thank-you.

SYMES - Team Leader

JOBS TO BE DONE

WOOD

Empty garden shed

EGAN

Fill holes with gravel

NUNNS

Relocate water tank

EISEN

Mulch around old tree

KELLY

Defrost freezer/tidy pantry

GUTHLEBEN/ROOKS

Relocate playgroup
cupboard to sports shed

A more detailed list will be available from the office.

TERM 4—JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

STOCKX

BRIDGES

BARKER

GORDON—NILSON

THOMAS

JAMES

GENERAL GROUNDS TIDY UP READY FOR 2020



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Lest We Forget



Remembrance Day

Our students stopped what they were doing today at 11am for a minutes silence. They made some wreaths to lay in honour of the Fallen Soldiers.

Lest We Forget



It was Kite flying
weather at
Eppalock on
Friday.



Parent's Club update 04.11.19

Special Lunch dates for this term x 2.

Fruit Salad & Ice Cream Thursday December 5th

Social events term 4

-Teacher's special lunch (Coordinator Sian night)

Week commencing 16th December

The teachers were all very appreciative & enjoyed all the lovely food that came in last year, but sadly could not possibly eat all the food & there was a lot of waste. This year we will aim to reduce the food waste by asking for teacher feedback & numbers on each day to consider the amount of food & dietary requirements.

End of year Community night (Coordinator Nikki Mannes)

Friday 13th December

There will be a Christmas raffle at the end of the year drawn on end of year Community Night.

Grade 6 students will be presented with a gift on behalf of the P.C community, there will be a fun BYO picnic dinner with some treats later (chips & icy poles etc) & a visit from a special person.

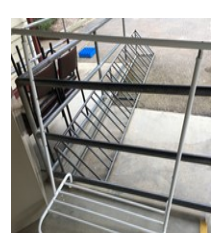
We have also agreed it would be nice to have an end of day activity. (Potentially jumping castle etc TBC later)

Parents Club Meeting Friday 6th December 9:15am in the old school building

Fundraising ideas for 2020-

We are looking for fundraising that is minimal work & is drawing from the wider community not just the school community. If you have any ideas or seen something work well elsewhere, please let us know.

Old school building Clean up, Free recycled items; there are some old chairs, 1 heater, a clothes stand & a box of coat hangers left over from cleaning out the old school building. They are located in the old school building labelled Free to take, if you would like them please help yourself, as they will be thrown out at the end of term.



PARENT CLUB IMPORTANT DATES

Special Lunch Fruit Salad – Thursday 5th December

Teachers special lunch – Last week of school (16th—20th Dec)

End of year Community Night & Christmas Raffle– Friday 13th December

Classroom Chatter

Over the last few weeks the 4/5/6 room has been participating in a whole range of learning activities.

Values: We have been spending some time over the last few weeks touching on our new school values and more specifically the matrix the students created. We have been reviewing each section of the matrix and seeing if anything needs to be added or taken out. It has been great to hear some of the discussion and justifications students have had surrounding the values and related actions. It has also been excellent to see that the students have really adopted our values whole heartedly. They have ensured that they try their very best to model the new values both during learning and play times. Well done 4/5/6's!!!

Literacy:

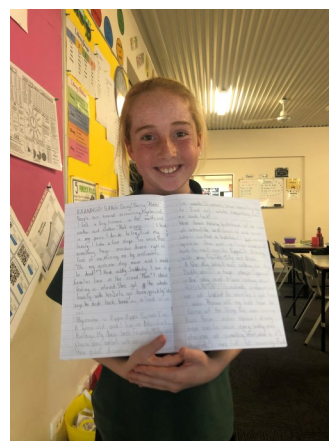
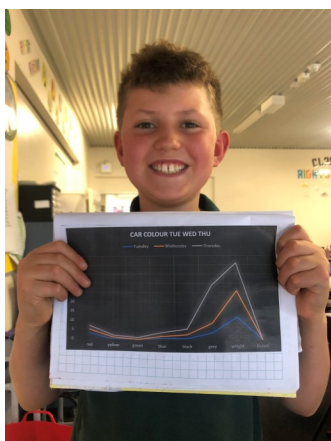
During our literacy block the students have continued to complete a range of literacy rotation activities each week. These include a range of spelling words, comprehension activities, grammar and punctuation tasks (the last two weeks we have focused on singular and plural possessives), as well as guided reading groups.

In writing we have continued with our narrative story work. Over the last week the students have started writing their own narrative on the prompt "The clock is ticking...". The students have loved writing these and have put a tremendous amount of time and effort in so far with a lot of them taking their stories home to keep the creatives streaks going. Mr Mac has been very impressed with the level of creativity and structure the stories have.

Numeracy:

Over the last few weeks the senior room has looked at a couple of numeracy topics. Earlier in the term we looked at *Data representation and interpretation*. Through this process the students surveyed the traffic on Axe Creek road over a 3-day period. From gathering that data they created line graphs in which they could compare vehicle type and vehicle colours over the period of the three days. After doing so the students put their interpretation hats on and drew a number of conclusions and answers from observing the data.

Both last week and this week we have been looking into Patterns and Algebra. This has ranged from recognising number and shape patterns, to applying rules and formulas to find answers. This topic is often found as a bit of a tricky and confusing one, however the students have worked incredibly hard so far to grasp the concepts.



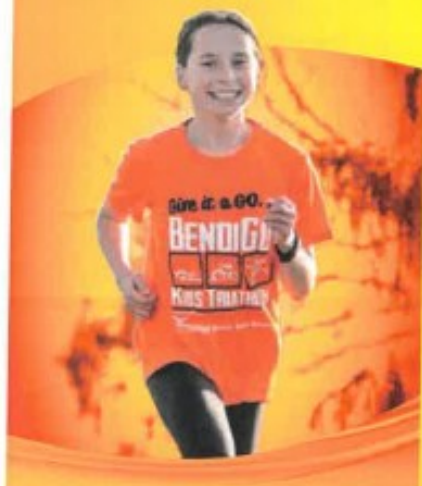
Give it a GO...

INVITATION TO SCHOOLS

BENDIGO



KIDS TRIATHLON



In2Adventure in partnership with the City of Greater Bendigo and Empowering Eaglehawk are extremely proud to announce the launch of the Bendigo Kids Triathlon set to be hosted in Eaglehawk on the 1st of December 2019.

This 'kids only' triathlon experience is a non-competitive, fun day out, aimed at encouraging our young champions of tomorrow to be active, have fun, and enjoy it all in the company of their best mates.

It will be a tremendous community event and is anticipated to attract over **1200 visitors**.

The Bendigo Kids Triathlon is all about community and as such is keen to offer local schools the opportunity to be a part of this inspiring event. Details are outlined below.

FAST FACTS

DATE

Sun 1 Dec 2019

LOCATION

Canterbury Park
Gardens, Napier St,
Eaglehawk, 3556

AGES & COURSES

7-9yrs | 25m Pool Swim
- 2k Bike - 500m Run

10-12yrs | 50m Pool
Swim - 4k Bike - 1k Run

13-15yrs | 75m Pool
Swim - 6k Bike - 1k Run

MORE INFO

endigokidstriathlon.com.au

OPPORTUNITY FOR PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

- ☀ A 10% entry discount for all students.
- ☀ 2 FREE entries for each school to giveaway.
- ☀ The opportunity to be eligible to win the perpetual 'Bendigo Kids School Trophy' awarded to the school with the most participants taking part and getting active.

SCHOOLS CONTRIBUTION

The event is seeking support from local schools to promote the event to students and parents and encourage as many young people as possible to be involved. This could include

- > Promotional posters displayed at the school,
- > Website promotion,
- > School newsletters, or
- > Any other opportunities available.

HOW CAN OUR SCHOOL PARTICIPATE?

Simply contact our schools liaison on the details below and we will register your school and send through an electronic schools promotional pack.

CONTACT | Robyn Lazenby

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PROUDLY PRESENTED BY

Please don't forget our launch that's on

THIS WEEK @ EPS

Everyone is invited

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE LAUNCH OF THE EPPALOCK PS ENDANGERED SPECIES SERIES

Through a biodiversity grant provided by Landcare Victoria, Eppalock Primary School students investigated endangered animals in our region.

Students developed messages to share their learning and educate our local community about looking after biodiversity. These messages encourage all of us to think about the choices we make every day.

This series of pictures and messages have been made into large outdoor posters and magnets which the children of Eppalock PS would like to share with you on this special day

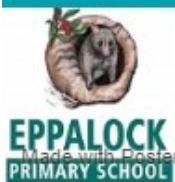


**JOIN US ON THURSDAY 14TH
NOVEMBER 2019**

2.30PM

149 PATONS RD AXE CREEK

RSVP to fehning.lydia.r@edumail.vic.gov.au by 4th Nov.



Castlemaine Rotary Club 31st



presents the

ADTRANS **USED TRUCKS** SHOW



BIGGER & BETTER than ever featuring

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see the lifeblood of our transport, trucks big & small, old & new!

Sunday Truck Parade (9.00 am) through town

**AutoPro Castlemaine's Hot Rod and
Chrome Bumper Show**

Truck Restorer Swap Meet

AFMXA Australian Freestyle Motocross Association

PLUS Country & Western bands, great food stalls, a public bar, Saturday night movie & entertainment for all ages and the Sunday Truck Parade through town!

**23-24
NOVEMBER
2019**

Entry Prices

Saturday	Sunday
Adults \$10	Adults \$15
Family \$35	Family \$50
(2 adults & 2 teenagers)	
Primary kids free	

**Campbells Creek Sports Ground
Fryers Rd**

more info: www.castlemainetruckshow.com